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River Rouge High 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 2022-23 educational progress for River Rouge High School. 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 for assistance.

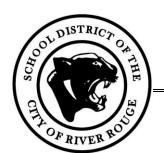
The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website <INSERT LINK TO SCHOOL'S ANNUAL EDUCATION REPORT>

https://riverrougeschools.org/downloads/district/annualeducationreport-rrhs-pdf (SEE Q.7 AND Q.8 OF THE 2023-24 AER FAQ DOCUMENT FOR DIRECTIONS>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2023-24 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 2022-23. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that had a student subgroup performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state in 2021-22. 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 2021-22. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given.

Our school was identified as a Comprehensive Support and Improvement School.

River Rouge High School is a great place to learn, work, and grow. We provide a safe space for emerging adults to reach their greatest potential in academics, athletics, and the arts.



Our students will graduate from high school and participate in post- secondary education having demonstrated the skills needed to become an active and productive citizen. In addition to our academic program, River Rouge implements additional opportunities such as:

- 2nd Language Learning
- META 24 Programming
- ROTC
- Performing Arts
- Sports (Basketball, Cheer, Football, Wrestling, Volleyball, Cross-Country, Soccer, etc.)
- CTE: Culinary Arts

For 2023-2024, River Rouge High School is continuously working diligently to provide academic support to our struggling students as well as rigorous academic opportunities for our high achieving students. These include additional after school tutorial programs, Honors classes, Dual-enrollment, and AP courses.

State law requires that we also report additional information:

Pupil Assignment

River Rouge High School is the only High School in the River Rouge School District. It serves students in grades 9 through 12. Students that successfully complete our middle school curriculum are then assigned to River Rouge High School. It is a school of choice. This allows RRHS to be open to any student who wishes to attend. A majority of our students attend from surrounding Metro Detroit areas. These students are transported by bus ton and from school every day.

Status of the 3-5 Year School Improvement Plan

River Rouge High School has identified new goals outlined in the partnership agreement as well as our school improvement plan that is located in MICIP. The plan is a living document that requires stakeholders to examine academic, perception and attendance to indicate gaps in performance and to identify goals to meet these gaps, so students can achieve at their maximum potential. Adjustments are made after programs and processes are evaluated, and data is collected and examined to established effectiveness. If goals are met, new goals are established and the process continues

Specialized Program

River Rouge High School is a grade 9-12 facility that houses approximately 940 students. Directly prior to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the new Data-Driven initiative introduced school-wide yielded slight improvement in all four core subject areas. Though improvement has been made, RRHS scores were and are below the state average. We believe that the focus that we



have more recently put on curriculum, teaching and learning will yield a more gainful effect on academic achievement.

The administration and staff at River Rouge High School are committed to the academic, social, and emotional growth of our students. We offer many programs that supply students with opportunities to be successful. These opportunities include after-school tutoring, summer school, credit recovery and college readiness assistance.

Core Curriculum

Staff utilize the College Readiness Standards which are aligned with Common Core State Initiative Standards to design instructional content. Staff has been trained to ensure the Common Core Standards are being taught. Lesson plans are examined by administration to ensure alignment with curriculum standards. Teachers are also utilizing the standards in their classroom through the implementation of learning targets, performance tasks, and identified success criteria.

Aggregate Student Achievement Results

The aggregate data can be viewed from the Annual Education Report by clicking the following website link: https://goo.gl/EimG19

This fall to spring chart illustrates student data from the **Northwest Evaluation Assessments/Measures of Academic Progress (NWEA Testing/MAP)** which is a Nationally Normed Achievement Test.

Math - % Met Projected Growth	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
9 th Grade	38	53	48
10 th Grade	46	63	60
11 th Grade	37	48	44
12 th Grade	35	N.A.	N.A.
Building	39	54.66	50.67

Reading - % Met Projected Growth	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
9 th Grade	40	39	18
10 th Grade	36	67	54
11 th Grade	42	60	23
12 th Grade	47	82	N.A.
Building	41.25	62	31.67

Parent Teacher Conferences

River Rouge High School values its relationship with parents. We strive to keep parents and the community informed and involved. We recognize that building a supportive network around the students enhances the overall learning environment. We offer parent-teacher conferences in a variety of formats. These include, but are not limited to virtual meetings, face-to-face conferences, telephone conferences and flexible meeting dates. Our parent-teacher conference participation has consistently increased over the past three years.

This chart identifies the percent of students represented by parents at parentteacher conferences.

School Year	Total Number of Students Enrolled	Percent of Parents Attending Conferences
2020-2021	1039	37%
2021-2022	1062	40%
2022-2023	952	45%

Currently River Rouge High School has 25 students enrolled in dual enrollment. There is 1 AP course offering. This course has 19 students enrolled.

The River Rouge High School Staff is committed to fostering a data-driven culture to drive academic gains. By prioritizing academic targets, implementing targeted interventions, and consistently analyzing and utilizing data, we aim to create an environment that not only supports but propels each student towards their fullest potential. Celebrating achievements, embracing collaboration, and keeping our stakeholders informed are integral components of our approach. Through this concerted effort, we strive not just for academic gains, but for the enduring success and fulfillment of every student who walks through our doors.

Sincerely,

Dr. Darrlyn Harrison