



School Annual Education Report (AER)

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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 2018-2019 educational progress for the Michigan Online School (MOS). 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 Mrs. Hargens for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site https://www.mischooldata.org/AER2019/CombinedReport2.aspx?Common_Locations=1-S,16134,2960,117&Common_LocationIncludeComparison=False&Portal_InquiryDisplayType=None or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2018-19 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 three or more underperforming student subgroups. 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.

* Note TSI and ATS definitions were changed for the 2018-19 school year per federal requirements. The new definitions are:

TSI – The school has at least one subgroup performing in the bottom 25% within each applicable accountability index component.

ATS – The school has met the criteria for TSI identification and has at least one subgroup performing at the same level as a CSI school.

Michigan Online School is a Targeted Support and Improvement School.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

Enrollment

Michigan Online School (MOS) serves full-time students in grades 6-12 who meet the requirements of this Policy and who are residents of the state of Michigan.

MOS does not charge tuition and does not discriminate in its pupil admissions policies or practices on the basis of intellectual or athletic ability, measures of achievement or aptitude, status as a student with a disability, or any other basis that would be illegal if used by a school district.

An open enrollment period will be held annually using the procedure outlined below. The deadline for accepting applications will be clearly stated on the enrollment section of the school website and at all information sessions and publications regarding enrollment for the school.

On an annual basis, MOS will determine its maximum capacity for student enrollment in the 6-12 program. For the 2019-2020 school year, enrollment in MOS is not capped.

To apply for enrollment in MOS during the open enrollment period, parents must complete the online application on the MOS website <http://www.michiganonlineschool.com/> indicating the names, birthdates, and grades of all students they wish to enroll in the school for the following school year.

Applications will be reviewed for age eligibility. During the enrollment process, age eligibility will be verified by requiring a certified copy or original of the student's birth certificate before a student's enrollment is complete.

Curriculum

All parents and students are given access to the Edmentum Courseware used at MOS upon approval of enrollment. Curriculum alignment teams at Edmentum ensure that all curricula are aligned to state standards. Information on the MOS curriculum can be found here:

<https://www.edmentum.com/course-catalog/libraries?grade=All&subject=All&state=146&library=4671>

Parent Teacher Conferences

In our model, parents interact on a consistent basis with teachers as we have a collaborative partnership to ensure student success. Communications between teachers, students and parents take place on a daily basis and include chat, email, instant message, in-person

meetings, video conferences, phone calls and text messages. Below is the breakdown of communications for the 2018-2019 school year.

Form of Communication	Number
Chat Room	145
External Email	5916
Internal Email	>10,000
Instant Message	317
In-Person Meetings	5
Phone Calls	>10,000
Video Conferences	60
Text Messages	>10,000

MOS High School

Michigan Online High School had 388 students in June 2019. The number of students dually enrolled in postsecondary courses was 0. MOS offers 6 Advanced Placement (AP) courses in English, mathematics, science, history, and computer science. In 2018-2019, Michigan Online School had no students enrolled in AP courses.

School Improvement Plan

To improve our school, we are working on four main areas: engagement, math achievement, ELA achievement, and college and career readiness.

To help us increase our students' engagement we are adding staff to support our at-risk students, engaging in professional learning conferences and a book study, implementing enhanced communication systems, providing laptops, transportation, and other basic needs our most at-risk students so they can focus on their education.

Our second and third school improvement goals are to increase our mathematics and English Language Arts achievement. To do this, we are providing the Exact Path assessment to measure student strengths and challenges to allow for differentiation. Some sub-groups of students will receive 1:1 tutoring, while others will receive prescription courses to fill the achievement gaps. Credit recovery summer school will be available to students who need to make up course credits. Staff will also be participating in professional learning and a book study to improve instruction.

Our fourth area of improvement focuses on college and career readiness with the ultimate goal of increasing our graduation rates. MOS has added school counselors to our team to support

these efforts. Students will use a college and career planning tool called Xello and staff will be participating in professional learning and a book study to enhance our professional practices.

I want to encourage you to take the challenge of working collaboratively with everyone at Michigan Online School to help us improve. We look forward to the continued academic growth of our students and to improving our engagement and our participation rates in state testing. The mission of Michigan Online School is to deliver a high-quality, technology-based education that provide the skills and knowledge students need for success. Our students are at the center of every decision we make.

Sincerely,

S. D. Hargens

Stephanie D. Hargens, Superintendent