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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 2019-20 educational progress for the International Academy of Saginaw. 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 Austin Brinkman for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site <https://bit.ly/371iOc7>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2019-20 school year, schools were identified using definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that has at least one underperforming student subgroup. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that has a student subgroup performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state or has a graduation rate at or below 67%. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given.

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### **Brief Description of the School**

We are a public school academy located within the Saginaw ISD serving students from Young 5s to 8th Grade. Bay Mills Community College is our authorizer. We are a Community Eligible Provision (CEP) school, offering 100% free breakfast and lunch to all enrolled students. Due to the pandemic, the school operated in a virtual instruction mode, allowing students to complete packets and receive feedback from home.

### **Process for Assigning Pupils to the School**

The International Academy of Saginaw is a school of choice and has open enrollment. We hold a public lottery for grades that have more applicants than open seats. Letters are sent to families informing them of the outcome of the lottery.

### **Status of the 3-5 Year School Improvement Plan**

We are currently restructuring International Academy of Saginaw. Our School Improvement Plan is in process to meet the needs and goals of our students. In July of 2020, International Academy of Saginaw switched our educational service provider and implemented a new curriculum, hired a new Principal, and is working diligently to support the growth and needs of each student. Our 3-5 year School Improvement Plan is directed by current data, and this will continue to be used to drive the development and implementation process moving forward under the MICIP system.

### **Core Curriculum**

International Academy of Saginaw's core curriculum is consistent and aligned to the Michigan State Standards and the Common Core Curriculum. To access the Standards that are taught please click on <https://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-28753---,00.html>, which is the website for the Michigan Educational Standards.

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We are currently implementing the Michigan Core Academic Standards to fidelity, which is aligned with the State model. You can request a printed copy of the Michigan Standards from the main office, which drives our core curriculum.

## **Aggregate Student Achievement Results**

Because of the COVID pandemic and cancelling of State Standardized testing, there is the lack of achievement results from the Michigan Benchmark Assessments.

## **Parent-Teacher Conferences**

There is no data available regarding the parent-teacher conference participation from the 2019-2020 school year as the previous educational service provider did not leave that information at the school.

## **College Enrollment**

This section of the annual report does not apply to the International Academy of Saginaw.

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With the pandemic, 2019-2020 was a challenging year for everyone. No one understands that more than the parents, students and staff at IAS. Even though it was a difficult year, we are excited about the changes made this year at the academy and the opportunities it presents to our children.

Sincerely,

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