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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 2015- 2016 educational progress for Charlotte Upper Elementary. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by Federal and some requirements of State laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, Adequately Yearly Progress (AYP) and teacher quality. Please contact Mark McGarry, Principal, at 517-541-5770 or mcgarrm@charlottenet.org for help if you need assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website: www.charlottenet.org or you may review a copy in the principal's office at your child's school.

For 2015- 2016 Charlotte Upper Elementary received a rating of Yellow on the state scale. This rating is the result of meeting our proficiency targets for all students, but missing the targets for the students scoring in the bottom 30% of our school. We also scored in the 64th percentile on the Michigan Top to Bottom Ranking. We have made great strides, but still have work to do. We appreciate the continued support of parents, staff, and our community in this effort.

In addition to the facts and figures you will find in the Annual Report, we want to share the following information with you:

1. Charlotte Public School District has centralized enrollment that assigns students to a school based on residency boundaries established by the district. Charlotte Public Schools also participates in Schools of Choice.
2. Charlotte Upper Elementary strives to ensure that it is meeting the needs of all learners. To those ends, we set school improvement goals that define success in the following ways:

SMART Goals

- 85% of all students at Charlotte Upper Elementary will be proficient in reading as demonstrated in a state standardized test.
- 80% of all students at Charlotte Upper Elementary will be proficient in math as demonstrated in a state standardized test.
- Charlotte Upper Elementary provides instruction for students in grades four through six.
- Charlotte Upper Elementary's curriculum guide can be accessed at the following link, under *Scheduling* tab: http://charlottenet.org/charlotte_upper_el.html. All graduation requirements, both for the state and for the district, are listed in the guide.



- Charlotte Upper Elementary MSTEP reports for ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies can be found at <https://www.mischooldata.org/DistrictSchoolProfiles/AssessmentResults/AssessmentGradesPerformance.aspx>
The subject of the report can be changed by clicking the orange edit report button.
- Parent/teacher conferences provide parents with an opportunity to meet with their students' teachers face to face and to engage in the instruction that is taking place on a day to day basis. Attendance is encouraged, but parents also engage with teachers through electronic means like email and parent gradebook access. Conferences occur throughout the year, and the number of parents attending varies depending on the time period. However, a good estimate, based on the whole year, would be that roughly 60% of parents attend at least one session.

Sincerely,

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Director of Curriculum and Instruction