

CORNERSTONE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT CARD ROLLOUT: 4-PART SERIES

New elementary school report card for 2021-22 school year

Families of kindergarten through fifth grade students will see changes in the language and format of report cards starting in the 2021-22 school year. However, before any changes go into effect, the District is launching a multi-faceted informational campaign that includes a video series for web and social media, a Board of Education presentation, and a four-part series in the Cornerstone newsletter.

Among other changes, the new report cards will emphasize social emotional learning and reflect the change to reporting student progress toward meeting end-of-year grade-level standards. A specific comment section for Social emotional learning will be located at the top of the report card as it is an important area of focus in the District. The transition to reporting student progress toward end of

year benchmarks will alter what families might expect to see on a report card.

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“It’s very important to us that we equip families with the necessary information to understand the new format,” said Director of Curriculum Kristen Paolini.

“Not only that, we want them to be able to talk with their children about their report card in terms of growth over the course of the school year.”

The goal of the revised report card is to provide families with clear communication as to their child’s in-school progress and is the result of a collaboration of District stakeholders including teachers, parents, and administrators. It is aligned to the NYS Next Generation Learning Standards and is efficient for teachers to use.

“We also want parents to understand that a report card is only one form of communication,” said Paolini. “We use many methods for communicating student success and the District encourages ongoing dialog between teachers and caregivers.”

Deadline to run for school board is Apr. 19

Candidates interested in running for the Spencerport Board of Education are asked to contact Marcy Clapper, the Spencerport Board Clerk, to obtain a packet of information, which includes all the petition requirements, deadlines, and material for Cornerstone, etc.

She may be reached by calling 349-5101 or emailing mclapper@spencerportschools.org.

Board of Education candidates must submit their petitions, signed by at least 25 qualified school voters of the district, by Mon., April 19 at 5 p.m.

The Board of Education will have two seats up for election this year. The three-year terms, currently held by Kevin Hutton and Michael Miceli, will begin on July 1, 2021, and end on June 30, 2024.

The primary duties of the board are to develop the broader, long-range goals and policies which determine the basic framework for the educational programs, services and facilities to be offered to the youth of the community.