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Superintendent of Schools

To All-

On behalf of the Westwood Community School District and the School Board, I would like to welcome you to our new website. Just like our website, there have been many changes to enhance and strengthen our programs here in Westwood.



Westwood New Tech High School has just completed its first full year of providing project-based learning for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students through the use of one-to-one laptops. Next year New Tech will open its doors to a new group of 9<sup>th</sup> graders.

Our Westwood Cyber High School, which offers 100% percent of its instruction online, finishes up its second full year. Over the last two years, Westwood Cyber High School has increased its enrollment to over 700 students. This program targets students who have somehow become disengaged from the traditional high school program and are looking for an innovative route to learning while earning a high school diploma.

Our academic achievements were outstanding again this year. Ninety-seven (97) percent of our third graders at Thorne Intermediate School scored proficient in Reading on the Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP). And approximately 90 percent of our third and fourth graders across the district scored proficient in Math on the MEAP. Significant gains in achievement scores were also realized in our other class levels throughout the District.

Despite the tough economic times, our students experience education first hand through hands-on activities and field trips outside the four walls of their classrooms. Our Tomlinson Pride students participated Lego-Robotics and Financial Literacy programs. In addition, our students participated in Advance Placement, Dual Enrollment, CTE, Mandarin Chinese, Music and Arts Programs.

We also offer a host of athletic programs, including, football, basketball, track, baseball, bowling, tennis, wrestling, and volleyball. Our boys and girls athletic teams at our middle and high schools demonstrated sportsmanship with gentleness and grace, but were fierce competitors to the opposing teams. For the second time in two seasons, the Robichaud Boys Basketball team claimed the title of WWAC Division Champions.

As we close out this school year, I want to congratulate the graduating Class of 2011. Our seniors from Robichaud High School, Westwood Cyber High and our Westwood-Ombudsman program have received over \$600,000 in scholarship monies for use toward tuition and books at postsecondary institutions.



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Our teachers, administrators, bus drivers, food service workers, custodians and support staff have worked hard to deliver quality educational lessons and experiences to over 2600 students this year. I thank them for all of their hard work and their commitment to the students at Westwood Community Schools.

If you are a parent or guardian of someone on the Westwood team, thank you for entrusting us to educate your child. If you are thinking about which school district to send your child, I offer you one of the best school systems in Southeast Michigan—Westwood Community Schools.

For more information on our phenomenal program offerings, please explore this new website.

If you are interested in enrolling a student in Westwood Community Schools, please **contact (313) 565-3389**.

Thank you for your visit.

Sincerely yours,

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