

Pontiac Academy for Excellence Middle School

School Enrollment & Contingency Process

Pontiac Academy for Excellence Middle School practices open enrollment for all students 6-8. If enrollment is full, a lottery process is used if and when openings are available. Parents will be notified if the student is enrolled.

School Improvement Plan Status

The Schoolwide Plan for Pontiac Academy for Excellence Middle School includes goals, measures and strategies in all four core subject areas for grades 6-8, which is supported by a variety of school-wide data. The School-wide Plan was also developed through an analysis of the Michigan School Improvement Framework with the entire staff. The School Improvement Team meets at least once a month to ensure the implementation of goals and strategies. Information from the School Improvement Team is reported to the staff and School Board of Education.

Description of Curriculum and Review Process

Pontiac Academy for Excellence's Core Curriculum is derived from the State of Michigan Department of Education Benchmarks and Standards and Grade Level Content Expectations. PAE works closely with our authorizing agency, Saginaw Valley State University, to ensure the curriculum is aligned, revised and up-to-date in order to maximize opportunities for all students in attendance.

The staff of PAE has developed year-long plans and curriculum maps for each subject. These maps are used to ensure all essential and required Michigan Benchmarks, Standards and Grade Level Content Expectations are taught throughout the year. These plans and maps are updated and revised at the beginning of each school year. The curriculum is monitored through weekly lesson plans, weekly department meetings and frequent assessments. A copy of the core curriculum is available in the Middle School office.

Scantron Achievement Series

Scantron Achievement Series allows districts to create district benchmark assessments and classroom tests. PAE has created common assessments for each grade level and subject, based on the GLCEs. They are administered three times a year.

Scantron 2009-2010 Achievement Series Results: English Language Arts			
READING			
MIDTERM		FINAL	
6 th grade	66%	72%	
7 th grade	67%	79%	
8 th grade	79%	92%	

Scantron 2009-2010 Achievement Series Results: Mathematics			
MATHEMATICS			
MIDTERM		FINAL	
6 th grade	39%	53%	
7 th grade	63%	53%	
8 th grade	60%	74%	

Scantron Performance Series

Scantron Performance Series allows districts to quickly pinpoint students' proficiency level in Mathematics and Reading. The assessment questions correspond with the specific state standards. PAE administers the computer-adaptive assessment 3 times a year; Fall, Winter, and Spring.

Scantron 2009-2010 Performance Series Results: Reading						
Grade	Fall		Winter		Spring	
	Scale Score	NPR	Scale Score	NPR	Scale Score	NPR
6 th grade	2492	12	2432	29	2535	14
7 th grade	2649	9	2527	N/A	2661	18
8 th grade	2700	15	2639	N/A	2722	16

Scantron 2009-2010 Performance Series Results: Mathematics						
Grade	Fall		Winter		Spring	
	Scale Score	NPR	Scale Score	NPR	Scale Score	NPR
6 th grade	2341	11	2352	22	2406	12
7 th grade	2367	10	2420	N/A	2479	14
8 th grade	2453	15	2483	N/A	2586	19

Parent-Teacher Conference Statistics

FALL (2009-2010)		
	Number of parents attending	Percentage of parents attending
6 th grade	49	36%
7 th grade	45	39%
8 th grade	40	34%
Total	134	37%

WINTER (2009-2010)		
	Number of parents attending	Percentage of parents attending
6 th grade	26	20%
7 th grade	31	27%
8 th grade	26	24%
Total	83	24%

SPRING (2009-2010)		
	Number of parents attending	Percentage of parents attending
6 th grade	24	19%
7 th grade	24	21%
8 th grade	20	18%
Total	68	19%