



School Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter

February 1, 2025

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER), which provides key information on the 2023-24 educational progress for Tipton Academy. 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 Dr. Lackey, Principal for assistance.

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Our school was identified as a "No Label", which means no state level support or plan is needed.

KEY CHALLENGES

The key challenges identified for Tipton Academy 4-8 (West) are in the areas of Reading and Math. In Reading, our key challenges are in the areas of fluency, phonics, and vocabulary. In Math, our key challenges are in numbers and operations. To address these challenges, our classroom teachers and intervention team are receiving updated professional development to implement Evidence Based

Reading Instruction, EBLI, AMIRA, Waggle and Math intervention with “Do the Math” and Waggle.

Tipton offers exceptional educational opportunities to all children and serving as a source of pride for our community. We promote a passion for learning and a philosophy that puts the needs of children and their education first. We are a caring family centered community that knows and lifts every child. All employees, parents and community members appreciate and honor the unique contributions each brings to our school. Therefore, we see a school where we provide a safe, welcoming environment for all who enter and a place where students are eager to learn, respect, value, empower, and celebrate the uniqueness of each individual in a climate of acceptance and understanding. We value open, honest, and two-way communication among all stakeholders (families, students, staff and community). We invite parents and community members to be active partners with us. Our students’ benefit from inviting facilities that include cutting edge technology and equipment.

1. PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL

Tipton Academy is a Public School Academy. For the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years, open enrollment began in March and was available to all students in Michigan for a two-week period. If we have more students than seats available, a random selection lottery is held by which students are selected. After the two-week period, students are enrolled on a first come first serve basis. They are placed in classrooms until the class is full. Students are placed on a waiting list if classrooms are full and contacted as openings are available.

2. THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

School improvement is a process in which stakeholders in the school participate in analyzing and planning to improve student achievement and the overall success of the students and school. The process relies on staff, parents, and students participating in collaborative decision making in formulating and implementing achievement goals. The goals are determined through analysis of student achievement data and survey information. Action plans using proven interventions are developed for each improvement goal and progress toward achievement of the goals is documented annually. The 3-5 year school improvement plan is reviewed each year and updated based on progress toward goals. In 2021-2022, goals, strategies, and activities were developed around our Multi-tiered System of Support (MTSS) for academic improvement in ELA and Math as well as in behavior, culture and culture and social emotional wellness. Additionally, we are focusing on the growth of our special education students. The school continues to see growth toward those goals and will maintain efforts that are successful.

3. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL

Tipton Academy is not a specialized school. Tipton Academy is a free public school academy located in Garden City, Michigan that is open to all students in grades K-8.

4. IDENTIFY HOW TO ACCESS A COPY OF THE CORE CURRICULUM, A DESCRIPTION OF ITS IMPLEMENTATION, AND AN EXPLANATION OF THE VARIANCES FROM THE STATE'S MODEL

The core curriculum for school years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024, at Tipton Academy provides learning experiences in reading, writing, speaking, listening, spelling, handwriting, mathematics, social studies, science, world cultures, mindfulness, physical education, and art. The core curriculum is based on the grade level content expectations of Common Core from the Michigan Department of Education, and the TRG Pacing Guides. The goal of education is to provide all learners with a solid foundation of skills, knowledge, and understandings that are necessary for their continual growth and success as students within the school setting and as adults in society. As a result of sound K-3 education based on well-defined educational outcomes, Tipton Academy students will learn to respect others and the environment. Communicate effectively, know how to learn and work productively, acquire and process information. Use critical and creative thinking to make decisions and solve problems. Work and participate independently and cooperatively, and acquire a core of understanding and competencies within the content areas. A copy of the curriculum can be obtained by request in the main office.

5. THE AGGREGATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS FOR ANY LOCAL COMPETENCY TESTS OR NATIONALLY NORMED ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

At Tipton, we utilize the NWEA MAP assessment to build a roadmap to student achievement for our students. Our students take the computer adaptive test three times per school year. Results are gathered each time and instruction is differentiated to work toward optimal growth for all of our learners.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

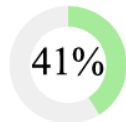
Mathematics

Grade	Fall Norm Target	Fall Median	Spring Norm Target	Spring Median	SCGP
K	139.56	137.5	157.11	156.5	42
1	160.05	153	176.4	170	41
2	175.04	164	189.42	180	37
3	188.48	178	201.08	196.5	53.5
4	199.55	194	210.51	206	41.5
5	209.13	196	218.75	204	39
6	214.75	206.5	222.88	214	48
7	220.21	202.5	226.73	210	36
8	224.92	213	230.3	220	49.5

