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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 Monroe County Middle College. 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 Robert Krueger, MCMC Principal for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website MCMC Annual Education Report 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 2021-22. 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 2021-22. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given. MCMC did not receive one of these labels.

We are very proud of what MCMC has accomplished over the past fifteen years; however, all schools face unique challenges and Monroe County Middle College is no exception. According the Annual Education Report, the number of "College Ready" students, as measured through the SAT measured at 45.8%. This is the same percentage of students that were proficient in Math according to the SAT Math. That percentage reflects being "College ready" in both Math and Evidence Based Reading and Writing. The number increases to 87.5% when considering only the EBRW score. Because the work we do at the middle college is so heavily dependent on college enrollment and success we are aware that students become college ready for different classes and at different times. For example, a student may be "College Ready" for an entry level college course, but not for college level math. We are aware of these differences in our students and help them enroll in classes for which they are truly ready. Monroe County Middle College is in the middle of its fifteenth year of operation. We continue to review data from various sources to increase the number "college ready" students.

State law requires that we also report additional information. Monroe County Middle College operates under the auspices of the Monroe County ISD and is partnered with all nine local school districts in the county. Students must apply to attend MCMC in February preceding the school year they plan to enroll. Applications are required because enrollment is limited due to space restrictions on our post-secondary partner's campus, not because MCMC is a highly selective or gifted and talented school. Seats are allotted based on the resident district of the student and not solely based on prior academic performance.

As the State of Michigan has transitioned to the MICIP (Michigan's Integrated Continuous Improvement Process)

the Monroe County ISD and MCMC have transitioned as well. The Middle College is excited to work closely with the Monroe County ISD on the development of a long term MICIP plan.

As a public school in the State of Michigan our core curriculum consists of the Michigan Merit Curriculum (MMC). Due to the design of MCMC the required components of the MMC are met primarily in the first three years of the student's experience. This approach allows our student greater flexibility with the scheduling of college courses during their last two year in our school. Any parent, student, community member or any other stakeholder can review a copy of our core curriculum through our website or by visiting our office.

Our students have taken the SAT the past number of years with April of 2020 being the exception. The April 2024 administration saw a decrease in scores from the prior year with an average score of 1071. Fall parent teacher conferences were held in November of 2024. The turnout was average with the greatest number of parents being 9th grade parents. It is typical that as our students progress through MCMC they take less and less high school classes so we would expect to see no parents of students in years four or five and smaller amounts of parents as students move through the years.

As an early/middle college, dual enrollment makes up a large portion of our school. During the 2022-2023 school year there were 254 students dual enrolled. For the 2023-2024 school year there were 239 students dual enrolled. This represents an average of 76% of our student body for each school year. During the two prior school years there were a total of 7211 college credits attempted and 6310 credits earned for an 88% success rate as defined as a letter grade of C or higher. This pass rate is below our historical average of 90% C or higher. For the most recent semester, Fall of 2024, the pass rate with a C or higher was 91%. There were no college equivalent courses offered.

The Monroe County Middle College is completing its sixteenth year of operation and we are encouraged by our students' performance. Also, we understand there is much work to be done but we look forward to the challenge.

Sincerely,
Robert Kungen

MCMC Principal