Pierce Elementary School

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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 2024-25 educational progress forPierce Elementary School. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about accountability, student assessment, and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Kate Trudel at ktrudel@birmingham.k12.mi.us for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website: https://bit.ly/3Y4J0w3, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2025-26 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 group in 2024-25. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that had at least one student group 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%, failed to exit CSI status in 2024-25, or failed to exit ATS status in 2021-22. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no status label is given.

Our school was identified for: HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN ONE OF THESE LABELS.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

1. Birmingham Public Schools is a closed district, which means that families must live within the district to be placed at a neighborhood school. Tuition-based programs are available for out-of-district families interested in attending our district. Pierce has several students who choose to attend based on open enrollment. In addition, Pierce is a center-based program for our district wide ESL program. Pierce accepts students across the district who have a limited knowledge of the English language.

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2. Pierce continues to strive for improvement. Our School Improvement Plan consists of three primary goals. The staff is focused on providing excellent learning opportunities, which challenge and inspire all students. During the 2024-2025 school year our school improvement plan consisted of goals in the area of English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Wellness. Plans were made to align the support provided by the classroom teachers and support staff.
3. BPS offers specialized schools to students within the district.
    a. Birmingham Covington School is a 3-8 district-wide school of choice open to BPS students with a special emphasis on science and technology. Interested students may register to enroll. If there aren't enough spaces available, a lottery is held to select students for the upcoming school year.
    b. Lincoln Street Alternative High School seeks to develop the unique talents of their students by providing them the opportunity to acquire the skills, knowledge, and attitude necessary to live successfully in a changing world. LSAHS provides a flexible learning environment in a family atmosphere that encourages student decision-making, critical thinking, understanding of and appreciation for individual and cultural differences, and good citizenship in our democratic society.
    c. BPS partners with the International Academy to offer the International Baccalaureate program to high school students. Currently, the district holds 80 seats for interested students accepted into the program.
    d. Oakland Schools Technical Campus Southeast is an extension of the high school program and provides nine educational clusters that are developed around broad occupational areas containing many different, but related, career-training options for students.
4. BPS adheres to the academic standards and Michigan Merit Curriculum from the State of Michigan. Information on these can be found at https://www.michigan.gov/mde/services/academic-standards. In addition, our district continues to work to align fully our K12 curriculum with state and national standards. As work progresses in these efforts, information will be made available to parents on our district website under the Teaching and Learning Department page.
5. The aggregate student achievement results for any local competency tests or nationally normed achievement tests:

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% of Students K-5 Proficient on the iReady End of Year Assessment			
Subject	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
English Language Arts	86%	85%	88%
Mathematics	81%	78%	85%

Pierce is excited about where we have come from and where we are headed. We are proud of the efforts of our teaching staff and our Panthers. They have done the hard work to be successful, and it has shown that it will continue down that path.

Sincerely,

Kate Trudel, Principal