

## Toppenish School District No. 202

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**Dear Families and Community Members:** 

The Toppenish School District 2022-23 Annual Report is now available for review. The report provides key information regarding the educational progress of the Toppenish School District and our schools as well as other required information outlined in Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). If you need assistance accessing or understanding this information, please call (509) 865-4455. We would be happy to assist.

You can view the electronic report elements by visiting our school district website at www.toppenish.wednet.edu under "Our District" tab then click on "District Report Card" or you can access the report at the District Office. The report includes information on enrollment and student demographics, a summary of student scores on state tests, student graduation rates, an annual budget report, and a description of the district's learning improvement plan.

Washington State has created a Framework for Accountability that identifies how schools can improve the education of all students. The Framework combines as many as nine indicators (such as graduation rates, attendance, and proficiency on state tests in math and English language arts) into a 1-10 score. The school's score then determines the state's support. For the 2023-24 school year, Toppenish School District will have the following schools identified for supports:

Tier 2: Garfield Elementary School

Tier 3: Toppenish Middle School, Lincoln Elementary School and Valley View Elementary School

Tier 3 Plus: CATS High School and Kirkwood Elementary School

For more information on each school, please go to https://washingtonstatereportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us/ or contact your building administrator.

We would like to share some exciting developments within our district as we continue to provide a well-rounded and enriching educational experience for your children. Our robust Career & Technical Education (CTE) Program equips students with valuable skills and hands-on learning opportunities, preparing them for diverse career pathways. Additionally, our Highly Capable (Hi-Cap) Program is designed to nurture the talents of exceptionally gifted students, ensuring they receive a challenging and stimulating education. We are proud to offer College in the High School (CIHS), where our high school students can earn college credits while on our campus. Furthermore, our district has adopted new curricula, including Project Lead The Way for elementary science and Benchmark Advance for reading, ensuring that our students receive a cuttingedge and comprehensive education. We also understand the importance of educating the whole child. That's why we have implemented Character Strong to focus on the social-emotional needs of our students, creating a supportive and inclusive learning environment.

We encourage our families to participate in your students' activities through the various Parent Advisory Committees and to be a part of the many school and community activities throughout the year. For more information on volunteer opportunities, please contact your child's school or call Teri Martin, Federal Programs Director, (509) 865-8283, or Shawn Myers, Acting Superintendent, (509) 865-4455.

Sincerely,

Shawn Myers, Acting Superintendent