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Dear TK-6 Grade Families,

We hope the 2024-25 school year is off to a great start! As we approach the end of the first trimester, we would like to remind you of the important changes you will see in your child's new report card.

Reporting student progress is an essential part of the relationship between home and school. Our new report card, known as a Standards-Based Report Card, will look different than the traditional report cards.

Instead of seeing an overall grade in each subject, parents will see a "mark" next to each learning goal for the year in each subject — these learning goals are known as standards!

Report card marks are not meant to be thought of as "good" or "bad" grades. Marks simply tell us how and where your child is learning and making progress. We know that all students learn differently and at a different pace, and that's okay. When we have a clearer picture of where a child is in their learning, we know where they need support and what they're ready to learn next. This clarity helps teachers and parents work as a team to support their child's growth.

How progress will be communicated using "marks"

- **Exceeded (EX):** Student has mastered the standard and is able to apply the concept to new situations.
- Proficient (PR): Student has mastered the standard.
- **Approaching (AP):** Student is showing a basic understanding and is progressing toward mastery of the standard.
- **Beginning (BE):** Student is beginning to demonstrate understanding but is not yet meeting the standard.
- **Insufficient (IN):** Student has not demonstrated enough evidence to assess their understanding of the standard.

More Information about Standards-Based Report Cards

To learn more about Standards-Based Report cards and how they differ from traditional grading, please visit our webpage: www.mantecausd.net/reportcards. There are also report card examples for each grade level and a family guide designed to support families in understanding and how to support their child's growth.



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Trimester 1 Report Card Distribution

Trimester 1 report cards will be distributed on November 15, 2024. You can also access your child's report card through Q Parent Connection. Please reach out to your child's school if you have any questions regarding report card distribution.

As we navigate this exciting phase of your child's educational journey, I want to emphasize the importance of early learning as a foundation for lifelong success. We are so excited to work as a team to ensure that every student has the best opportunity to thrive.

Believing in every child,

Mrs. Jenni Andrews

Executive Director of Elementary Education

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