

SAULT STE. MARIE AREA PUBLIC 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 2016-2017 educational progress for Sault Area Middle 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 Ms. Jessica Rondeau for assistance.

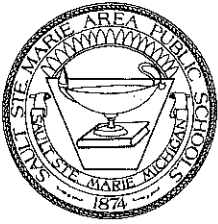
The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following Sault Area Middle School web site <https://goo.gl/CSgWJk>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2016-17 school year, schools were identified using new 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 three or more underperforming student subgroups. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given. Sault Area Middle School has not been given one of these labels.

Sault Area Middle School has implemented many educational strategies aimed at closing the achievement gap between our highest and lowest achieving students. Some of these strategies are: Leveled Literacy Intervention, Math180, Achieve 3000, MAST, SAIL and NWEA Map testing. It is our goal to close the achievement gap between our highest and lowest performing students while continuing to elevate the performance level of all of our students.

Sault Area Middle School has been serving the Sault Ste. Marie community since 1916. The school's attendance area has been established by the Sault Area Public Schools district. Sault Area Public Schools has adopted the national core curriculum. The curriculum may be viewed electronically by visiting the following website: <http://www.eupisd.com>.

Paper copies can be obtained by contacting the Sault Area Middle School office. Sault Area Middle School maintains an active school improvement plan. Additionally, Sault Area Middle School is in year two of our four year Sault Area Public Schools district improvement plan. Parent involvement on our school improvement team is welcomed and encouraged. Interested parents should contact Ms. Jessica Rondeau, Principal, in the school office.



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Sault Area Middle School enjoys a high parent participation rate at our PTO Family Fun Night events and a moderate participation rate at parent-teacher conferences:

Fall: 40.2%

Spring: 27.7%

We look forward to working with our students and families this school year. The success of our students is dependent upon the cooperation and commitment of our staff, families, and community. If you would like to be more involved in this partnership, please contact me directly: 906-635-3832 or at jrondeau@eupschools.org. I would be glad to answer any questions that you may have or to hear your suggestions.

Kind regards,

Jessica A. Rondeau
Principal