



Lyons Elementary School

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Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2020-21 educational progress for the Lyons 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 Lyons' principal, Jaimi Nedziwe for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by using the following link:

[Annual Education Report](#)

You may review a copy in the main office at Lyons Elementary.

For the 2021-2022 school year, schools were identified using new 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 three or more underperforming student subgroups. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. **In Lyons' case, no label is given.**

The data in the AER indicates Lyons Elementary School is facing challenges unique to the Lansing School District. These challenges to academic achievement include high rates of student mobility and attendance issues. The Lyons' School Improvement Plan focuses on increasing student achievement in all areas with a focus on math and literacy. For example, Lyons has a Highly Qualified paraprofessionals devoted to supporting and strengthening the skills of low achieving students. In addition, teachers are involved in continuous professional development in math, literacy and student engagement. A Student Support Specialist also supports students who are facing attendance and socio-emotional challenges.

State law requires that we also report additional information:

Students that attend Lyons Elementary School include students in our attendance area as designated by the Lansing School District. Families may also choose Lyons Elementary School as their child's home school by following the "Schools of Choice" process managed through the Lansing School District.

In regard to our School Improvement Plan, we continuously work toward the development of academic skills across all core subject areas ultimately having 100% proficiency as our goal. In addition, we believe that part of our responsibility as educators is to support the development of a child's physical, social, mental and spiritual health to create a dynamic school culture of caring, invested and independent thinking students.

Through the School Improvement Process, we have implemented a more consistent, culturally responsive positive behavior intervention support system within our school, as well as established school wide behavior expectations and discipline referral protocol. Lyons Elementary School continues to focus on four school improvement goals. These goals include increasing student proficiency in reading, writing and math. We have also developed an intervention plan to strategically target early learning skills in English Language Arts. We continue to teach and reinforce basic math concepts required through the Common Core State Standards. Our School Improvement team is comprised of a variety of stakeholders, including the school administrator, teachers, parents and community members. Lyons Elementary School is devoted to making significant progress in each of its goals.

Lyons Elementary School is a small neighborhood school comprised of preschool through grade three. Lyons is located in south Lansing. Lyons currently has students of varying ethnic and socioeconomic backgrounds. Lyons employs 10 classroom teachers, a half-time resource room teacher, a paraprofessional and a student support specialist. Lyons strives to develop and maintain strong parent and community partnerships. Our Parent-Teacher Association continually offers a wealth of support and activities for our school community.

A copy of the core curriculum used at Lyons Elementary, in addition to the Common Core State Standards (CCSS), can be accessed through the Lansing School District web page at <http://www.lansingschools.net>, or Lyons Elementary School web page at <http://www.lansingschools.net/lyons>. The core curriculum and content standards are implemented with fidelity by the teaching staff at Lyons Elementary School through the use of best practices for teaching and learning.

Lyons Elementary School continues to strive for 100% parent participation at its fall and spring parent-teacher conferences. The 2016-2017 fall-spring parent-teacher conference attendance rate was 90% and the 2017-2018, 2019-2020, and 2020-2021 fall-spring conference rates were 88%.

Lyons Elementary School will continue to strive for excellence in every facet of its educational program. Through the efforts of its teaching staff, parents and community members, Lyons will strive to live out its mission of "Excellence for all Students".

Sincerely,

Jaimi Nedziwe
Principal, Lyons Elementary School