



DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL

“Focused on Learning”

Cougar PRIDE = Preparation, Respect, Integrity, Dedication and Empathy!



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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 Dakota 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 questions about the AER, contact the Main Office at Dakota High School for help.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting https://www.mischooldata.org/annual-education-report-1?Common_Locations=1-S,6770,1017,95 or you may review a copy in the main office at the DHS 10-12 Building or Ninth Grade Center.

For the 2024-25 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 in 2023-24. 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 in 2023-24. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance is 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 Targeted Support and Improvement school for the 2024-25 school year.

Improvement in the levels of performance for all students, including those of each of our subgroups (30 or more identifiable students) are the key components of our School Improvement Plan for this school year. For the 2024-25 school year many of our initiatives are centered on continuing to foster a school culture focused on achievement and providing support for students who demonstrate need, while also offering appropriate challenges for accelerated and advanced students. Through our continued effort to focus on “Excellence” in all walks of school life and cultivate a school culture rooted in creating a sense of belonging for all students and supporting their social-emotional needs and bolstering our programming in PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports), we have continued our approach of educating our students by supporting the “whole child.” These efforts, combined with our Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) model to help place students in the classes and interventions that will serve them best, while also continuing to expand opportunities for teachers to engage in collaborative team work to improve instruction through Professional Learning Communities (PLC’s), are at the center of our efforts to help students realize their potential and keep doors of opportunity open to them after graduation.

State law requires that we also report additional information. Students are assigned to each individual building in our district based upon guidelines set forth by the Board of Education. Assignments are based upon the location of each student’s residence. Transfer requests from within the district are also considered. In addition, the district accepts

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applications from students who reside outside the district to attend Chippewa Valley Schools. Spaces are allotted at each school.

In March of 2021, Chippewa Valley completed a comprehensive System Accreditation Engagement Review through Cognia, a nonprofit organization that provides quality assurance for schools, school districts, and education service providers. The Cognia Global Accreditation Commission determined that Chippewa Valley Schools had earned the distinction of System Accreditation for a five-year period from 2021-2026. We are preparing for another Accreditation Engagement Review for the 2025-2026 school year.

In terms of instruction, Chippewa Valley has established an integrated and dynamic relationship among curriculum/standards, instruction, and assessments. These practices are based on the Michigan State Standards. More information about CVS curriculum can be found by visiting <http://www.chippewavalleyschools.org/academics/curriculum/>. You can also find more information on the Michigan State Curriculum Standards by visiting <https://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-28753---,00.html>.

The Chippewa Valley School District administers the NWEA Measures of Academic Progress® (MAP®) common benchmark assessments to all students in grades K-10 in the areas of Mathematics and English. NWEA computerized, adaptive assessments are administered multiple times throughout the school year at the high school level. The purpose of these assessments is to provide data on individual students' growth. The resulting data allows teachers to see the instructional ranges within their classroom and target their instruction to better meet their students' specific needs. From Fall 2022 to Spring 2023, 59% of ninth graders and 56% of tenth graders met their growth projection in mathematics. From Fall 2022 to Spring 2023, 63% of ninth graders and 50% of tenth graders met their growth projection in English Language Arts. From Fall 2023 to Spring 2024, 53% of ninth graders and 59% of tenth graders met their growth projection in mathematics. From Fall 2023 to Spring 2024, 53% of ninth graders and 40% of tenth graders met their growth projection in English Language Arts. For more information on Chippewa Valley Schools Assessment program, please visit <http://www.chippewavalleyschools.org/academics/assessment>.

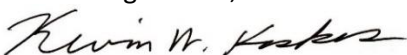
Dakota High School is fortunate to have the support of a wonderful community. With advances in technology, we have been able to enhance communication with our parents and community through new and innovative strategies. With that said, we also still continue to offer opportunities for parents and teachers to meet in-person at parent-teacher conferences in the fall and spring. In 2022-23 761 students (28%) were represented at parent-teacher conferences. In 2023-24, 625 students (24%) were represented at parent-teacher conferences, due in large part to the expansion of other communication and progress reporting tools.

