

## COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

*It is the ISD's job to work with our two local school districts to do together what cannot be accomplished alone. Involving the community in the education process is extremely important. The following is a summary of our activities in this area.*

- Provided Crisis Intervention Training to school staff
- Continued tutoring programs at Delton and Hastings Middle Schools. 234 students were served
- Provided computer repair support to local districts
- Sponsor of "Joint Boards of Education meeting" held annually in the Fall
- Participated in Barry County Resource Network meetings
- Sponsored quarterly meetings of the Local Inter-agency Coordinating Council through Early On
- Membership in the Barry County Literacy Council
- Membership in the Barry County Chamber of Commerce
- Audited Local Schools Membership via contract with CISD
- Member of Rotary

## THIRD PARTY DRIVER TESTING

- Only State approved testing site in Barry County
- Michigan Department of State certified examiner
- Serviced and tested students from: Hastings, Thornapple-Kellogg, Delton-Kellogg, Maple Valley, Lakewood, Wayland, Caledonia, Gull Lake, Plainwell, Allegan, Martin, Hopkins, and Battle Creek Pennfield school districts as well as private school and home-schooled students
- Tested adults from: Barry, Kent, Ionia, Eaton, Calhoun and Kalamazoo counties
- 924 driving tests administered in 2007
- 505 driving tests through June 2008
- Failure rate in 2006: 8% 2007: 8%
- Audited and approved by Department of Testing through Michigan Secretary of State office

## TECHNOLOGY

- Continued to upgrade staff computer hardware and software
- Continued implementation of Assistive Technology Plans
- Continued to update and improve BISD web page
- Reviewed technology plans for local schools & submitted new ISD plan

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2007-2008

# ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT

OF THE  
BARRY INTERMEDIATE  
SCHOOL DISTRICT



THIS BROCHURE IS A SYNOPSIS OF THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE STAFF, BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION OF BARRY ISD OVER THE PAST 12 MONTHS

SEPTEMBER 2008

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# Building Better Futures for Children and Communities

## CAREER-TECHNICAL EDUCATION

- Co-sponsored Career Fair for over 600 high school students with local schools and community groups
- Met with regional planning team to determine preliminary CTE activities for 2007-2008 school year
- Met with CTE teachers to insure approved Perkins' budgets and time-lines
- Provided combined CTE teacher group with presentation, outline and required forms for the 2007-2008 Perkins' grant
- Met with Hastings administrators to outline Perkins' priorities and targeted core performance indicators for 2007-2008
- Provided funding for tutoring of CTE students at Hastings High School

## TALENT DEVELOPMENT

- Midwest Talent Search (MTS)—Provided MTS opportunity for middle school students who scored 95% or higher on achievement tests. Parent informational meetings were held at each Middle School and follow-up materials were sent to participating students' homes.
- English Language Arts (ELA) Audit—Team member for Delton-Kellogg ELA Audit grades Pre-K - 8<sup>th</sup> grade.
- Spelling Bee—Thirty 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students competed in the Barry ISD Regional Bee on February 26, 2008.
- Young Author's Program— Presented a 2-day program for 2<sup>nd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grades at the Pierce Cedar Creek Institute. Ninety-nine students from area schools participated.
- Young Artist's Program—Barry ISD presented a 1-day program for 2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade students at Grand Rapids Art Museum and Urban Institute of Contemporary Art. Sixty students from area schools participated.
- Young Scientist's Program—Barry ISD presented a 1-day program for 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade students at the AirZoo in Kalamazoo. Sixty-four students from area schools participated.
- Chaired Barry ISD Advanced & Accelerated committee comprised of representatives and parents from Delton-Kellogg and Hastings Area Schools.
- Generation E Curriculum Certification—Coordinated and instructed a Summer program for 12 Middle School Students in Beginning Entrepreneurial Education.
- Responded to numerous requests from teachers, parents and administrators for use of materials/information.
- Distributed information to local schools regarding various staff development opportunities and opportunities for students.
- Wrote and received ISD 57.1 and 57.3 Advanced/Accelerated grants in the Michigan Electronic Grants System.
- Wrote and received ISD 57 Advanced/Accelerated summer program grant with Delton-Kellogg and Hastings districts.

