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Thirteen WCS elementary libraries receive Library of Michigan endorsement for meeting qualified/exemplary status

Warren, MI – The Library of Michigan recently awarded 13 Warren Consolidated elementary school libraries a certificate of completion for meeting the qualified or exemplary status of the Measurement Benchmarks for Michigan School Libraries for 21st Century Schools.

To earn this recognition, each library demonstrated its competence in three categories for school library program evaluation: teaching for 21st Century learning, building the 21st Century learning environment, and leading the way to 21st Century learning.

“We are proud that our elementary libraries have done such outstanding work in providing services deemed qualified/exemplary by the Library of Michigan,” Superintendent of Schools Robert D. Livernois, Ph.D. said. “By focusing efforts on these key areas, our libraries have shown a strong commitment to information literacy and student achievement.”

Based on the benchmarking concept of the Quality Services Audit Checklist used by the Library of Michigan for public libraries, Michigan School Libraries for 21st Century Schools is a voluntary management standards program that assists K-12 libraries by setting benchmarks in the areas of instruction, student achievement, technology, facility, staffing, budget, instructional materials, curriculum development, school improvement, community engagement, and advocacy.

“Michigan School Libraries for 21st Century Schools represents the collaborative work of several dedicated task force members, including school librarians from across the state, library educators, Michigan Association for Media in Education, and the Library of Michigan,” said State Librarian Nancy Robertson. “The staff of the Warren Consolidated Schools elementary libraries is to be commended for achieving this vital endorsement for its school and its library program.”

The following WCS libraries were recognized:

Angus Elementary – Exemplary; Karen Soper – Media Specialist
Black Elementary – Exemplary; Shauna Coleman – Media Specialist
Cromie Elementary – Qualified; Jamie Fletcher – Media Specialist
Green Acres Elementary – Exemplary; Jean Schachermeyer – Media Specialist
Harwood Elementary – Exemplary; Carrie Rospino – Media Specialist
Jefferson Elementary – Qualified; Stephanie Staub – Media Specialist
Holden Elementary – Exemplary; Judy Franklin – Media Specialist
Siersma Elementary – Exemplary; Christine McNanney – Media Specialist

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Lean Elementary – Exemplary; Marian Cardamone – Media Specialist
Susick Elementary – Exemplary; Denise Shepitka – Media Specialist
Wilkerson Elementary – Exemplary; Cecillia Puzzuoli – Media Specialist
Willow Woods Elementary – Qualified; Steven Reinke – Media Specialist
Wilde Elementary – Qualified; Lisa Kennedy – Media Specialist

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