

In the pursuit of excellence...

Duncan Lake Middle 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 2019-20 educational progress for 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 JAYM ABRAHAM for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site <u>MiSchooldata</u>, <u>Duncan Lake Middle School</u>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2019-20 school year, schools were identified using 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 a student subgroup performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state or has a graduation rate at or below 67%. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given.

The State of Michigan has not given Duncan Lake Middle School a specific label.

Duncan Lake Middle School will be transitioning from a 6th-8th grade building to a 7th and 8th grade building starting with the 2021-2022 school year. As we work through this transition and grade reconfiguration, we 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. Currently, we are in the early years of a curriculum resource adoption in the areas of Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science. 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. Our school community is entering our third year of promoting positive student behavioral expectations through our positive school climate program. We will continue to adjust and modify this as we transition our school. Our staff will continue to use data to drive our instruction across all four content areas, as well as, in the area of special education.



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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.

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. All incoming 5th and 6th grade students will attend Kraft Meadows Middle School
- B. All incoming 7th and 8th grade students will attend Duncan Lake Middle School.

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 MIDDLE SCHOOL 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 MIDDLE SCHOOL Improvement Plan is available for you to review electronically by visiting https://www.calschools.org/our-district/annual-reports/ or you may review a copy in the principal's office at DUNCAN LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL.

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.



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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

https://www.calschools.org/departments/teaching-learning/.

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:

Combined Report DLMS

6. IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES DUNCAN LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL has enjoyed a high turnout as it relates to Parent-Teacher Conferences. During the 2018-2019 school year, over 359 parents (63 %) attended conferences. During the 2019-2020 school year, over 314 parents (62 %) attended conferences.

Sincerely,

JAYM ABRAHAM

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