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A closer look…

Who we are

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They will come
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Driving Community
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Sharlonda Buckman, CEO of Detroit Parent Network

Buckman and her group are empowering Detroit parents in their communities and in their kids schools by Dean Brown

[Image of people in a meeting]
In The Community...

Parent support within a marketplace of schools

On October 12, 2013, Aisha Shule, a low performing Detroit charter school, ran out of money and closed. Six weeks into the school year, 118 students were dismissed and on their own. Other schools swooped in like vultures to pick off the kids. One such school is Public Service Academy (PSA), a new school authorized by EMU and operated by Leona. It should never have opened. PSA is now financially distressed and could soon close. When no one is responsible for all kids, the system forgets that these are 118 lives. No one was acting in the best interest of kids—a fact that is all too familiar in Detroit.

Detroit System of Schools Now

Michigan Department of Education

80.0% DPS

5.7% Charter Authorizers

5.0% Independent

9.2% Suburban School Districts

Total Number of Students: 195,063

Source: OIS analysis of fall 1999 public headcount, fall 2001 nonpublic headcount, 2002-2003 nonresident student, and Educational Entity Master Data (from CEPI)
In Schools…

Van Dyke Public Schools District Parent Assessment 2010-2011

Demographic and Statistical Data

AGE: Under 20 □ 20-29 □ 30-39 □ 40-49 □ 50-59 □ 60+

GENDER: □ Male □ Female □ Transgender □ Other

RACE: □ AA/Black □ Hispanic/Latino □ Caucasian/White □ Middle Eastern □ Hispanic
□ Asian/Pacific □ Native American □ Bi-Racial □ Romanian □ Other

PARENT STATUS: □ Parent □ Foster Parent □ Grandparent □ Legal Guardian □ Other

MARITAL STATUS: □ Single □ Married □ Separated □ Divorced □ Widowed

EDUCATION: □ No Diploma/GED □ Diploma/GED □ Some College □ 4 year Degree

# OF CHILDREN: □ 0 □ 1-2 □ 3-5 □ 6+ How many of your children attend Van Dyke Public School District? □ What other schools do your children attend?

Workshops:
What parent involvement workshops or classes would you like to have offered in your school district to increase academic achievement? (Choose all that apply)

Self Development
□ Stress Management □ Cultural Diversity □ Policy Affecting Schools

Parenting

Policies/Standards

Ford High School
Education Achievement Authority
2014-2015 Title I Parent Needs Assessment

Report by Centered Educator
Mission Life
February 28, 2015
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Homework Kits

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<td>This kit is designed for the parent that may be working late, picking up multiple children, taking children to sports and/or after school activities. Their kit comes in a cool bag for mom or dad, lap desk/clip board, basic supplies, calculator, book light (for doing homework in the car if needed) clock and healthy snacks.</td>
<td>The in between kit works well for parents who may be sharing a home and have limited space and or usage in the home. It is a set up and go kit. This kit is on wheels. It comes with a lap desk, basic supplies, lamp, clock, dry erase board, calculator and healthy snacks. This kit will store conveniently under a bed or in the closet.</td>
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Parent Engagement Practices…

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How can we as a community voice our concerns and be heard?

Are you interested in hosting a kitchen table meeting?

Involve your friends and family and we will provide the food and refreshments!

GET ON THE BUS

All Detroit children deserve a quality education, whether they attend a traditional public school, public charter school, or an independent school. Every child should be attending an excellent school.

JOIN US AND

Get on the BUS Thursday, March 29, 2012 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

OUR GOAL:

To help parents become better shoppers for quality, high-performing schools.

Parents will tour schools and learn...

- What to look for in a good school
- How to ask the right questions and build relationships
- Current school options for your child

Depart and Return from: Youthville Detroit 7375 Woodward Ave. Detroit, MI 48224

Hot breakfast from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Lunch will also be provided. Reserve your seat today!

Call (313) 309-1457

Bus 1: Combative School PI-6
Chapin Elementary PI-8
Nichols Elementary PI-6
Mann Elementary PI-6

Bus 2: Foreign Language Cultural Studies PI-6
Barton International PI-6
Tingood Marshall PI-6

Bus 3: University High School Kemble
University Prep Academy High School
Cesar Chavez High School

Bus 4: Art Academy of the Visual Arts High School
Detroit Service Learning Academy PI-6
River Academy PI-6

Bus 5: Renaissance High School
Communication and Media Arts High School
Ann Arbor Trail Magnet School PI-6

PARENTS: Need a school for your child?

Find the area's best options at Excellent Schools Detroit's SCHOOL SHOPPER FAIR!

SUNDAyat MARCH 10 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
WOW Church and Life Center 14111 East 7 Mile

We've invited the top schools in the metro area to talk to parents about what sets their schools apart and how you can enroll your child.

Plus, you'll have a chance to meet one-on-one with parent coaches who can help you understand your options.

Free lunch, workshops, and children's activities!

For more information: excellentschoolsdetroit.org or call the Detroit Parent Network at 313-909-1460.
Parent Engagement

Outcomes...

Impact
2014 The Difference We Make . . .

- **182** Parent-Teacher Home Visits
- **32,404** Parent Center Visits
- **46,861** Families reached in Neighborhood Outreach
- **21,321** Parents served in workshops/trainings
- **470** Parent Leaders trained & graduated
- **448** Pathway to literacy Home Visits
- **598,167** Pounds of Food Distributed
- **738** Parent Workshops
- **Over 100** Scholarships to PG graduates

**2014 HIGHLIGHTS**

- A total of 50 workshops were offered and 706 parents and students participated in the workshops
- Seniors applied for over 100 scholarships and averaged $14,732 per student
- PG students scored 2.42 points above their peers on the ACT for an average of 17.22
- 42% of students had a GPA of 3.0 or higher
Questions & Answers