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## Grant Learning Center Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter

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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 2010-2011 educational progress for the Grant Learning Center. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Scott Bogner, Superintendent for assistance.

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

For 2010-2011, Grant Learning Center made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in English language arts and mathematics; however, we are still identified for school improvement. We must make AYP for two consecutive years to no longer be identified for improvement. Since the Learning Center did not make AYP last year but did make AYP this year, we will be identified for school improvement until we make AYP for two years in a row. The Learning Center is dedicated to helping students who have fallen behind in credits to recover those credits by using APEX Credit Recovery Software and by enrolling our students in the Career Tech Center in Fremont. Our parents and guardians can help us work with our students by encouraging and ensuring attendance at school and by taking an active role in this credit recovery process.

Students are assigned to the Learning Center after having fallen behind in credits at Grant High School. A meeting is called and the student, parents/guardians and representatives from the high school and learning center decide the best placement for the student.

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Grant Learning Center follows the school improvement plan adopted by Grant High School. We are in the second year of a three-year school improvement plan.

The Learning Center is designed as a means to help students who have fallen behind in credit to regain their credits and if possible, get back on track for graduation. In addition, enrolling all our students in the Newaygo County Career and Technical Center emphasizes job embedded skills. Students not only regain credit but they also learn a skill, which could lead them to additional educational opportunities or technical careers.

The core curriculum can be accessed by visiting the Learning center office or by viewing the curriculum at the Michigan Department of education website. Our staff at the Learning center has aligned the APEX curriculum to the states' standards and thus the Learning center is fully implementing the core curriculum.

The Learning Center student achievement can be viewed by accessing the data report accompanied with this letter. Because our population is small, results are not necessarily reported like our other district schools. However, the results are attached for your review.

I am pleased to let you know that at each of our parent teacher conferences held last year, around 50% of our students' parents or guardians attended the fall conferences. In the Fall 19 of our 39 students parents' attended and in the spring, 12 parents of our 36 students attended which represents around 33% attendance.

The Learning Center had no students who were dual enrolled and we do not offer Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate courses at the Learning Center.

At the Learning center we are committed to helping our students get back on track to graduation. Many of our students are able to access the resources we have to just that. We have been successful not only in credit recovery, but also in the field of vocational and technical skill development. We will continue to work tirelessly to make sure we serve our student population in honesty and integrity. It is indeed a pleasure to work with you for the betterment of your children.

Sincerely yours,

Scott Bogner  
Director