



# DARTMOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Families:

Every year, each public school and school district in Massachusetts receives a report card. Just as your child's report card shows how they are doing in different subjects, the school's report card is designed to show families how our school is doing in different areas. A link to our school's report card is available [here](#).

The report card includes multiple measures of a school's performance. It represents a broad way of looking at school performance by providing information on student achievement, teacher qualifications, student learning opportunities, and more. Report cards are designed to be useful tools for everyone connected to our school. Families can use the information to have meaningful conversations with us about what the school is doing well and where there is room for improvement. Community and education leaders can use the information to better understand how to support students and our school.

You will notice on our report card that despite the challenges of the past few years, our students continue to grow and make progress similar to their peers from across the Commonwealth. We attribute this achievement to prioritizing strong relationships with students and families and providing essential support for all students. To improve student performance in our school, we are focusing on accelerating learning to give students the support they need to be successful. We see parents, guardians, and caregivers as critical partners in the success of our students and school, and we are grateful for your continued support.

Finally, if your child attends a school that receives federal Title I funds, (DeMello, Potter, Quinn) you also have the right to request the following information about the qualifications of your child's classroom teachers:

- Whether your child's teacher is licensed in the grade levels and subject areas they teach,
- Whether your child's teacher is teaching under an emergency license or waiver,
- The college degree and major of your child's teacher, and
- Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

If you have questions about our school's report card, would like to become involved in school improvement activities, or would like to request information about the qualifications of your child's classroom teacher, please contact your building administration. To see our [district's report card](#) or to search for other schools' report cards, visit <https://reportcards.doe.mass.edu>.

Sincerely,

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