



# Potterville Public Schools

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## School Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter

April 22, 2016

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2014-15 educational progress for Potterville High 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 the high school principal for assistance. The principal can be reached at 517-645-7609 or [donahutj@pps.k12.mi.us](mailto:donahutj@pps.k12.mi.us).

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site: [mischooldata.org](http://mischooldata.org), or the district web site: [www.pps.k12.mi.us](http://www.pps.k12.mi.us), or you may review a copy in the main office at the high school.

Potterville High School is dedicated to the philosophy that a student-centered learning environment and parental involvement are integral to the success of each learner. For this reason, the district has adopted the work of Dr. Grant Chandler's Rapid Turnaround initiatives to fulfill our intention of making Potterville Public Schools more successful.

Rapid Turnaround provides the school district with the following attributes: (1) a routine approach in making data-driven decisions, (2) aligning curriculum and content, (3) focusing on innovative strategies to better meet students with a wide array of needs, and (4) systematic opportunities for reflection and revision. By building this foundation, PPS is looking to enhance our educational outcomes while maintaining stakeholder relationships to ensure positive results. The urgency of embracing this initiative reiterates our priority of creating an atmosphere that cultivates your child's well-being, school experience, and education.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

1. Potterville Public Schools has a centralized enrollment process that assigns students to a grade level and school based on residency boundaries established by the district. Individual student records are reviewed for appropriate placement in courses or a particular grade level.
2. PHS's annual school improvement plan is current. Our staff members have input into the plan, and it shapes the goals of our efforts to increase student achievement.

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3. Our curriculum guide is available on our school web site, and copies of curriculum materials can be reviewed in our school office. The program utilizes the Michigan Merit Curriculum.
4. Our attendance at Parent-Teacher conferences is typical for many high school programs: 75 parents signed in for fall conferences, an attendance rate of 31%. For our spring conferences, 59 parents signed in, an attendance rate of 24%.
5. College Readiness Options:
  - a. Three of our students are dual-enrolled; this is .1% of the student body
  - b. The school does not offer AP/IB courses, but students can enroll in neighboring districts for these courses, through shared services agreements.

I thank you for your support of Potterville High School. We are pleased with our progress while continually working toward greater achievement and opportunities for the young men and women of this community.

Sincerely,

High School Principal

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