Dakota's tremendous course offerings also include a wide variety of opportunities for students to enroll in post-secondary-level coursework through our Dual Enrollment and Advanced Placement programs. In 2022-23, 43 students (2%) were enrolled in Dual Enrollment. In 2023-24, 58 students (2.2%) were enrolled in Dual Enrollment.

Dakota High School is proud to have offered fifteen Advanced Placement courses during the 2022-23 school year. In 2022-23, 755 (28%) of our students were enrolled in at least one AP class. 657 students took 1087 exams, earning passing scores on 63% (685) of those exams. In 2023-24, 789 (31%) of our students were enrolled in at least one AP class. 685 students took 1121 exams, earning passing scores on 66% (740) of those exams.

Dakota High School is proud to continue its tradition of offering an outstanding academic program that provides opportunities for students of all ability levels and interests. From our special education supports to our Advanced Placement classes and our outstanding CTE programs, DHS provides opportunities for students that few high schools can match. Beyond the classroom, our athletic, fine arts and student activities programs are widely recognized around southeast Michigan and the State as being among the best. We are very fortunate to be able to partner with an incredibly supportive community to work together on behalf of all students to help them achieve their goals and dreams and continue to look forward with bright optimism as to what the future holds for our school.

With Cougar Pride,



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Principal

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Ronald R. Roberts
Superintendent

February 1, 2025

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We are pleased to present you with the 2024-2025 Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2023-2024 educational progress for the Chippewa Valley 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 the Educational Services Department at (586) 723-2020 for help if you need assistance.

The District AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site: <https://tinyurl.com/CVSAER24-25> or you may review a copy in the Educational Services Department or main office at your child's school. Each school will also be communicating their own AER to parents directly.

These reports contain the following information:

Student Assessment Data

- Includes the following three assessments: M-STEP (Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress) MI-Access (Alternate Assessment), and College Board SAT
- Presents assessment information for English Language Arts and Mathematics for grades 3 to 8 and 11, and MI-Access science for grades 4, 7, and 11, compared to state averages for all students as well as subgroups of students.

School Accountability Data

- Includes information on schools' performance on various measures such as student proficiency and growth on state assessments, graduation, and attendance rates. Performance is measured on 0-100 index scales
- Reports schools identified under three federally required categories for further support: Comprehensive Support and Improvement, Targeted Support and Improvement, and Additional Targeted Support

Educator 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

Please review the table listing our schools. For the 2024-2025 school year, schools were identified based on previous years’ performance using definitions and labels as required in *Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)*. A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that had at least one underperforming student subgroup in 2023-2024. 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 in 2021-2022. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance was in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state or has a graduation rate at or below 67% in 2021-2022. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no status label is given.

School Name	Status Label	Key Initiatives to Accelerate Achievement
Algonquin Middle School		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi-Tier System of Supports (MTSS) • Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum • Social-Emotional Learning & Support • Technology to Support Learning • Improve Literacy Achievement in Grades K-12 • Leadership Coaching • K-12 Mathematics
Cherokee Elementary		
Cheyenne Elementary		
Chippewa Valley High School		
Clinton Valley Elementary		
Dakota High School	TSI School	
Erie Elementary		
Fox Elementary		
Huron Elementary		
Iroquois Middle School		
Miami Elementary		
Mohawk Elementary		
Mohegan High School	CSI School	
Ojibwa Elementary		
Ottawa Elementary		
Seneca Middle School		
Sequoyah Elementary		
Shawnee Elementary		
Wyandot Middle School		

It is my privilege to share with you the many ways Chippewa Valley continues to provide exceptional educational opportunities for all our students in Grades K-12. Our district offers a challenging curriculum aligned with state standards and benchmarks, ensuring our students are well-prepared for success for their next steps.

