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GAYLORD HIGH SCHOOL

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School Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter

January 21st, 2021

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2019-20 educational progress for the Gaylord High 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 Chris Hodges for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site <https://bit.ly/393ewBO> or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2019-20 school year, schools were identified using definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that has at least one underperforming student subgroup. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that has a student subgroup performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state or has a graduation rate at or below 67%. 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.

The key challenge Gaylord High School is facing is supporting our students during COVID-19. Families are able to choose between face-to-face learning, online learning, or a combination of both. Although many students have found success, some students are still struggling to engage in remote learning. This may have an impact on our graduation rate in future years. We are working to re-engage remote students in school, and will provide them with the opportunity to earn credits through remediation in order to help students graduate on time.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

1. Students are assigned to Gaylord High School based on district boundaries and school of choice preference of parents and students.

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2. Our school annually reviews, revises and submits a school improvement plan to the state for approval. Our current plan has been approved, and we are implementing the plan.
3. Gaylord High School is a traditional brick and mortar school. However, we do offer online classes through a partnership with Michigan Virtual. In addition, Gaylord Virtual Instructional Program is a separate, on-line school for students whose needs are better served by an on-line learning environment. Gaylord High School teachers are also teaching some courses online, to meet student needs during Covid-19.
4. The core curriculum is based on state and national standards and is accessible at <http://www.gaylordschools.com/>. Teachers work collaboratively to ensure students receive common core curriculum instruction which is then evaluated with common assessments.
5. Past two year's aggregate achievement scores:
 - a. 2020 MEAN SAT Score: 1060
 - b. 2019 MEAN SAT Score: 1042

6. Parent Teacher Conferences Participation:

Year	# Attending	% Attending
2018-2019	321	33%
2019-2020	367	40%

7. FOR HIGH SCHOOLS ONLY, ALSO REPORT ON THE FOLLOWING:

Year	# Enrolled in Dual Enrollment	% Enrolled in Dual Enrollment
2018-2019	280	29%
2019-2020	260	28%

Year	# of AP Courses	# Enrolled in AP Courses	% Enrolled in AP Courses
2018-2019	10	332	34%
2019-2020	10	291	31%

Year	# Receiving a Score Leading to College Credit		% Receiving a Score Leading to College Credit	
2018-2019	AP	69	AP	21%

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	DE	277	DE	99%
2019-2020	AP	52	AP	18%
	DE	254	DE	98%

Gaylord High School demonstrates a commitment to quality teaching and learning. Our school improvement goals represent current best practice in methods to increase student achievement at all levels. We are proud of our current accomplishments and continue the 2020-21 school year with the commitment to continuous improvement that will benefit each and every student who attends our school.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris Hodges".

Chris Hodges
Principal
Gaylord High School