



# SAULT STE. MARIE AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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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 Sault Area Public Schools and our 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 Amy Scott-Kronemeyer, Superintendent Sault Area Public Schools for help if you need assistance.

The DISTRICT AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website, <https://mischooldata.org/annual-education-report-1/> or you may 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 MI-Access science for grades 4, 7, and 11, compared to state averages for all students as well as subgroups of students.

## **School Accountability Data**

- Includes information on schools' performance on various measures such as student proficiency and growth on state assessments, graduation, and attendance rates. Performance is measured on 0-100 index scales
- Reports schools identified under three federally required categories for further support: Comprehensive Support and Improvement, Targeted Support and Improvement, and Additional Targeted Support

## **Educator Qualification Data**

- Identifies the number and percentage of inexperienced teachers, principals, and other school leaders
- Reports teachers who are teaching with emergency or provisional credentials
- Includes teachers who are not teaching in the subject or field for which they are certified

**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

Review the table below listing our schools. For the 2024-25 school year, schools were identified based on previous years’ performance using definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. Sault Area Public Schools did not have any schools for improvement.

School Name	Status Label	Key Initiative to Accelerate Achievement
Washington Elementary		Literacy and SEL
Lincoln Elementary School		Literacy and SEL
Sault Area Middle School		Literacy, Attendance, and School Culture
Sault Area High School & Career Center		College and Career readiness, Literacy, Graduation, Post High School Opportunities
Malcolm High School		Literacy, Graduation, Attendance

In addition to the listed initiative above, at Sault Area Public Schools we are dedicated to maintaining a safe, secure, and orderly environment for all students, employees, visitors, and stakeholders. Our commitment is rooted in the belief that a safe school and workplace fosters productivity, well-being, and mutual respect.

We pledge to:

1. **Adhere to Safety Regulations:** Comply with all local, state, and federal safety regulations and standards.
2. **Promote Safety Awareness:** Conduct regular training and awareness programs to ensure everyone understands and follows safety protocols.

3. **Maintain Cleanliness and Order:** Ensure all workspaces are clean, organized, and free of hazards.
4. **Encourage Reporting:** Foster an environment where safety concerns can be reported without fear of retaliation.
5. **Continuous Improvement:** Regularly review and improve our safety policies and procedures.

### **Emergency Preparedness Plan**

To ensure the safety and well-being of everyone in the event of an emergency, Sault Area Public schools has established a comprehensive Emergency Preparedness Plan with local officials. This plan includes:

1. **Emergency Response Team:** A designated team trained to handle emergencies and coordinate evacuation procedures.
2. **Evacuation Routes and Assembly Points:** Clearly marked evacuation routes and designated assembly points for all buildings.
3. **Emergency Drills:** Regularly scheduled drills to practice evacuation and emergency response procedures.
4. **Communication Plan:** A system for promptly communicating emergency information to all employees and stakeholders.
5. **First Aid and Medical Assistance:** Availability of first aid kits and trained personnel to provide immediate medical assistance.
6. **Review and Update:** Regular review and updates of the emergency preparedness plan to address new risks and improve response strategies.

By adhering to these commitments and plans, we aim to create a safe and orderly environment where everyone can thrive.

Sincerely,

  
Abby Scott-Kronmeyer