



**McBain Rural Agricultural School**  
107 East Maple Street  
McBain, MI 49657

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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 2021-22 educational progress for McBain Elementary 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 David Wissner for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website <https://bit.ly/3d3tdat>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2021-22 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 2018-19. 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 2017-18. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance was in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state or had a graduation rate at or below 67% in 2016-17. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given. Our school was not identified with any of these labels.

In reviewing the AER and its data, McBain Elementary saw a decrease in academic achievement in both reading and math from 2018-2019 to 2020-2021. This decrease occurred at each grade level and for each of our populations and subgroups. To address learning loss in reading, the staff is undergoing professional development on phonemic awareness and phonics as well as current reading essentials. Additionally, the staff is working with our literacy coach to plan small group lessons and interventions while also using formative assessments to identify student gaps in learning. We also continue to support students through Title I and special education services.



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To address learning loss in math, the staff is undergoing professional development for teaching our math curriculum and planning and implementing interventions. The professional development includes grade level teams planning units and lessons together, developing common assessments, and reviewing their assessment data. Additionally, the staff is being trained on the use of Math Recovery to address student needs through interventions and small group instruction. We also continue to support students through Title I and special education services.

State law requires that we also report additional information. All resident McBain students are assigned to the Elementary School based upon guidelines set forth by the Board of Education. We are housed in a K-12 building complex and all students are assigned appropriately from the close communication of our teachers, counselors, & administrative team. The district also participates in a School of Choice Agreement with the local schools within the Wexford-Missaukee Intermediate School District. McBain Elementary School is a fully comprehensive public school servicing all students and does not have any specialized schools.

Our current school improvement plan is focused on increasing math achievement. Our goal is to increase mathematics achievement in the K-12 building, and the elementary will support that goal by reviewing our Tier 1 instruction, developing common assessments, utilizing Math Recovery and other resources for targeted interventions, and receiving professional development in each of these areas. This work will continue throughout the course of this school year.

The McBain Board of Education establishes curriculum requirements for all our students. Our curriculum is based on National Common Core Standards (CCSS) and State Standards set by the Michigan Department of Education. For more information on McBain Elementary School core curriculum, please go to McBain Rural Agricultural School's website at <http://www.mcbain.org/elementary/> to review our curriculum guide. Students and parents may also obtain a physical copy of the curriculum from the Elementary School office.

Aggregated student achievement data for McBain Elementary School can be found at the MDE Parent Dashboard found at <https://bit.ly/3nLXM6C>. This data dashboard includes school performance data from M-Step and MI-Access



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tests, as well as attendance, teacher performance, and discipline rates. This data is used to monitor student growth and identify areas of improvement around instructional delivery.

The success of our elementary school depends greatly on the support of families, staff, and our community. In the fall of 2021, we conducted conferences. In October we had 99% family participation at our parent teacher conferences. We encourage our families and the community to become involved in their students' education by regularly communicating with teachers and becoming active members in our organizations..

While many schools have witnessed a great deal of learning loss due to COVID-19, McBain Elementary saw only a slight decrease in student achievement. Because of this, we are confident that through solid Tier 1 instruction as well as targeted Tier 2 interventions, we can accelerate student learning and help our students close the achievement gap in reading and math. The staff continues to work diligently to provide appropriate, relevant, rigorous lessons to challenge their students and support their academic growth.

Sincerely,

David Wissner  
Elementary School Principal