



NORTHWEST HIGH SCHOOL



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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 2014-15 educational progress for Northwest 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 Principal Scott Buchler for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site www.mischooldata.org or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

The staff has identified that our challenge is to maintain our high level of achievement. In addition, our goal is to see improvements in the academic achievement of our students in math, reading, and writing while cultivating a safe, supportive and nurturing learning environment.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

Process for assigning pupils to the school

During the 2014-2015 school year, students living in the attendance area of a school attend that school unless the schools of choice option is selected. School of choice is offered through an application process.

School Improvement Status

Northwest High School is currently in our 1st year of the school improvement plan. You can access Northwest High School's Annual report including the school's profile, mission statement, and school improvement status at www.nwschools.org.

Core curriculum

A copy of the core curriculum may be obtained from the curriculum office at the Northwest Community Schools Curriculum Office. The core curriculum is fully implemented. Our ELA and math curriculum have been aligned with the Common Core State Standards. Other curriculum areas are aligned with High School Content Expectations. There are no variances from the state's model. All of our core classes are taught by highly qualified teachers.

Aggregate Student Achievement Results for Local Competency Assessments

Students in grade 11 are assessed annually on the ACT and M-Step. Data from these assessments are administered and reviewed during data dialogue meetings throughout the year that help make decisions to improve student success.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Communicating and inviting parents to be a part of their student's success is very important. We host conferences three times a year and approximately 15% of students are represented by parents at parent-teacher conferences. Continual access to student grades is available for our parents and students through PowerSchool. Due to the access of live grades, email and phone conferences, parents are able to confer with teachers on a regular basis.

Postsecondary Enrollments (Dual Enrollment)

Northwest High School has 877 students. We had 90 students (10.2%) dual enroll in 110 college courses.

College Equivalent Courses Offered

Northwest High School offers AP Literature, AP Language and Composition, AP Calculus, and AP Psychology. We also offer direct credit college courses in Accounting 1, Accounting 2, Personal Finance, and Intro to Business. Students can also earn college credit in the following articulated courses; Digital Media, Yearbook, Advanced Yearbook, Journalism, Computer Tech and Trade, and Advanced Broadcasting.

Number and Percentage of Students Enrolled in College Equivalent Courses

Northwest High School had 64 students take 84 AP exams. 15.1% of our juniors and seniors were enrolled in AP courses.

Number and Percentage of Students Receiving a Score Leading to College Credit

We had 41 students (64.1%) score 3 or higher on their AP Tests.

We are pleased to collaborate with our district, parents and community in providing a student-centered environment that is safe, accepting, and promotes learning. Through our partnerships with our parents and community, we are able to provide the best learning environment for our students. With the help of all us and working together we help students to be prepared for future endeavors after high school.

Sincerely,

Scott Buchler
Principal