



February 6, 2024

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER), which provides key information on the 2022-2023 educational progress for Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan. 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 our school leader, Allie Knapp, for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website <https://www.bridgeacademyswm.org/public-information>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2022-2023 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 2022-2023. 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 2022-2023. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance was in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state or had a graduation rate at or below 67% in 2022-2023. Some schools do not identify with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given.

Our school has not been given one of these labels.

Due to the size of our subgroups as a small district, all tested subgroup categories fell under 10 students, for the 2022-2023 school year. These subgroups are displayed with suppression symbols in the attached report. As BASWM continues to grow in enrollment, we expect the number of tested students in subgroups to increase.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

1. PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL

1. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan has an enrollment cap of 135 students for the 23-24 school year. Students are enrolled on a first come, first served basis. Should the enrollment meet capacity, a waitlist will be available for interested students until there is room for new enrollments. A re-enrollment period for current students and an open enrollment period for new students have been scheduled for spring of 2024 in preparation for the 24-25 school year. Full enrollment information and requirements can be found on the school's website. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan abides by local, state and federal policies in order to create an equitable enrollment process.

2. THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN



The School Improvement team meets monthly to monitor progress, adjust strategies, and develop additional resources to support our district's continuous improvement efforts. The Michigan Integrated Continuous Improvement Process (MICIP) documents are available in the school office for review, as requested. BASWM's MICIP team is supported by Berrien RESA consultants who assist in aligning our goals to best practices in education. Goals for this plan are on track:

1. Students will Increase the number of courses completed each school year.
 2. Students will be engaged in social-emotional support.
3. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL

The Academy welcomes every student into a place where meaningful learning begins with understanding the student as a "whole." We are focused on meeting everyone where they are. We remove barriers to success and help our students become the best version of themselves through education and employment. BASWM staff provide an organized, efficient, and safe educational option for high school completion and career exploration.

Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan is a 9-12 grade high school, offering a no non-sense approach to graduation attainment, wrap around support services and meaningful career exploration opportunities to the tri-county area. The Academy is located inside the Michigan Works! Berrien, Cass, Van Buren facility in Benton Harbor, allowing youth to access a variety of additional resources and support.

4. IDENTIFY HOW TO ACCESS A COPY OF THE CORE CURRICULUM, A DESCRIPTION OF ITS IMPLEMENTATION, AND AN EXPLANATION OF THE VARIANCES FROM THE STATE'S MODEL

Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan's curriculum and program information is available upon request at the academy. BASWM uses Edgenuity to provide classes to students. Students can access these courses both from our on-site building or from anywhere that has internet access. Edgenuity provides a certified virtual teacher for each course assigned to students for academic support, encouragement and content-specific instruction as needed. In addition to the Edgenuity provided instructor, BASWM students also have access to our on-site teachers for that same support, in person. Access to courses through Edgenuity is 24/7 to ensure that all students, regardless of life circumstances or schedules can complete their courses regardless of any barriers they may face.

Typical students are expected to complete at least 1 class every 4 weeks. If this pace is kept throughout the school year, this will result in a student earning a total of 5 credits per program year. Some classes may be completed more quickly than others. Some classes may be more challenging and require more time. Students also have the option to work at an accelerated pace to complete classes more quickly, but they will need to be prepared for the additional work time it will take to do this. We expect that students will complete a minimum of 20 class activities each school day. This daily pace will total a minimum of 80 activities per week.

5. THE AGGREGATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS FOR ANY LOCAL COMPETENCY TESTS OR NATIONALLY NORMED ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

Test	Average Reading Score			Average Math Score			Average Composite Score		
	2022-2023	2021-2022	2020-2021	2022-2023	2021-2022	2020-2021	2022-2023	2021-2022	2020-2021
PSAT 9	368	351.6	N/A	356	350	N/A	724	701.6	N/A
PSAT 10	376	375	N/A	377	384	N/A	752	759	N/A
SAT w/ Essay	388.5	425.0	N/A	390	406.7	N/A	778	831.7	N/A

6. IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

- i. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan meets with parents/guardians on an individual basis as needed/requested. No data available for 2022-2023.
- ii. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan meets with parents/guardians on an individual basis as needed/requested. No data available for 2021-2022.
- iii. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan was not open yet during the 2020-2021 school year.

7. FOR HIGH SCHOOLS, ONLY ALSO REPORT ON THE FOLLOWING:

1. THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF POSTSECONDARY ENROLLMENTS (DUAL ENROLLMENT)

- i. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan had 2 students enrolled in post-secondary enrollments during the 2022-2023 school year.
- ii. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan had 2 students enrolled in post-secondary enrollments during the 2021-2022 school year.
- iii. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan was not open yet during the 2020-2021 school year.

2. THE NUMBER OF COLLEGE EQUIVALENT COURSES OFFERED (AP/IB)

- i. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan offered 0 college equivalent courses during the 2022-2023 school year.
- ii. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan offered 0 college equivalent courses during the 2021-2022 school year.
- iii. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan was not open yet during the 2020-2021 school year.

3. THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN COLLEGE EQUIVALENT COURSES (AP/IB)

- i. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan had 0 college equivalent courses during the 2022-2023 school year.
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4. THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS RECEIVING A SCORE LEADING TO COLLEGE CREDIT
 - i. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan had 0 students receiving a score leading to college credit in 2022-2023 school year.
 - ii. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan had 0 students receiving a score leading to college credit in 2021-2022 school year.
 - iii. Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan was not open yet during the 2020-2021 school year.

Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan is still a new district, and we will continue to collect and review this local and state data to guide our offerings. Using this data is crucial to the success of our district and our students. We thank you for your trust and partnership in our students' success. Please contact the school if you have questions about this information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Allie Knapp". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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