

# Gibraltar School District

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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 2020-21 educational progress for Parsons 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 the principal, Kelley Villa, for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website, <https://bit.ly/3NPBz5r>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2020-21 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 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 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.

Parsons Elementary School has not been identified with any of these labels.

Parsons continues to make it a priority to analyze our achievement gaps including the lowest performing 30% of students in our school. To raise achievement and close the gaps, our research-based strategies and actions in our school include: targeting low performing students through a tiered MTSS program, daily small group targeted literacy instruction for our struggling readers in K-3, implementing a building WIN program that meets the individual needs of our learners, research-based weekly practices in all K-5 classrooms, curriculum monitoring, and engaging our parents and community in our school. Based on M-STEP and NWEA scores, we have also identified a need to improve in the areas of Mathematics, Science and in third grade Literacy. To assist in our students' growth in these, our staff will continue to monitor the individual needs of our students through our (PLT) Professional Learning Team time, data analysis of our WIN program, and through our Multi-Tiered Intervention Supports (MTSS) program.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

1. Students in the Gibraltar School District are assigned to the school in their neighborhood, with bussing provided as needed. Opportunities for intra-district and inter-district School of Choice are also available.
2. The School Improvement plan for Parsons Elementary is a multi-year plan that focuses on improvement in all subject areas. Our most recent submitted plan goes through 2023. Our focus will be on best practices that apply to all subject areas. We use NWEA/MAP, WIN data, M-STEP and local assessments to determine our focus for each subject area. We meet as a School Improvement Team multiple times during the school year to progress monitor and make necessary changes.

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3. Parsons Elementary School serves kindergarten through fifth grade students along with a third through fifth grade Cognitively Impaired classroom.
4. The curriculum at Parsons Elementary is aligned with the Michigan State Standards for literacy and math and Grade Level Content Standards for science and social studies. Our Director of Curriculum collaborates with principals and teacher leadership committees to continuously revise and improve our instructional materials and practices. More information can be obtained by visiting our [District Website](#) or by contacting the Parsons Elementary main office and speaking with the principal. Additional information on the Michigan Academic Standards can be found on the the [Michigan Department of Education Website](#).
5. Student achievement results on M-Step testing can be found online at <http://www.mischooldata.org> In addition to this standardized online testing, students in K-5 are also tested annually using the Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessment and Northwest Educational Association MAP Assessment.
6. Parent Teacher conferences are held annually in the fall. We had 98% participation through face to face and virtual connections. If such contact cannot be arranged, our staff reaches out to those parents by means of a phone call or a rescheduled conference date. Through this process, we have been able to confer with 100% of our parents to discuss their child's success in school.

Parsons Elementary School prides itself on the work it does within our school walls and with our community. We are encouraged by the growth we have seen in our students through the utilization of best practice teaching methods and the idea that we are a community of learners.

Sincerely,

Kelley Villa  
Principal, Parsons Elementary School