



MARVIN L. WINANS ACADEMY OF PERFORMING ARTS

2016-2017 School Annual Education Report (AER) Middle School Cover Letter

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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 2015-2016 educational progress for the Marvin L. Winans Academy of Performing Arts Middle School. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by Federal and State laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact School Administration for assistance 313-640-4610.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site: <http://www.winansacademy.org/> or you may review a hard copy in the main office.

Marvin L. Winans Academy of Performing Arts Middle School has been identified as a Focus School. As a result of our current Initiatives to Close the Achievement Gap and Accelerate student achievement we are celebrate the following accomplishments:

- ✱ Winans Middle School students met MDE State proficiency goals in Mathematics, English Language Arts and Social Studies
- ✱ Winans Middle School continues to close the achievement gap in Social Studies
- ✱ Winans Middle School met goals their proficiency goals in Participation, Attendance and Evaluations
- ✱ Winans Academy Middle is not placed on the list for "Next Level of Accountability" with the School Reform Office
- ✱ Winans Academy Middle School improvement ensured that it would not be placed on the list for "School Closing" with the School Reform Office
- ✱ Winans Academy Middle School Saturday program designed to prepare students for M-Step and high school

Marvin L. Winans Academy Middle School made academic gains in all core subjects; however we must do more to address our bottom 30% population. While we are pleased to have had more students test proficient in core subjects, we are continuously working to improve our academic program and teaching pedagogy so that all students are proficient. We appreciate the continued support of parents, staff and our community in this effort.



State law requires that we also report additional information for the two most recent years on the following:

1. PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL
All families must fill out a re-enrollment application each school year; upon receipt of the application and successful completion of the school year, students in grades 6th 7th and 8th are given a schedule of classes for each appropriate grade level for the new school year.
2. THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN
The School Improvement Plan is a comprehensive document that details academic goals and strategies to increase student achievement in all subject areas and among all sub-groups of students. The plan is monitored and evaluated by stakeholders bi-monthly. Please contact the school if you would like to take part in the meetings and/or review the plan.
3. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL
Winans Academy Middle School serves students in grades 6th 7th & 8th. We strive to prepare our students to meet academic mastery in all core subject areas to compete in a global society. We also prepare our students to master the performing arts: Orchestra, Band, Dance, Vocal, Drama and Art while competing locally and regionally in various performances.
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
A copy of the core curriculum is available in our main office as well as on the website of Saginaw Valley State University. There are no variances from the state's model.
5. THE AGGREGATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS FOR ANY LOCAL COMPETENCY TESTS OR NATIONALLY NORMED ACHIEVEMENT TESTS
Based on M-STEP, students demonstrated a measure of growth.
6. IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE
We have four parent-teacher conferences per school year and approximately 200 parents and students attend.


Congratulations to our Middle School Scholars, families, community and staff for the following:

- Dedicated highly qualified teachers and support staff who have become models of Professional Learning Communities
- Established levels of communications with parents that contribute to great parent involvement. Students inducted in the National Honors Society
- Staging school wide Musicals such as the Lion King, Peter Pan, and Annie
- Performing for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Associate Conductor, University of Michigan Professor, and Blue Lakes Fine Arts Camp
- Engages in master classes held by Lincoln Jazz Performing Arts Center



Marvin L. Winans Academy of Performing Arts Middle School will continue their pursuit of excellence by ensuring that all students will reach their fullest potential. We believe our mission is not what we say but what we do. As committed members of our community, we stand in partnership with our parents with a robust curriculum, absolutely free performing arts program and a dedicated staff that works tirelessly for the success of our students. Together we will make a difference.

Sincerely,


Dr. Randy Hayward,
Superintendent

