



Dear Clawson Staff and Families:

We learned from the AdvancED accreditation team they are recommending Clawson Public Schools for accreditation by the AdvancED Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement.

I want to thank each and every one of you for making this possible. The school board, school improvement team, administrators, teachers and staff spent countless hours assembling the necessary materials and meeting with the AdvancED team. The custodians made sure our

schools looked spotless. Parents took time out of their busy schedules to meet with the team and share their observations about our schools. Our teachers welcomed the team into their classrooms for observation of student learning.

In their preliminary exit report, AdvancED commended the District on its:

- welcoming climate
- student to teacher and student to student respect
- staff dedication to student growth
- community/school partnerships

They were impressed by the special pride in "being Clawson" and that teachers enabled students to feel safe to take risks.

When we receive the final AdvancED report, we will share with you their assessment, recommendations and opportunities for improvement.

Thank you again for your dedication to this important accreditation effort. I am proud of each of you and you can be proud of your Clawson Public Schools.

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Monique Beels, Superintendent of Schools

Clawson School Board President Honored by Michigan Association of School Boards



Clawson School Board President Jessica Back, Ph.D., is one of 25 Oakland County school board members honored by the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB). She received the Certified Board Member Award for her efforts to improve leadership skills and demonstrated commitment to student achievement.

Awards are earned for classes completed in MASB's leadership training program, including Introduction to School Board Service, Policy, School Finance and School Budget, Basic School Law, Curriculum and Instruction, Community Relations Leadership, Labor Relations, Legislation, and Board Governance for Data-Informed Decision Making.

Jessica Back

The training and professional development helps board members keep pace with the fastmoving and complex changes in education.

School Directory

Baker Administrative Center

626 Phillips, Clawson, MI 48017 (248) 655-4400 Monique Beels, Superintendent of Schools

Clawson Early Childhood Center

626 Phillips, Clawson, MI 48017 Pre-school – Julie Bokor (248) 655-4402 Child Care – Renay Swords (248) 655-4421

Kenwood Elementary School

Kindergarten through 5th Grade 240 Nahma, Clawson, MI 48017 (248) 655-3838 Dr. Ken Schofield, Principal

Schalm Elementary School

Kindergarten through 5th Grade 940 N. Selfridge, Clawson, MI 48017 (248) 655-4949 Patricia Pell, Principal

Clawson Middle School

6th Grade through 8th Grade 150 John M., Clawson, MI 48017 (248) 655-4250 Adam Schihl, Principal

Clawson High School

9th Grade through 12th Grade 101 John M., Clawson, MI 48017 (248) 655-4200 Ryan Sines, Principal Adam Schihl, Athletic Director

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Tammie Schadd Appointed Director of Business Services



Tammie Schadd has been appointed Director of Business Services for the Clawson School District.

She is responsible for directing and supervising accounting procedures and personnel, developing and managing the budget and preparing financial projections,

Tammie Schadd

managing cash flow and investments, and providing accounting and financial management of State and Federal grants.

Tammie comes to Clawson from the Croswell-Lexington Community Schools in Croswell, Michigan, where she was the Business Manager for 18 years.

She is a Certified Public Accountant and earned Chief Financial Officer certification through the Michigan School Business Officials Association. She is a graduate of Central Michigan University where she received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and a Master of Science Leadership degree.

Lori Karam Named WNIC Teacher of the Week



Congratulations to Lori Karam, Kenwood Elementary Kindergarten Teacher, who was named WNIC 'Teacher of the Week'.

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Mrs. Karam is described as "one

of a kind". Her nomination letter said, "Mrs. Karam is incredible, always patient, kind, positive and hopeful, regardless of the situation. She helps every child that enters her door. She treats her students with the most respect and admiration. Mrs. Karam encourages them to be authors, writers, scientists, and anything else she can think of. Her children adore her and so do parents. Two of her kids were recognized at the technology fair at the Capitol in Lansing. There were others from Oakland County, but none as young as kindergarten. She is remarkable and I wish that every child entering school would have her as their first experience."

Clawson Students Place in McDonald's Black History Art Contest

Two Clawson High School students were chosen as finalists and took fourth place in the 'McDonald's Celebrates Black History Moments on Canvas' art contest. Four students were named semi-finalists in the contest which honors the contributions of people of African descent to American and world history. Each Clawson student's historically accurate artwork depicts a significant figure in black history.

