

Douglas Road 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 2014-15 educational progress for Douglas Road Elementary School. 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 Mrs. Carol Perz for assistance at carol.perz@mybedford.us or 734-850-6701.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site: <https://goo.gl/d6Bqiy> or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

Douglas Road Elementary is committed to meeting the academic, social, and emotional needs of our students. Continuous academic growth is strived for on a daily basis. Our fourth and fifth grade students are 1:1 Chromebook grade levels and are using technology to enhance instruction in our classes. Third grade students and staff are preparing for a 1:1 technology expansion next year. Bedford Public Schools has adopted a new English Language Arts Program and we will be studying the impact of the program as it relates to students growth and achievement. Bedford Public Schools has been spending significant professional development time aligning our curriculum both horizontally and vertically utilizing the Atlas Curriculum Mapping program. In addition, parents, staff, and community volunteers worked together this year to build a nationally recognized award winning inclusive playground.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL

Bedford Public schools has three elementary schools. Students are assigned according to geographic locations. Consideration is given to transfer requests within the district based on school preference and availability. Students seeking Schools-of-Choice within Monroe County may enroll according to the guidelines. Further information on out-of-district school-of-choice enrollment at BPS/DRE may be found at MI School Data (www.mischooldata.org).

THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Bedford Public Schools has embarked on a mission to offer our students, staff and families the highest levels of learning possible. We have again partnered with AdvancED to gain district-wide certification status through this comprehensive organization and are very proud of our efforts. This district-wide accreditation will last until the end of the 2019-2020 school year. With this task in mind, there were four Improvement Priorities identified that we know are now our focus over the next three to five years. They are curriculum, data, assessment, and planning. We have been and continue to be hard at work to address these as they now have been embedded within our District Strategic Plan and our District School Improvement Plan. For a comprehensive look into these please feel free to contact Edward Manuszak, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction and Student Services (edward.manuszak@mybedford.us or 734-850-6025).

A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL

There are no specialized schools at the elementary levels.

IDENTIFY HOW TO ACCESS A COPY OF THE CORE CURRICULUM

Copies of the core curriculum are available through the principal's office and at the Michigan Department of Education website:

http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-28753_64839_65510---,00.html

AGGREGATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS FOR ANY LOCAL COMPETENCY TESTS OR NATIONALLY NORMED ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

Douglas Road Elementary uses a variety of ways to measure and report on student progress and achievement. Developmental progress is recorded through samples of student work, teacher observations, Michigan Literacy Progress Profile (MLPP), Early Learning Success Inventories (ELSI), District Common Math Assessments and ELA Assessments, and the MSTEP. Detailed MSTEP information is provided at www.mischooldata.org.

IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Douglas Road Elementary School is a safe, orderly, effective, and exciting environment, due in large part to the involvement of our parents and stakeholders. Parents and staff communicate regularly through our Home Access Center, email, websites, and telephone. DRE had approximately 98% of our families represented at our Fall 2015 conferences and Open House and 97% represented at our Fall 2014 Conferences.

We are proud of the professional team of highly trained and accomplished individuals who provide instruction and contribute to the achievement of our students. We are looking forward to additional growth in student accomplishments in this school year and in the future.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Carol Perz
Principal