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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 2023-24 educational progress for Emma Smith Elementary . 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 Brad Edwards at 517-851-7735 for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the [MiSchool Data Website](#), or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2023-24 school year, schools were identified based on previous years' performance using definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that had at least one underperforming student subgroup in 2022-23. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that had a student subgroup performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state in 2021-22. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance was in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state or had a graduation rate at or below 67% in 2021-22. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, the label provided is "Universal Support - not identified for CSI, ATS, or TSI.

Our school is identified as "Universal Support - not identified for CSI, ATS or TSI"

The Smith Elementary School staff continue to revise our School Improvement Plan to include student achievement goals for reading, math, writing, science and social studies based on state and local data. These improvement goals are monitored using testing data evaluated by Northwest Education Association (NWEA) RIT scores and FASTBridge norm-referenced testing programs three times a year. We are currently using testing data as part of our multi-tiered system of supports for academics. We have also significantly increased the amount of Title I support and interventions for all students throughout the building.

Smith Elementary will continue to focus on student achievement in the areas of Reading and Math by using a Multi-Tiered System of Supports for all students at all grade levels. Smith Elementary continues to be a 1:1 school with each teacher having their own set of 30 Chromebooks for their classroom. This allows teachers to have the opportunity to increase technology integration to support and supplement the core curriculum. Teachers continue to improve in this area through Professional Development and peer-to-peer learning groups. Our Reading curriculum (Wonders), Math curriculum (GoMath), and Science curriculum (Mystery Science) all have online components that teachers have been implementing within their classroom daily instruction. This year the district implemented Spring Math to help supplement our Math Curriculum.

Smith Elementary continues to implement the Positivity Project school wide. The Positivity Project is the intentional teaching of the 24 character strengths that are rooted in the research of Positive Psychology. Teaching staff intentionally teach one character strength per week using multiple methods of engaging activities. All staff will be provided with professional development within this program throughout the school year.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

1. PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL

Smith Elementary is a Preschool through second grade building within Stockbridge Community Schools. In addition to preschool and Kindergarten, Smith Elementary also has one Young 5 classroom. All students that attend Stockbridge Community Schools that fulfill the Young 5 through second grade age and academic requirements are assigned to Smith Elementary.

2. THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

We submit annual building level school improvement plans, as well as a district improvement plan to the state.

3. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL

Smith Elementary School in Stockbridge Community Schools' is a Young 5/Kindergarten through second grade facility. Smith also houses a GSRP and tuition based preschool programs.

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

Smith Elementary School uses the current state model of core curriculum which is available on our district website, www.panthern.net under "Departments-Curriculum & Technology.

5. THE AGGREGATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS FOR ANY LOCAL COMPETENCY TESTS OR NATIONALLY NORMED ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

For testing and achievement data for Smith Elementary School, please see the attached NWEA graphs.

6. IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Smith's parent/teacher conference rate is steadily around 90%

Smith Elementary School benefits from strong parental involvement and support. Your involvement is vital to our students' success! Smith Elementary School is a safe and caring place where everyone works together to provide the best possible learning environment for our students. We are proud to have a dedicated staff that has our students' best interest in mind. By providing our students with academic interventions and challenges it is our goal to help them become life-long learners.

Sincerely,

Brad Edwards, Principal
Smith Elementary