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January 9th, 2017

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2016-17 educational progress for the Kingston Community School District 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 Superintendent, Matthew Drake or Kingston Elementary Principal Justin Diegel for help if you need assistance.

The District AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site www.kingstonk12.org or you may review a copy in the principal's office at your child's school. Each school will also be communicating their own AER to parents directly.

The report contains 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 science for grades 4, 7, and 11, compared to state averages for all students as well as subgroups of students. The report helps users to understand achievement performance within grades and schools, and to make comparisons to district, state, and national achievement benchmarks.

Accountability Scorecard – Detail Data and Status

The accountability portion of the AER includes assessment proficiency and participation rates, graduation or attendance rates, as well as accountability scorecard status.

Teacher Qualification Data

- Identifies teacher qualifications at district and school levels
- Reports percentage of core academic classes taught by teachers not considered highly qualified to teach such classes

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

For the 2016-17 year, no new Priority or Focus schools were named; some Priority or Focus Schools did exit their status because they met the exit criteria. New Reward



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schools were identified using school rankings and "Beating the Odds" information. A Focus school is one that has a large achievement gap between the highest and lowest achieving 30% of students. A Priority school is one whose achievement and growth is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. A Reward School is one that has achieved one or more of the following distinctions: Top five percent of schools on the Top to Bottom school rankings, top five percent of schools making the greatest gains in achievement (improvement metric), or "Beating the Odds" by outperforming a school's predicted ranking and or similar schools. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases no status label is given.

School Name: Kingston Elementary
Label/Status: No Label
Key Initiative: Intervention Specialist

School Name: Kingston Jr/Sr High
Label/Status: No Label
Key Initiative: Intervention Specialist

Kingston Community Schools continues to show steady improvement in all academic areas. Our success is a testament to the commitment of our staff, students, parents and community. We have continued to build on our repertoire of interventions and assistance for our struggling students. We meet their needs by providing after school tutoring and pull-out and push-in interventions on a regular basis.

Parents who wish to get involved and volunteer can contact Mr. Drake or Mr. Green for opportunities at the Jr./Sr. High and Mr. Diegel at the Elementary School. Both buildings have a variety of events, committees and clubs that could always use a hand.

Sincerely,

Matthew H. Drake,
Superintendent



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