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District Annual Education Report (AER)

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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 2013-14 educational progress for Trenton Public Schools. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by Federal and some requirements of State laws.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting our web site at www.trentonschools.com. Copies of the district and individual school reports also are available at the district administrative office. For more information, or if you have questions about the report, please contact the Director of Curriculum at (734) 692-4516.

The report contains the following information:

Student Assessment Data – Elementary or middle school assessment results on the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP), high school assessment results on Michigan Merit Exam (MME), and assessment results for students with disabilities on Michigan's Alternative Assessment Program (MI-Access or MEAP-Access)

- Presents achievement data for all five tested subjects (mathematics, reading, science, social studies and writing) compared to targets for all students as well as subgroups of students.
- Helps parents understand achievement progress within schools and compare these to district and State achievement.

Accountability Scorecard – Detail Data and Status

Information is provided for the district and each school related to achievement targets in reading, writing, mathematics, science and social studies answering questions like:

- Did the district (and schools) meet achievement targets for all students and subgroups of students?
- Did the district (and schools) meet achievement growth targets for all students and subgroups of students?

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

Please review the table below listing our schools. The state has identified some schools with the status of Reward, Focus or Priority. A Reward school is one that is outperforming other schools in achievement, growth, or is performing better than other schools with a similar student population. A Focus school is one that has a large achievement gap in 30% of its student achievement scores. A Priority school is one whose achievement and growth is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases no status label is given.

School Name	Label Status	Key Initiatives to Accelerate Achievement
Anderson Elementary	No Status Label	Implementation of Everyday Mathematics, Formative Assessment, Literacy Best Practices, and Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS)
Hedke Elementary	No Status Label	Implementation of Everyday Mathematics, Formative Assessment, Literacy Best Practices, and Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS)
Arthurs Middle School	No Status Label	Implementation of Big Ideas Math, Formative Assessment, Literacy Best Practices, and Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS)
Trenton High School	No Status Label	Literacy Best Practices, Formative Assessment and Blue Pride

In June 2011, Trenton Public Schools was awarded District Accreditation through the prestigious North Central Association, Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA CASI). A copy of the NCA CASI report, as well as the District School Improvement Plan, is available on the district website.

I am tremendously proud of the accomplishments of our students, staff, and community. Students excel when the entire school community is focused on a shared vision for student learning.

Sincerely,

Rodney R. Wakeham
Superintendent, Trenton Public Schools