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MTSD Ranks #1 Two Years in a Row *DPI Names MTSD the #1 K-12 School District in Wisconsin*

MEQUON, WI. — For the second consecutive year, the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) names the Mequon-Thiensville School District the number one K-12 school district in the state.

The state DPI released report cards today for 424 public school districts and 2,113 public schools for the 2013 – 2014 school year. In analyzing the report cards from across the state, MTSD is one of only nine school districts that received an overall accountability rating of 83 or above, meaning those districts “Significantly Exceed Expectations,” the highest possible category. MTSD ranked as the top performing K-12 school district in the state of Wisconsin with an overall accountability score of 86.1.

“I want to thank our students, teachers and parents for their continued commitment to our district’s success,” said Superintendent of Schools Dr. Demond Means. “The report cards reinforce the educational excellence that we model each and every day at all six of our schools. We are extremely proud of the academic accomplishments that our school district has achieved. The District’s recent academic performance is a testament to our strategic plan and clear metrics for student learning outcomes for every child in MTSD. Although we’re very pleased with these results, we’re committed to continuous improvement and will seek ways to enhance our performance as an institution.”

All six of MTSD’s schools scored 83 or higher on the DPI issued school report cards, meaning they all “Significantly Exceed Expectations.” Homestead High School was rated second among all high schools in Wisconsin and first among all high schools with an enrollment of 200 or more.

“The Wisconsin accountability system is the most appropriate and objective measure to use when comparing the performance of schools and school districts in our state,” said Means.

This is the second year public school districts have been rated using an impartial index system developed by the DPI and the third year for rating individual public schools.

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NOTE: To view individual district and school report cards, visit <http://reportcards.dpi.wi.gov/> and click on the button for District and School Report Cards.