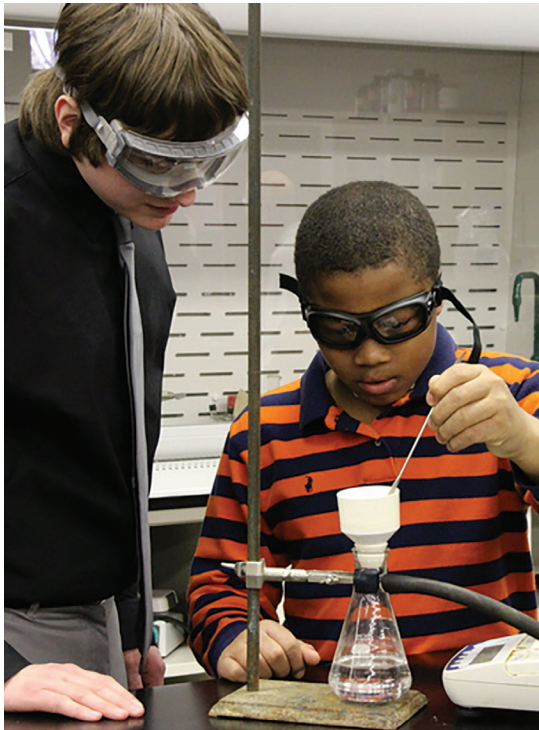


# SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN'S EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE



**B**errien County, Michigan, boasts award winning schools focused on academic excellence and innovation in and out of the classroom. With 16 public school districts, 20 parochial schools and four public school academies, every child is granted an individualized, lifelong academic experience.

Each district offers unique attributes and presents its 26,000 students with the opportunity to discover and pursue their individual paths to success—from college readiness and preparation to career and technical education and job apprentice programs.

**“I LIKE THE SMALLER  
CLASS SIZES. I KNOW MY  
KIDS ARE GETTING THE  
ATTENTION THEY NEED  
FOR BETTER LEARNING.”**

— Sue W., SWMI Parent



Each school is supported by a community committed to fundraising and grants that support innovative teaching and learning.

In Michigan's **Great** Southwest, your child's opportunities are endless. Every academic experience is designed to enrich and enable each child to lead their lives with character and integrity. We don't just educate, we empower.

**WITH OVER 16 SCHOOL DISTRICTS, ACADEMIES AND TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS, BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN, HAS THE PERFECT FIT FOR EVERY FAMILY!**



## BENTON HARBOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- Offers the Benton Harbor Promise—a program providing full tuition at accredited community colleges or career technical schools in Michigan where student is accepted
- Variety of learning environments for arts, communication and the sciences

## LAKESHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT

- National award-winning Visual and Performing Arts
- Consistently ranked among the top high schools in Michigan by *U.S. News and World Reports*



## ST. JOSEPH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- A Robotics Program that has received top district, state, and national honors
- County leaders in state testing in overall proficiencies including English Language Arts, Math, and Science

## BROOKVIEW MONTESSORI SCHOOL

- Offers Spanish classes, taught by native Spanish speaking teachers, starting in the toddler program all the way through middle school
- Established a healthy eating initiative called "Slow Snack," offering students opportunities to learn, cook and enjoy healthy snacks



## LAKE MICHIGAN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

- 100% of graduating students go on to pursue a higher education
- Nearly 86% of students participate in at least one sport

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