

Ellen Ewing

- Ellen Ewing was raised in Jackson and graduated from St. Mary High School in 1962, then continued her studies at Jackson Junior College, earning her Associate in Arts in 1964.
- Ellen is named after her grandmother, who was a teacher. Her grandmother was a great influence in her life and sparked her love of education. Ewing followed her footsteps into the teaching profession.
- She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Western Michigan University in 1973 and began teaching at Litchfield Community Schools, teaching elementary school, fifth and sixth grades. In 1980, she was hired as the principal at Litchfield Elementary. She was also the gifted and talented coordinator for Hillsdale County.
- In 1982, she earned her Master of Arts degree from Eastern Michigan University. With a passion for education, she has taken numerous educational leadership courses, almost 60 hours, beyond her master's degree.
- Ewing became a building administrator in Saline, Michigan in 1985. She was promoted to assistant superintendent in 1988, and in 1993, superintendent for Saline Area Schools. Although she missed being in the classroom, she felt her calling as an administrator was to make the job of the easier and help classes run smoothly. She is thankful for the resources that were available in Saline.
- She retired in July of 2001. In her honor, the Foundation for Saline Area Schools created the "Ellen Ewing Endowment Fund." Also in 2001, the Saline Area Chamber of Commerce created the "Ellen A. Ewing Roast," a community event that lasted until 2014. Ellen is a member of the Saline Chamber of Commerce.
- The Saline Board of Education in 2004 named the high school's theater in her honor, the "Ellen A. Ewing Performing Arts Center."
- In 2005, she gave the commencement address for the first class to graduate from the new Saline High School.
- In 2017, she was inducted into the Foundation for Saline Area School Hall of Fame Class.
- Ellen resides at Lake LeAnn in Hillsdale County. She and husband, Michael, have been married 55 years. They have two children, Stephen Ewing of Jackson and Michelle Willenbrink of St. Louis, who are both married with two children each.
- Enjoying her retirement and some free time, Ellen plays bridge and golfs twice a week.