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## Britton Deerfield 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 2023-24 educational progress for the Britton Deerfield Schools, Britton Building. 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 Mr. Michael McAran, Principal, for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site [https://www.mischooldata.org/annual-education-report-1?Common\\_Locations=1-S,12520,964,92](https://www.mischooldata.org/annual-education-report-1?Common_Locations=1-S,12520,964,92), or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2023-24 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 not labeled.

Along with many other school districts in the State of Michigan, we face many challenges. Our declining enrollment, due to low census numbers and a transient population, is a never-ending battle. Additionally, funding from the State and Federal Government are restricted, and can only serve specific designated purposes. Along with challenges—we also have several successes to celebrate! When working with curriculum, we are striving for success in adopting the new Common Core State Standards (CCSS). We pride ourselves in our ability to work with our special education population, our multiple methods of providing interventions for students who are below grade level or are at-risk of falling below, and the opportunities we offer students through elective courses, dual enrollment and vocational technology at the LISD. Our small class sizes allow us to provide a low teacher-to-student ratio, and we can provide several opportunities in the areas of class choices, technology and extra-curricular activities. Britton Deerfield Schools works constantly in its school improvement efforts, and we make sure all students are safe, nurtured and educated daily.

State law requires that we also report additional information. TO HAVE THIS LETTER MEET THE STATE REQUIREMENTS, EACH SCHOOL SHOULD PROVIDE A REPORT FOR THE **TWO MOST RECENT YEARS** ON THE FOLLOWING:

1. PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL

Parents can participate in schools of choice. Our district has one elementary school in the Britton Building (grades K-3). Students attend upper elementary (grades 4 and 5) and middle school (6, 7 and 8) in the Deerfield Building and attend High School (9-12) in Britton.

2. THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Britton Deerfield Schools understands the importance of the Social Emotional Learning of all our students. Our school improvement plan under the MICIP framework from the state of Michigan is based on these needs which will increase student achievement, district success and sustainability.

3. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL

The students of Britton Deerfield School District—Deerfield Building receive special education services through the Lenawee Intermediate School District (LISD). In addition to the specialized schools, students receive diagnostic testing, school psychology, school social work, physical and occupational therapy, career technical education, special needs training and speech pathology services.

The Lenawee Intermediate School District provides educational services to students from birth through age 26 who have severe handicaps. Students with severe physical, mental, emotional or sensory impairments may receive their educational program at a classroom operated by the LISD. Some students from Britton Deerfield School District attended LISD classroom programs during the 2023-24 school year.

4. 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

Britton Deerfield Schools adheres to MME Curriculum and all Common Core State Standards. Descriptions that are more detailed of course offerings and curriculum materials are available on the district website at [www.bdschools.us](http://www.bdschools.us).

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

Aggregate scores such as NWEA, Fountas & Pinnell, common assessments, and Moby Max can be obtained from classroom teachers or the principal.

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

2022-2023 Middle School/Upper Elementary Parent Teacher Conference Attendance 89%.

2023-2024 Middle School/Upper Elementary Parent Teacher Conference Attendance 92%.

Britton Deerfield Schools strives for excellence with every child. All staff members work hard to ensure success and life-long learning for all students and are willing to go above-and-beyond to ensure the needs of all students are met. We enjoy working with all our BD Families and are looking forward to our continued success as a leader in education throughout Lenawee County.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Mc Aran, Principal