



Oakman Elementary / Orthopedic School

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Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter (2011-2012)

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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 2011-2012 educational progress for the Oakman Elementary / Orthopedic School. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Cheryl Price, Principal at (313) 873-9540 for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the District's website <http://detroitk12.org/aer> or the school's website <http://detroitk12.org/schools/school/280/>. You may also view a printed copy in the main office of your child's school or in the Parent Resource Center located at the Detroit International Academy, Room 141, 9026 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

For 2011-2012, Oakman Elementary / Orthopedic School did not make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) because:

We did not meet the 90% attendance rate goal.

- Attendance Rate for All Students 81.2%; Black 81.3%; Students with Disabilities 79.3% and Economically Disadvantaged 81.2%.

Oakman Elementary / Orthopedic School was also named a Priority School because the school's performance is in the bottom 5% of the State based on student achievement, achievement gaps and student growth over time in the tested subjects (mathematics, reading, science, social studies and writing; as appropriate for the school grade levels tested). Information used to rank schools is based on the development of the Top to Bottom list of schools and their performance. We are actively working to address our AYP issue. Attendance will be closely monitored and parental support will be given to ensure that all students attend school daily.



Our school will become part of the Self-Governing Schools Initiative during the 2012-2013 school year.

Oakman School is committed to creating a “School of Excellence.” For the 2012-2013 school year, our high quality effective educators will use “best practices” in all curriculum areas to meet the needs of each student. We will implement all of the components of the Success for All (SFA) Program with fidelity. This comprehensive school-wide program will address the needs of each student in reading and writing, as well as their social/emotional growth. Data will be collected, reviewed, and used to determine interventions and drive instruction. We will use technology based programs such as Accelerated Reader, Accelerated Math, Learning A-Z, RAZ-Kids, Destination Learning, and other district approved supplemental resources to assist in providing a high quality, well-rounded educational experience to all of our students. Specifically, we will provide our students with a rigorous, relevant and engaging educational experience, proving success for all!

Parent Involvement

At Oakman School parents are welcomed and encouraged to be partners in their child’s education by being a part of our Oakman Tiger Parent Organization (OTPO). This organization meets regularly and assists in selecting relevant parent workshops for self-improvement, assistance with academic support at home and understanding student progress reports. Parents are encouraged to attend Open House, quarterly Parent/Teacher Conferences, and “special” school-wide activities and functions. Parents are welcome to volunteer in classrooms to assist teachers in providing quality instruction in order to meet the needs of all students. It is also highly recommended that parents use the technology portal to view daily lessons, student grades and to communicate with staff.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

Process for Assigning Pupils to the School

During the 2011-2012 school year, Detroit Public Schools implemented the “Open Enrollment Initiative.” This initiative allows students to elect to attend any Detroit Public School without being required to live within the boundary for that school. The “Open Enrollment Initiative” does not apply to the Examination High Schools, or Application Schools. Parents may enroll their child(ren) in the school of their interest as long as the school has not reached capacity for their particular grade. Enrollment preference is given to students who live within the boundary of a school. It should also be noted that transportation will not be provided for students who select a school outside of the boundary of their home school. “Open Enrollment Initiative” resources can be found on our web-site at:

http://detroitk12.org/resources/prospective_students/.



School Improvement Status

Year	School Improvement Status
2011-2012	Priority ~ AYP Not Met
2010-2011	N/A ~AYP Not Met

School Description:

Oakman Elementary-Orthopedic School serves general education students in grades PreK-5, including students identified as physically or otherwise health impaired. The following related services are available for students with IEP's and doctor's orders for: Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech and Nursing services.

Detroit Public Schools' Core Curriculum:

Consistent with the Detroit Public Schools Academic Plan for 2012-2013, there are aggressive plans to accelerate the rate of student achievement and to ensure that students graduate with the academic and social skills necessary for success in college and the workplace.

Specific curriculum actions are based on the District's five (5) pillars of student achievement:

- I. Talent management,
- II. High quality teaching and learning,
- III. Rigorous, transparent and continuous improvement cycle,
- IV. Customer service approach to community and each other, and
- V. A secure, inclusive and dynamic culture.

An Executive Summary of the 2012-2013 Academic Action Plan, is available online at http://detroitk12.org/content/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/FINALAcademicPlanExecutive-Summary_2012.pdf.

Access to the Core Curriculum

The instructional strategies and grade level expectations are aligned to the State standards and the NAEP. This represents the core curriculum, which is supported by the texts,



Access to the Core Curriculum: (Continued)

materials, computer software and other school level resources used daily in the classrooms. All of the professional development activities are aligned to the core curriculum.

The implementation is a process delineated in the District Plan. This plan serves as the framework for each school's academic achievement plan.

The frequent monitoring of the implementation of these plans are conducted by the school diagnostic visits, review of the benchmark assessments, use of the teacher evaluation tool and adherence to the pacing calendar.

The variances from the State plan can be found in the grade level expectations, which are also aligned to the higher standards of NAEP.

A Summer Parent University is offered with classes to increase parenting skills, early childhood literacy, adult literacy and GED. During the school year, the Regional Parent Resource Center is a vehicle for parents and other community members to participate in regular and on-going informational and participatory sessions focused on curriculum and instruction. Learning Village (an online instructional management system), Web updates and semi-annual progress reports are also a means to disseminate information to parents and community.

Detroit Public Schools Core Curriculum is currently under revision. Pacing Charts and Curriculum guides will be posted to the Division of Teaching and Learning under the Leadership page of our web-site in the near future.

Parent Engagement

- ❖ Use the technology portal for parents to view daily lessons and to communicate with teachers.
- ❖ Implement and follow through with the parent contracts.
- ❖ Use the Parent Resource Center to engage parents in innovative workshops and sessions that are practical and will result in parent support to students at home.

Student Achievement Results

Aggregate Student Achievement Results and Detroit Public Schools Quarterly Benchmark Assessment in Reading and Mathematics for Oakman Elementary / Orthopedic School can be found on the Detroit Public Schools' web-page at the Research, Evaluation and Assessment site at <http://detroitk12.org/data/rea/>. The following reports are available:



Student Achievement Results: (Continued)

- District Profile Report
- Combined School Profile Reports
- Individual School Profile Reports
- Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Reports
- Annual Education Report

Parent-Teacher Conferences (Interactions):

School Year	Total Parent Interactions	Percent
2011-2012	429	77.4%
2010-2011 (Corrected)	675	*116.0%

The Detroit Public Schools' Office of Research, Evaluation, Assessment and Accountability has developed a data collection system which has enabled the District to comply with the Annual Education Report criteria of identifying the number and percent of students represented by parents at Parent-Teacher Conferences.

- 1.0 Data from the PTC Forms represent “parent interactions” with teachers, per school, per card-marking.
- 2.0 Parent Interaction Definition: During Parent-Teacher Conferences (and in some instances school open houses) Schools/Teachers are advised to have each parent participant provide a parent signature—a parent may not sign for a student if they did not talk about that student.
- 3.0 Several DPS schools had a very high percentage of reported parent interactions. This may be due to a number of reasons. In at least seven (7) instances, the calculated percentages are in excess of 100%. In each instance, each of these seven (7) schools is an elementary school or a Foundation for Early Learners School with a large parent turnout at each of the required conferences. If during each conference, one (1) parent with two (2) students enrolled in the school visited three (3) teachers for each of their two (2) students, this would count as six (6) parent interactions, thus increasing the base number and resulting percentage.

We would like to wish our students, parents and community a successful school year.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Price, Principal

