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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 2013-2014 educational progress for the Southwest Michigan Community School (Adult/Alternative Education). 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 Fendon Dankert at (269) 621-7009 for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site www.hpsmi.org or you may review a copy in our main office at your child's school.

The state has identified some schools with the status of Reward, Focus or Priority. A Reward school is one that is outperforming other schools in achievement, growth, or is performing better than other schools with a similar student population. A Focus school is one that has a large achievement gap in 30% of its student achievement scores. A Priority school is one whose achievement and growth is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state.

Our school has not been identified as any of the above.

There are several key challenges that we are focusing on. First, we are working to eliminate barriers for students. Next, we are working to align our curriculum to match the state standards. Finally, we are focusing on improving students' proficiency in both reading and math.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

1. PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL – Students who reside in the Hartford Public School district or participate in Schools of Choice may attend the Southwest Michigan Community School. For Schools of Choice information, please contact Karen Williams in the Central Office.

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2. THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN – We are in the implementation stage.
3. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL – Southwest Michigan Community School works with at-risk youth and adults to help them obtain their high school diploma, credit recovery or GED. We utilize Nova Net courseware and the Michigan PASS curriculum. There is on-site child care available and hot lunch daily.
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 – This information can be obtained in the Hartford Public Schools Central Office.
5. THE AGGREGATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS FOR ANY LOCAL COMPETENCY TESTS OR NATIONALLY NORMED ACHIEVEMENT TESTS – The ACT and MME information are located online at www.mischooldata.org.
6. IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES – In the past, we had an open door policy for parents to come by or call with questions or concerns. We will continue to have this policy, but will be also offer scheduled times for parent/teacher conferences.

After review and restructuring Southwest Michigan Community School, our goal is to break down some of the barriers that keep our students from fulfilling their educational goals. We look forward to a great future.

Sincerely,

Fendon Dankert