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Whitmore Lake Middle School Annual Education Report (AER)

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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 2010-2011 educational progress for Whitmore Lake Middle School. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact the building principal for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site, www.wlps.net, or you may review a copy from the principal's office at your child's school.

For 2010-2011, Whitmore Lake Middle School made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in English language arts and mathematics. While we are pleased to have reached this important goal, we are continuously working to improve. We appreciate the continued support of parents, staff and our community in this effort.

State law requires that we also report additional information for the most recent two year time period. The information below has not changed in the past year, therefore, this information is applicable for the past two years, except as noted in regards to parent-teacher conferences.

1. **Process for Assigning Pupils to the School:** Whitmore Lake Public Schools has only one elementary school. All students in grades 5-8 attend Whitmore Lake Middle School unless they have an Individual Education Plan (IEP) that places them in an alternative educational environment outside of our district.
2. **The Status of the 3-5 Year School Improvement Plan:** Our district plan, "Vision 2013" is available on our website or can be requested from any building office and includes the most recent school year's documentation of progress to date. In addition, each building has developed a School Improvement Plan that addresses various components of the curriculum and student achievement data. All Whitmore Lake Public Schools follow the State of Michigan Grade Level Content Expectations (GLCE's) and High School Content Expectations (HSCE's), which can be

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accessed at www.mde.gov. Additionally, all building principals can answer any specific questions you may have about any component of our curriculum.

3. **A Brief Description of each Specialized School:** Currently, there are no specialized schools within Whitmore Lake Public Schools. Our district consists of three schools: Whitmore Lake Elementary, Whitmore Lake Middle School and Whitmore Lake High School. Students at Whitmore Lake High School also have access to the Early College Alliance Program and the Washtenaw Middle College, programs operated by Eastern Michigan University and the Washtenaw Intermediate School District.
4. **How to Access a Copy of the Core Curriculum, a Description of its Implementation and an Explanation of Any Variances from the State's Model:** As mentioned in item #2 (above) all Whitmore Lake Public School buildings follow the State of Michigan Grade Level Content Expectations (GLCE's) and/or High School Content Expectations (HSCE's) without variance, which can be accessed at www.mde.gov. Additionally, all building principals can answer any specific questions you may have about any component of our curriculum. Parents can also request a copy of the core curriculum from the building principal.
5. **The Aggregate Student Achievement Results For Any Local Competency Tests or Nationally Normed Achievement Tests:** Whitmore Lake Students in grades 2-8 take the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) tests three times each school year. Aggregate student achievement results are available on our website or from either the Elementary or Middle School offices.
6. **Identify the Number and Percent of Students Represented by Parents at Parent-Teacher Conferences:** During the 2010-2011 school year Whitmore Lake Middle School had 180 parents participate in parent/teacher conferences for a total percentage of 56%. In 2009-2010 Whitmore Lake Middle School had 168 parents participate in parent/teacher conferences for a total percentage of 51%.

The Whitmore Lake Middle School staff strives to meet the individual needs of our students by working together in a collaborative fashion to achieve a personalized, educational program for each of our students. Striving to provide our students with the best, most comprehensive educational program we can is our number one priority.

Sincerely,

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