

Norwell High School

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Dear Families:

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) recently released the 2023 school and district "report cards." Just as your child's report card shows how they are doing in different subjects, the school's report card shows families how our school is doing in different areas.

The report card includes multiple measures of a school's performance – more than just MCAS scores. It represents a more comprehensive way of looking at school performance by providing information on student achievement, teacher qualifications, student learning opportunities, and more.

Report cards are a useful tool 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.

We encourage you to review our school's report card by clicking on this <u>link</u>, or by accessing it on our school website.

You will notice on our report card that overall, Norwell High School performs exceptionally well on the State's accountability system, performing at the 91st percentile of high schools across the state. As we work toward making continued improvements we will focus on enhancing current curricula offerings, making appropriate adjustments, and further developing our theme of *Community* as we strive to increase each student's sense of belonging at NHS. We encourage you to become involved in helping us improve our school. We see parents as critical partners in the success of our students and school, and we are grateful for your continued support.

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 me directly. To see our district's report card or to search for other schools' report cards, visit our <u>district website</u>, or <u>report cards.doe.mass.edu</u>.

Sincerely,

Marc Bender Principal Norwell High School