School Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter

March 3, 2016

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 Marshall Middle School. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact MS Principal, David Turner for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site http://www.marshall.k12.mi.us/marshallmiddleschool_home.aspx or you may review a copy from the principal's office at your child's school.

For 2015-2016, Marshall Middle School made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP). While we are pleased to have reached this important goal, we are continuously working to improve. We appreciate the continued support of parents, staff and our community in this effort.

State law requires that we also report additional information

1. Marshall Middle School participates in "Schools of Choice" and welcomes students who accurately complete the process. Students are assigned based on their knowledge, age and previous school year completion.
2. We are continuing to work on our school improvement plan. We have student achievement goals in writing and math and a behavior goal in regards to school climate. We gathered baseline data last year and created challenging, yet appropriate goals for this school year. We will continue to evaluate our assessment and instruction methods in order to see increases in student scores.
3. We do not have a specialized school.
4. You may contact the principal's office, or you may contact Saundra Hainline, Curriculum Director for Marshall Public Schools.
5. You may see the results for the MEAP for MMS by accessing the AER report on the MS website.
6. We hold two conferences for parents; one in the fall and one in the spring. We have averaged around 80% attendance over the past three years.

The students and staff of MMS worked diligently to increase student achievement, and we are committed to doing so throughout this school year and beyond. We appreciate the support of the community as we continue to refine our craft and prepare students to be productive members of society.

Sincerely,

David Turner
Principal
Marshall Middle School