

## **District Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter**

May 2018

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 Brighton Area Schools. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and some requirements of state laws. Our staff is available to help you understand this information. Please contact Dr. Laura Surrey, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction at 810-299-4010 for help if you need assistance.

The DISTRICT AER is available for you to review electronically by clicking on the following link <u>BAS Annual Education Report</u> that will take you to the Combined Report on MISchoolData.org. You may also review a copy in the main office at your child's school. Each school will also be communicating their own AER to parents directly.

These reports contain the following information:

**Student Assessment Data** – Includes the following three assessments: M-STEP (Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress), MI-Access (Alternate Assessment), and College Board SAT. Presents assessment information for English language arts and mathematics for grades 3 to 8 and 11, and science for grades 4, 7, and 11, compared to state averages for all students as well as subgroups of students. The report helps users to understand achievement performance within grades and schools, and to make comparisons to district, state, and national achievement benchmarks.

## Accountability – Detail Data and Status

The accountability portion of the AER includes assessment proficiency and participation rates, graduation or attendance rates, as well as accountability index values showing school performance on a 0-100 scale.

## **Teacher Qualification Data**

- Identifies teacher qualifications at district and school levels
- Reports percentage of core academic classes taught by teachers not considered highly qualified to teach such classes

## NAEP Data (National Assessment of Educational Progress)

• Provides state results of the national assessment in mathematics and reading every other year in grades 4 and 8

Brighton Area Schools continues to be proud of our academic and program success. We invite you to learn more about what makes Brighton Area Schools one of the top districts in Michigan.

Sincerely,

Dr. Greg Gray, Superintendent