



The Superintendent's View

It is a pleasure to highlight for you and share information regarding the programs and services that Delta-Schoolcraft ISD provides to our local school districts and communities. It is our belief that every child deserves the opportunity for a quality education and a possibility to reach their full potential and we work extensively to that end.

The Delta-Schoolcraft team is comprised of trained professionals dedicated to serving the needs of our local districts and communities. We provide service, support and professional development in curriculum, career-tech education, alternative and special education, evaluation, data collection and management, school improvement and grant writing. We also work in collaboration with our local communities, school districts and Upper Peninsula colleges and universities to maximize learning opportunities for all.

We exist to serve and support, and it is our goal to do that better than anyone else in the business. This information is provided to you as a snapshot of our organization and we invite you to visit our website (www.dsisd.k12.mi.us) or stop in to tour our facility and see us in action. We are always open to suggestion and welcome any ideas you may have that will improve the services and support that we provide.

The Delta-Schoolcraft ISD is directed by a seven-member Board of Education elected by representatives from each constituent school district. Board members serve a six year term, and hold regular Board meetings on the second Thursday of each month. The public is invited to attend.

-Michael F. Koster
Superintendent

OUR MISSION

Delta-Schoolcraft ISD is committed to creating and supporting effective educational programs which promote learning for all students through the cooperative involvement of students, families, educators and the community.

Serving:

- BARK RIVER
- BIG BAY DE NOC
- ESCANABA
- GLADSTONE
- MANISTIQUE
- MID PENINSULA
- NAH TAH WAHSH PSA
- RAPID RIVER
- HOLY NAME
- SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
- ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

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*“Our progress
as a nation
can be
no swifter
than
our progress
in education.”*

-John F. Kennedy

General Administration/ Business Office

The Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District (DSISD) serves seven K-12 public school districts, one public school academy and three private/parochial schools.

The DSISD also operates The Learning Center for special need populations, a Career-Tech Center in both Manistique and Escanaba, the Bay Middle College High School, the Northwood's Math, Science and Technology Center, and Clear Lake Education Center in partnership with Marquette-Alger RESA and the US Forest Service.

DSISD Spending by Area

General Fund	\$2,271,831
Special Ed Fund	\$7,083,233
Career-Tech Fund	\$2,158,268
Other Funds	\$ 664,839
Total Expenditures	\$12,133,171

Programs and Services

- Operating a midrange computer system for financial, employee and student data for five districts
- Substitute teacher processing, about 250 annually
- Cooperative purchases of materials and supplies including copy paper for about 22 public entities
- SB-CEU submission and record maintenance for professional development credit
- Grant assistance and coordination
- Over 50 trainings, workshops and in-services ranging from literacy to technology to finance to school improvement
- Coordination of media releases required for all districts
- Collection and submission of electronic data for the Department of Education
- School safety initiative coordination
- Technology support including internet access, bandwidth, spam/virus filtering, e-mail, interactive television (ITV), and network design
- Pupil accounting and auditing
- Regular meetings of the Superintendent's across the district
- Conference, meeting and testing room availability

Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District is an equal opportunity employer and will not discriminate on the basis of religion, race, color, national origin, age, gender, marital status, height, weight, arrest record, or disability. Persons denied equal opportunity based on these conditions may file a complaint with the Delta-Schoolcraft I.S.D. Compliance Coordinator and/or the Michigan Civil Rights Commission, Lansing, MI.

General Education/Instruction

The general education department works closely with our local school districts to develop and implement effective curriculum, instructional programs, professional development and student activities. The general ed department continues to assist schools in analyzing and developing curriculum to improve student achievement. School personnel review curriculum, data and examine course offerings along with instructional materials to ensure professional development will support academic learning in all content areas. Professional development is geared toward K-12 teachers and the myriad of staff that support student growth while addressing achievement for all students.

What's Happening...

- ◆ *DIBELS Next*
- ◆ *Teacher Reading Academies*
- ◆ *Algebra for All*
- ◆ *6 + 1 Trait Writing*
- ◆ *SMART Curriculum*
- ◆ *Safe Schools/ Healthy Students*
- ◆ *MiBLSI*

School Improvement

The DSISD continues to support our local schools in developing and implementing individual school improvement plans. The DSISD works to align school improvement plans that define the professional development, cost-containment, collaborative and curricular goals that are consistent among our LEAs. In collaboration with our local schools, the DSISD continues to support the goal of improving student achievement throughout the core areas along with providing additional services to support at-risk populations.

The DSISD School Improvement Plan is available in the Business Office, 2525 Third Avenue South, Escanaba, MI 49829.

