

# ALANSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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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 2014-2015 educational progress for the Alanson Public Schools. 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 Dean F. Paul, Superintendent/K-12 Principal for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site [www.alansonvikings.net](http://www.alansonvikings.net) or you may review a copy in our main office at your child's school.

In reviewing our school's data and drilling down deep into the individual questions, a need for students to increase their ability to read informational text and to improve their ability to problem solve was found. Our school has created school improvement goals to accelerate student achievement and close persistent gaps in that achievement. The staff will receive training in new technology, research based strategies, and coached throughout the year in methods to improve student's abilities to read informational text and improve problem solving skills.

Teachers will be able to utilize current and new technological and data mining skills learned in Professional Development. Teacher Coaches will facilitate training and ongoing support to other teachers in best practice strategies and technology. State law requires that we also report additional information.

- Alanson Public School is a small district that occupies only one building for all K-12 students, therefore the students are simply assigned to the appropriate grade level.
- The School Improvement Plan is a living document and is reviewed each year. Modifications to the plan are made as a result of the latest data. Modifications were made this year for reading informational text and problem solving.
- Alanson Public Schools has implemented the Common Core per the Michigan Department of Education and will continue to implement the State's model.

- The following chart represents the percent of students represented by parents at Parent-Teacher Conferences:

Grade Levels	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
Elementary	77%	79%	88%
Middle School	59%	52%	60%
High School	40%	38%	41%

- At this time our District Data is comprised of a variety of tests such as the NWEA nationally normed test, M-STEP, and other local assessments.

We are extremely proud of our small school and the accomplishments of our students. I encourage you to visit anytime and contact me if you have any questions, compliments or concerns.

Sincerely,

Dean F. Paul, Superintendent/K-12 Principal

