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District Annual Education Report (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 2021-22 educational progress for Michigan Great Lakes Virtual Academy. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and some requirements of state laws. Our staff is available to help you understand this information. Please contact Kendall Schroeder, Head of School, for help if you need assistance.

The DISTRICT AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site https://bit.ly/3ATJicC or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

These reports contain the following information:

Student Assessment Data

- Includes the following three assessments: M-STEP (Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress), MI-Access (Alternate Assessment), and College Board
- Presents assessment information for English language arts and mathematics for grades 3 to 8 and 11, and MI-Access science for grades 4, 7, and 11, compared to state averages for all students as well as subgroups of students.

Educator Qualification Data

- Identifies the number and percentage of inexperienced teachers, principals, and other school leaders
- Reports teachers who are teaching with emergency or provisional credentials
- Includes teachers who are not teaching in the subject or field for which they are certified

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

Civil Rights Data

 Provides information on school quality, climate and safety Review the table below listing our schools. For the 2021-22 school year, schools were identified based on previous years' performance using definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that had at least one underperforming student subgroup in 2018-19. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that had



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a student subgroup performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state in 2017-18. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance was in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state or had a graduation rate at or below 67% in 2016-17. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no status label is given.

School Name	Status Label	Key Initiative to Accelerate Achievement
Michigan Great Lakes Virtual Academy	Comprehensive Support Improvement (CSI) School	Graduation Rate at or below 67%

It is our goal to consistently improve student performance year over year. Virtual schools are unique and need an open mindset for learning. Building relationships with each student and family is a goal that is critical to implementing change. Setting expectations for improvement and striving to overcome the obstacles of this form of distance learning is imperative to our success. Active engagement of students, consistent review of instructional practices, identifying areas of need, and providing support for students within the virtual environment will continue to help our students reach their potential.

Sincerely,

Kendall Schroeder Head of School Michigan Great Lakes Virtual Academy