



Elementary School Standards Based Report Card Revision Update

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RE: *Elementary School Standards Based Report Card Update*

This serves as an update to the September 5, 2018 Elementary Standards Based Report Card memorandum. As a result of multiple requests from teachers across the district for the need to update the Lowell Public School's (LPS) Elementary Standards Based Report Cards, a team of administrators and teachers of grades Kindergarten through four came together to revise the existing report cards. Many of the revisions were related to alignment to the Massachusetts Common Core State Standards which included additional science standards. The Coordinator of Research, Testing and Assessment has worked with Aspen to ensure all language changes could be accommodated within the LPS database. This report provides the School Committee with final copies with changes for review.

In the next phase, the report cards will be shared with building staff, translations will be completed for Aspen fields, and letters will be developed and shared with parents notifying them of the changes to language and scales. These letters will be translated and sent home with the first distribution of report cards in December for grades kindergarten through grade 4.

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