



Ayer Shirley Regional School District

March 4, 2026

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. Please follow the links for our [District Report Card](#) and for the [Ayer Shirley Regional High School Report Card](#).

The report card includes multiple measures of a school's performance – more than just MCAS scores. It represents a new 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 the Ayer Shirley Regional High School is demonstrating:

- 58% of our students are meeting or exceeding expectations on the English Language Arts MCAS, 7% higher than the state average
- 6 points higher growth percentile than the state in English Language Arts
- 13% higher than the state average in Science MCAS testing
- 69.9% of students in Grades 11 & 12 are completing Advanced Coursework at ASRHS
- 89.6% of our Grade 9 students are passing all of their courses in Grade 9, a 21.7% increase in 3 years
- 96.8% of our students are graduating high school in four years, beating the state average by 8.4%
- A 90.5% of our students are completing high school, meeting Mass Core requirements

In addition to our Report Card, ASRHS was awarded as a DESE School of Recognition! The high school has been awarded a School of Recognition status based on our 2024 DESE Accountability Report. They met a whopping 84% of the Annual Criterion-referenced Target Percentage Points (up from 39% in 2023). DESE stated that "As part of its annual accountability reporting process, the Department identifies a small number of Schools of Recognition. These schools demonstrate high achievement and high growth and meet or exceed accountability targets."

To improve student performance at the Ayer Shirley Regional High School, we are:

- We will be targeting specific target groups, as well as the group, to meet/exceed our state targets for the 2024-2025 school year. We are working closely with the Math Department to progress monitor student achievement throughout the year and to create tier II interventions when students' goals are not met.
- We will be working with our collaborators to strengthen our post-secondary planning focus at the high school.
- We will be looking at formative & summative trend data in our ALG I, ALG II, & GEO classes to provide tiered instructional support to students who are struggling to meet proficiency at those stages.

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.

Finally, if your child attends a school that receives federal Title I funds, 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 child's Principal, Spencer Christie, at schristie@asrsd.org. To search for other schools' report cards, visit reportcards.doe.mass.edu.

Sincerely,

Spencer Christie, Principal