



Akron Fairgrove Elementary School



4335 Lynn St., Akron, MI 48701

Office: (989) 691.5141

www.akronfairgrove.org

May 31, 2018

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2016-17 educational progress for Akron-Fairgrove Elementary 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 Mrs. Rebecca Crosby for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site <https://goo.gl/X7pw6a> or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2016-17 school year, schools were identified using new 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. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that has three or more underperforming student subgroups. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given. Our school was not given a label.

All schools have challenges. The only area we were below state average was in the 4th grade Science section. We had 7% proficient or advanced and the state average was 14.6%. We are above the state average in ELA, Math and Social Studies tests in all grades 3-5. This distinction helped us to continue to use effective learning strategies, assessments, and research-based interventions to meet the needs of all students.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

1. Since there is only one elementary school within our district, all elementary students are assigned to the same school. All students in the

Akron-Fairgrove District have the opportunity to attend Akron-Fairgrove Elementary School for grades K-5.

2. Students in those grades are served through a continuous School Improvement Plan that targets student achievement in the areas of English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies and Behavior. School Improvement goals are evaluated annually by school improvement stakeholders. Progress is determined based on student achievement data through state assessments or through standardized assessments administered.

3. There is no specialized school located within the elementary school.

4. The curriculum is guided by and aligned to the Common Core Curriculum. It is implemented through grade level classrooms and the Title I program in grades K-5. The curriculum coincides with the State standards and curriculum. Teachers at Akron-Fairgrove Elementary School are highly qualified within the core content area that they teach. Use of "research supported" and/or "best practice" instructional strategies is a priority for our teachers. Participation in professional development activities and frequent collaboration with other teachers provides opportunity for staff to explore and implement effective instructional strategies in the classroom.

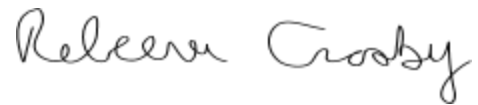
5. In the fall of 2015, all elementary students were assessed using the DIBELS Next assessment for Reading and DIBELS Math for Math. Students in 3rd-5th were assessed with the M-STEP.

	2015-2016 proficiency	2016-2017 proficiency
3 rd Grade Math	63%	88%
4 th Grade Math	82%	67%
5 th Grade Math	54%	76%
3 rd Grade Reading	31%	76%
4 th Grade Reading	65%	60%
5 th Grade Reading	62%	71%
Science	25%	7%
Social Studies	23%	53%

6. Akron-Fairgrove Elementary School acknowledges the importance of communication between the parents and guardians of our students and the school. We offer time for parents to communicate with teachers daily, email accessibility and a web-based program (Powerschool) through which parents can view their student's grades. We offer Parent-Teacher Conferences in the fall and spring of each school year. For the 2015-2016 conferences, we had 84% parent participation and 78% in the spring. For the 2016-2017 conferences, we had 85% parent participation in the fall and 75% in the spring.

Akron-Fairgrove Elementary School continues to strive for excellence as we expand opportunities for our students with dedicated teachers and support personnel. We want every child to have a successful educational opportunity. Thank you again for your continued support in your child's education. Communication is essential for our success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rebecca Crosby". The signature is written in a dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Mrs. Rebecca Crosby
Akron-Fairgrove Elementary Principal