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School Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter

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Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER), which provides key information on the 2021-22 educational progress for Calhoun County Youth Center. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, accountability, and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Lindsey Psychas for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website [Calhoun County ISD Website](#), or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2021-22 school year, schools were identified based on previous years' performance using definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that had at least one underperforming student subgroup in 2021-22. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that had a student subgroup performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state in 2021-22. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance was in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state or had a graduation rate at or below 67% in 2021-22. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no label is given.

Our school has not been given one of these labels.

State law requires that we also report additional information.

1. PROCESS FOR ASSIGNING PUPILS TO THE SCHOOL
 - a. Students enrolled at the Calhoun County Juvenile Home are adjudicated youth placed by the court system.
1. THE STATUS OF THE 3-5 YEAR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN
 - a. The Juvenile Home SIP is focused on increasing student achievement in Reading and Mathematics. The SIP has incorporated goals that focus

on utilizing assessment data to track student achievement and in developing academic interventions to address individual student deficits.

2. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH SPECIALIZED SCHOOL
 - a. Calhoun County Juvenile Home is a residential facility for adjudicated youth. The students at the Juvenile Home are placed by the courts, sometimes for as little as one or two days. Calhoun ISD operates the school program, providing instruction in English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies. The teachers are Special Education endorsed and highly qualified in the curriculum content area taught. Students are placed within three groups, primarily based upon their offense. The students live and attend school with their assigned group. The groups are comprised of many different grade, skill and age levels.
3. IDENTIFY HOW TO ACCESS A COPY OF THE CORE CURRICULUM, A DESCRIPTION OF ITS IMPLEMENTATION, AND AN EXPLANATION OF THE VARIANCES FROM THE STATE'S MODEL
 - a. Calhoun County Juvenile Home follows the Common Core State Standards as defined by the state mandate which is available via request by contacting Lindsey Psychas at 269.781.1253.
4. THE AGGREGATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS FOR ANY LOCAL COMPETENCY TESTS OR NATIONALLY NORMED ACHIEVEMENT TESTS
 - a. Student Assessment Data is available at www.calhounisd.org or by contacting the main office.
5. IDENTIFY THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF STUDENTS REPRESENTED BY PARENTS AT PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES
 - a. Due to the nature of the facility, treatment restrictions and program, Calhoun County Juvenile Home School does not hold regularly scheduled parent-teacher conferences. Parents of students with an Individualized Education Plan (IEP), are informed within the legal timeline of any changes or updates to their student's IEP and are invited to attend meetings in regards to such. Parents are able to contact The Calhoun County Juvenile Home School with any questions or concerns.
6. FOR HIGH SCHOOLS, ONLY ALSO REPORT ON THE FOLLOWING:
 - a. THE NUMBER AND PERCENT OF POSTSECONDARY ENROLLMENTS (DUAL ENROLLMENT), THE NUMBER OF COLLEGE EQUIVALENT COURSES OFFERED (AP/IB), THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN COLLEGE EQUIVALENT COURSES (AP/IB) THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS RECEIVING A SCORE LEADING TO COLLEGE CREDIT.

- i. As a result of the judicial restrictions associated with adjudicated youth, The Calhoun County Juvenile Home is not able to offer dual enrollment, AP/IB college equivalent courses, or college credit.

The Calhoun ISD staff at Calhoun County Juvenile Home are pleased to have the opportunity to work with children and will continue to ensure that they make progress toward their goals for continued growth and educational success. If you have any concerns or have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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