



RUTHERFORD WINANS ACADEMY

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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 Rutherford Winans Academy. 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 School Administration for assistance 313-852-0709.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site rutherfordwinansk5.org you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

Rutherford Winans Academy is a focused school. The school's initiatives are proving a success with an increase in advance proficiency rates, parent & community involvement, and ongoing professional development for teachers, administration and staff.

- * Rutherford Winans has met State Proficiency goals in Mathematics and English Language Arts
- * Rutherford Winans has met State Proficiency goals in Attendance, Evaluation, and Participation

Measures have been put into place to assist our children in meeting state standards and increasing student achievement. Those measures are:

- ✎ Formation of a School Support Team with Wayne RESA to develop and implement new strategies for instruction and improve teaching.
- ✎ Increased hours of professional learning for teachers.
- ✎ After school Level Up tutoring services
- ✎ Pull-Outs intervention with Students and Para-Pros
- ✎ Collaboration with Michigan State University (through Mi-Excel) to analyze data to better understand the schools strengths and challenges
- ✎ District monitoring and evaluation of the School Improvement Plan
- ✎ Student Intervention services

Additionally, we are providing our students with individual learning plans based on the results of the NWEA and Mstep data. We are increasing our reading and writing segments in the classrooms.

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State law requires that we also report additional information.

1. **PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL:** *Rutherford has open enrollment and an annual official lottery for assigning pupils.*
2. **THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN:** *The school Improvement Plan is being implemented fully. It will be reviewed and revised based on student achievement, perception, demographics and program data every year to ensure school wide needs are met. The achievement gaps have been identified and additional strategies have been listed to address student achievement.*
3. **A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL**
Rutherford Winans Academy is a thriving public charter school academy that engages students in robust academic classes a host of enrichment programs and a full onsite clinic. All teachers are highly qualified and receive training as specialist in the content areas of Math, Reading, Writing, Science, Social Studies, Physical Education and Technology.
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 and is fully aligned to Michigan Core Curriculum Content Standards.
5. **THE AGGREGATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS FOR ANY LOCAL COMPETENCY TESTS OR NATIONALLY NORMED ACHIEVEMENT TESTS**
Based on M-STEP, advanced proficiency levels increased and students demonstrated commendable of growth.
6. **IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES**
We have four parent-teacher conferences per school year and approximately 200 parents and students attend.

Thank you for entrusting your child(ren) with us. The administration and staff are working diligently to ensure that every measure is taken to increase student achievement at Rutherford Winans Academy.

Sincerely,

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