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## Vicksburg Community Schools

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### School Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter Vicksburg Middle School

January 15, 2026

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER), which provides key information on the 2024-25 educational progress for Vicksburg Middle School. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about accountability, student assessment, and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Allison Dygert, Principal, at 269-321-1360 for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website Vicksburg Community Schools, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2025-26 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 group in 2024-25. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that had at least one student group performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state in 2021-22. 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%, failed to exit CSI status in 2024-25, or failed to exit ATS status in 2021-22. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In this case, no label is given, as is the case with Vicksburg Middle School.

Key challenges for Vicksburg Middle School include all students outperforming the subgroups of bottom 30%, economically disadvantaged, and students with disabilities in ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies. In an effort to overcome these challenges, Vicksburg Middle School is focusing its efforts on the four integrated practices of social emotional learning, including positive behavior support, trauma informed practices, restorative practices and SEL instruction. In addition, we continue to improve our practice by reviewing and analyzing 4 types of data: student achievement, demographic, process, and perception. This ultimately leads us to identifying and following through on appropriate action steps, including adjustments in classroom instruction.



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State law requires that we also report additional information.

**Process for assigning pupils to the school:**

Vicksburg Middle School is a public school accepting any student who is a resident of our school district. We also accept students on release from neighboring districts in addition to section 105C students from neighboring counties.

**Status of the School Improvement Plan:**

Vicksburg Middle School presently works towards school improvement goals in all core areas. The strategies and activities within the goals are monitored throughout the school year to drive instruction and decision making.

**Specialized Schools:**

Vicksburg Middle School does not have a specialized school.

**Core Curriculum:**

In Vicksburg Community Schools, the Michigan State Standards are used in K-12 for English Language Arts and Math. Our science instruction is aligned with the Michigan Science Standards, and the MC3 is used for Social Studies for grades K- 12. In an effort to align our resources and programs to the core curriculum, our staff has participated in professional learning throughout the calendar year and has worked collaboratively within departments and across grade levels K-12 to prioritize standards, unpack standards, and develop proficiency scales and assessments.

The Core Curriculum at Vicksburg Middle School can be viewed by contacting Allison Dygert, Principal of Vicksburg Middle School at 269-321-1360.



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**Aggregate Student Achievement Results for Local Competency Tests or Nationally Normed Achievement Tests:**

2025-26 VMS					2025-2026 VMS				
	At or Above Grade Level	One Grade Level Below	Two Grade Levels Below	Three or More Grade Levels Below		At or Above Grade Level	One Grade Level Below	Two Grade Levels Below	Three or More Grade Levels Below
i-Ready Reading- Fall 2025					i-Ready Reading- Winter 2025				
6th	31%	36%	18%	14%	6th	43%	30%	16%	11%
7th	38%	23%	16%	23%	7th	48%	21%	13%	18%
8th	40%	25%	8%	27%	8th	27%	21%	11%	20%
i-Ready Math- Fall 2025					i-Ready Math- Winter 2025				
6th	22%	50%	14%	13%	6th	43%	41%	11%	4%
7th	21%	43%	15%	20%	7th	30%	44%	13%	13%
8th	29%	37%	12%	22%	8th	38%	31%	11%	21%

**Parent-Teacher Conferences:**

Vicksburg Middle School schedules 3 parent-teacher conference nights per year that are open sessions for all parents. The percentage of participation among Vicksburg Middle School parents at parent teacher conferences for the 2024-25 school year was 27% in the fall, 21% in the winter, and 18% in the spring.

We are extremely proud of the effort our students make on a daily basis and the student successes we see each and every day. Those successes are possible through the commitment and support of our staff, students, parents, and community.

Sincerely,

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