Finalists, Fourth Place:

Senior Hannah McLauchlan — Jesse Owens (1) Senior Bryanna Williams — Langston Hughes (2)

Semi-finalists:

Senior Brittney LaCouver – Morgan Freeman (3) Senior Ashlee Cluckey – Eartha Kitt (4) Junior Alexis Thorne – Maya Angelou (5) Sophomore Jodi Lewandowski-Romans – Laverne Cox (6)

Fifty semi-finalists were chosen from the tri-county area to advance to the final round of 12 finalists. Hannah and Bryanna both won \$125 and a portfolio art class this summer. Their works were exhibited at the N'Namdi Center for Contemporary Art in Detroit.











Enrollment Procedures

<u>Elementary</u> – All parents/guardians must meet with the building principal prior to enrolling their child. The building principal will provide an enrollment packet.

<u>Secondary</u> – Enrollment packets for Clawson residents are available in the Central Enrollment Office and in the main offices at the middle school and high school. Completed enrollment forms and required documents must be brought to the Central Enrollment Office for processing by a parent or legal guardian.

Central Enrollment Office Clawson Middle School 150 John M. Street Clawson, MI 48017 Monday-Friday 8:00 -11:30 a.m. and 1:00 - 4:30 p.m.

To schedule an appointment, contact Jill LaPine at (248) 655-4417.

Schools of Choice

Clawson is a Schools of Choice District for students in Kindergarten through 11th grade. Students must reside in an Oakland County school district.

Enrollment/Registration Required Documents (originals):

- Proof of Residency (two documents required)
- One of the following documents is required:
 - Mortgage Payment Statement or Mortgage Agreement
 - Recent Property Tax Statement
 - Current Lease/Rental Agreement Leases must be notarized unless a management company/apartment complex handles the property.
 - Closing Statement from a recently executed purchase
 - Notarized Affidavit of Residency (may be obtained in Central Enrollment Office) Parent/Guardian and Homeowner/Tenant must sign the Affidavit of Residency. Homeowner must provide proof of address from the lists provided. AND

One of the following documents is also required to prove residency:

- Voter's Registration
- House or Car Insurance Statement
- Utility Bills (no cell phone bills or water bills)
- Parent/Guardian Identification (Valid Driver's License, Michigan Identification, or Passport)
- Child's Original/Certified Birth Certificate
- Immunization Record
- Copy of Individual Education Plan and MET for students receiving special services
- Custody Papers in Event of Divorce
- Vision Screening Required for Kindergarteners (submit statement from examining official)
- High School Requires Transcript from Previous School





Schalm and Kenwood Elementary Schools attained 'Evergreen' status in the Michigan Green Schools Program. Left to right: Schalm Elementary students participate in Waste Free Wednesday lunches; Schalm first graders visit SOCCRA; Kenwood Elementary Mud Puppies Gardening Club members with parent volunteer Jerry Maliszewski.

Three Clawson Schools Go Green

Three Clawson schools have earned the coveted Michigan 'Green School' designation. Kenwood and Schalm Elementary Schools achieved the highest 'Evergreen' school status. Clawson Middle School was named a 'Green' school.

The State of Michigan Green Schools Program encourages schools to participate in environmentally friendly and energy savings activities. If a school participates in 20 activities, it may be designated a Michigan 'Evergreen' School. A school achieving 10 of the 20 listed activities may apply to be a Michigan 'Green' School.

The four categories of activities for official green school qualification are:

- 1. Reduce/Reuse/Recycle
- 2. Energy
- 3. Environmental Protection
- 4. Miscellaneous.

One hundred schools in Michigan received the special designation of 'Evergreen' schools, 38 schools received the 'Green' schools designation.

Kenwood's Mud Puppies Gardening Club maintains flower beds around the school and this year added a vegetable garden. The Kenwood recycling program includes the cafeteria, as well as paper, plastic, cardboard, electronics and ink cartridges.

At Schalm, on Waste Free Wednesdays students are encouraged to bring lunches that contain little or no waste, reusable containers and lunch boxes. Styrofoam trays are also recycled. The school has a butterfly garden and the students are adopting a sea turtle through the Natural Wildlife Federation.

For one of the Clawson Middle School projects, science students participate in the Rouge Education Project, a water monitoring program where students perform hands-on scientific exploration of the Rouge River. They evaluate chemical, biological and physical parameters of water quality.



