

School Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter

February 14, 2025

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 Lakewood 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 me for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website **LINK**, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2024-25 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 2023-24. 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 2023-24. 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 2023-24. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given.

Our school was identified as a "HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN ONE OF THESE LABELS".

One of the key challenges is the level of proficiency in Math on the state standardized test. Staff members are collaborating, reviewing data and adjusting instructional strategies. This collaboration is being done through our grade level PLC's supported by our MTSS coordinator and building principal.

• <u>PBIS</u>: Staff will continue to implement strategies to promote a more positive classroom environment. For techniques to decrease undesired behavior, they should include feasibility, desirability, and effectiveness. Strategies are needed that teachers and parents are able and willing to use and that affect the child's ability to participate in community and school activities.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

- 1. Online registration process is available to all parents on the school website as well as hard copies available at each building.
- 2. We are in year 4 of our current MICIP plan.
- 3. In an effort to provide the best educational setting for all of our students, some Lakewood Elementary School students receive their daily instruction at center-based programs through Ionia ISD.
- 4. Access to the core curriculum standards can be accessed through the following link: lakewoodps.org or <u>www.michigan.gov/mde/commoncorestandards</u>. in order to support the implementation of core curriculum standards. Lakewood Elementary School staff evaluate essential standards that align with the common core curriculum. Common core standards are taught through our enacted and viable curriculum.
- 5. Our local Lakewood Elementary Data indicates that there is positive growth among all student groups. Some examples of local data include but not limited to, NWEA, AimsWeb and M-STEP
- 6. Per parent sign in sheets, over 96 percent of LES parents attended 2024 Parent-Teacher Conferences this Fall.

We continue to be very proud of the level of performance that our students display on state standardized tests. We will strive as a staff to continuously evaluate and look for areas to improve using this data.

Sincerely,

Keith Carpenter Lakewood Elementary Principal