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### Bullock Creek Elementary School Annual Education Report 2019/20

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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 2019-20 educational progress for the Bullock Creek Elementary. 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 Dennis Tomko for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site <a href="https://bit.ly/2KP7EP2">https://bit.ly/2KP7EP2</a> or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2019-20 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 label is given.

Our school was identified as a "HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN ONE OF THESE LABELS".

One of the Key Challenges that Bullock Creek Elementary is to increase our achievement scores in the core content areas. Over the past several years, we have devoted professional development to address these challenges. We continue to work with short cycle assessments in ELA and Math to guide instruction as well as implement strategies to bridge the gaps we are seeing in our achievement scores. In addition our Nature Based curriculum has been implemented in our Young 5's, Kindergarten and First Grade classrooms to address some of our STEM learning

BULLOCK CREEK HIGH SCHOOL Phone 631-2340 BULLOCK CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL Phone 631-9260 needs. We're looking forward to adding Second Grade to our Nature Program come 2020/2021.

Another challenge that Bullock Creek Elementary faced during the second half of the 2019/2020 school year was covid-19 pandemic. Bullock Creek Elementary developed ways to reach students virtually as well as create packet of schoolwork to be sent home via district transportation. Efforts were also made to meet the social and emotional needs of students during this time. Bullock Creek Elementary realizes that academic needs and gaps will need to be addressed upon students' return to school in the fall of 2020.

#### State law requires that we also report additional information:

#### PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL

Bullock Creek Elementary has open enrolment. We accept schools of choice students in young 5's through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. Parents must apply for schools of choice through the central administration office and must follow all district policies regarding schools of choice application. Students are assigned to buildings through pre-determined boundaries. Our enrollment has increased by about 50 students from 18/19 to 19/20.

#### THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Current School Improvement plans were rolled over for an additional year by the state of Michigan because of the covid-19 pandemic, Therefore, Bullock Creek Elementary remains in year 3 of a 3-year school improvement plan. Our plan can be rated as "in progress." The Bullock Creek Elementary School improvement plan includes focus goals for reading, writing, and mathematics. The building's school improvement team is made of teachers and parents that provide input and monitoring. We will continue to work within the parameters of the school improvement plan and review it through out the school with staff and parents.

#### A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL

While Bullock Creek Elementary is not a specialized school, we do house a preschool offered by the West Midland Community Center. In addition, we house an early childhood program that is offered by the Midland County Educational Agency.

In the fall of 2019, Bullock Creek Elementary expanded its nature program to First Grade. Bullock Creek Elementary School is working towards a school-wide nature program to be implemented by the fall of 2020. This program works in partnership with the Chippewa Nature Center.

# IDENTIFY HOW TO ACCESS A COPY OF THE CORE CURRICULUM, A DESCRIPTION OF ITS IMPLEMENTATION AND AN EXPLANATION OF THE VARIANCES FROM THE STATE'S MODEL

Michigan is a partner with the Common Core Curriculum. The state and Bullock Creek Elementary will be using the Common Core for ELA and

mathematics with no variance. Bullock Creek Elementary uses the Michigan Grade Level Content Expectations for Science and Social Studies with no variance. Parents can obtain a copy of the National Core Curriculum by going to <a href="www.michigan.gov/mde">www.michigan.gov/mde</a>. Parents can obtain copies of the common core curriculum in the main office of Bullock Creek Elementary

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

Results of the MDE Early Literacy and Numeracy Assessment for Spring 2018

Kindergarten (Percent Proficient) Math = 86% ELA - 76%

1<sup>st</sup> Grade (Percent Proficient) Math = 74% ELA = 68%

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade (Percent Proficient) Math = 78% ELA = 63%

\*Achievement results for 2020 are not available. Students were not tested in spring of 2020 due to the covid-19 pandemic.

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

Parent teacher conferences are held twice a year. Bullock Creek Elementary is proud that the parents in the community take such an active role in their child's education.

Parental Attendance at Parent Teacher Conferences:

Fall - 97.2%

Spring – Spring conferences were scheduled, but not held due to the covid-19 pandemic.

Despite the covid-19 pandemic, the school year was a productive one for Bullock Elementary students and staff. We have expanded the Nature program to Bullock Creek Elementary Kindergarten. We have worked hard to continue to build up our outdoor nature learning centers. The district continues to see an increase in enrollment due to the expansion of our nature program. Our plan is to continue to build upon the nature kindergarten and first grade and expand to a building-wide

nature program by the 2020/2021. We hope the addition of the nature program will not only benefit our students academically but also better address their needs around play, discovery, and developmentally appropriate learning.

As always, we look forward to the excited opportunities that the next school year will bring.

Sincerely,

### Dennis Tomko

The full AER combined report for both Bullock Creek Elementary and Pine River are attached. Both can also be accessed by clicking the following links:

Bullock Creek Elementary:

https://bit.ly/2KP7EP2

Pine River:

https://bit.ly/3ouprKg