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## Deerfield Elementary

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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 2019-20 educational progress for the Deerfield Elementary. The Annual Education Report (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 Mrs. Julie Bedford, Principal, for assistance.

For the 2019-20 school year, schools were identified using 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 subgroups. 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".

In April, 2018 the Michigan Department of Education released a new, *Parent Dashboard for School Transparency*. The Dashboard is meant to be a "living" tool to show parents accurate and objective data about all schools in the state. You can view our school's Dashboard at: <http://bit.ly/2W7Iknr>

Despite being proud of our many achievements, Deerfield Elementary continues to closely monitor the progress for each student, and we are concerned for any achievement gaps that exist in our school. For example, we have gaps between our students who have disabilities versus those who do not. This would also be true for our students who are learning to speak English and need specialized support. Ultimately, each teacher works to differentiate instruction to meet the individual needs for each student.

The 2018-19 M-Step scores for Deerfield Elementary far exceeded the state averages in all tested areas, as well as, surpassed Oakland County test score averages. Deerfield Elementary fourth grade M-Step scores for all tested students are as follows: Math 82% proficient (state 42%), and ELA 78% proficient (state 46%). Deerfield Elementary third grade M-Step scores for all tested students are as follows: Math 81% proficient (state 47%) and ELA 69% proficient (state 45%).

State law requires that we also report additional information:

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### Process for Student Assignments

Novi Community School district has five elementary K-4 buildings. Students are assigned to each building based on their geographic location.

### School Improvement Plan

Deerfield is accredited by the North Central Association and is continuing to maintain and enhance our five year School Improvement Plan. Deerfield is in year 1 of our 5 year School Improvement Plan.

### School Description

Deerfield Elementary currently has a growing population and to date has about 480 students in grades K-4. Approximately 42% of those students are white, 51% of those students are Asian or more than one ethnicity and 4% are black or Hispanic. Only about 1% receive free and reduced lunch, 27% receive direct English Language instruction and 3% receive special education services.

### Core Curriculum

The Novi Community Schools continues to align existing curriculum with common core state standards as well as structure common assessments which are aligned with state and national standards. The use of Atlas Rubicon Curriculum Maps system provides a common structure and easily accessible warehouse for intended curriculum as well as actual curriculum presented. You can access the Atlas site at: <https://www.novi.k12.mi.us/academics/atlascurriculum-information>

### Nationally Normed Achievement Testing

Each fall and spring, Novi students in grades K-10 take the nationally-normed Northwest Education Association (NWEA) tests in reading and math. NWEA tests are unique in that they adapt to be appropriate for the child's level of learning. As a result, each student has the same opportunity to succeed and maintain a positive attitude toward testing. Deerfield Elementary staff uses the results to better improve our curriculum, instruction, and assessment procedures to help all students be successful. Deerfield students **consistently** achieve higher than the national average.

### Deerfield Elementary Spring NWEA Scores

Grade	Mean Score Reading Spring 2018	Mean Score Reading Spring 2019	National Mean Score, Reading Spring 2019	Mean Score Math Spring 2018	Mean Score Math Spring 2019	National Mean Score Math Spring 2019
KDG.	168	167	158	170	169	159
First	184	188	178	194	196	181
Second	197	201	192	202	195	189
Third	207	210	203	214	204	199
Fourth	210	213	206	222	227	214

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### Parent/Teacher Conferences

2017-18 Fall Conferences	20117-18 Spring Conferences	2018 - 19 Fall Conferences	2018-19 Spring Conferences
99%	96%	100%	98%

The Deerfield staff is committed to creating and maintaining an educational environment that supports academic achievement, upholding district, state and national standards to meet all students' learning needs. We believe that the Deerfield families are an integral part of the education process. It is our goal to continuously improve our performance and meet the educational needs of our young learners.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Julie Bedford, EdS.

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