

Jackson Public Schools Sharp Park Academy

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School Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter

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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 Sharp Park Academy. 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 Jasper Lusby, School Principal for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website https://www.jpsk12.org/board-of-ed/annual-education-reports 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 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 2023-24. 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, had a graduation rate at or below 67%, or failed to exit ATS status in 2021-22. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given.

Our school has not been given one of these labels.

Staff at Sharp Park Academy work diligently each day to provide high quality standards aligned classroom instruction, assess students to ensure they are progressing towards mastery of those standards, progress monitor

instruction and provide intervention and enrichment that is prescriptive and targeted to student needs.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

- 1. Sharp Park Academy is a neighborhood school that accepts both in district and out of district school of choice.
- 2. Sharp Park Academy continues to work towards increasing the number of students who demonstrate proficiency in Math and ELA as measured by the MSTEP by 1.5% each year. This goal was not attained in 2024.
- 3. Sharp Park Academy hosts an English Language Acquisition program to support students whose primary language is not English. Sharp Park Academy serves students whose first language is Chinese, Japanese, Spanish, French and Urdu. We employ a TOSOL teacher full time and a Japanese speaking paraprofessional to support English Language Acquisition services at Sharp Park Academy. In addition, Sharp Park Academy supports a full inclusion ECDD (Early Childhood developmental Delay) program fully integrated in our young fives, kindergarten, and first grade classrooms.
- 4. Core curriculum information is available to all parents and families and is provided by the district at this link:

 https://www.jpsk12.org/families/curriculum-grades-k-5 Instructional resources include a 2023-2024 adoption of Open Court Reading, published by Mcgraw-Hill, and iReady published by Curriculum Associates for math that was newly adopted in in 2024-2025. Sharp Park Academy currently utilizes Engage NY as a supplemental resource for both English Language Arts and Mathematics instruction.
- 5. During the 2022-2023 school year, 63% of students in third through fifth grade were proficient or advanced on the Mstep in reading, and 67% were proficient or advanced on the Mstep in math. Spring 2024 MSTEP data showed 57% of students are proficient in ELA and 56% are proficient in math. During the 2022-2023 school year 70% of

students were proficient on NWEA in math and 70% of students were proficient on NWEA in ELA during the spring administration. During the 2023-24 school year, 70% of all students were proficient or working towards proficiency in ELA and 77% were proficient or working towards proficiency in math as measured by the NWEA assessment.

6. During fall 2023 parent teacher conferences, 97% of students were represented by parents during parent teacher conferences. During the fall of 2024, 98% of students were represented by parents during parent teacher conferences.

Sharp Park Academy remains committed to the success of every child, and we work diligently each day to not only close achievement gaps but opportunity gaps as well.

Sincerely,

Jasper Lusby Principal

