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## **School Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter** Emmons Lake Elementary School

February 17, 2017

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2015-16 educational progress for the Emmons Lake Elementary. 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 Tony Silveri, principal, for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site <https://www.mischooldata.org/NewAer/CombinedReport2.aspx?>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

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 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 schools. 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 5% of schools on the Top-to-Bottom School Rankings, top 5% of schools making the

greatest gains in achievement (improvement metric), or “Beating the Odds” by outperforming the school’s predicted ranking and/or similar schools. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases no label is given.

Emmons Lake Elementary School has not been given one of these designations.

Emmons Lake Elementary was established in 1999 and continues to work on building wide systematic processes to positively impact student achievement. Trends in student achievement and data indicate that Emmons Lake Elementary has key challenges in the areas of reading and math, particularly with students who score in the lower 30% as indicated on the MEAP. The Emmons Lake staff has worked to address these challenges through the School Improvement Process, developing teams of teachers, support staff and parents to implement specific plans including a reading intervention program. This process involves ongoing data collection and review, which drives core instruction and small group intervention in reading. Staff will be looking at implementing a similar program for math in the near future. We currently are working on the implementation of a Positive Behavior Support and Intervention program. This program will support all students by creating a positive environment to support increased student engagement. Through ongoing efforts, Emmons Lake Elementary continues to work to provide a high quality education for all 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  
Dutton Elementary  
Emmons Lake Elementary  
Paris Ridge Elementary

Duncan Lake Middle School  
Kraft Meadows Middle School  
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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

Emmons Lake Elementary's 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 Emmons Lake School Improvement plan is available for you to review electronically by visiting

[http://www.calschools.org/downloads/emmons\\_lake/sip\\_2015-2016.pdf](http://www.calschools.org/downloads/emmons_lake/sip_2015-2016.pdf) for you may review a copy in the principal's office at Emmons Lake.

## 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:

<https://www.mischooldata.org/NewAer/CombinedReport2.aspx#Accountability>

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

Emmons Lake has enjoyed a high turnout as it relates to Parent-Teacher Conferences. During the 2014-15 school year, just over 99% of our parents attended conferences. During the 2015-16 school year, again, just over 99% of our parents attended conferences.

Emmons Lake Elementary is proud of our students and greatly appreciative of the wonderful support given by our parents. We will continue to work on ensuring academic and social success for all of our students. MTSS provides a layered approach to teaching and learning by providing (1) high quality instruction for all students; (2) interventions in key skill areas for some students; and (3) intensive intervention and support for a few students. The staff and our families' contributions to our school are a critical factor in our school's continued improvement. Emmons Lake Elementary will continue to work closely with parents as together "We Make A Difference".

Sincerely,

Tony Silveri, Principal  
Emmons Lake Elementary

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