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Dear Saginaw Preparatory Academy parents and community:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2010-11 educational progress for Saginaw Preparatory Academy.

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 Debra Jones, school leader, for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting: www.saginawprepacademy.com; you may also review a copy at the school leader's office.

Recognized and commended by the Michigan Department of Education, Saginaw Preparatory Academy continues to exhibit academic excellence. The academy, known for its small class sizes, family atmosphere and high standards, is located on Saginaw's west side and offers free transportation, full-day prekindergarten and kindergarten.

Saginaw Preparatory Academy is proudly managed by The Leona Group and chartered by Saginaw Valley State University.

Our Mission

The mission of Saginaw Preparatory Academy is to prepare students for academic excellence and responsible citizenship.

AYP Status of the School

We are pleased to announce that Saginaw Preparatory Academy has made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in English language arts and mathematics again, for the sixth consecutive year. 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.

Highlights from 2010-11 include:

- In April 2010, Saginaw Preparatory Academy received a nomination/permission to apply for North Central Association accreditation.
- The academy was recognized by the State of Michigan as a school that is "Beating the Odds"
- Saginaw Arts Museum Educational Grant was awarded to the academy's grade 5.
- The academy received an A-grade on the Michigan Department of Education's school report card.
- Thanks to the support of its authorizer, Saginaw Valley State University, the academy was able to host a Summer Literacy Clinic.

The annual education report contains the following information:

Student Assessment Data

Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP), Michigan Merit Exam (MME), and Michigan's Alternative Assessment Program (MI-Access) Presents achievement data for English language arts and mathematics for grades 3 to 8 (MEAP), for grade 11 (MME) and science for grades 5 and 8 compared to targets for all students as well as subgroups of students

Provides achievement data for English language arts, mathematics and science for students with significant disabilities (MI-Access) compared to targets for all students with disabilities as well as subgroups of students

Helps readers understand achievement progress within schools and compare these to district and state achievement

Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) – Detail Data and Status

Provides information from assessments, graduation and attendance rates and AYP status in relation to four criteria: The district must test 95% of students in total and in each required subgroup The district must attain achievement goals in English language arts and mathematics or reduce the percentage of students in the non-proficient category of achievement significantly ("safe harbor") annually The district must attain achievement goals for each subgroup that has at least 30 students in the group The district must meet or exceed the other academic indicators set by the state: graduation rate for high schools and attendance rate for elementary and middle schools

Teacher Quality 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 Cannot be compared with MEAP results for grades 4 and 8 because there are no national standards.

State law requires that we also report additional information:

Process for assigning pupils to the school:

- Saginaw Preparatory Academy is a free, public school and adheres to all requirements outlined by its charter authorizer and federal and state law regarding enrollments.



- The academy does not charge tuition nor discriminate in admissions policies or practices on the basis of intellectual or athletic ability, measures of achievement or aptitude, status as a handicapped person, religion, creed, race, sex, color or national origin.
- Current students are given the opportunity to re-enroll in late winter, with preference given to them and their siblings.
- In the spring, the school holds an advertised open enrollment period, during which any Michigan resident may apply.
- In the event that any grade is over-subscribed, a public lottery is held to determine enrollment and a waiting list.
- The academy identifies, evaluates and services all children in the school who may have disabilities. For more information regarding assistance for students with disabilities or if you suspect your child may have a disability, please contact the school leader.

The status of the 3-5 year school improvement plan:

School improvement meetings focused on curriculum mapping in order to align what is taught with state standards. Lessons and unit plans were assessed and linked to written curriculum maps.

Grade-level and curriculum-area meetings focused on activities to improve student learning. Positive Behavior Support (PBS) teams planned student activities, set guidelines for dress code and made decisions regarding positive rewards for good conduct. The entire teaching staff was involved in decision-making through grade-level teams and school-wide staff meetings.

School improvement team:

School leader
 Paraprofessional
 Teachers
 Board member
 Parent/guardian

Status of the curriculum

The academy's curriculum, which is made available to all students and can be reviewed at the school, was developed by Saginaw Valley State University and is aligned to Michigan standards. This quality curriculum promotes mastery of all core subjects: math, English language arts, social studies and science. In addition, instruction in art and music was provided by highly qualified teachers.

To further enhance student learning and achievement, the academy added a Spanish program, Rosetta Stone for grades K-8, in addition to cursive writing instruction in Kindergarten.

