



2016-2017 Annual Report

Schroeder Elementary School

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2015-2016 educational progress for Schroeder Elementary School. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by Federal and some requirements of 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 Canfield for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the Schroeder School website, <http://schroeder.troy.k12.mi.us/> under *About Us*, or reviewing a copy in the main office at your child's school.

Schroeder Elementary School has achieved Reward School and has been ranked in the 99th percentile in the state by the Michigan Department of Education. Schroeder has also been recognized as a school that is "High Achieving" and "Beating the Odds." This year, the school has been recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School by the National Department of Education. While we are proud of our school and continually look for ways to improve learning for all students. The Schroeder Elementary School staff has implemented initiatives to improve the instructional program and environment in the school. The staff has spent numerous hours in professional development to incorporate Visible Thinking in the classrooms. That work has continued as classrooms become Cultures of Thinking. We challenge student thinking and help students to become critical thinkers, collaborators and problem solvers. Other professional development time has been spent working with teachers to improve reading assessment and reading instruction. More specifically, strides have been made to work with students in small groups and tailor instruction to students' individual reading levels and challenge individual students appropriately. This year, we have spent many hours in professional development implementing Level Literacy Intervention Kits to support students in the classroom. Some of our most recent work has been done in Professional Learning Communities. This collaboration time for teachers creates a structure to work as team members and strategically utilize the expertise of our staff to positively impact all classrooms in the school. The Troy School District is in the first year of implementation of the Lucy Calkins writing program. The staff has worked collaboratively to ensure the highest quality of writing instruction in the classroom. Writing professional development has been implemented at a district and building level. Lastly, the recent implementation of Dragon Dens has helped build the school community while improving the school wide character education program. These initiatives help support our work in accelerating student learning and closing the achievement gaps in the school.

State law requires that we also report additional information. There are currently 536 students enrolled at Schroeder Elementary School. Students are assigned to Schroeder Elementary School, as well as every other school in the Troy School District, by grade level according to the district attendance boundaries. Students residing in the district may request open enrollment in a school other than the one to which they are assigned during the open enrollment period. However, Schroeder Elementary is closed to students who reside outside of the Schroeder attendance area. Open enrollment to other TSD schools is approved on the basis of staffing and capacity in the building.

Schroeder, along with the rest of the elementary schools in the Troy School District, follows the common core curriculum, an overview of which and description of its implementation can be found at the following link:

http://www.troy.k12.mi.us/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=358138&type=d&pREC_ID=774499

Below are the percentages of Schroeder students achieving proficiency on the state standardized assessments in all subject areas over the past three years.

Grade 3						
ELA			Math			
	13-14	14-15	15-16	13-14	14-15	15-16
Schroeder	85%	93%	87%	66%	84%	92%

Grade 4									
ELA			Math			Science			
	13-14	14-15	15-16	13-14	14-15	15-16	13-14	14-15	15-16
Schroeder	95%	89%	89%	86%	81%	79%	N/A	19%	39%

Grade 5									
ELA			Math			Social Studies			
	13-14	14-15	15-16	13-14	14-15	15-16	13-14	14-15	15-16
Schroeder	95%	94%	89%	95%	88%	76%	N/A	83%	68%

Each year, our school improvement leadership team works with the staff to outline improvement goals and monitor our progress on those goals. We have recently created multi-year goals in literacy, math problem solving and science. These goals include strategies and assessments for teachers to implement in classrooms. Schroeder conducts a school improvement review by hosting a visiting team to reflect on our school improvement process and provide feedback for improvement.

We have much to be proud of at Schroeder Elementary School, where we are recognized nationwide for excellence in academics and fine arts education. Our students regularly demonstrate success in local competitions and prestigious national contests in math, science, language arts, music, and other enrichment programs. The rigorous curriculum that Schroeder provides, along with our elite professional staff, means that every Schroeder student has the

opportunity to excel. As part of our mission of ongoing review and improvement, we will continue to work to ensure that any gaps in student achievement are eliminated. Our parent community shows continuous support. Some examples of this support are demonstrated by the work of our PTO, the Jogathon fundraiser, school volunteers and the 99% attendance rate at Parent Teacher Conferences. We are very proud of our students' achievements and believe that the support and involvement of our Schroeder Elementary School families is critical to our success.

Thank you to all those who make Schroeder such a wonderful place to live and learn. If I can be of assistance to you, please contact me at bcanfield@troy.k12.mi.us or (248)823-3600.

Sincerely,
Mr. Brian Canfield
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Schroeder Elementary School