



**W.K. Preparatory High School
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School 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 2023-24 educational progress for Battle Creek Central High 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, Calvin Williams, for assistance.

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

For the 2023-24 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 2022-23. 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 2023-24. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given.



Our school was identified as a Target Support and Improvement school building.

The key challenge is attendance and engagement of all students. The key initiative in closing the attendance gap is:

- Increased one on one/small group academic support
 - Caseload mentoring support

State law requires that we also report additional information:

1. PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL

Students are assigned to WK Prep through the referral process based on credit deficiencies from the student's previous school. Families are then contacted by WK Prep officials to schedule a one on one family informational meeting. Based on the credit deficiencies and the family interviews a student is then recommended for official enrollment to the school.

2. THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The WK prep school improvement plan is a living document which aligns with Title 1 funding. WK Prep is in the fourth year of five years for its School Improvement plan. This plan was state approved. We continue to work to improve the education our students receive. Regular meetings are held with staff members, parents, and interested community stakeholders to discuss data, and upcoming changes. Our Instructional Leadership Teams and our Professional Learning Communities will be used to drive our School Improvement process.

3. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL

WK Kellogg Preparatory High School provides customized scheduling for each individual according to their needs. The school also operates a daily schedule based on four 90 minute classes. The school also offers remote learning for those students with special circumstances. All students must meet the graduation requirements of 19 credits. Graduations are held in December and May rather than once a year.



4. 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

WK Prep's core curriculum and curriculum guides can be accessed by requesting copies from the school's office. Battle Creek Public Schools' curriculum is aligned with Michigan's Common Core Curriculum. Work continues to fully align the curriculum with the national Common Core Standards. Curriculum maps and common classroom assessments are being developed to provide teachers with consistent expectations to monitor student achievement. Teachers are actively involved in the curriculum development process and provide valuable feedback as we continue to focus on high levels of academic achievement for all students.

5. THE AGGREGATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS FOR ANY LOCAL COMPETENCY TESTS OR NATIONALLY NORMED ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

Special Note: Because of the amount of transitional students, W.K. does not use NWEA data. Instead, it uses evidence-based IXL data which is consistently monitored throughout the school year.

6. IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

WK Kellogg Prep High School has Parent/Teacher conferences four times per year. In the 2023-24 school year, there was an increase of 50% in parental attendance from 40% the year before.

7. FOR HIGH SCHOOLS, ONLY ALSO REPORT ON THE FOLLOWING:

1. THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF POSTSECONDARY ENROLLMENTS (DUAL ENROLLMENT) 1
2. THE NUMBER OF COLLEGE EQUIVALENT COURSES OFFERED (AP/IB) 0
3. THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN COLLEGE EQUIVALENT COURSES (AP/IB)0



4. THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS RECEIVING A SCORE LEADING TO COLLEGE CREDIT > 0

At WK Preparatory High School, we believe that all children can learn and succeed, regardless of race, income or background. This is a place where students can learn safely, explore their creativity, find their passions and prepare for their futures. BCPS is in the midst of a historic transformation to ensure a world-class college, career, and culture ready education for every student, in every grade at every school. We understand that big change does not happen overnight, and as a district, we are committed to long-term growth for the betterment of our students, schools, and our community. As a parent at WK Preparatory High School, you are part of a diverse community where every person provides a unique contribution. We believe in the infinite possibilities of our students and their future. Thank you for being a part of this journey with us. Believe in the Change!

Sincerely,

Calvin Williams-Principal