## HESPERIA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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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 2013-2014 educational progress for Patricia St. Clair Elementary School. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by Federal and State laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, Academic Progress, and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Mr. Bryan Mey for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site <a href="https://www.hesp.net">www.hesp.net</a> or you may review a copy from the Elementary School Principal's office at your child's school.

The state has identified some schools with the status of Reward, Focus or Priority. A Reward school is one that is outperforming other schools in achievement, growth, or is performing better than other schools with a similar student population. A Focus school is one that has a large achievement gap in 30% of its student achievement scores. A Priority school is one whose achievement and growth is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state.

Our school has not been given one of those labels

We realize that the AER illustrates both gains and areas for growth. We have identified specific target gaps. We have several outstanding curriculum initiatives underway to address those gaps. We have adopted a new Math program entitled My Math for all students K-5. This program was selected by a committee of staff and there is a lot of positive buzz surrounding it. We will begin to implement an interactive lab-based Science program K-7 from Battle Creek Science Center. Our staff is participating in training for a series of writing units (MAISA) that are being implemented state-wide. This year marks our third year of Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS). In addition to these and other curriculum resources, our teachers receive professional development and coaching from leading experts in the fields of Language Arts, Math and Science. Our dedicated staff of professionals spend countless hours above and beyond classroom-time to ensure the best possible education for all students at PSC Elementary.

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HESPERIA PANTHERS

State law requires that we also report additional information:

Patricia St. Clair is the only setting for elementary students in Hesperia Community School District. Students new to the district may enroll in the elementary office.

Our school improvement plan is continually being updated and revised with new goals to improve student achievement. It is submitted annually to MDE.

A copy of the core curriculum can be accessed at <a href="www.hesp.net">www.hesp.net</a> and click on the Michigan Department of Education. At this site there is State of Michigan Parent information regarding the Course Content Expectations to which all curriculums at Patricia St. Clair Elementary are closely aligned.

Parent Teacher Conferences play an important role in the education of students. This past fall we had over 90% attendance for fall conferences with 360/390 students represented. This is a similar trend from the previous years.

At Patricia St. Clair Elementary we are proud of the continued progress our students and staff are making. We set high standards, teach for excellence and believe in all of our students. We appreciate the support of our families and all who are part of the educational process of Hesperia Community Schools. We look forward to our continued success.

Sincerely,

Bryan D. Mey

Patricia St. Clair Elementary

Principal