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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 2022-23 educational progress for Gaylord 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 Joe Somerville for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website https://www.mischooldata.org/annual-education-report-1?Common_Locations=1-S,7569,1163,72 ,or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2023-24 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 2022-23. 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 was not given a label.

Although Gaylord Middle School continues to outperform the state in ELA and math there is still a need to improve. Specifically, Gaylord Middle School is offering high dosage tutoring daily to help close the learning gaps. Currently we are making plans to offer additional tutoring before and after school. In addition, during seminar class which is 35 minutes students work two days a week on an individualized reading program. This program meets the students where they are at based on the current NWEA testing. 2 days a week are spent on math in seminar as well.

Gaylord Middle School provides a six-period day. Students are randomly assigned to their core classes and are given the opportunity to select two electives. Gaylord Middle School offers comprehensive and challenging curriculum which includes advanced placement mathematics and high school credit opportunities in Earth Science, Algebra, and Spanish. We are proud to offer a wide range of extracurricular activities including numerous clubs.

Gaylord Middle School hosted a VIP night for parents in September. 62% of our parents attended the VIP night while 52% of our parents attended fall conferences.

As a school, we engage in monthly professional development which intentionally examines our teaching and assessing of students. In addition, Gaylord Middle School collaborates with our District School Improvement Team on our Michigan Continuous Improvement Plan. We realize there is always room for improvement. By making connections, building relationships with parents and continuing to improve our teaching we can accomplish our mission which is to provide a quality education that inspires students to achieve their potential and become productive citizens.

Sincerely,



Joe Somerville

Principal

Gaylord Middle School