Goal: Improve Students' Writing

Strategy 1: Develop quarterly writing assessments with rubrics, align to curriculum and score these to adjust accordingly

Strategy 2: Provide Training and support for implementation of differentiated instruction for writing and reading

Strategy 3: Develop real world lessons that provide reading/writing activities related to the economy and involve parents

Strategy 4: Provide training and support for the development of learning communities

Great Start Collaborative www.great-start.org

Did you know that 85% of a child's learning pattern is developed in the first five years of life? Every year, young children head off to school to begin their elementary education, but the preparation for kindergarten starts long before buying a new backpack or lunch box, early childhood education begins at birth.

The Delta-Schoolcraft Great Start Collaborative (GSC) works in partnership with community leaders, health care professionals, human service agencies and charitable and faith based organizations, to bring educators, and parents together.

Key components focused on by the collaborative for child and family well-being are physical health, parenting education and family support, family economic security and child safety and early care and education.

An important aspect of this initiative is the involvement of parents. Parents meet once a month to take part in the planning and decision making for early childhood planning. Visit our website us at www.great-start.org to find out how you can become a member.

Career-Technical Education

Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Data	
Job Placement Rate:	93.9%
Post-Secondary Education Rate:	70.1%
High School Graduation Rate:	90.6%

**Assessment Data:
Program specific results of pre/post test
In Communications, Math and Science:**

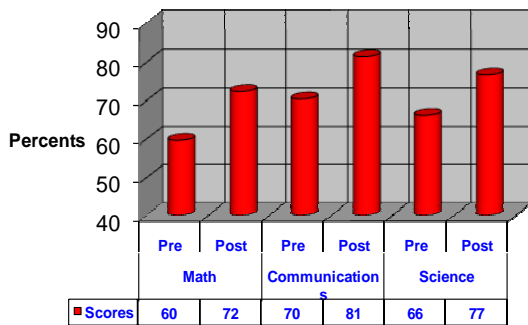
The Career-Technical Education Department has locations in Delta and Schoolcraft counties. There were 315 students attending 14 programs in Delta County 437 students were enrolled in the following programs: Business Office Cluster (54); Child Care (42); Health Occupations (85); Trades and Industrial Courses (254); Cosmetology (2).

Students attending the DSISD Career-Tech Center complete a career portfolio that includes resumes, sample job applications, writing samples and practice interview tips. College presentations and guest speakers representing business and industry are provided on a monthly basis for the students enrolled in the programs. These individuals provide students with up-to-date information and practices that will assist them when they apply for admittance into post-secondary education programs or apply for future employment. Students attending a DSISD Career-Tech Center will be given the opportunity to participate in job shadowing and work experience programs, and the opportunity to participate in course related student organizations and competitions.

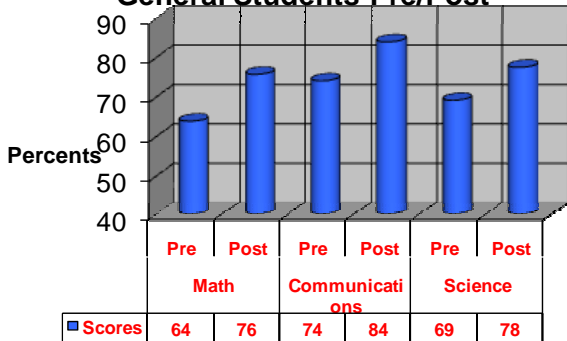
Career-Tech Center Goals

- ◆ Encourage Leadership
- ◆ Strengthen Employability Skills
- ◆ Increase Employment Opportunities
- ◆ Increase likelihood of post-secondary education

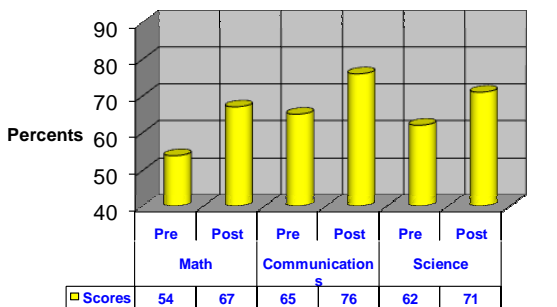
All Students Pre/Post



General Students Pre/Post



Special Population Students Pre/Post



100% of the DSISD Career-Tech Center Instructional Staff are vocationally certified, and meet the minimum of 4000 hours of relevant work experience in their field. The Instructors also hold state recognized teaching credentials. Each Instructor works with a program advisory committee to review their curriculum, equipment needs and to gather input relative to current trends in the business and industry community. Advisory committee membership includes business and industry contacts, trades people, former/current students and parents.

