

September 29, 2015

Dear EGRPS Families,

I would like to share that Wealthy Elementary School has been selected as a Michigan Blue Ribbon School as part of the 2015 National Blue Ribbon Schools Program sponsored by the United States Department of Education. The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program honors public and private elementary, middle, and high schools where students either achieve very high learning standards or are making notable improvements in closing the achievement gap. The award affirms the hard work of students, educators, families, and communities in creating safe and welcoming schools where students excel academically. Wealthy Elementary is one of 13 schools selected this year as a Michigan Blue Ribbon School.

Wealthy Elementary School was commended on the rigorous efforts to provide quality education, strong leadership, parental participation, and significant progress in achieving high academic standards. I am extremely proud of all the educators that work in East Grand Rapids Public Schools and their commitment to excellence in teaching and learning and to continuing the 'Tradition of Excellence' legacy.

Throughout our history all EGRPS elementary schools, middle school, and high school have received various recognitions from both a state and national perspective on the quality teaching and learning environments established in our schools. An effective school district is founded on a strong partnership between the teachers, students, administration, parents, community, and Board of Education. We are fortunate and grateful as a district to have a strong partnership with all of these groups which enables us to continue to excel as a school district. Please join me in congratulating Wealthy Elementary School on becoming a National Blue Ribbon School and continuing the 'Tradition of Excellence'!

Sincerely,



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Superintendent