



Dearborn Heights School District No. 7

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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 2015-16 educational progress for the Dearborn Heights District 7 and our schools. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and some requirements of state laws. Our staff is available to help you understand this information. Please contact the Dearborn Heights Board Office for help if you need assistance.

The DISTRICT AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site <http://www.district7.net>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school. Each school will also be communicating their own AER to parents directly.

These reports contain the following information:

Student Assessment Data – Includes the following three assessments: M-STEP (Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress, MI-ACCESS (Alternate Assessment), and MME (Michigan Merit Exam which is the high school assessment that includes the College Board SAT. These assessments presents achievement data for English language arts and mathematics for grades 3 to 8 and 11, and science for grades 4, 7, and 11, compared to state averages for all students as well as subgroups of students. The report helps users understand achievement performance within grades and schools, and to make comparisons to district, state, and national achievement benchmarks.

Accountability Scorecard – Detail Data and Status

The accountability portion of the AER includes assessment proficiency and participation rates, graduation or attendance rates, as well as accountability scorecard status.

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

Review the table below listing our schools. For the 2016-17 year, no new Priority, Focus or Rewards schools were named. 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 in the Top-to-Bottom School Rankings, top 5% of schools making the greatest gains in achievement (improving 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 status is given.

School Name	Status Label	Key Initiative to Accelerate Achievement
Annapolis High School	No label	
DHVA (Dearborn Heights Virtual Academy)	No label	
Bedford Elementary School	No label	
OW Best Middle School	No label	
Pardee Elementary School	No label	
Polk Elementary School	No label	

We are proud of the dedicated staff, students and families working together to create great schools where students can learn and achieve their goals. The 2015-2016 school year was an exciting and successful year for Dearborn Heights School District 7. The community came together and passed a Technology Bond and a new Sinking Fund millage to continue efforts to provide our students with the best possible learning environment. Our schools are also recognized nationally by credible sources. The U.S. News and World Report has awarded Annapolis High School a bronze ranking as one of the "BEST HIGH SCHOOLS" in the United States. D7 is committed to continuous improvement and "Educational Excellence and Lifelong Success" for all our students. We value your involvement in your student's education. I encourage you to contact your student's school principal to learn of the many ways you can be involved and support your child's education. Visit our website for contact information for all our schools at www.district7.net or contact my office at 313-203-1000 ext. 5. Thank you for your continued support of D7 schools.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Bartold
Interim Superintendent of Schools