

# Waterford School District

Kurzman Administration Services Crary Campus 501 N. Cass Lake Road Waterford, Michigan 48328

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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 2022-23 educational progress for the Donelson Hills 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 Anne Kruse, Principal, Donelson Hills Elementary School, for assistance.

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

For the 2022-23 school year, schools were identified using new 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 three or more underperforming student subgroups. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. 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 based on our 2022-23 results.

Donelson Hills Elementary School continues to refine our practices to meet the needs of all our students. Our district Guided Reading Initiative, Gradual Release Model, Non-Fiction Writing Initiative and Learning Target Theory of Action have contributed to an aligned approach with research-based practices supported by professional development opportunities. Our building leadership team has formulated comprehensive, yearlong improvement plans designed to close achievement gaps. In addition, our staff engages in weekly PLC meetings to analyze data and plan instructional next steps both for intervention and enrichment opportunities. We appreciate the continued support of parents, staff and our community in this effort.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

### PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL:

In the Waterford School District, students are assigned to a school based on their home residence. Parents who wish to have their child(ren) attend a school other than their home school can request that option through our school selection process. Children's Village School services children who have been adjudicated there through the court system. Students are assigned to Kingsley Montgomery School from around the county through an Individual Educational Plan process.



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## THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN:

<u>WSD School Improvement Plan</u> - Status of school improvement goal(s) data can be found under aggregate student achievement.

## A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL:

Kingsley Montgomery School (KMS), is a special education facility that provides support for severe cognitive impaired (SCI), severe multiply impaired (SXI) and severe emotionally impaired (SEI) students. Kingsley Montgomery School currently provides center-based support for SXI and SCI students who are 3 to 18 years of age.

Children's Village School is a North Central Association accredited facility owned by Oakland County and operated by the Waterford School District. The school serves children in grades K-12 who have been adjudicated via the Probate Court for delinquency, neglect, truancy at home/school, or incorrigibility at home/school. These students come from all 28 school districts in Oakland County, other counties within the State of Michigan and also some out-of-State students.

#### IDENTIFY HOW TO ACCESS A COPY OF THE CORE CURRICULUM, A DESCRIPTION OF ITS IMPLEMENTATION AND AN EXPLANATION OF THE VARIANCES FROM THE STATE'S MODEL:

The core curriculum for all of our schools can be assessed through the district website at www.waterford.k12.mi.us/curriculum/contact.htm. It is implemented in alignment with the State of Michigan which has a comprehensive curriculum for all grade levels. There are no variances from the state's model.

# THE AGGREGATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS FOR ANY LOCAL COMPETENCY TESTS OR NATIONALLY NORMED ACHIEVEMENT TESTS:

#### Donelson Hills Combined Report

### IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS:

Donelson Hills Elementary School holds parent teacher conferences every year. We strive to have 100% participation from all stakeholders.

At Donelson Hills Elementary, we believe in being mission driven and data informed. That means we take to heart our district's mission to inspire, educate, and empower our students. To us, this means ensuring Donelson Hills is a safe school that all children want to come to. It also means we are utilizing best practices in the classroom and differentiating our instruction to meet the needs of all of our students. We do this by utilizing the gradual release model of instruction, learning targets, mini lesson, guided reading, and other means of small group instruction.



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We are committed to not only setting high academic standards, but we also know that it is critical to nurture our students' social and emotional needs. We do this by utilizing Restorative Practices as well as the CASEL Competencies. More information on <u>Restorative Practices</u> and <u>CASEL</u> can be found by clicking on the respective links.

Sincerely,

Anne M. Kruse, Principal Donelson Hills Elementary Email: <u>guinna01@wsdmi.org</u>