



LIGHTHOUSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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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 2023-2024 educational progress for Lighthouse Elementary School. 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 me, Rachel Strickland, the building principal for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site: <https://bit.ly/3oDli5L> or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2024-2025 school year, schools were identified based on previous years' performance using definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that had at least one underperforming student subgroup in 2023-2024. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that had a student subgroup performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state in 2021-22. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance was in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state or had a graduation rate at or below 67% in 2021-22. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given.

Our school has not been given one of these labels. Lighthouse has been identified as a Reward School earning the letter grade of "A" in Student Proficiency or Student Growth.

The staff at Lighthouse Elementary will continue to review and analyze assessment data to identify any challenging areas that need specific attention. Our annual School Improvement Plan will then detail the goals and strategies that will be used so we can continue to help our students achieve to the best of their ability. 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 two most recent school years.

- ❖ In the Anchor Bay School District, there are six elementary schools. Children attend school based on the designated attendance boundaries. School of Choice applications are posted annually on the district website.
- ❖ The Anchor Bay School District meets the guidelines for school accreditation through AdvancEd. Each year, the school submit a School Improvement Plan to the Michigan Department of Education, outlining identified goals for student success. The academic goals for the school include working toward improvements in reading, writing and mathematics.
- ❖ Anchor Bay parents can access a copy of the K-5 State of Michigan Standards on the district website <https://www.anchorbay.misd.net/departments/curriculum/elementary/>. Teachers use this district curriculum

as the foundation of their instruction, which is based on the Common Core State Standards developed by the Michigan Department of Education.

- ❖ District Assessments are administered throughout the school year. In the Spring of 2024, 69% of the students in grades Y-5/K through 5th grade met or exceeded national norms on the Mathematics MAP test, 64% of the students in these grades met or exceeded national norms on the Reading MAP test. In the Spring of 2023, 76% of the students in grades Y-5/K through 5th grade met or exceeded national norms on the Mathematics MAP test, 74% of the students in these grades met or exceeded national norms on the Reading MAP test.
- ❖ Lighthouse Elementary School holds Parent Teacher Conferences annually for students that fall below grade level or are not proficient in core academic areas. This year, 99% of students were represented by parents attending Virtual conferences.

The staff at Lighthouse Elementary have worked hard to create a safe, positive, and warm environment for student learning. The teachers are dedicated to student success and regularly communicate with parents. On behalf of our staff, we thank you for your continued support and encourage your on-going involvement in your child's education.

Sincerely,

Rachel Strickland

Lighthouse Elementary, Building Principal