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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We have had a wonderful fall at Wilson! As we reflect on our school strengths and areas for growth, the school report card is one resource we use. We are excited about the progress our students have made. As a learning community, we are continually looking to improve our growth and achievement for all learners at Wilson.

The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) is required by state statute ([Wis. Stat. 115.385](#)) to generate a school report card and district report card for every publicly funded school and district in the state. The report cards are intended to help schools and districts use performance data to celebrate successes and improve their efforts to prepare students for their futures. These public report cards can be found online at: <http://dpi.wi.gov/accountability/report-cards>.

The current **school report card is primarily based on last year's performance during the 2022-23 school year**. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, DPI encourages caution when interpreting scores and ratings on the 2022-23 report cards. Multiple years of data impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic are used throughout the report card.

At the foundation of the report cards are four priority areas. Schools and districts receive a score for each priority area:

- **Achievement** - proficiency in English language arts (ELA) and mathematics on the annual state assessments
- **Growth** - year-to-year progress in ELA and math achievement
- **Target Group Outcomes** - outcomes for students with the lowest test scores: the Target Group.
- **On-Track to Graduation** - reliable predictors of how successfully students are progressing toward completing their K-12 education.

The priority area scores are aggregated into an overall accountability score, from 0 to 100. This score is displayed on the front page of the school or district report cards. It is important to note that the 0 to 100 accountability score is not a “percent correct” measurement. Based on its score, a school or district receives one of five rating categories, from *Fails to Meet Expectations* to *Significantly Exceeds Expectations*, as well as corresponding one to five stars.

Here's some information we'd like to share from our school report card:

- Wilson achieved an overall rating of ***Exceeds Expectations***.
- Achievement and growth scores in English Language Arts and Mathematics exceed state averages.
- Approximately 90% of Wilson students are on-track to graduate.
- Wilson students continue to demonstrate outstanding school attendance which plays a huge role in their strong academic performance.

I want to share these results with you because they help illuminate some of our successes and help pinpoint areas of focus in our school/district. But as DPI stresses, these report cards are just one source of information about our school. The true value of our school can be found in the collective efforts of our staff, students, and families that make Wilson an outstanding place to be a part of.

School and district report cards can be accessed online at <http://dpi.wi.gov/accountability/report-cards> along with resources that explain the report cards. Our school report card is also posted on our website at <https://www.sheboygan.k12.wi.us/wilson/about/state-report-cards>

Please let me know your thoughts and questions as they arise.

Sincerely,

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