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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 2023-2024 educational progress for Lakewood Middle 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 clicking [here](#) 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 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 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 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 has not been given one of these labels.

Lakewood Middle School staff continue to address achievement gaps through the use of our Professional Learning Communities (PLCSs). Our PLCs help to identify and remedy gaps in learning and achievement, through analyzing data and working to align curriculum. Our PLCs help to target all students and use both Tier I and Tier II instruction, with the utilization of IXL within all Math and English Language Arts classes. Our staff has worked to build relationships with students, and the additional hire of a school counselor has provided extra support for the social emotional health of our students at LMS.

State law requires that we also report additional information:

1. All students take four core classes: English Language Arts, math, science and social studies. Students are given the opportunity to choose up to two elective courses based on interest, although not all student requests can be honored due to class size.



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2. This 3-5 year school improvement plan focuses on goals in the areas of reading, writing, math and SEL. The LPS improvement plan can be found on the district website at www.lakewoodps.org.
3. Lakewood Middle School does not have a specialized school or program housed within the building.
4. Parents can access the core curriculum standards by visiting lakewoodps.org or <https://www.michigan.gov/mde/services/academic-standards>. In order to support the implementation of core curriculum LMS staff participated in professional development tiered towards classroom assessments.
5. LMS M-STEP scores demonstrate both areas that students reached proficiency on and areas that students need to continue to work on in order to meet these benchmarks. PSAT 8 scores in math show that 73% of students met or exceeded benchmark, while the PSAT 8 scores in ELA only 29% have met. This shows that we need to implement further interventions within our math curriculum.
6. There was a 64% participation rate during Fall 2024 Parent-Teacher Conferences.

Lakewood Middle School continues to provide a commitment to educational excellence. We are proud to be recognized as one of the top-performing middle schools in the county and are encouraged by the growth in the academic achievement of our students. We thank our parents for their continued support and our staff for their dedication to teaching and learning.

Sincerely,

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