The DSISD Career-Tech Center has assisted local school districts by providing materials on contextual learning. Courses and curriculum have been developed and implemented in the areas of applied math, applied communications, and applied science.

Parents are invited to share in their student's learning experience. Parent/teacher conferences, the spring awards banquet and the program advisory committee are channels to provide parent involvement.

Bay Middle College High School

The Bay Middle College program serves high school students who are at-risk of failing at their home high school. Students must complete the same Michigan Merit Curriculum requirements as mandated for all Michigan districts and do so in an "intensive care" academic environment. Bay Middle College rejuvenates student success through smaller class sizes, opportunities for one-on-one instruction, daily support from instructors through a Focus class, and team building initiatives.

While not mandated, Bay Middle College students also have the opportunity to pursue college credits while completing their high school requirements. Interested students must complete the high school prerequisite Study Skills and the college prerequisite FY-101 before pursuing a planned course of study. Students who complete their requirements as outlined may have the opportunity to earn an associate's degree before graduating with their high school diploma.



Mrs. Reule works with a student on his math assignment.

Proud Moments in 2009/2010

- ◆ 14 High School Graduates
- ◆ Students earned a total of 90 college credits
- ◆ Graduates saw an increase in their overall cumulative GPA in 2 years with the program
- ◆ 2 Students awarded scholarships to continue their education at Bay College
- ◆ Over \$250 was donated by local businesses for students perfect attendance a program initiated by Student Government
- ◆ Plans were finalized and the move was made to Bay College in the fall of 2010

Community Involvement

Bay Middle College holds annual events such as a Thanksgiving Dinner, Christmas Open House, and Parent/Teacher Conferences. Students have also participated in local beautification projects including trash pickup, painting and maintenance for area businesses, and school grounds improvement. A school advisory board made up of local school, civic, and business leaders as well as interested community members meets once a month.



Teamwork goes a long way at the Bay Middle College High School.

Student Goals and Expectations

Students will demonstrate

Critical Thinking

Increase Performance within a college readiness-based curriculum

School Involvement

A Sense of Belonging & Pride

Proud Ownership in the Bay Middle College Program

Special Education Services

- ◆ Social Work
- ◆ Psychological
- ◆ Music Therapy
- ◆ Physical Therapy
- ◆ Autism Consultation
- ◆ Medical Consultation
- ◆ Occupational Therapy
- ◆ Transition Coordination
- ◆ Legal Service Consultations
- ◆ Literacy Consultant
- ◆ Pupil Accounting
- ◆ Speech/Language Therapy
- ◆ Behavior Consultant
- ◆ Classroom Programming for Students with Moderate and Severe Disabilities
- ◆ Homebound/Hospitalized Services
- ◆ Administrative Consults
- ◆ Professional, Paraprofessional and Parent Training
- ◆ Medicaid Processing
- ◆ Assistive Technology Consultations

Special Education

The special education department continues to promote best practice methodology through the integration of the Michigan Behavior in Literacy Support Initiative (MiBLSI) in conjunction with the student intervention team (SIT) process. We currently have 11 local school buildings and seven local districts involved in the MiBLSI Project and SIT process. The special education department is actively working to develop and implement a problem-solving process to assist all students through a response to intervention (RTI) model, as well as developing specific interventions to target fundamental reading, math and behavioral skills

The special education department operates the Learning Center program for our highest needs students along with a drop in Early On center for infants and toddlers. Professional offices are at the DSISD career technical center in Escanaba with a satellite office in the Manistique High school. We operate Project Find and Early On for preschoolers in both Delta and Schoolcraft counties. We take pride in the number of preschool children we service, the quality of that service and the prevention aspect of our program.

A Caseload Glance

The special education department employs or contracts with various professionals to provide speech and language, occupational therapy, psychological, social work, physical therapy orientation and mobility and behavioral consultation services to our local districts. This makes it possible for students to receive the full array of high quality specialized services in their own schools and within the community. DSISD social workers provided over 847 individual counseling sessions, and over 133 group sessions along with providing services related to behavior intervention plans evaluations and re-evaluations. Our school psychologists, are actively involved in the evaluation process having conducted over 40 initial and 80 reevaluation's respectively. Additionally, our school psychologists continue to consult with our local schools and have attended over 265 student intervention team meetings. Further, our literacy consultant and behavioral consultant have provided in excess of 90 days of professional development during the school year.



DSISD Special Education Staff

The Learning Center Tigers

The Learning Center is made up of ten classrooms, including Early Childhood classes, Elementary, Intermediate and Secondary classes for Moderate (MoCI) and Severe (SCI) Cognitive Impairment students. There are seven teachers and twenty aides in the various classrooms.

