



# Vestaburg High School

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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 2015-2016 educational progress for the Vestaburg 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 Brandon Hubbard, High School Principal for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site [www.mischooldata.com](http://www.mischooldata.com) or you may review a copy in the principal's 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. A Reward school is one that has achieved one or more of the following distinctions: top 5% of schools on the Top-to-Bottom School Rankings, top 5% of schools making the greatest gains in achievement (improvement metric), or "Beating the Odds" by outperforming the school's predicted ranking and/or similar schools. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases no status label is given. Currently, Vestaburg High School is not been identified as any of these statuses.

## **Status of School Improvement Plan**

District and School Improvement Plans have been submitted and approved annually.

## **Status of Core Curriculum**

All curricula are aligned with the Michigan Core Curriculum and are available on the district web site in Curriculum Crafter. In addition, district personnel are engaged in transitioning to the Common Core state Standards for English Language Arts, Mathematics and Literacy Standards for Social Studies, Science and Technical Subjects and to the Next Generation Science Standards for science. Curriculum review / development process at VHS is ongoing, collaborative, and focused on both horizontal and vertical K-12 alignment to insure student achievement of content and process standards.

At Vestaburg we offer our students many opportunities and a well-rounded education. For example, many students (25% or more of juniors and seniors) at Vestaburg High School Dual enroll for at least part of their high school career, earning college credits while completing their high school diploma. The courses offered include college math (Calculus), College English, and College History. In addition we offer the following programs:

## **Career and Technical**

Students at Vestaburg High School can attend the Montcalm Area Career Center, where they can participate in career and technical training in [Animal Science/Veterinary Medicine](#), [Automotive](#)

[Technology](#), [Business, Management & Administration](#), [Computer Aided Drafting & Design](#), [Computer Support Technology](#), [Construction Trades](#), [Cosmetology](#), [Criminal Justice](#), [Dental Occupations](#), [Diesel and Equipment Technology](#), [Early Childhood/Elementary Education](#), [Engineering Technology](#), [Health Sciences](#), [Plant and Environmental Science](#), and [Welding Technology](#).

### **Alternative Education Opportunities/Virtual School**

Vestaburg High partners with Success Virtual Learning Centers to provide our students that are struggling and not being successful in the traditional high school setting and alternative education/option. This program provides the latest in wireless technologies, free college dual enrollment, flexible scheduling, expanded home schooling options, and shared enrollment with Vestaburg High School.

### **Early/Middle College**

Vestaburg High School offers student the opportunity to participate in an Early College Program in partnership with Montcalm Area Intermediate School District and Montcalm Community College.

Students are selected through a lottery process and are afforded the opportunity to earn both a High School Diploma and a Bachelor's Degree by attending school for a 13<sup>th</sup> year.

### **N.W.E.A: Assessment Program**

Vestaburg Community School's implements the use of the NWEA Assessments to measure student growth. It is the goal for every VCS student to make a minimum of 1 year of academic growth and through the use of these assessments this can now be measured. Students will take assessments in math, reading, literacy, and science three (3) times a year to measure their progress. Teachers will then use this to improve both the group and the individual student instruction.

### **Parent Teacher Conference Attendance:**

2014-15	2015-16
62%	66%

School Improvement is a continuous process at Vestaburg High School. The high school staff participates in ongoing professional development to improve their skills with the goal of improving achievement for all Vestaburg students. The support of parents and community members is critical to the success of all students and the efforts of all are appreciated greatly by all.

Sincerely,



Vestaburg High School Principal