



# Waterford School District

Kurzman Administration Services

Crary Campus  
501 N. Cass Lake Road  
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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 2023-24 educational progress for Knudsen 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 Nick Gregory, Principal, Knudsen Elementary School for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website [Knudsen Elementary School Combined Report](#), or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2024-25 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 2023-24. 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, had a graduation rate at or below 67%, or failed to exit ATS status in 2021-22. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given.

Our school was not given any labels for the 2023-2024 school year.

At Knudsen Elementary School, we are committed to continuous growth and improvement. Our challenges in the areas of attendance and achievement have encouraged us to review our practices and to narrow our focus on specific, measurable growth targets. About 18% of our students are chronically absent, meaning they miss 10% or more of all school days.

We have dedicated ourselves to examining achievement data and the degree to which we can support the emotional and social aspects of our students' lives. In addition to our work on analyzing behavioral, attendance, and achievement data, we have engaged in professional learning in the areas of improved instructional design in ELA and Math, increased professional learning about special education needs, improved SEL programming, and an emphasis on improving our partnerships with the families we serve. We are analyzing achievement gaps and addressing the needs of all learners through dedicated academic intervention and support. We know that intentional Tier 1 support for all of our students is best practice, and we are implementing essential strategies for all learners. Through a systematic approach, we look forward to improving as a school.

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

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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.

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

[WSD School Improvement Plan](#)

## **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 multiple 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 K12 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 <https://www.waterford.k12.mi.us/academics/resources-information/curriculum>. 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:**

[Knudsen Elementary School Combined Report](#)

## **IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES:**

The most recent parent-teacher conferences had 99% of all students represented by at least one parent or guardian meeting with their child's respective teacher. Several parents also met with our support staff or building principal during our scheduled parent-teacher conference time.



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At Knudsen Elementary School, our mission is to provide a high-quality education that engages every student and fosters strong, positive relationships. We are committed to continuously improving our instructional practices and implementing a comprehensive Social Emotional Learning (SEL) program to accelerate student achievement.

We deeply value our partnership with families and I consider it a privilege to serve the Knudsen community.

Sincerely,

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