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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 2024-25 educational progress for Lyons Elementary. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about accountability, student assessment, and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Missy Arocha for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website: [Lyons Annual Education Report](#) or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2025-26 school year, schools were identified based on previous years' performance using definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that had at least one underperforming student group in 2024-25. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that had at least one student group performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state in 2021-22. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance was in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state, had a graduation rate at or below 67%, failed to exit CSI status in 2024-25, or failed to exit ATS status in 2021-22. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no status label is given.

Our school was identified for: Universal Support

Despite achievement growth, we remain below the state average for assessment proficiency. To improve this, Lyons has created a common intervention time utilizing a research based-intervention program to increase foundational literacy skills. Additionally, progress is monitored in both literacy and math through digital assignments and assessments. Data collected from this monitoring is utilized to develop Tier 1 and Tier 2 small group supports.

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 1.5 resource room teacher, 4 paraprofessionals 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 website](#). 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.

Here are our Aggregate Test Scores:

Winter NWEA Reading 24-25 Proficiency: 23%

Winter NWEA Math 24-25 Proficiency: 23%

For Fall 2024 Conferences, 64% of students had a parent or guardian in attendance.

With the initiatives mentioned above, I look forward to the expected growth towards meeting our academic goals.

Sincerely,

*Missy Arocha*

Principal, Lyons Elementary