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## Kinloch Elementary School Annual Education Report (AER) Letter

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Dear Parents and Community Members:

On behalf of the Board of Education, I am pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER), which provides key information on the 2010-2011 educational progress for Kinloch Elementary School. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and some requirements of state laws; however, our staff is available to help you understand this information. Please contact the Crestwood School District for help if you need assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site <http://crestwood.k12.mi.us> or you may review a copy in the principal's office at your child's school.

The report contains the following information:

### **Student Assessment Data– Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP), Michigan Merit Exam (MME), and Michigan's Alternative Assessment Program (MI-Access)**

- Presents achievement data for English language arts and mathematics for grades 3 to 8 (MEAP), for grade 11 (MME) and science for grades 5 and 8 compared to targets for all students as well as subgroups of students
- Provides achievement data for English language arts, mathematics and science for students with significant disabilities (MI-Access) compared to targets for all students with disabilities as well as subgroups of students
- Helps readers understand achievement progress within schools and compare these to district and state achievement

### **Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) – Detail Data and Status**

Provides information from assessments, graduation and attendance rates and AYP status in relation to four criteria:

- The district must test 95% of students in total and in each required subgroup
- The district must attain achievement goals in English language arts and mathematics or reduce the percentage of students in the non-proficient category of achievement significantly ("safe harbor") annually
- The district must attain achievement goals for each subgroup that has at least 30 students in the group
- The district must meet or exceed the other academic indicators set by the state: graduation rate for high schools and attendance rate for elementary and middle schools

**Teacher Quality 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
- Cannot be compared with MEAP results for grades 4 and 8 because there are no national standards.

**School made AYP for 2 or more years consecutively**

For 2010-2011, Kinloch Elementary School made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in English language arts and mathematics. While we are pleased to have reached this important goal, we are continuously working to improve. We appreciate the continued support of parents, staff and our community in this effort. According to the 2010-2011 MEAP data Kinloch students' scores are as follows:

**Additional 2010-2011 Student Achievement Results**

In addition to the MEAP assessment for Reading, Writing and Math otherl assessments were used to assess and monitor students' proficiency. An End of the Year Math assessment, a Writing assessment and Running Records were used as additional tools to determine

	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Grade Writing</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Grade Math</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Math</b>
Kinloch	91%	79%	98%	91%	100%
District	80%	58%	94%	91%	99%
State	84%	47%	91%	87%	95%

student grade level proficiency.

**% of Kinloch Students Meeting Grade Level Expectations**

	<b>Running Record(Reading)</b>	<b>Writing Rubric</b>	<b>Math Assessment</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	78%	61%	74%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	90%	78%	86%

**One of the most important factors of a child's success in school is parental involvement**

Ways parents can be involved:

- Read, Read, Read with your students daily

- Talk to your child about what is going on at school
- Meet with teachers in person, by phone or email
- Join PTO
- Participate in the many special events that happen each year, (field trips, Book Fairs, Family Nights, Open House, etc.)
- Monitor homework and communicate with your student's teacher through daily homework folders
- Utilize Compass Learning online for extra student practice

### **Brief Description of Kinloch Elementary School**

Kinloch Elementary School has approximately 500 kindergarten –4<sup>th</sup> grade students enrolled. Our professional staff consists of 17 classroom teachers, 1 speech/language pathologist, social worker, intervention, Title I, computer, art, music, physical education and a Spanish teacher. Kinloch also has one secretary, paraprofessionals, bus drivers, custodians and lunchroom personnel who are involved in the operation of the building. Kinloch is a Title I school and we are fortunate to have a strong Parent/Teacher Organization.

### **Additional information**

1. PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL: Crestwood School District is proud to feature neighborhood schools.
2. THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN: Kinloch Elementary School continues to update the School Improvement Plan each year based on the data for at least three consecutive years at a time. We have active goals to improve Reading and Writing proficiency while Math is a maintenance goal.
3. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL: We have no specialized schools within Kinloch elementary.
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: Copies of the core curriculum are available in the school office, or online at [www.Michigan.gov/mde](http://www.Michigan.gov/mde) and then search for the term, GLCES.
5. THE AGGREGATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS FOR ANY LOCAL COMPETENCY TESTS OR NATIONALLY NORMED ACHIEVEMENT TESTS: Crestwood School District students do not participate in nationally normed achievement tests.
6. IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES: Kinloch elementary school enrolls approximately 500 students and for the 2010-2011 school year the teachers met face-to-face with 94% of the parents. If parents were not able to come to school a phone call was made to the parent.

Kinloch Elementary has received the letter grade of "A" for the State School Composite Grade as well as being identified as one of 108 schools in the state who is "Beating the Odds". As a community we are very proud of these awards and will continue to meet the needs of all of our students.

Sincerely,

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