

Delton Kellogg High School

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School 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 2015-16 educational progress for DK Academy. 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 Lucas Trierweiler for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site [DKAC AER report](#), or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2016-17 year, no new Priority or Focus schools were named; some Priority or Focus schools did exit their status because they met the exit criteria. New Reward schools were identified using school rankings and Beating the Odds information. A Focus school is one that has a large achievement gap between the highest and lowest achieving 30% of schools. A Priority school is one whose achievement and growth is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. A Reward school is one that has achieved one or more of the following distinctions: top 5% of schools on the Top-to-Bottom School Rankings, top 5% of schools making the greatest gains in achievement (improvement metric), or "Beating the Odds" by outperforming the school's predicted ranking and/or similar schools. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases no label is given.

Our school was not given a label.

DK Academy has shown growth in the areas of reading, and science, over the last two years, but have stayed relatively the same in social studies. Our percentage of students proficient in each area still lags behind the state average. DK Academy is working on increasing graduation, attendance, and academic success rates. DK Academy is attempting to improve the success of students at DK Academy by increasing the use of seat time waivers and by assigning Highly Qualified staff to be available for students needing specialized instruction in the core areas. DK Academy has also switched to a new virtual learning program "Edmentum" allowing more flexibility and greater individualizing of curriculum and instruction to meet student needs. Flexible scheduling for students has also increased student participation and success.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

1. Students are assigned to DK Academy based upon a deficit of credits needed for graduation. Students who are not on pace for graduation, enroll into the academy and are allowed to accelerate their credit recovery. Other students are assigned based upon their ability to learn at a better rate in a non-traditional

learning environment or when their lives and schedules do not allow access to a traditional school setting. All students are interviewed prior to admission to the academy to inform them of the options available through Delton Kellogg Schools.

2. The DK Academy School Improvement Plan was updated in 2015-2016 for improvement in the core academic areas and in implementing technology for each student across all grade levels. It was filed with the Michigan Department of Education.
3. Delton Kellogg Schools have two High Schools. DKHS is for grades 9-12 and DK Academy is an alternative High School for students 16-22 years of age.
4. A copy of the core curriculum, a description of its implementation and how it may vary from the state's model is available by contacting the school office.
5. The aggregate achievement for the last two years for MME showed that we moved from 29.4% proficient to 33% proficient in science and from 43.9% to 43.1% proficient in social studies. DK Academy also moved from a composite score of 14.2 on the ACT to 754.2 on the SAT.
6. Parent Teacher conferences were attended at a rate of 33% for 2015-2016 and 30% for 2016-2017 school year (fall).
7. College equivalent courses are not offered through the DK Academy, but students may attend Advanced Placement classes through Delton Kellogg High School by recommendation. During school year 2015-2016, no students attending DK Academy participated in AP courses.

DK Academy is continually working on growing our student success through curriculum and instructional improvement, increased rigor, integrating technology, social and emotional growth, college and career readiness. This is all possible due to our great partnership with our community members, parents, and outstanding professional staff. We strive to create a school that meets the needs and life situation of our students. At DK Academy, we are staying positive and building relationships.

Sincerely,



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