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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 2023-24 educational progress for the Williamston Middle School (WMS). 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 Deb LaFleur, Principal for assistance.

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

For the 2024-25 school year, schools were identified based on the 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 has at least one underperforming student subgroup in 2023-24. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that has 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 is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state or has 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. I am pleased to report that Williamston Middle School was identified as "HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN ONE OF THESE LABELS" school.

For the 2023-2024 school year, WMS continued to focus on quality instruction and offered Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) to meet the needs of all learners. Through intentional instructional design and focusing on learners' needs, we were able to demonstrate academic growth and achievement through local, state, and national assessments. The collaboration between staff, students, families, and the community has proven to support students and their growth.

State law requires that we also report additional information:

1. Williamston Middle School enrolls or assigns students who live in the district and also offers open enrollment for students who live outside of Williamston Community Schools.
2. WMS is a public school that serves students in grades 6-8.
3. The School Improvement Plan follows a three-year cycle and details of the plan can be found at www.gowcs.net.
4. The core curriculum at WMS has adopted content standards and learning targets that align with State of Michigan Standards. Academic information can be found at www.gowcs.net.
5. The aggregate student achievement results for any local competency tests or nationally normed achievement tests can be found at <https://bit.ly/2WmGYHS>.
6. The percentage of students represented by parents at parent-teacher conferences:

Fall 2024

6th grade = 61%, 7th grade = 54%, 8th grade = 39%

Spring 2024

6th grade = 40%, 7th grade = 32%, 8th grade = 32%

Fall 2023

6th grade = 57%, 7th grade = 48%, 8th grade = 45%

As evidenced in the report, Williamston Middle School staff, students, families, and community members remain committed to the individual growth, success, and well-being of students. Collectively we strive to obtain Williamston Community Schools' mission that all learners are college and career ready so that upon graduation they may pursue their goals as knowledgeable and productive citizens in a rapidly evolving society.

Sincerely,



Deb LaFleur