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Dear Parents:

We are pleased to provide this Parent Report Card that you can use to review your contributions to your child's educational success in school. It is important to understand that this Parent Report Card was developed to positively assist parents who want to become more involved with their child's education.

We encourage you to take a few minutes to review and complete the Parent Report Card. It is not intended to be returned to school, but to help you assess your own involvement in your child's education.

Parent Report Card

(A Self-Assessment for Parents)

The following questions are intended to help parents evaluate their contributions to their child's success at school. Research indicates that students are more successful when parents are involved in their child's education. Please use these questions as a guide to some of the ways that you can help your child at school.

Directions: Simply circle your answer to the following questions and then total your 'yes' responses.

How Involved Are You With Your Child's School?

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| 1. Does the school have your current phone number and address? | Yes | No |
| 2. Did you attend Open House or Back To School Night at your child's school? | Yes | No |
| 3. Have you attended at least one PTA, PTSA, or other support group meeting this year? | Yes | No |
| 4. Do you make yourself available for conferences requested by your child's teacher or visit the school even if not requested? | Yes | No |
| 5. Have you had at least one parent-teacher conference with the teacher(s) of your child? | Yes | No |
| 6. Have you volunteered by chaperoning a field trip, helping in the classroom, working on a school committee, helping with a school project, preparing refreshments for a school event, or taking part in other similar activities? | Yes | No |
| 7. Have you attended at least one school program? (an awards assembly, a play, an athletic event, or a school party?) | Yes | No |

How Familiar Are You With School Information?

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| 8. Have you read the NNPS Rights and Responsibilities Handbook and the Code of Student Conduct? | Yes | No |
| 9. Do you regularly read your school's newsletter? | Yes | No |

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| 10. Are you familiar with the extra services provided at your child's school?
(speech therapy, resource help for gifted students, counseling, etc.) | Yes | No |
| 11. Are you aware of current trends in education that are being given attention in
Newport News? (Standards of Learning [SOLs], No Child Left
Behind Act, expanded use of technology, etc.) | Yes | No |
| 12. Are you familiar with the grading scale used on your child's report card? | Yes | No |

How Well Do You Support Your Child's Learning?

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| 13. Have you identified a regular time and place in your home for your child to
do homework? | Yes | No |
| 14. Do you monitor your child's homework daily? | Yes | No |
| 15. Do you read to your young child? If your child is older, do you encourage reading
by paying attention to what your child reads as well as how often he/she reads? | Yes | No |
| 16. Do you hold your child responsible for completing all assignments on time and to
the best of his/her ability? | Yes | No |
| 17. Are you knowledgeable about what information and skills your child should master
at his/her grade level or in his/her major subject areas? | Yes | No |
| 18. Do you ensure that your child has excellent attendance at school? Is he/she absent
only when necessary? | Yes | No |
| 19. Have you discussed with your child the importance of a good education? | Yes | No |
| 20. Do you discuss college and your child's future in family discussions? | Yes | No |
| 21. Are you aware of your child's academic strengths and weaknesses? | Yes | No |
| 22. Do you support and reinforce the school's discipline plan so that all students
can benefit from a good learning environment? | Yes | No |
| 23. Do you limit the amount of time your child spends watching TV or playing
video games? | Yes | No |
| 24. Do you support your child's learning by providing nutritious meals and adequate
time for sleep? | Yes | No |
| 25. Have you assisted your child in obtaining a public library card? | Yes | No |
| 26. Do you take your child to a museum at least three times a year? | Yes | No |

SCORING:

18-26: Congratulations! You are a strong partner in your child's education!

9-17: You are making worthwhile contributions to your child's education, but there are even more ways that you can help.

0-8: We need your help! Your child's success at school might be increased if you were able to help more.

THANK YOU for being an active partner in your child's schooling. For more information on parent resources, please call 591-4500 or visit the NNPS website at <http://nnschools.org>.

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