## MICHIGAN WORKS!

- Employment services served 16,900 (up 25%) job seekers between 7/1/07 and 6/30/08. 7,857 received services beyond basic services. Services provided included, but were not limited to: labor exchange access, access to resource room materials, labor market information, training information. 177 individuals benefited from Trade Act classroom training or relocation monies.  
**Workforce Investment Act Programs**
- Core Services served 16,900 (up 25%) job seekers between 7/1/07 and 6/30/08. Services provided included, but were not limited to: assistance with labor exchange system, assistance with resource room materials, interpretation of labor market information, resume and cover letter preparation, job search planning, and job development/placement assistance. Referrals to training programs.
- Adult Low Income Program served 34 eligible adults between 7/1/07 and 6/30/08. Services provided included, but were not limited to: Classroom training, on-the-job training, career counseling including labor market information, resume and cover letter preparation, and personalized job development.
- Dislocated Worker Program served 70 eligible dislocated workers between 7/1/07 and 6/30/08. Services provided included, but were not limited to: Classroom training, on-the-job training, labor market information, resume and cover letter preparation, personalized job development and career counseling.
- Youth-In School program served 66 eligible low income youth between 7/1/07 and 6/30/08.
- Youth-Out of School program served 12 eligible out-of-school youth between 7/1/07 and 6/30/08.
- Youth-In and Youth-Out of School Services provided: Outreach and Recruitment, Intake and Eligibility Verification, Objective Assessment and ISS Development, Job Placement Services, Follow-UP Services and Customer Satisfaction Surveys. Activities offered: Apprenticeships, Business Involvement, GED Preparation, Entrepreneurial Program, Job Shadowing, Mentoring, Occupational Skills Training, Parent/Caregiver Involvement, Referrals (Entrance and referral process-Referral for other programs), Service Based Learning/Community Service Activities, Scholarship, Supportive Services, Tutoring, W.I.A. Youth Council, Work Experience and Workshops.

## EARLY ON

- Continued collaborative efforts with area agencies to provide and present the Family Workshop Series with the Child Abuse Prevention Council, "Strong Families Safe Children" Council members and area schools.
- A total of 146 referrals were made to the Early On Coordinator, to evaluate children for eligibility.
- A total of 103 families were served between June 1, 2007 and June 1, 2008.
- Early On Coordinator workshop for parents, "Discipline for all ages" was presented by Early On Coordinator.

## SPECIAL EDUCATION

- Provided special education ancillary service personnel to LEA's including: Psychologists, Social Workers, Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, Speech Pathologists, Teacher of the Hearing Impaired & Autism Consultant.
- Provided classrooms for low incident special education populations (32 students in Moderately Cognitively Impaired classrooms, 11 students in Severely Cognitively Impaired classrooms and 19 students in the Early Childhood Developmentally Delayed classroom).
- Jointly operated classroom with Headstart and Special Education staff for preschool aged students.
- Maintained central registry of special education students, services and staff.
- Facilitated training for special education staff from Hastings, Delton and Barry ISD on Special Education forms and procedures.
- Assisted local school districts with the completion and submission of required State and Federal reports.
- BISD staff completed a total of 512 special education evaluations, including both initial referrals and reevaluations in all disability areas.
- Provided specialized transportation for special education students on three BISD bus routes.
- Coordinated transition services throughout BISD.
- Provided staff and funding for entrepreneurial business projects for special education students throughout the school year.
- Provided a sheltered workshop with a deviated wage structure throughout the school year for young adults 16 - 26 with moderate cognitive impairments.
- Students in the Young Adult Program participated in community activities including regular trips to the Public Library, Area Community Center and area businesses.
- Provided summer program for Severe Cognitively Impaired classroom.
- Provided technical support to ISD and LEA staff members with the Medicaid billing process.
- Provided in-service trainings on various topics: Non-Violent Crisis Intervention; Response to Intervention (RTI); Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD); Behavior Management; Transition planning; KTEA administration and scoring; Career Fair presentations.
- Maintained professional representation in the community organizations such as: Kids Network, Truancy Committee, Wrap Around, Barry County Resource Network, Barry County Community Foundation, Region III Assistive Technology Committee, Substance Abuse Task Force, Critical Incident Planning Team, and State of Michigan Standards Setting Panel.
- Staff members participated in the Area Meth Task Force Council.
- All BISD professional staff participated in one, or more, year-long school improvement teams.
- Provided playgroups through the "Great Parents Great Start" grant.