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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 2018-19 educational progress for the JPS Early Childhood Center. 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. The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting www.jpsonline.org, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child’s school. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Lee Westervelt for assistance.

For the 2018-19 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.

Early Childhood does not have the same needs as K-12 programs. Our focus continues to be on developing each child to the fullest socially, emotionally and academically. We have not been given any labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) for schools targeted for improvement.

As an early childhood program many of the attributes in this letter do not apply to our students. State law requires that we also report additional information. Our preschool/readiness core curriculum is Creative Curriculum. Our transitional kindergarten core curriculum isConnect4Learning. These are accessible in the ECC office. Students qualify for the ECC by age. Parents participate at school conferences at a rate of 98%. Some programs require additional requirements for enrollment.

It is an honor to be a part of Jenison Public Schools and to provide quality educational experiences for our young students. We are proud to provide the best in early childhood education. The ECC meets or exceeds all State of Michigan standards.

Sincerely,

Lee Westervelt, Principal
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