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Dear Parent/Guardian:

You are receiving this letter because the school your child attends is at risk of being closed by **June 30, 2017** due to academic failure for many years.

We are working to improve the opportunities for all children to get a good education. Part of that process may include offering your child the opportunity to attend a higher-performing school.

All students in Michigan deserve great schools. When schools struggle to educate a child, it is that child that suffers most. Teachers and principals write plans while schools receive more money or other help to improve. Sometimes more help makes things better; other times, something else must be done to help prepare children for life after high school.

The State School Reform Office (SRO) wants all children to have a good life after high school. Therefore, our office is working to offer your child the opportunity to enroll in a higher performing school.

For the next 30 days we will work with your local school district and community to finalize this decision. We will be looking at other public school options for your child. If we determine that closing your school would create a hardship because there are no better options at this time, we will not close the school. You will receive an update about the decision by **the end of February/beginning of March**.

If interested, you can use the information on the next page to enroll your child in a better option for the 2017-2018 school year. For more information, go to www.michigan.gov/sro and click the 'For Parents' tab.

We trust you will make the best decision for you and your family. We look forward to working with you and other parents so all children get a great education.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "N. Baker".

Natasha Baker
State School Reform Officer