

Manton Consolidated Schools

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Whatever it takes, Manton students are worth it!

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School Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter

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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 Manton 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 Ryan Hiller, Middle School Principal for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website **[MiSchoolData.com](https://www.mischooldata.com)**, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2024-25 school year, schools were identified based on previous years' performance using definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that had at least one underperforming student subgroup in 2023-24. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that had a student subgroup performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state in 2021-22. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance was in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state, had a graduation rate at or below 67%, or failed to exit ATS status in 2021-22. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given.

Our school has not been given one of these labels.

KEY CHALLENGES

Many challenges face our district at the middle school level when it comes to accelerating student achievement and closing the achievement gap. We are in a low socio-economic area, and our students deal with many outside factors that affect them as they enter our building. We believe it is very important to build relationships with our students and show them we truly care about their needs and their education. We also believe it is essential to create a positive culture in our building, allowing students to be themselves and not feel threatened. The staff in the middle school is very committed to learning new research-based strategies to help guide instruction and in assessing their students. We want to show our students that learning can be fun. We provide student support/tutoring to our students who are struggling academically.

To accelerate student achievement, we continue to look for creative ways to offer more advanced classes to our students. This was the fourth year we offered Algebra I to our 8th graders that met the criteria. This is the third year we have offered an advanced 7th grade math class and science class as well. We use our assessments to drive instruction and provide PD based on student data.

PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL

Manton Consolidated Schools has one school for grades 5-8; therefore, Manton Middle School is the only public school in which students may be assigned in the district.

THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Manton Middle School will continue to work on our goals in the five core areas of reading, mathematics, science, social studies and writing, and adjusting our goals due to our current needs.

A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL

Manton School District has no "Specialized" Schools.

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

All teachers at Manton Middle School follow Michigan's Grade Level Expectations in all content areas (GLCE) as our main curriculum guide. The GLCE's can be located at: [Michigan Department of Education Website](http://www.michigan.gov/education). The administration and teachers are in collaboration with our local ISD to align the curriculum to the National Common Core Standards for College and Career Readiness. The Cycle for Curriculum Development, provides a

systematic procedure to study existing curriculum areas and programs relative to the Michigan Curriculum Framework. A copy of the Manton Consolidated Schools written curriculums can be accessed in the Curriculum Office.

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

NWEA Results

Winter 2024

(% that Met RIT Growth Goal)

Grade	Reading	Math
5 th Grade	49%	72%
6 th Grade	41%	60%
7 th Grade	60%	77%
8 th Grade	51%	71%

Winter 2025

(% that Met RIT Growth Goal)

Grade	Reading	Math
5 th Grade	50%	68%
6 th Grade	54%	64%
7 th Grade	78%	53%
8 th Grade	55%	70%

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

Manton Middle School Parent-Teacher Conferences are conducted in November and February. The school schedules specific appointments for each parent in the fall. Spring conferences are held with parents of students selected by teachers as needing a conference. Parents were given the option of conferences held face to face, held virtually or by telephone. In 2023-24, 301 parents or 99% were contacted in the fall and 295 parents or 97% were contacted for the spring conferences. In 2024-25, 303 parents or 99% were contacted in the fall and 297 parents or 97% were contacted for the spring conferences.

IN CONCLUSION

Manton Middle School continues to be proud of our academic excellence. Our staff works very hard to make sure the curriculum, instruction, and assessment align with the standards by using research-based best practices and making sure the Grade Level Content Expectations are taught. The staff attends professional development throughout the year to ensure all of the students are receiving an excellent education. Experiences outside of school are still essential components of our middle school. Our 6th graders go to Camp Rotary for a week. We also offer robotics and Odyssey of the Mind to 7th-8th grade students. Our 7th-8th grade students also have the opportunity to be a part of a ski club during the winter months. The staff at Manton Middle School continues to be committed to our vision of "Whatever it takes, Manton students are worth it."

Sincerely,

Mr. Ryan Hiller

Manton Middle School Principal