Aggregate Student Achievement - Scantron

		TLG Assessment Data_Scantron												
		Saginaw Preparatory Academy												
		Benchmark 1 September			Benchmark 2 January			Benchmark 3 May						
Grade	Testing Instrument	Total Students	Total Assessed	At risk	At Grade Level (Interquartile Range)	Above Grade Level	Total Assessed	At risk	At Grade Level (Interquartile Range)	Above Grade Level	Total Assessed	At risk	At Grade Level (Interquartile Range)	Above Grade Level
			0				0				0			
K	Scantron	Math												
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%

K	Scantron	Reading	0				0				0			
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
K	Average	Math & Reading		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
1	Scantron	Math	0				0				0			
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
1	Scantron	Reading	0				0				0			
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
1	Average	Math & Reading		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
2	Scantron	Math	37	<1892	1893-2106	2107	38	<1966	1697-2182	2183	36	<2077	2078-2291	2292
				21	16	0		10	20	0		16	20	0
				57%	43%	0%		26%	53%	0%		44%	56%	0%
2	Scantron	Reading	37	<1773	1774-2202	2203	38	<1883	1884-2327	2328	35	<2031	203-2461	2462
				19	16	2		18	19	1		15	17	2

				51%	43%	5%		47%	50%	3%		43%	49%	6%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
2	Average		Math & Reading	54%	43%	3%		37%	51%	1%		44%	52%	3%
	Scantron	Math	34	<2080	2081-2292	2293	37	<2152	2153-2369	2370	29	<2246	2247-2463	2464
3				20	13	1		14	20	3		17	12	0
				59%	38%	3%		38%	54%	8%		59%	41%	0%
	Scantron	Reading	36	<2049	2050-2516	2517	40	<2158	2159-2608	2609	17	<2256	2257-2678	2679
3				13	17	6		16	18	6		11	5	1
				36%	47%	17%		40%	45%	15%		65%	29%	6%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
3	Average		Math & Reading	47%	43%	10%		39%	50%	12%		62%	35%	3%
	Scantron	Math	55	<2230	2231-2442	2443	55	<2262	2263-2476	2477	43	<2348	2349-2570	2571
4				22	31	2		23	28	4		26	15	2
				40%	56%	4%		42%	51%	7%		60%	35%	5%
	Scantron	Reading	55	<2285	2286-2719	2720	55	<2305	2306-2737	2738	44	<2440	2441-2836	2837
4				51	4			21	31	3		28	16	0
				93%	7%	0%		38%	56%	5%		64%	36%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%

				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
4	Average		Math & Reading	66%	32%	2%		40%	54%	6%		62%	36%	2%
	Scantron	Math	49	<2322	2323-2535	2536	51	<2367	2368-2603	2604	29	<2442	2443-2689	2690
5				20	29			20	27	4		14	13	2
				41%	59%	0%		39%	53%	8%		48%	45%	7%
	Scantron	Reading	48	<2456	2457-2844	2845	51	<2495	2496-2887	2888	16	<2584	2585-2933	2934
5				23	22	3		19	29	3		10	5	1
				48%	46%	6%		37%	57%	6%		63%	31%	6%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
5	Average		Math & Reading	44%	53%	3%		38%	55%	7%		55%	38%	7%
	Scantron	Math	33	<2428	2429-2676	2677	34	<2415	2416-2680	2681	30	<2527	2528-2798	2799
6				19	13	1		22	11	1		16	14	0
				58%	39%	3%		65%	32%	3%		53%	47%	0%
	Scantron	Reading	32	<2590	2591-2950	2951	34	<2563	2564-2940	2941	32	<2676	2677-3010	3011
6				18	14	0		23	8	3		18	13	2
				56%	44%	0%		68%	24%	9%		56%	41%	6%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
6	Average		Math & Reading	57%	42%	2%		66%	28%	6%		55%	44%	3%

	Scantron	Math	35	<2494	2495-2753	2754	35	<2506	2507-2789	2790	28	<2570	2571-2862	2863
7				12	23	4		10	23	2		12	15	1
				34%	66%	11%		29%	66%	6%		43%	54%	4%
	Scantron	Reading	31	<2658	2659-2981	2982	34	<2662	2663-3028	3029	26	<2726	2727-3032	3033
7				15	14	2		12	19	3		10	15	1
				48%	45%	6%		35%	56%	9%		38%	58%	4%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
7	Average		Math & Reading	41%	55%	9%		32%	61%	7%		41%	56%	4%
	Scantron	Math	27	<2558	2559-2841	2842	28	<2534	2535-2828	2829	21	<2632	2633-2926	2927
8				25	2			19	9	0		17	4	
				93%	7%	0%		68%	32%	0%		81%	19%	0%
	Scantron	Reading	26	<2746	2747-3047	3048	28	<2710	2711-3049	3050	18	<2792	2793-3089	3090
8				22	4	0		16	12	0		15	7	0
				85%	15%	0%		57%	43%	0%		83%	39%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
				0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%
8	Average		Math & Reading	89%	11%	0%		63%	38%	0%		82%	29%	0%

Parent-Teacher Conferences

2010-11: 40% of students were represented by parents at parent-teacher conferences;

2009-10: 75% of students were represented by parents at parent-teacher conferences.

I would like to personally congratulate the staff, students and families of Saginaw Preparatory Academy on a successful school year. Thank you for choosing Saginaw Preparatory Academy for your child's education. We look forward to continuing to provide a quality education to you and your family.

Sincerely,

Debra Jones
School Leader