

# SCHOOLS TO WATCH VISITOR'S GUIDE

## White Pine Middle School



**“Success Happens Here Every Day.”**

### Designated 2006

**Middle School:** White Pine Middle School (WPMS)  
**District:** Saginaw Township Community Schools  
**County:** Saginaw  
**State:** Michigan  
**Principal:** Bonnie Eaves  
**School Address:** 505 N Center Road,  
Saginaw, MI 48638  
**Phone:** 989-797-1814  
**School Website:** [www.stcs.org](http://www.stcs.org)

### 2007-2008 School Statistics

**Community:** Suburban  
**Enrollment:** 1250  
**Grade Levels:** 6-8  
**School Schedule:** Flexible Block Schedule

#### Student Demographics

73% White  
9% Hispanic/Latino  
2% Asian  
14% African American  
1% American Indian/Alaska Native  
2% Pacific Islander

36% Free/Reduced Lunch  
15% English Language Learners

*Where Everybody Belongs \* WEB \**

## School Characteristics and Replicable Practices

### Academic Excellence

- A flexible block schedule
- Learning Community – Interdisciplinary Teams
- Daily Team Planning
- Monthly Curriculum Maps
- Monthly Department Meetings
- Pre and Post Assessments using PLATO
- ABCI
- Extended Day Tutoring Programs (Before and After School)

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#### **Developmental Responsiveness**

- Service Learning Annually
- Exploratory Curriculum
- Best Practice Instructional Strategies (Multiple Intelligences, Cooperative Learning, Authentic assessments, Etc.)
- Support Services for Struggling Students (GYST Get Your Stuff Together, ZAP Zeros aren't permitted)
- Month of the Young Adolescent Celebration (MOYA)

#### **Social Equity**

- Ruby Payne Training
- Mindful Manners
- Web Program
- Student-Led Conferences

#### **Organizational Support**

- School Improvement plan directly aligned with National Forum "Look Fors."
- Annual participation in CPRD self-study (Parents, Students, and Staff)
- Needs based professional development
- All stakeholders represented on school improvement team