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One Student at a Time

Kurtz Elementary

February 2024

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER), which provides key information on the 2022-23 educational progress for Kurtz Elementary. 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 Principal Steve Chisik for assistance.

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

For the 2022-23 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 2022-23. 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 was identified as a "Reward" school. We are not designated or labeled for any additional support by the state of Michigan.

Post pandemic work continues to be focused on attendance and social emotional concerns. Many students lack stamina and focus related strategies which impacts their confidence and competence and present negatively on testing outcomes. The Kurtz team is always focused on improving teaching and learning in all academic subject areas. The staff at Kurtz has been focused on expanding tier one interventions in all academic subject areas. Many of our teachers have participated in literacy training in the 2022-2023 school year that help them to further develop literacy teaching and learning supports. Kurtz is also focused on growing our

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categorical program for students with cognitive impairments and our program for English Language Learners.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

1. Students are assigned to Kurtz Elementary School based on a district attendance area map which designates neighborhoods in the community to their "home school".
2. The 2022-2023 School Improvement plan is ongoing and in progress.
3. Kurtz Elementary School has a cross categorical program for students with moderate cognitive impairments.
4. Kurtz Elementary follows the Michigan Academic Standards. Our curriculum meets or exceeds the Michigan Department of Education grade level benchmarks and content standards. The district's curriculum is analyzed by our Teaching, Learning, and Technology Department and the Teaching, Learning and Technology School Board Subcommittee to ensure it is aligned with state grade level standards. Curriculum is accessible via the online platform Atlas, at your child's school or by contacting Huron Valley Schools Teaching, Learning, and Technology Department.
5. Visit MI-School Data (<https://tinyurl.com/2p8779a2>) to view our comprehensive AER Report.
6. Ninety-seven percent of the parents of our students attended parent/teacher conferences.

We are very proud of the hard work and success of our students, as well as the commitment and dedication of our staff toward continual growth and improvement in student achievement. We are very thankful for the continued support of our parents and community. On behalf of the entire educational team at Kurtz Elementary, we are honored to work with your child and look forward to working as a team with parents and the community to continue to grow and improve.

Sincerely,

Steven Chisik
Principal of Kurtz Elementary School

Dr. Paul Salah, Superintendent