

# School Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter Vicksburg High School

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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 2023-24 educational progress for Vicksburg High School. 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 Adam Brush, Principal, at 269-321-1100, for assistance.

<u>The AER</u> is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website <u>Vicksburg Community Schools</u>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2024-25 school year, schools were identified based on previous years' performance using definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that had at least one underperforming student subgroup in 2023-24. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that had a student subgroup performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state in 2022-23. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance was in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state, had a graduation rate at or below 67%, or failed to exit ATS status in 2022-23. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In this case, no label is given, as is the case with Vicksburg High School.

To close achievement gaps and accelerate student success, Vicksburg High School is actively identifying priority standards across all courses and developing a comprehensive system of assessments to ensure all students achieve proficiency. Our commitment to continuous school improvement is driven by our vision of preparing every student for college and career readiness.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

# **Process for assigning pupils to the school:**

Students are assigned to Vicksburg High School based on the geographic boundaries of our district.

## **Status of the School Improvement Plan:**

Vicksburg High School is continuously working towards school improvement goals in all core and elective areas. Goals and progress are reviewed annually to drive instruction and decision-making in all content. Vicksburg High School is committed to becoming a high-performing professional learning community.

# **Specialized Schools:**

Vicksburg High School does not have a specialized school.

#### **Core Curriculum:**

Copies of the core curriculum are available by contacting the main office at 269-321-1100. The Michigan Merit Curriculum, National Common Core Standards, and other curriculum models are used to develop curriculum in the majority of our core courses.

# <u>Aggregate Student Achievement Results for Local Competency Tests or</u> Nationally Normed Achievement Tests:

2022-23 Vicksburg High School				2023-24 Vicksburg High School			
College Ready				College Ready			
	EBRW	Math	All		EBRW	Math	All
PSAT 9	59%	50%	43%	PSAT 9	85%	52%	52%
PSAT 10	61%	42%	38%	PSAT 10	63%	36%	33%
SAT	75%	42%	43%	SAT	64%	41%	39%

## **Parent-Teacher Conferences:**

Vicksburg High School schedules three parent-teacher conferences per year. Over the past two years, approximately 120 parents attended conferences, representing approximately 16% of our student population.

## **Notable Achievements:**

- Vicksburg High School had 16 students dual enroll at a local college or university over the past two years. This number represents approximately 8% of all students eligible to dual enroll.
- Vicksburg High School currently offers 19 Advanced Placement courses. Students can earn college credit based on AP exam results. In addition, Vicksburg High School offers additional AP courses online through Michigan Virtual University. Last school year VHS students passed 208 AP exams (scored at 3 or higher).
- Over 350 students have enrolled in Advanced Placement courses over the past two school years totaling 977 enrollments in AP courses. This number represents approximately 40% of all Vicksburg High School students eligible to take AP courses.

Vicksburg High School has been recognized at the local, state, and national levels for excellence in college and career readiness. These honors include:

- Selected to be AP Capstone High School in 2019-20
- 2024 AP Access Award
- 2024 AP Honor Roll
- 2019 US News and World Report Best US High Schools
- 2020 US News and World Report Best US High Schools
- 2021 US News and World Report Best US High Schools
- 2022 US News and World Report Best US High Schools
- 2023 US News and World Report Best US High Schools
- 2024 US News and World Report Best US High Schools
- Great Schools 2024 College Success Award Winner

Vicksburg High School is proud of its accomplishments and the support provided by the Vicksburg community.

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