



# SAND CREEK COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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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 2020-21 educational progress for Sand Creek Community Schools. 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 Sand Creek Community Schools' superintendent, Steve Landra for help if you need assistance accessing this information.

The DISTRICT AER is available for you to review electronically by going the following link: <https://bit.ly/3buaDHS>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school. Each school also produces its own AER.

These reports contain the following information:

### **Teacher 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 2020-21 school year, schools were identified using definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that has at least one underperforming student subgroup. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that has a student subgroup performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance is in the lowest 5% of all

schools in the state or has a graduation rate at or below 67%. 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 |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--|
| Sand Creek Junior/Senior HS     | No label     | Literacy, math & SEL                     |
| Ruth McGregor Elementary School | No label     | Literacy, math & SEL                     |
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In closing, I'd like to congratulate our school district on completing a successful school year despite finishing the last three months during the beginning stages of the COVID-19 global pandemic. I'd also like to thank and congratulate the school district employees on their sincere commitment and effort over the past summer to prepare for the 2020-21 school year amidst the pandemic. Since that time our school district has become a K-12 "one to one" Chromebook and Google Classroom school district. Sand Creek Community Schools will continue to strive for excellence by focusing on improving our student achievement scores as well as continuing to implement our K-12 Social Emotional Learning curriculum, Lions Quest, for our students. We welcome any and all feedback from our constituents, and we invite all interested community members to attend our school board meetings. Parents wishing to give more time to our school district can contact their respective building principals.

Respectfully,

Steven J. Laundra, Superintendent/HS Principal