**% Meeting
Achievement Target**



**% Meeting
Growth Target**



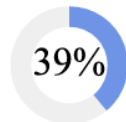
Median SCGP



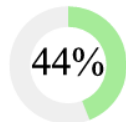
Reading

Grade	Fall Norm Target	Fall Median	Spring Norm Target	Spring Median	SCGP
K	136.65	136	153.09	152	37
1	155.93	147.5	171.4	165	35
2	172.35	157	185.57	177	37
3	186.62	180	197.12	195	49
4	196.67	194	204.83	203.5	42.5
5	204.48	199	210.93	208	46
6	210.17	206	215.36	214	57
7	214.2	207	218.36	216	51
8	218.01	212	221.66	217.5	42.5

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Median SCGP



6. IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

One of the most important factors in a child's success is the involvement of parents or guardians in the educational process. At Tipton Academy in 2014-15, (316)

parents, participated in parent teacher conferences, which was 91% of our student population. In 2015-16, (353) parents participated in parent teacher conferences, which was 90% of our student population. In 2016-2017 (265) parents, participated in parent teacher conferences, which was 88% of our student population, and in 2017-18, (468) parents participated in parent-teacher conferences, which was 89% of our student population. In 2018-2019, (367) parents participated in parent-teacher conferences, which was 80% of our student population. In 2019-2020, (439) parents participated in parent-teacher conferences, which was 92% of our student population. In 2020-2021 School Year (408) parents participated in parent-teacher conferences, which was 90% of our student population. In the 2020-2021 school year (408) parents participated in parent-teacher conferences, which was 90% of our student population. In the 2021-2022 school year (434) parents participated in parent-teacher conferences, which was 91% of our student population. In 2022-2023 school year (439.70) parents participated in Parent Teacher Conferences, which was 92% of our student population. In 2023-2024 school year, (460.8) parents participated in Parent Teacher Conferences, which was 90% of our student population.

We also appreciate the supportive parents and community members who have been a positive influence on our school. By living our school's vision, we continue to focus on improving student achievement, which allows us to maintain our status as an outstanding school and excellent choice in the Garden City and Wayne Westland communities.

7. FOR HIGH SCHOOLS, ONLY ALSO REPORT ON THE FOLLOWING:

Tipton Academy does not operate a high school.

Closing Statement:

Tipton Academy, in partnership with students, staff, parents and community members will challenge all students to realize their full potential by providing them with the highest quality educational program through individualized academic achievement, high moral standards, and strong family and community engagement. Our students are provided an equitable education providing programs and academic experiences based on their individual needs that will help them to achieve their full academic potential. Students are held to high levels of moral and behavioral expectations during interactions with peers and staff members. At Tipton, we strive to have a family environment where students, staff, parents, and the community will participate in creating a lifelong value for lasting bonds, a sense of belonging, service, and community involvement that leads to student and adult success.

We are extremely proud of our entire Tipton family for the continued commitment to our school, our educational programs, and our values. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Dr. Lackey

Dr. Kyle Lackey
Principal, Tipton Academy



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These reports contain the following information:

Teacher Qualification Data

- Identifies the number and percentage of inexperienced teachers, principals, and other school leaders
- Reports teachers who are teaching with emergency or provisional credentials
- Includes teachers who are not teaching in the subject or field for which they are certified

NAEP Data (National Assessment of Educational Progress)

- Provides state results of the national assessment in mathematics and reading every other year in grades 4 and 8

Civil Rights Data

- Provides information on school quality, climate and safety

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School Name Tipton Academy PreK-3 (EAST)	Status Label No Label	Key Initiative to Accelerate Achievement MTSS Intervention for All Levels of Learners
Tipton Academy 4-8 (WEST)	ATS Label	MTSS Intervention and Special Education Programs for All Levels of Learners

I would like to congratulate our students, parents, and staff for working hard during one of the most challenging times of our education lifetime. When others took a pause with learning, we did not. Our teachers, leaders, and support staff are a team unlike any other. Additionally, our parents, families, and students have been working hard too! They have shown the highest level of resiliency and dedication to the importance of learning and normalcy in our children's lives. As a Tiger community, we have continued to maintain a high level of support for our families and ultimately our students. In looking toward the future, I know we will continue working together as a family to make a difference in the lives of our children and help each student to reach their full potential. Thank you for continuing to be committed to the mission of Tipton Academy and for choosing to be a part of our Tipton family. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the school to make an appointment with a member of our administrative team members.

Sincerely,



Angela Gilbert
Superintendent, Tipton Academy