Literacy serves as the foundation of learning for all students, and we use data-informed decisions to shape curriculum and instruction. We are dedicated to maintaining a safe learning environment that meets the diverse needs of every student. Our commitment extends to supporting the whole child by fostering a sense of belonging, building strong relationships, and promoting academic growth. Additionally, we provide robust support for teachers, administrators, and staff to help every student achieve their full potential.

Both Chippewa Valley High School and Dakota High School stand out as leaders in education, offering over 200 courses, 38 extracurricular clubs and activities, and 24 sports programs. For students seeking a rigorous academic experience, our advanced placement courses provide an ideal foundation for college readiness. Teachers and students alike have received local, state, and national recognition for their innovative approaches and outstanding achievements in education. Additionally, our highly regarded fine arts, band, and choir programs continue to set the standard for excellence.

We are equally proud of our Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs, which connect students to real-world experiences and prepare them for a variety of career and educational pathways. These programs, led by industry-experienced teachers, offer invaluable insights into the skills and knowledge needed to thrive in today's workforce connecting classroom learning to practical applications, enhancing student readiness for the future.

Technology plays a vital role in supporting our students' education. Our district's one-to-one computer program, implemented in grades K-12, ensures every student has access to a consistent, compatible device. This initiative addresses issues of access and equity, ensuring all learners have the tools they need to succeed.

In Chippewa Valley, continuous improvement is a driving force. Our curriculum councils and school improvement teams—comprising talented educators and administrators—continuously refine teaching practices, align curriculum with state standards, and develop innovative programs. This commitment is demonstrated through initiatives like data-driven decision-making, multi-tiered systems of support, and the use of research-based materials. We are proud to maintain System Accreditation through Cognia, a nonprofit organization providing quality assurance for schools. This accreditation reflects our dedication to best practices, rigorous performance standards, and continuous improvement. Student performance data is regularly analyzed to ensure we meet and exceed expectations, and we are honored to hold this distinction through 2026.

Chippewa Valley also provides specialized services for students with academic or physical challenges, tailoring programs to meet the needs of every child in compliance with State and Federal laws. These services reflect our belief in the value and potential of every learner.

We have taken steps to provide layers of support in English Language Development for our K-12 English Learners and their families with the goal for students to reach English Proficiency and exit the program. Exiting students demonstrate that they have proficiently acquired the English Language in both social and academic settings by passing the WIDA test administered each spring.

Beyond K-12 education, our district serves students of all ages. Infants, toddlers, and preschoolers are enrolled in our early childhood programs at Little Turtle Early Childhood Center and other elementary schools. Our Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) provides full-day, tuition-free preschool at four elementary schools, ensuring a strong foundation for our youngest learners.

The Chippewa Valley Coalition for Youth and Families exemplifies the power of partnerships among our schools, parents, and community organizations. Together, we promote healthy, safe, and drug-free lifestyles while supporting families across the district.

Chippewa Valley Schools updated its Strategic Plan during the 2023-2024 school year, engaging staff and community members in shaping the district's future. More than 3,900 responses were collected through open-ended surveys, highlighting priorities in three main areas: Curriculum and Instruction, Climate and Culture, and Technology. Teams of district staff and subject matter experts collaborated to analyze the data and set measurable goals and strategies. This Strategic Planning Guide reflects our shared vision and provides a clear path for implementing programs and initiatives to foster continuous improvement and success.

Parent and community involvement remain the cornerstone of our success. Whether through PTOs, Booster Groups, Citizens Advisory Committees, or attendance at school events, the commitment of our parents and community is unmatched. Your engagement enriches our schools and fosters a thriving educational environment for every child.

Finally, we take immense pride in our safe, well-maintained facilities and the unique personality of each school. To learn more about our district or arrange a visit, please contact our Community Relations Department at (586) 723-2240.

Thank you for your continued support of School District Name. Together, we are creating a future filled with promise and possibility for every student.

Sincerely,

Ronald Roberts

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Superintendent, Chippewa Valley Schools



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