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.

Our district and school report cards are one and the same and available at:

- District: <u>https://reportcards.doe.mass.edu/2020/DistrictReportcard/02490000</u>
- Richmond Consolidated School: <u>https://reportcards.doe.mass.edu/2020/02490005</u>

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 cards that each school received an Accountability Classification. This classification is based on information related to progress toward improvement targets, accountability percentiles, graduation rates, and MCAS participation rates to determine each district and school's overall classification. Most districts and schools are placed into two categories: those that require assistance or intervention from the state (Focused/Targeted Support, Broad Comprehensive Support), and those that do not require assistance or intervention (School of Recognition, Meeting or Exceeding Targets, Moderate Progress Towards Targets, Limited or Nor Progress Towards Targets).

To improve student performance in our school, we are working diligently to implement all of the steps of our District and School Improvement Plans. The link to the plan is <u>here</u>. 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 or would like to become involved in school improvement activities, please contact your school's principal.

Sincerely,

Peter Dillon, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools