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## School Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter Duncan Lake Middle School

May 31

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 Duncan Lake Middle 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 Ryan Graham (Principal) for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site [Duncan Lake MiSchool Data Report](#), or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2016-17 school year, schools were identified using new definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that has at least one underperforming student subgroup. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that has three or more underperforming student subgroups. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance 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 label is given.

Our school was identified as a Target Support and Improvement in the area of Students that Receive Support.

For the 2017--2018 school year, Duncan Lake Middle School will continue to develop systematic processes that positively impact student achievement. The trends in our student achievement data, indicate that Duncan Lake Middle School has many areas to be proud of, as well as areas to improve. Through the school improvement process, our staff will continue to address these challenges. We will continue to work with the Kent ISD and the Michigan Integrated Behavior and Learning Support Initiative (MiBLSi) to deepen our knowledge on Multi--Tiered Systems of Support with Data Review Meetings. Our school is dedicated to the personal growth of all students, while providing a safe and orderly environment that stimulates academic achievement in our students.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

1. PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL

**Elementary School Pupil Assignment**

Students are assigned to an elementary school in consideration of the following criteria:

- A. Current enrollment and capacity: Students are enrolled in elementary schools according to space available and maintaining equitable class sizes.
- B. Location: We attempt to place students in the school closest to their home residence. Our goal is to keep neighborhood children in the same schools.
- C. Siblings: We give priority to students who currently have siblings enrolled in specific schools.
- D. Parent Preference: If space is available, we attempt to place students in the school of their preference.

**Middle School Pupil Assignment**

A. Feeder Schools: Students are placed in the middle school designated by their elementary school.

Caledonia Elementary	Duncan Lake Middle School
Kettle Lake Elementary	Duncan Lake Middle School
Dutton Elementary	Kraft Meadows Middle School
Emmons Lake Elementary	Kraft Meadows Middle School
Paris Ridge Elementary	Kraft Meadows Middle School

- B. Location: We attempt to place students in the school closest to their home residence. Our goal is to keep neighborhood children in the same schools.
- C. Siblings: We give priority to students who currently have siblings enrolled in specific schools.
- D. Parent Preference: If space is available, we attempt to place students in the school of their preference.

## **High School Pupil Assignment**

All students in our district attend Caledonia High School

### 2. THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Duncan Lake MS staff and parents work together to develop a School Improvement Plan that is meaningful and supports the school and district goals. Teachers, support staff and parents were involved in data review and goal development through a systematic process throughout the school year.

The Duncan Lake MS School Improvement plan is available for you to review electronically by visiting [Duncan Lake Middle School School Improvement Plan](#) or you may review a copy in the principal's office at Duncan Lake MS.

### 3. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL

All of our schools operate under the same academic rigor and goals. We strive for consistency in excellence in each school and work closely together to achieve that academic success. Emmons Lake Elementary School provides an alternative calendar.

### 4. IDENTIFY HOW TO ACCESS A COPY OF THE CORE CURRICULUM, A DESCRIPTION OF ITS IMPLEMENTATION, AND AN EXPLANATION OF THE VARIANCES FROM THE STATE'S MODEL

Caledonia Community Schools has worked with Kent ISD and the State of Michigan in the process of aligning this curriculum with the Common Core State Standards. Our current curriculum can be accessed on our website at <http://www.calschools.org/departments/curriculum>.

### 5. THE AGGREGATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS FOR ANY LOCAL COMPETENCY TESTS OR NATIONALLY NORMED ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

Community members may access current school data by accessing:

[Duncan Lake MS Combined Report MiSchool Data](#)

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

Duncan Lake MS has enjoyed a high turnout as it relates to Parent-Teacher Conferences. During the 2015-16 school year, over 490 parents (98%)

attended conferences. During the 2016-17 school year over 490 parents (98%) attended conferences.

The 2016-2017 school year was a great success at Duncan Lake Middle School. We are proud of our students and are very appreciative of the support we receive from our community and parents. Through the dedication of our students, staff, and parents, we were able to make great progress towards our academic goals while providing a positive learning environment for our students. Through the School Improvement Process, we will continue to refine our instruction, our school--wide systems, and our individual student supports to meet the needs of all of our students at Duncan Lake. If you have any questions or concerns, or would like more information regarding Duncan Lake Middle School, please feel free to contact my office at (616) 891-1380.

Sincerely,

Ryan Graham Principal

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