

School Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter

February 15, 2021

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2019-20 educational progress for the Willow Elementary School. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, accountability, and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Steven Lonzo, Principal of Willow Elementary School for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site, <u>Willow Combined Report</u>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2019-20 school year, schools were identified using definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that has at least one underperforming student subgroup. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that has a student subgroup performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state or has a graduation rate at or below 67%. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given.

* Note TSI and ATS definitions were changed for the 2018-19 school year per federal requirements. The new definitions are:

TSI – The school has at least one subgroup performing in the bottom 25% within each applicable accountability index component.

ATS – The school has met the criteria for TSI identification and has at least one subgroup performing at the same level as a CSI school.

Willow Elementary School has not been given one of these labels.

Test results indicate that many students struggle to reach bench mark goals in the area of Reading and Math. Willow continues to implement specific strategies and activities to include small group instruction for Reading and Math, increased instructional time in the core academic areas, scaffolding, systematic and explicit instruction, and research based practices, tiered systems of support for academics and behavior, use of supplemental services, and access to technology for all students. Willow has also planned job-embedded professional development and Professional Learning Communities that focus on the improving instructional practice in the identified challenging areas.

State law requires that we also report additional information:

- 1. PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL: Students are assigned to Willow Elementary School by parent's schools of choice request.
- 2. THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN: Willow's School Improvement Plan was approved by the staff and Michigan Department of Education and was submitted through AdvancED. Willow's School Improvement Plan goals, objectives, strategies and activities are measurable, will address achievement gaps and address professional development fiscal support through the Department of Accountability and School Improvement.
- 3. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL
- 4. IDENTIFY HOW TO ACCESS A COPY OF THE CORE CURRICULUM, A DESCRIPTION OF ITS IMPLEMENTATION, AND AN EXPLANATION OF THE VARIANCES FROM THE STATE'S MODEL: The core curriculum can be accessed at www.lansingschools.net. Curriculum

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 THE AGGREGATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS FOR ANY LOCAL COMPETENCY TESTS OR NATIONALLY NORMED ACHIEVEMENT TESTS: Math composite for 19/20 school year K Fall 4/41 9% Winter 20/47 42%

1st Fall 12/46 21% Winter 15/53 28%

2nd Fall 4/33 12% Winter 7/36 19%

3rd Fall 6/49 12% Winter 8/50 16%

Literacy Composite Scores/Winter 2020

Students scoring at or above grade level:

K - 0% (N=47 students) 1st - 0% (N=53 students) 2nd - 0% (N=36 students) 3rd - 0% (N=50 students)

- IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES: Willow's parent teacher conference rate for the fall of 2018 was 68% and the conference rate for the spring of 2019 is 88%.
- 7. FOR HIGH SCHOOLS, ONLY ALSO REPORT ON THE FOLLOWING:
 - a. THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF POSTSECONDARY ENROLLMENTS (DUAL ENROLLMENT)
 - b. THE NUMBER OF COLLEGE EQUIVALENT COURSES OFFERED (AP/IB)
 - c. THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN COLLEGE EQUIVALENT COURSES (AP/IB)
 - d. THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS RECEIVING A SCORE LEADING TO COLLEGE CREDIT>

We look forward to working with you and your child this school year. Your input is important and we invite you to be an active participant in our school culture.

Sincerely,

Steven L. Lonzo