

Swartz Creek Community Schools

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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 2016-17 educational progress for the Swartz Creek Middle School 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 Kevin Klaeren, Principal for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site **<http://bit.ly/2mJfJpa>**, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2016-17 school year, schools were identified using new definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that has at least one underperforming student subgroup. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that has three or more underperforming student subgroups. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. 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.

To further improve the school learning environment, staff pursued strategies to strengthen the school climate such as teaching school-wide behavioral expectations and acknowledgement systems.

State law requires that we also report additional information:

1. Student building assignment is based on residency or by participating in the School of Choice process for this year and previous years.
2. Our SIP (School Improvement Plan) has annual reviews each year and revisions by each school and also by the district, which are implemented as soon as possible.
3. Swartz Creek Community Schools does not have any specialized schools.
4. The Swartz Creek School District follows the Michigan Merit Curriculum using High School and Grade Level Content Expectations to guide classroom instruction. Michigan recently adopted the National Common Core State Standards which Swartz Creek Schools is in the process of adopting as well. Core Standards can be found at:
http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,1607,7-140-6530_30334_51042-232021--,00.html
5. Locally administered assessment data can be viewed on our dashboard under the ACHIEVEMENT section that is posted on our website or by following this link:
<http://www.swartzcreek.org/Dashboard/Achievement.aspx>
6. PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES:

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Grade	#/% of Students Fall 2016-2017	#/% of Students Fall 2015-2016
6th	176 / 56%	177/60%
7th	137 / 47%	95/31%
8th	122 / 39%	96/32%

Our staff looks forward to continuing to grow professionally and learn alongside our students as they gain the needed skills and confidence for success in high school and beyond!

Sincerely,

Kevin Klaeren, Principal