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STATE SUPERINTENDENT FLANAGAN TAKES 27 SCHOOLS OFF PRIORITY SCHOOL STATUS

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LANSING – State Superintendent Mike Flanagan yesterday informed 27 Michigan schools that they have been taken off Priority School status, as a result of their improvements in student achievement.

“Their hard work and focus on data-driven decisions have positively impacted student achievement outcomes,” Flanagan said. “The educators in these schools are leading a transformation for the children in their classrooms.”

The 27 schools are among the first schools placed in Priority School status, back in 2010. Since then, the schools have established and implemented school redesign plans that took them out of the Bottom 5 percent of schools in the state’s Top to Bottom list; met their academic growth objectives in math and reading; and met the required 95 percent student participation rate on the state assessments.

“This is evidence that low-achieving schools can, and do, improve,” Flanagan said. “Every child wants to learn; and every child can learn. The key is finding the best strategies to help them, and staying focused on them.”

The schools now must develop and submit traditional School Improvement Plans to continue the forward progress in student achievement.

The 27 schools taken off Priority School Status:

Bloomington Public School District
Bloomington Middle and High School

Cassopolis Public Schools
Ross Beatty High School

Clintondale Community Schools
Clintondale High School

Conner Creek Academy East
Michigan Collegiate High

Detroit City School District
Holmes Elementary-Middle School
Hutchinson Elementary-Middle School
Schulze Elementary-Middle School

Detroit Community Schools
Detroit Community High School

Education Achievement Authority
Brenda Scott Academy for Theatre Arts

Ferndale Public Schools
University High School

Fitzgerald Public Schools
Fitzgerald Senior High School

Godrey-Lee Public Schools
Lee High School

Kalamazoo Public Schools
Maple Street Magnet School for the Arts

Kent City Community Schools
Kent City High School

Lakeview Community Schools (Montcalm Co.)
Lakeview High School

Lincoln Park School District
Lincoln Park Middle School

Marion Public Schools
Marion High School

Michigan Educational Choice Center
Trix Elementary

Mt. Morris Consolidated Schools
E.A. Johnson Memorial High School

New Haven Community Schools
New Haven High School

Roseville Community Schools
Eastland Middle School
Roseville Middle School

Ross-Hill Academy
Ross-Hill Academy Elementary

Saginaw School District
Thompson Middle School

Waldron Area Schools
Waldron Middle School

Waverly Community Schools
Waverly Middle School

Westwood Heights Schools
Hamady Community High School

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