Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our school, Matapeake Elementary, recently received its School Report Card from the Maryland State Department of Education. The Report Card summarizes how the school performed on the new Maryland Accountability System.

The results reflect school performance in multiple areas, including academic achievement, academic progress (for elementary and middle schools), school quality and student success measures, as well as graduation rates and college and career readiness (for high schools).

Our results are an important snapshot of how a school is performing. They show areas in which we are doing well, and highlights those in which we need to improve. The information provided on the Maryland School Report Card is displayed in a way that makes it easy to understand each school’s performance.

You can find the School Report Cards, and much more information at the Maryland Report Card website: MDReportCard.org

Matapeake Elementary earned 80% of the possible points on the State’s new accountability system. This puts our school in the 93rd percentile, compared to other schools in the state. It also means the school received a 5-star rating. These scores reflect school performance on multiple components. For elementary and middle schools, the system includes academic achievement, academic progress, progress in achieving English language proficiency, and measures of school quality and student success. For high schools, the system includes academic achievement, graduation rate, progress in English language proficiency, readiness for postsecondary success, and measures of school quality and student success.

While the final score on the Report Card does not tell the whole story, we hope the Maryland School Report Card will add to our community discussion about how to continually improve our school. The data on the Report Card is both informative and empowering, and will help us ask questions, find answers, make decisions, and act.

We hope you will view the Maryland School Report Cards as a tool to become more involved in Matapeake Elementary School. Help us raise our schools’ scores by taking a community approach to the mission of educating children. Together we can strive for excellence in all areas of education. Together we can maintain our results.

Sincerely,

Jennifer L. Schrecongost, Principal