An outcome based core curriculum approach to education focuses and organizes all school programs and instructional efforts around clearly defined outcomes we want all students to know, do and be like as adults. The State Board of Education core curricula for math, science, reading, history, geography, economics, American government, and writing are contained in our curricular elements. The eight curricular elements are Personal Care, Life Management, Communication, Leisure, Vocational, Social/Emotional, Cognitive, Health and Motor Development. The areas of study are designed to empower individuals to participate to their maximum ability and increase their integration into all aspects of daily living beginning at the earliest stage and continuing throughout their educational years allowing them to live with maximum independence.

Students by District

Bark River-Harris	7
Big Bay de Noc	2
Escanaba	46
Gladstone	31
Manistique	4
Mid-Peninsula	1
Rapid River	2

Tiger Pride in 2009/2010

- ◆ Two program graduates
- ◆ Ten preschool graduates entered kindergarten at their local districts in the fall
- ◆ Eighteen students awarded SCOOP awards for outstanding achievement
- ◆ Eight students won art awards at the Bonifas Arts Center
- ◆ Twenty-One students participated in MI-ACCESS assessment
- ◆ Met "Read for 2010" goal with staff and community members reading 211 books to elementary students, leading to a large donation to homeless children



Students work with their classroom aide, learning in a variety of ways.

The Way We Roar

The Learning Center partners with many community organizations and programs including: Delta County Special Olympics, Menominee-Delta-Schoolcraft Head Start, Escanaba Rotary, Elks Club #354, Escanaba Area Schools, Lakestate Industries, City of Escanaba, St. Anne's Church, City of Gladstone, McKnight Transportation, Shriners Circus, DSISD Health Occupations Class, Charter Communications, Pathways, Campbell Soup Company, Super One Foods, Super 8 Motel, Goodwill, Salvation Army, Wells Lions Club, Delta County RICC, Bonifas Fine Arts Center, Schwan's, Daily Press, YMCA of Delta County, Youth Assistance Program and the Community Foundation.

Parents join us on field trips, take part in swim lessons, attend a Thanksgiving feast, Christmas Program, and open house, and provide snacks and supplies for classes.

Things We Do...

Physical Education

Swim Class

Arts and Crafts

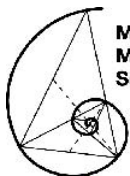
Music Therapy

Can-A-Thon

Recycling

Box Tops for Education

Northwood's Math, Science and Technology Center



Michigan
Mathematics and
Science Centers Network

The Northwood's Math, Science and Technology Center (NMSTC) provides leadership and support to all schools in math and science. NMSTC works intensively with schools to address achievement gaps in math and science, and to align curriculum with State content expectations.

Student Programs	Students
Michigan Virtual Math Summer Camps	31
STAR LAB	495
CLEC Day Camps	189
CLEC 2/3 day Outdoor Education Camps	40
Instructor Services	Instructors
Reading and Writing in Science	12
Greater Proficiency in Science and Investigate the State	19
Battle Creek Science Kits	30
Algebra for All	30

Clear Lake Education Center



~ Clear Lake Education Center connects people of all ages to the natural world through engaging and dynamic educational and recreational opportunities utilizing passionate facilitators and dedicated community partners.

~Advocating environmental literacy, team-building, and career preparation, Clear Lake strives to be the model for year-round conservation education and the destination of choice for people seeking a unique experience of their natural world. We hope to impact as many people as possible, especially area youth who are future stewards of our Earth.

Clear Lake offers a diverse curriculum of outdoor education and conservation classes as well as high and low ropes challenge courses. Our classes meet the current GLCE set forth by the State of Michigan as well as Federal Education standards. As part of a community outreach, Clear Lake participates in the "More Kids in the Woods" program with the Hiawatha National Forest and the YMCA of Delta County and partners with the Bonifas Arts Center and the Upper Peninsula Children's Museum in various programs such as the "Nature-Art Fundamentals" series. The Clear Lake Adventure weekend fundraiser is open to individuals and families of all ages for participation in youth and adult triathlons. Clear Lake also helps establish a matching funds program to assist schools in attending camp programs. Clear Lake has begun offsite programming to allow students to benefit from our classes without the expense of traveling to the center. Our partners, sponsors, and donors help us reach a wide variety of groups. Visit our website www.clearlakeinfo.org to view a listing of our generous benefactors. For more information on any of our programs, private rental of the camp, or volunteer opportunities, please call the Program Director, Mimi Klotz at (906) 280-5364.

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