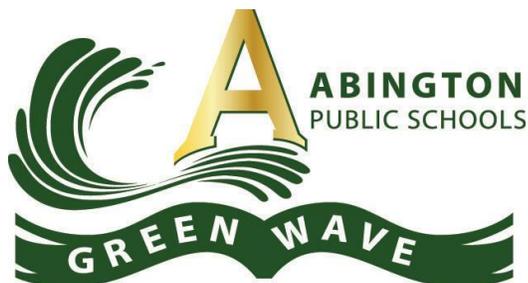


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Dear Families:

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. A link to our school's report card is available at

<http://reportcards.doe.mass.edu/>.

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 we are making moderate progress towards improvement targets and perform at the 34th percentile compared to other schools that administer similar MCAS tests. To improve student performance in our school, we are reviewing and updating curriculum and instruction as well as providing professional development in the areas of Universal Design for Learning and differentiation practices. 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.

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 me at matthewmaccurtain@abingtonps.org. To see our district's report card or to search for other schools' report cards, visit <http://reportcards.doe.mass.edu/>.

Sincerely,

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