

The Chatfield School

Annual Education Report for the 2010 – 2011 school year.

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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 2010-2011 educational progress for The Chatfield School. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Bill Kraly or Matt Young for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site www.chatfieldschool.org or you may review a copy in the Chatfield School Office.

For 2010-2011, The Chatfield School made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in English Language Arts and Mathematics. While we are pleased to have reached this important goal, we are continuously working to improve. Our school enjoyed a very successful year and we greatly appreciate the support from our parents, staff, and community.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

Student Enrollment- Chatfield is a school of choice; no students are assigned to attend the school. As required by state law and supervised by Saginaw Valley State University, a lottery is conducted each April to assign registered children a Waiting List number that is used to fill any vacancies that may exist or may occur during the school year. Students who wish to leave Chatfield School and enroll in other schools may do so at any time.

School Improvement- This is an on-going process at Chatfield School; each year the school staff and interested parents review plans and progress and implement researched based strategies to meet the School Improvement Goals that are reviewed each year by the Chatfield School Board. The Chatfield School Improvement Goals are: 1) All students in Grades 3 through 8 will achieve Level 2 or higher in each category of the MEAP ELA Assessment. 2) All students in Grades 3 through 8 will achieve Level 2 or higher on the Math MEAP Assessment. 3) All Fifth and Eighth Grade students will achieve a Level 1 on the Science MEAP Assessment. 4) All Sixth Grade students will achieve a Level 1 on the Social Studies MEAP Assessment.

Curriculum and state expectations- Chatfield's statements of curriculum and learning objectives are continuously being reviewed; documents are available on the website and from the school office. The foremost objective is to be certain that curriculum and expectations are aligned with the Michigan Grade Level Content Expectations (GLCE) and other statements of curriculum. At Chatfield our goal is to exceed the state-required curriculum goals and to be certain that a Chatfield student can successfully transition to any other school and be prepared for post secondary education.

Assessments and data analysis- Chatfield does use an extensive array of assessments to assess the progress of each individual student and determine the needs of specific students. Some of the assessments include Star Math, MLPP, DIBELS, Gates-MacGinitie. Teachers also use locally developed assessments as a way to monitor students progress toward mastery of skills and GLCE's. Teachers analyze the variety of testing data to align their instruction with the students' needs and overall student improvement.

Parent Participation- Chatfield School believes that education is a partnership between students, parents and school. We believe that all must work together for the students to achieve their maximum potential. Communication between parents and staff is among the highest priorities for all staff; communication is on-going. There is at least one formal parent conference time scheduled each year and parent participation has been 100 percent.

We are pleased to provide this annual education report to our school community. The information contained in this report demonstrates our continued efforts to ensure every student achieves in our school. This report, however, only tells a small part of our success story. Every day our staff is continually finding new ways to enhance teaching and learning and engage our students in their education. We invite you to continue to be active participants in your child's education by volunteering in the classrooms, serving on our parent groups, and working closely at home with your students on their assignments.

The Chatfield School is fortunate to be serviced by a community that cares so deeply about education. Thank you again for your continued support of our students and The Chatfield School.

Sincerely,

Bill Kraly and Matt Young

Co-Directors, The Chatfield School

