

Duplin County Schools

Parent Guide to Understanding the K-2 Report Card

Overview

Our goal is to provide families with clear and meaningful information about student progress. The K-2 report card is designed to reflect how well your child is mastering grade-level standards in each core academic area—English Language Arts (ELA), Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, and Health.

Instead of traditional letter grades, student progress is measured using a 4-point performance scale for ELA, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, and Health. This scale shows how your child is performing in relation to the expectations for their grade level.

Performance Scale for ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies

4 - Exceeds Expectations - Student consistently demonstrates an in-depth understanding of the standards, concepts, and skills taught. They apply their learning in new or complex ways and go beyond what is expected at their grade level.

3 - Meets Expectations - Student demonstrates a solid understanding of the standards, concepts, and skills taught. They meet grade-level expectations and can apply learning independently and accurately.

2 - Approaching Expectations - Student is developing an understanding of the standards, concepts, and skills taught but still needs additional support or practice to consistently meet expectations.

1 - Not Yet Meeting Expectations - Student is beginning to develop understanding of the standards, concepts, and skills taught and requires significant support to grasp concepts and skills.

Understanding Your Child's Performance

- A 4 means your child is exceeding what is expected and showing advanced understanding.
- A 3 indicates your child is on track and meeting grade-level expectations.
- Scores of 2 or 1 indicate areas where your child may need more time, support, or practice to fully meet the standards.

How You Can Support Your Child at Home

- Talk about learning: Ask your child to explain what they are learning in each subject.
- Encourage practice: Provide opportunities to read, write, and explore math in everyday activities.
- Stay connected: Review progress reports, communicate with teachers, and celebrate growth.