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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 2022-23 educational progress for Lawrence 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 Principal Ken Mohney for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following <a href="https://www.mischooldata.org/annual-education-report-1/">https://www.mischooldata.org/annual-education-report-1/</a>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2023-24 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 subgroup in 2022-23. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that had a student subgroup performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state in 2022-23. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance was in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state or had a graduation rate at or below 67% in 2022-23. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given.

Our school has not been given one of these labels.

A continued challenge is to increase student proficiency in literacy and math. One of our goals is to consistently monitor student achievement and progress by holding grade-level meetings every three weeks with key staff members in order to identify areas of strength and weaknesses. In response, we have implemented a Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) to best meet student individual needs. The use of explicit instructional routines, a common W.I.N. Time ("What I Need" Time) for small group instruction, and the implementation of the Daily 5/CAFE framework have been our focus areas for improved literacy instruction.

State law requires that we also report additional information:

# **Process for Assigning Pupils to the School**

All students in Kindergarten through 6th grade are eligible to enter and attend Lawrence Elementary School if they reside in the Lawrence Public Schools district. Lawrence Public Schools does participate in the Schools of Choice program. Families who choose to participate in this program will need to transport their student(s) directly to our school on a consistent basis.

### **School Improvement Plan**

Lawrence Elementary School continuously strives to improve the quality of instruction, school climate, and student outcomes. Our school improvement goals are as follows:

- 1. All students will be proficient in English Language Arts.
- 2. All students will be proficient in Mathematics.
- 3. All students will be proficient in Science.
- 4. All students will be proficient in Social Studies.

Yearly review of these goals (and the objectives, strategies, and activities that support each goal), as well as analyzing our progress towards achieving these goals, ensures that we are best meeting the learning needs of our students while providing a positive learning environment that supports improvement and rigor.

# A Brief Description of Each Specialized School

The only two schools within Lawrence Public Schools are Lawrence Elementary School, serving grades K-6, and Lawrence Jr./Sr. High School, serving students in grades 7-12. We do not have any specialized schools in our district.

#### **Core Curriculum**

A copy of Lawrence Elementary School's Core Curriculum and Essential Standards is available in our school's main office and on our Lawrence Elementary School's website. Instruction at Lawrence Elementary is aligned with the Core Content Standards in Mathematics, Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies. Our curriculum is implemented daily through the use of research-based materials and effective, high-quality instruction. Instruction is monitored and feedback is given regularly through grade level meetings every three weeks, and through administrative classroom walkthroughs and observations.

- Link to Michigan K-12 Standards for English Language Arts: <a href="http://www.corestandards.org/assets/CCSSI">http://www.corestandards.org/assets/CCSSI</a> ELA%20Standards.pdf
- Link to Michigan K-12 Standards for Mathematics: <a href="http://www.corestandards.org/assets/CCSSI">http://www.corestandards.org/assets/CCSSI</a> Math%20Standards.pdf
- Link to Michigan K-12 Standards for Science:
   https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/K-12 Science Performance Expectations v5 496901 7.pdf
- Link to Michigan K-12 Standards for Social Studies:
   <a href="http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,1607,7-140-22709">http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,1607,7-140-22709</a> 28463-196282--,00.html

Other programs offered to enhance our student learning experiences include:

- Academic Field trips and Assemblies
- PTO Community Nights
- Family Literacy Nights
- After School Tutoring Program
- Volunteer Mentoring Services
- Summer Reading Program
- Athletics and Performing Arts

# **Aggregate Student Achievement Results**

Lawrence Elementary School's student achievement results can be found on the District page of the Lawrence Public Schools website: <a href="https://www.lawrencetigers.org">www.lawrencetigers.org</a>

#### **Representation at Parent-Teacher Conferences**

Attendance at our parent-teacher conferences for the past two years is as follows:

94% of parents (213/226) attended fall conferences in 2023 93% of parents (190/204) spring conferences in 2023 99% of parents (203/205) attended fall conferences in 2022. 95% of parents (192/202) attended spring conferences in 2022.

We are proud of the accomplishments of our students and staff at Lawrence Elementary School as we strive to empower, inspire, and challenge students to champion a lifetime of education and excellence!

Sincerely,

Ken Mohney, Principal Lawrence Elementary School