Tawas Area Schools

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District Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter

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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 the Tawas Area School district and our schools. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and some requirements of state laws. Our staff is available to help you understand this information. Please contact Mr. John Klinger, Superintendent of Schools, for help if you need assistance.

The district AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following link: <u>District Annual Education Report</u>, or you may review a copy at the Superintendent's Office. Each school will also be communicating their own AER to parents directly.

These reports contain the following information:

Teacher Qualification Data

- Identifies the number and percentage of inexperienced teachers, principals, and other school leaders
- Reports teachers who are teaching with emergency or provisional credentials
- Includes teachers who are not teaching in the subject or field for which they are certified

NAEP Data (National Assessment of Educational Progress)

• Provides state results of the national assessment in mathematics and reading every other year in grades 4 and 8

Civil Rights Data

• Provides information on school quality, climate and safety

Review the table below listing our schools. 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 status label is given.

School Name	Status Label	Key Initiative to Accelerate Achievement
Clara Bolen Elementary	No Label Given	N/A
Tawas Middle School	No Label Given	N/A
Tawas High School	No Label Given	N/A

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the teachers, students, parents and support staff for continuing high levels of achievement at Tawas Area Schools.

Sincerely,

John R. Klinger

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