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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 2021-22 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 visiting the following website <https://www.mischooldata.org/annual-education-report-1/>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2021-22 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 2021-22. 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 2021-22. 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 2021-22. 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 identifying essential standards and aligning curriculum as part of our Professional Learning Communities (PLCs). PLCs are targeting all students through Tier I instruction and Tier II through our after school homework help program and individual skills plans via IXL. Our staff is also focused on building relationships with students and working to ensure all students feel connected to at least one adult at LMS.



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State law requires that we also report additional information:

1. All students take the four core classes: English Language Arts, math, science, and social studies. Students are given an opportunity to choose up to two elective courses based on interest, although not all students' requests can be honored due to class sizes.
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](http://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](http://lakewoodps.org) or <https://www.michigan.gov/mde/services/academic-standards>. In order to support the implementation of core curriculum standards, LMS staff participate in PLCs to review 5-8 curriculum and assessments.
5. LMS M-STEP and PSAT 8 scores were above state averages in all areas with the exception of 6th grade ELA and 5th grade math. LMS students scored at the top or near the top as compared to other districts in Ionia County.
6. There was a 38% participation rate during Fall 2022 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,

Lauren Christensen  
Lakewood Middle School Principal