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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 2010-2011 educational progress for West Elementary. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact the West Elementary school office for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site www.chebschools.com and clicking on the *District Annual Reports* icon or you may review a copy from the office at your child's school.

For 2010-2011, West Elementary made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in English language arts and mathematics. While we are pleased to have reached this important goal, we are continuously working to improve. We appreciate the continued support of parents, staff and our community in this effort. Parents can help our school continue to meet AYP by reading with their children daily and communicating with school staff about their children's progress.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL

The Cheboygan Area Schools district is organized by grade level. Students in grades K-1 are assigned to West Elementary, and students in grades 2-4 are assigned to East Elementary. Students in grades 5-8 are assigned to Cheboygan Middle School, and students in grades 9-12 are assigned to Cheboygan Area High School. Another option for students age 16-19 is Cheboygan Alternative High School. To become enrolled in the district, parents fill out an enrollment form available in the office of each of the schools listed above. Parents who live outside of the district must also fill out a Schools of Choice form available at each school. Open enrollment for Schools of Choice takes place between the 3rd Monday in August until the 1st day of school.

THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Below is a summary of our School Improvement Plan based on disaggregated data from MEAP, DIBELS, local portfolio and quarterly assessments. Goals for Reading, Writing, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies were established based upon disaggregated data and discussions at school improvement meetings and staff meetings.

Improvement Goals:

- All students will be proficient in Reading.
- All students will be proficient in Writing.
- All students will be proficient in Mathematics.
- All students will be proficient in Science.
- All students will be proficient in Social Studies.

Our School Improvement plan continues to evolve. Teachers continued training in behavior management with the completion of C.H.A.M.P.S and participated in an overview of Life Space Crisis Intervention training. West Elementary also completed its third year of MiBLSi and continues to correlate behavior and academic data and provide interventions as needed to assist struggling students. Goals and strategies were written based upon MEAP, local district assessments and individual student portfolios.

COPY OF THE CORE CURRICULUM, A DESCRIPTION OF ITS IMPLEMENTATION AND AN EXPLANATION OF THE VARIANCES FROM THE STATE'S MODEL

A copy of the curriculum guide is available on the West Elementary School web page www.cws.chebschools.com, Cheboygan Board of Education office and West Elementary School office.

GRADE LEVEL	CURRICULUM	DATE OF BOARD ADOPTION
K-12	Language Arts	April 8, 2002
K-12	Mathematics	December 9, 2002
K-12	Science	March 11, 2002
K-12	Social Studies	February 11, 2002
K-12	Art	May 12, 2003
K-12	Music	
K-12	Physical Education	June 3, 2003
9-12	Spanish	November 11, 2002
9-12	French	November 11, 2002
11-12	Allied Health	February 11, 2002
K-12	Guidance	April 14, 2003
9-12	Language Arts	April 16, 2007
9-12	Mathematics	April 16, 2007
9-12	Science	April 16, 2007
9-12	Social Studies	April 16, 2007
9-12	Art	April 16, 2007
9-12	Physical Education	April 16, 2007
11-12	Introduction to Teaching (CTE)	April 16, 2007
K-3	Rigby Reading Series	June 2008

There are no variances between the Michigan Curriculum Framework and the Cheboygan Area Schools board adopted curriculum. As changes are needed or required by the Michigan Department Education, grade level teams meet to address curricular needs. West Elementary will be transitioning from the Michigan Grade Level Content Expectations to the Common Core State Standards during the next 2 years.

THE AGGREGATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS FOR ANY LOCAL COMPETENCY TESTS OR NATIONALLY NORMED ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

Local math assessments are given at the end of each trimester in first grade and discussed each year with teachers at each grade level and the school improvement team. All other data is collected and kept in individual portfolios and discussed with parents and teachers two to three times per year.

	Students Tested	Satisfactory	Percentage
First Grade	144	132	92%

IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Attendance at Fall parent teacher conferences was 98% for Kindergarten and 97% for first grade.

The staff at West Elementary continues to work to improve the education of our students. Their efforts, in collaboration with parents and community resources allow our school to advance forward in times of financial uncertainty. We will continue to seek out and implement those ideas and strategies that best help our students become lifelong learners and productive citizens in our ever changing world.

Sincerely,

Michael Duvall
Principal