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Welcome to the 2025–2026 Hickory City Schools Report Card!

Each year, academic achievements and other important school information are provided through the North Carolina School Report Card, available online at https://ncfvapublicprod.ondemand.sas.com/src. At Hickory City Schools, we continually review student data, celebrate areas of success, identify opportunities for growth, and develop intentional plans to ensure every student has the support needed to succeed.

Our focus remains clear: **strong core instruction for every student, every day.** We believe that high-quality teaching and learning in every classroom is the foundation for student success. Our teachers and staff work diligently to provide engaging, rigorous instruction aligned to the North Carolina Standard Course of Study while using student data to adjust instruction and respond to individual learning needs.

When students need additional support, we are committed to providing **intentional interventions that are timely, targeted, and based on evidence of student need.** Through a combination of classroom instruction, intervention, enrichment, and other supports, we strive to ensure that students receive what they need to make meaningful academic progress. We also recognize that student success extends beyond academics, and our schools work to address the social, emotional, attendance, and behavioral needs that can impact learning.

During the 2025–2026 school year, students participated in end-of-semester and end-of-year assessments. As we review End-of-Grade and End-of-Course results, we look beyond a single measure to understand student performance, identify trends, and determine where we must celebrate, adjust, or intensify our efforts. Attendance, discipline, classroom performance, and other indicators also help us develop a complete picture of student learning and well-being.

Our ultimate goal is for every Hickory City Schools student to graduate **College and Career Ready**, prepared to pursue higher education, military service, career training, or employment. We want our graduates to leave us with choices, confidence, and the skills necessary to succeed in whatever path they choose.

Families are an essential part of this work. We encourage parents and caregivers to review the information provided in the North Carolina School Report Card, stay connected with their child's school, ask questions, and partner with teachers and school leaders. When schools and families work together with a shared commitment to student success, our students benefit.

Thank you for your continued support of Hickory City Schools and for partnering with us as we remain **rooted in what matters most—our students—and rising to meet the opportunities ahead.**

Sincerely,

Jennifer S. Griffin, Ed.D.
Superintendent