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# **Pentwater Public Schools**

"Where everybody is somebody"

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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 2015-2016 educational progress for the Pentwater Public School district. 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 Superintendent Scott Karaptian for help if you need assistance.

The annual education report is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website <a href="https://goo.gl/xbkmsn">https://goo.gl/xbkmsn</a> or you may review a copy in the main office at the school.

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. 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 Scorecard -**

The accountability portion of the AER includes assessment proficiency and participation rates, graduation or attendance rates, as well as accountability scorecard status.

### **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 Review the table below listing our school. For the 2016-2017 year, no new Priority or Focus schools were named; some Priority or Focus schools did exit their status because they met the exit criteria. New Reward schools were identified using school rankings and Beating the Odds information. A Focus school is one that has a large achievement gap between the highest and lowest achieving 30% of schools. A Priority school is one whose achievement and growth is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. A Reward school is one that has achieved one or more of the following distinctions: top 5% of schools on the Top-to-Bottom School Rankings, top 5% of schools making the greatest gains in achievement (improvement metric), or "Beating the Odds" by outperforming the school's predicted ranking and/or similar schools. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases no status label is given.

SCHOOL NAME	STATUS LABEL	KEY INITIATIVE TO ACCELERATE ACHIEVEMENT
PENTWATER PUBLIC SCHOOLS	Lime	Met Proficiency Target

Pentwater Public Schools' overall score was categorized as "Lime" green. Lime green is given when and if there are red proficiency cells in only the bottom 30%. We were categorized as "green" or met proficiency levels in all other categories.

Pentwater Public Schools during the 2015/2016 school year performed in the **78**<sup>th</sup> **percentile (Up from 43**<sup>rd</sup>) from our previous report! These rankings tell us how our school is doing relative to other schools throughout the state on student achievement, improvement in student achievement, and student achievement gaps. Our **Achievement Gap Percentile rank is now in the 83**<sup>rd</sup> **percentile**. We did not have a ranking in the previous year's report.

The Achievement Gap Percentile is a list of schools ranked on the gaps between the top 30% and the bottom 30% based on average scale scores in Mathematics and English Language Arts. Schools are ranked with an overall percentile from 0-99, with 99 indicating the highest rank (smallest gap) and 0 indicating the lowest rank (largest gap). To achieve an achievement gap percentile of 83% is outstanding!

A huge congratulations is in order to all of our students, teachers and staff for all of their hard work and dedication that allowed students to perform as well as they did! Additionally, Pentwater Public Schools earned their way off "Focus School" status, congratulations and job well done!

Sincerely,

Scott Karaptian Superintendent