



iCademy GLOBAL

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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 2016-17 educational progress for the iCademy Global. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and some requirements of state laws. Our staff is available to help you understand this information. Please contact Tyler Huizenga for help if you need assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site www.icademyglobal.org, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

One of the challenges we face is the stability of our student enrollment as we are such a new school. Our School Improvement Plan demonstrates the key initiatives being undertaken in the school to accelerate student achievement and close persistent gaps in achievement.

These reports contain the following information:

Student Assessment Data – Includes the following three assessments: M-STEP (Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress), MI-Access (Alternate Assessment), and College Board SAT. These present assessment information for English language arts and mathematics for grades 3 to 8 and 11, and science for grades 4, 7, and 11, compared to state averages for all students as well as subgroups of students. The report helps users to understand achievement performance within grades and schools, and to make comparisons to district, state, and national achievement benchmarks.

Accountability Scorecard – Detail Data and Status

The accountability portion of the AER includes assessment proficiency and participation rates, graduation or attendance rates, as well as accountability scorecard status.

Teacher Qualification Data

- Identifies teacher qualifications at district and school levels
- Reports percentage of core academic classes taught by teachers not considered highly qualified to teach such classes

NAEP Data (National Assessment of Educational Progress)

- Provides state results of the national assessment in mathematics and reading every other year in grades 4 and 8

3-5 Year School Improvement Plan

iCademy Global is in the fourth year of the School Improvement Plan. Staff is working with students in goal areas of reading, math, science, and career readiness. iCademy Global's improvement team is focused on implementing innovative, best practices in all content areas. Within the school improvement process, staff are able to analyze data and adjust instruction with a goal of improved student learning as well as provide opportunities for flexible groupings (just right learning groups).

Student Assignment Process

iCademy Global has an open enrollment policy and does not discriminate on the basis of intellectual or physical abilities, achievement or aptitude, religion, race or gender in the event student enrollment applications exceed available positions, a random selection lottery drawing is conducted under the direction of a representative of the authorizer Lake Superior State University.

Brief Description of School

iCademy Global is an accredited State of Michigan cyber school. We offer a free, high quality, rigorous education to students in grades K-12 across the state. We are held to the same Common Core Standards as traditional, brick-and-mortar public schools, and offer college prep classes, dual enrollment, stewardship, leadership and travel opportunities as well. Even though we are an online school, one of the very things that makes iCademy Global unique is the opportunity for in person and virtual learning and collaboration.

Core Curriculum

iCademy Global is a Michigan public charter school so we follow the Common Core similar to a traditional brick-and-mortar public school. To strengthen our academic program, iCademy Global implements additional experiences like:

- Multi-Age Collaboration
- Stewardship
- Capstone Trips
- Extended Field Experiences

- Special Education
- Stephen Covey's "The Seven Habits"
- Various Elective Offerings
- Personal Mentors
- Virtual classroom experiences
- 1:1 teacher intervention

Aggregate Student Data

Please see attached report for the 2016-2017 school year.

Parental Involvement

Parental involvement is very important at iCademy Global. Due to the nature of an online school, every parent is a vital piece to their student's success. All parents participate in their child's education and have access to their student's progress through the online curriculum, daily updates and communication with teachers and mentors. There are several volunteer opportunities for parents as well as parent teacher organization.

High School Information

During the 2016-2017 school year, six students were enrolled in postsecondary education courses. iCademy Global did not offer any college equivalent courses (AP/IB) during the 2016-2017 school year. All classes were passed and each of the students received college credit.

At iCademy Global we share a common goal with parents—to ensure that students become productive, successful, and confident adults. We help students develop pathways to that success by building on their individual strengths and interests in an online setting that is both safe and connected to a larger community. We offer a flexible learning environment and believe we can accommodate your family's unique schedule.

We know that a great education doesn't have to take place in a classroom. It's about personalized attention between teachers and students, parents and teachers, and students and their peers. And when students, families, and staff work together as a community, it gives students all the tools they need to reach their goals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. J. [unclear]".