Clawson Child Care Center Program Offerings

Infant & Toddler Care

Infant: 6 weeks - 12 months and walking Toddler: 12 months and walking - 36 months

Lower & Upper Pre-K Must be toilet-trained Lower Pre-K: 33 months - 4 years

Upper Pre-K: 4 – 5 years

The Infant & Toddler care activities are planned according to the child's age and level of development to promote social, emotional, cognitive, and motor development.

Children in the Pre-K classrooms are provided with a variety of hands-on learning experiences and activities based on their age, development level, and interests. These experiences and activities are designed to help 3 and 4 year olds develop social, emotional, cognitive, and motor skills needed for kindergarten.

The Child Care Center is open from 6:30 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information or to register call Renay Swords at (248) 655- 4421.

Infant, Toddler and PreSchool Child Care Programs:	First Child	10% Sibling Discount
Infant Care (Full-time Only)	\$210/week	\$189/week
One-Year Old Room (Full-time)	\$210/week	\$189/week
Two-Year Old Room (Part-time)	\$210/week	\$189/week
Lower Pre-K (Full-time)	\$150/week	\$135/week
Lower Pre-K (Part-time)	\$120/week	\$108/week
Upper Pre-K (Full-time)	\$140/week	\$126/week
Upper Pre-K (Part-time)	\$110/week	\$99/week

Part-time is less than 30 hours per week. Full-time is 30 or more hours per week. There is a one-time registration fee of \$40 per child (\$30 for additional siblings).

Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)

For children age 4 by September 1, 2015 Children who turn age 4 by December 1, 2015 may also qualify. The family must live in Oakland County. FREE preschool classes are available for children who qualify based on low income and/or two risk factors. Registration packets for GSRP programs are now available. Two all-day sessions of the GSRP Program are available:

 All-Day classes meet Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

GSRP is a state funded program that is paid for through a grant from the State of Michigan Department of Education. For qualifying families, there is no cost to participate. GSRP is not solely based on financial need. For further information and to determine eligibility, call Julie Bokor (248) 655-4402.

Clawson Pre-School Programs

Clawson Pre-School offers programs for children birth to age five.

Parent-Tot Classes

For children age 2 by December 1, 2015

Parents and children participate in a play-based environment.

<u>Morning classes (17 weeks)</u>

Mondays & Wednesdays 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Three-Year-Old Pre-School Classes (Co-Op & Non Co-Op)

For children age 3 by December 1, 2015

Children will develop a love of learning in a play-based setting.

Morning classes (17 weeks) Mondays & Wednesdays 9:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:30-11:30 a.m. Afternoon classes (17 weeks)

Mondays & Wednesdays 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Four-Year-Old Pre-School Classes (Co-Op & Non Co-Op)

For children age 4 by December 1, 2015

Children will develop kindergarten readiness skills in a play-based setting.

Morning Classes (17 weeks)

Mondays & Wednesdays 8:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30-11:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday 8:30-11:30 a.m. Afternoon classes (17 weeks)

Mondays & Wednesdays 12:30-3:30 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays 12:30-3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday 12:30-3:30 p.m.

For Information please contact: Julie Bokor at (248) 655-4402.

Before and After School Child Care

The Clawson Public Schools offers before and after school child care at Kenwood and Schalm Elementary Schools. This program is open year round, Monday through Friday, from 6:30–8:12 a.m. and 3:07–6:00 p.m. On no school days and vacation weeks, the program is open from 6:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Before and After School Child Care Programs:			
Kindergarten-5th Grade	First Child	10% Sibling Discount	
Before School (6:30-8:12 a.m.)	\$42.00/week	\$37.80/week	
After School (3:07-6:00 p.m.)	\$54.00/week	\$48.60/week	
Before & After School	\$76.00/week	\$68.40/week	
Occasional Care (1-2 Days ONLY)	First Child	10% Sibling Discount	
Before School Occasional Care	\$9.00/day	\$8.10/day	
After School Occasional Care	\$16.00/day	\$14.00	

For further information or to register, call/email Renay Swords (248) 655-4421, renay.swords@clawson.k12.mi.us

Special Education Services

For children birth to age 5

Clawson Schools offers both early intervention services and an early childhood special education preschool program for children birth to age five. The program includes speech, occupational, and physical therapy. If you have a concern about your child's development – language, motor, social, emotional, and/or cognitive, call Julie Carl at (248) 655-4416 for further information.



Where <u>Every</u> Child Matters

For more information, visit www.clawsonschools.org or call 248.655.4400