

## ESTABROOK LEARNING COMMUNITY

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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 Estabrook Learning Community. 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 the Estabrook Learning Community for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site <a href="https://www.mischooldata.org">www.mischooldata.org</a> or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

The Estabrook Learning Community just went into a restructure of implementing a middle school program since the two districts (Ypsilanti Public Schools and Willow Run Community Schools) consolidated. This caused many changes within our staff and students. We are in the process of creating a focus plan and creating new district initiatives to improve student achievement.

In light of our findings, our school will be taking the following steps to improve our status:

- 1. Restructure of the School Improvement Plan and implementation of it during the 2016-2017 school year.
- 2. Implementing a new math curriculum (Everyday Math) and ensuring that all students receive access to a Math Support Computer Based Program (Reflex Math).
- 3. Implementing a new English Language Arts curriculum (MAISA Units) that incorporates Reading Apprenticeship and quarterly writing assessments.
- 4. Estabrook Learning Community will also continue to implement Cultural Proficiency and Restorative Practices to strengthen student relationship and parental involvement.

State law requires that we also report additional information:

1. Students who are living in the Estabrook Learning Community (ELC) boundaries and wish to enroll into ELC may do so throughout the school year. We have an open enrollment process that is open to out of district students until September or when the grade level is at capacity. When the

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maximum enrollment for a grade has been reached, applicants shall be placed on a waiting list and admitted on the basis of registration. The enrollment process involves completing the required on-line application and a meeting with an ELC representative.

- 2. Our building is in year three of our School Improvement Plan
- 3. ELC provides education to students in grades 2 through 8.
- 4. ELC will now be implementing the Rapid Turnaround Blue Print. A copy of the School Improvement Plan and curriculum initiatives will be available electronically by visiting the following web site: <a href="www.ycschools.us">www.ycschools.us</a> or you may review a copy in the principal's office at your child's school. This academic school year all teachers will undergo training for Guided Reading, Ambitious Teaching, and Conscious Discipline. Teachers will participate in workshops and district wide professional development.
- 5. For the 2015-2016 school year, ELC did not meet the proficiency target in the areas of reading and math. We are continually working to improve our student's academic skills in all core subject areas. We appreciate the continued support of parents, staff, and our community in this effort.
- 6. For the 2015-2016 school year, the number of students represented by parents at the Parent Teacher Conferences was 61%. For the 2016-2017 school year we will conduct monthly curriculum classes for parents. These classes are part of our Parent Academy program. Classes will include, math support (Reflex Math and Khan Academy), Everyday Math, Guided Reading, and Conscious Discipline.

The Estabrook Learning Community administration, along with our staff is committed to accelerating student achievement and providing a continuous process of school improvement. We will continue to provide a solid partnership between home and school. The ELC staff is dedicated to providing each of our students with educational opportunities that will help them be successful in their future goals. We look forward to working with you in our continued efforts to provide for your student's education.

Sincerely,

Raymond J. Alvarado

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