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Grant Middle School 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 2010-2011 educational progress for the Grant Middle School. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Lance Jones for assistance.

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

For, 2010-2011, Grant Middle School made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in English language arts and mathematics. While we are pleased to have reached this important goal, we are continuously working to improve. We appreciate the continued support of parents, staff and our community in this effort. Our school will have parents involved in our building improvement committee to increase community awareness about our building and ways to assist in student learning. Students enroll at Grant Middle School by coming to the middle school office and receiving an enrollment packet. Parents must provide their child's birth certificate, immunization record, and proof of residency when they turn in the enrollment packet. Students are then scheduled by our secretary and principal in the appropriate classes.

Grant Middle School is in the second year of the school improvement plan. Our goals are to increase proficiency by at least 5% in reading, writing, math, science, and social studies. We also need to increase proficiency in our sub group categories. We want to continue to have a school system that respects the rights of all individuals.

Grant Middle School is a 5th through 8th grade building that services all students with instruction and extra-curricular activities. A copy of the core curriculum can be

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obtained at www.ncresa.com or the Michigan department of education website. Our office can also give you a copy of the core curriculum.

Our MEAP score building averages for 2010-2011 are as follows in relation to proficiency: Reading was at an average of 85% proficiency, math averaged 84% proficiency, science scores averaged a 82% proficient level while social studies averaged 81%. Our averages for 2009- 2010 were 84% proficiency in reading, 79.5% in math, science scores were at 83% proficiency, and our social studies scores were at 69%.

52% percent of our parents (317) came to our Fall conferences while 40% (244) talked with teachers during our Winter conferences. Last year for 2009-2010, our school had 48% attend our Fall conferences while 41% attended our Winter conferences. We have a parent access program (Skyward) which many parents access throughout the year to keep informed about their student's progress on a regular basis. Parents can sign up for Skyward in our main office.

Our school is proud of the improvement we have made in regards to our MEAP scores. Grant Middle School has received an A on the school report card the past two school years. Our school will continue to work hard to help our students succeed. If you have any questions, please call our office at 834-5910.

Sincerely,

Lance Jones

Grant Middle School Principal