

## **Romulus Community Schools District Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter**

April 24, 2018:

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2016-17 educational progress for the Romulus Community School District 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 Karen Smith, Director of Grants and Curriculum, or your child's building administrator for help if you need assistance.

The DISTRICT AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site <https://goo.gl/d88NUS>, 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 College Board SAT which presents assessment information 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 to understand achievement performance within grades and schools, and to make comparisons to district, state, and national achievement benchmarks.

### **Accountability – Detail Data and Status**

The accountability portion of the AER includes assessment proficiency and participation rates, graduation or attendance rates, as well as accountability index values showing school performance on a 0-100 scale.

### **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

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Review the table below listing our schools. For the 2016-17 school year, schools were identified using new definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that has at least one underperforming student subgroup. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that has three or more underperforming student subgroups. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no status label is given.

<b>School Name</b>	<b>Status Label</b>	<b>Key Initiative to Accelerate Achievement</b>
Barth Elementary School	No label	Empower teachers and teacher leaders to develop a balanced assessment approach
Halecreek Elementary School	No label	Intervention programs facilitated by the Reading Interventionist
Romulus Elementary School	No label	Elevate student achievement in math
Wick Elementary School	No label	Intervention block
Romulus Middle School	No label	Intervention classes
Romulus High School	No label	Support teacher teams in implementing relevant, standards-based instruction
Romulus Adult Education Alternative	No label	Improve our lower ABE program by adding a part time teacher to effectively work with our students that test in that range
Romulus Virtual Learning Center	No label	Building personal relationships with the students

In closing, we would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the members of our community for their continued support of our comprehensive educational program. Student academic achievement has been, and will remain, our district's highest priority. In a world that increasingly calls for our best effort, Romulus Community Schools remain committed to our students, our families, and our community.

Educationally,

Marjie McAnally, Superintendent

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