

Title I Calendar

Connecting Home and School

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2017 District and School Report Cards

School districts that receive federal Title I, Part A funds are required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) to prepare school and district report cards and to issue them to parents/guardians of all children enrolled in the district schools. These reports contain important information to share not only with families but with the general public as well.

During the month of January, parents/guardians will receive report cards distributed either electronically or by “backpack express”. The report cards will include information about teacher quality, assessment and accountability for the district and the school. Accompanying the report card is a letter from the principal with information specific to your child’s school.

The school report card and/or principal’s letter must contain the following information:

Accountability and Assistance Levels: Since Cambridge participated in the 2017 Next Generation MCAS tests, all schools have been given an accountability and assistance level of “No Level”.

School Percentiles: This is issued on high school reports only.

The next section details performance on Next Generation MCAS by comparing a school’s average scaled scores in English Language Arts and Mathematics with the district and with other elementary schools in Massachusetts. Legacy MCAS (CPI) is a number from 1-100 that shows how all students are progressing toward a CPI of 100. A score of 100 represents proficiency in a given subject by all students.

Additional information on the report highlights data about your child’s school (i.e. number of teachers, attendance and discipline rates) as compared to similar schools both in district and the state.

If your child attends a Title I school, information regarding parental rights to request information about the qualifications of the child’s classroom teacher (s) must also be included in the letter.

The report card being sent home is only an overview. For a more detailed explanation about your child’s school report card and to view the district report card, visit profiles.doe.mass.edu.

School and district report cards will be posted online on the district, Title I and school websites.

Participation in your child’s education is important to us and we value your involvement. If you have any questions, feel free to contact your school principal or the Title I Coordinator.

The Department of Education will be redesigning these report cards for 2018 and is encouraging families to participate in the online survey:

<http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/4011401/School-and-District-Report-Card-2018-Redesign>.