

University Preparatory School District Annual Education Report (AER)

August 31, 2011

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 University Preparatory School District and our schools. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and some requirements of state laws; however, our staff is available to help you understand this information. Please contact Eric Redwine, Superintendent (313-949-7292) if you need assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site www.uprep.com or you may review a copy in the principal's office at your child's school. The report contains the following information:

Student Assessment Data– Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP), Michigan Merit Exam (MME), and Michigan's Alternative Assessment Program (MI-Access)

- Presents achievement data for English language arts and mathematics for grades 3 to 8 (MEAP), for grade 11 (MME) and science for grades 5 and 8 compared to targets for all students as well as subgroups of students
- Provides achievement data for English language arts, mathematics and science for students with significant disabilities (MI-Access) compared to targets for all students with disabilities as well as subgroups of students
- Helps readers understand achievement progress within schools and compare these to district and state achievement

Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) – Detail Data and Status

Provides information from assessments, graduation and attendance rates and AYP status in relation to four criteria:

- The district must test 95% of students in total and in each required subgroup
- The district must attain achievement goals in English language arts and mathematics or reduce the percentage of students in the non-proficient category of achievement significantly ("safe harbor") annually
- The district must attain achievement goals for each subgroup that has at least 30 students in the group
- The district must meet or exceed the other academic indicators set by the state: graduation rate for high schools and attendance rate for elementary and middle schools

Teacher Quality Data

- Identifies teacher qualifications at district and school levels
- Reports percentage of core academic classes taught by teachers not considered highly qualified to teach such classes

NAEP Data (National Assessment of Educational Progress)

- Provides state results of the national assessment in mathematics and reading every other year in grades 4 and 8
- Cannot be compared with MEAP results for grades 4 and 8 because there are no national standards. For 2010-2011, University Preparatory School District made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in English language arts and mathematics. Three of our four schools in the district made AYP. However, University Preparatory High School did not reach AYP for 11th grade mathematics. I am working with our high school principal, Mrs. Danielle Jackson, to address this achievement gap in math. Currently, none of our schools are identified for school improvement, corrective action or restructuring.

Congratulations to all of UPA's fine students, our supportive families, and our hardworking, dedicated staff.

As the new superintendent for UPA, I'm very excited to join this team and family. We will celebrate all of our successes from this past year, reflect on our areas of improvement, plan strategies and then execute those plans. We celebrate the achievements of the 2010-11 school year, and look forward to 2011-12 with increased commitment to creating the best schools possible and continue to send our scholars to college.

Sincerely,

Eric M. Redwine
Superintendent