



# Whitmore Lake Public Schools

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## Whitmore Lake Middle School Annual Education Report (AER)

August 20, 2010

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2009-2010 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 our web site [www.wlps.net](http://www.wlps.net) or you may review a copy from the principal's office at your child's school.

For 2009-2010, 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:

1. **Process for Assigning Pupils to the School:** Whitmore Lake Public Schools has only one middle 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), which can be accessed at [www.mde.gov](http://www.mde.gov). Additionally, all building principals can answer any specific questions you may have about any component of our curriculum.

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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](http://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:** Whitmore Lake Middle School had 168parents participate in parent/teacher conferences during 2009-2010 for a total percentage of 51%.

Whitmore Lake Middle School continues to be engaged in an on-going process of School Improvement. We have made significant strides in the area of student achievement. The increase in overall student achievement is testament to the dedication and commitment of the entire Middle School staff.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Benczarski, Principal  
Whitmore Lake Elementary and Middle Schools  
Grades 2-8

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