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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 2009-2010 educational progress for Adrian Middle School 7-8. 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 Nate Parker, Principal, for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site <http://theadrianmaples.com/> or you may review a copy from Nate Parker, Principal, at Adrian Middle School 7-8.

State law requires that we also report additional information to you.

AYP and Accreditation

For the 2009 -2010 school year, Adrian Middle School 7-8 achieved the goal of **Adequate Yearly Progress** in English Language Arts and mathematics. While we are pleased to have reached this important goal, we are continuously working to improve. We appreciate the continued support of parents, staff, and our community in this effort.

Placement of Students

Adrian Middle School 7-8 accepts students through residency and schools of choice. Once a child registers, their records from previous schools are requested in order for our school to provide a seamless transition to Adrian Middle School 7-8. Students are placed in seventh or eighth grade contingent on the progress/mastery of the curriculum from the departing school. Student growth is measured by progress in the core curriculum provided by the State of Michigan.

Status of 3-5 Year School Improvement Plan

Writing supporting details, across the curriculum, is our first school improvement focus. Staff works on incorporating writing in math, science, social studies, music, art, physical education and English. Every two weeks staff reviews student's writing and submits examples to the principal for review.

Aligning the curriculum to the Grade Level Content Expectations is our second school improvement goal. During the 2009-2010 year staff wrote power standards. Each content team analyzed our MEAP data and focused our power standards on the specific GLCE's.

This coming school year math will be added to our school improvement plan.

Specialized Schools

The students of Adrian Middle School 7-8 receive special education services by Adrian Public School's teachers and Lenawee Intermediate School District (LISD) personnel. Students with a learning disability receive special instruction in either a Math or English Resource room. Co-teaching general education classrooms are available in math, science, social studies and English. A certified special education teacher works with the general education teacher making accommodations or modifications to the general education curriculum to support the special education student.

Student with Mildly Cognitive Impairments are serviced by Adrian Middle School staff in the MICI classroom. The MICI classroom serves students East of Adrian Public Schools in grades 6, 7, and 8. The LISD services MOCI students at Adrian Middle School 7-8 who are middle school aged students.

The LISD operates the Laura Haviland Program for elementary, middle and high school students with severe emotional and behavioral impairments. Three students from Adrian Middle School 7-8 attended Laura Haviland during the 2009-2010 school year.

In cooperation with the Lenawee County Probate Court, the LISD operates the juvenile education program housed at the Maurice Spear Campus. Truancy concerns are managed in partnership with local districts and the LISD staffed truancy officer.

Core Curriculum

The school follows the core curriculum complete with its strands, benchmarks, and grade level content expectation (GLCEs) in the area of science, social studies, ELA, math, physical education and health. This curriculum can be accessed through the Michigan Department of Education's website, www.michigan.gov/mde.

Student Assessment

Please refer to the data link at the building's school improvement website for more information about statewide assessment (MEAP, MI Access, MEAP Access).

Local Student Assessment

- The **EXPLORE**[®] program is designed to help 8th and 9th graders explore a broad range of options for their future. EXPLORE prepares students not only for their high school coursework, but for their post-high school choices as well. It marks an important beginning for a student's future academic and career success. The

Explore test is an ACT college readiness test for 8th and 9th graders. Adrian Middle School 7-8 2009-2010 scaled score (1-25) results are as follows: English 13.41, reading 13.51, mathematics 14.27, science 15.58 and our composite score is 14.31.

- NWEA, Northwest Evaluation Association is a national assessment entity from which the district assesses computerized testing in the area of language arts and math for students in grades 7 – 8. Measures of Academic Progress test results reflect individual student growth using the “RIT” range. Students are tested 3-5 times per year with the expectation that their RIT scores will increase over time. Adrian Middle School 7-8 is implementing this assessment for the 2010-2011 school year.

Parent Involvement

It continues to be a goal of Adrian Middle School to increase parental involvement. While conferences for the fall of 2009 had 70% parent representation which accounts for 322 out of 460 parents. The spring parent teacher conferences were at 55% which represents 253 out of 460 parents. A Community In Schools coordinator was hired to assist Adrian Middle School 7-8 increase parental participation.

I welcome your input, ideas and suggestions on how we can improve Adrian Middle School 7-8. As the new principal I welcome input from students, parents and the community regarding curriculum, art and music education, and athletics. Feel free to call or e-mail me to set up an appointment if you have any ideas or suggestions for continuing to make the Adrian 7-8 building a great place to learn.

Sincerely,

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