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Curriculum Corner with Kelly Luneborg

Do you ever question what does a grade of an “A” really tell you about your child? Or what does a letter grade of a “B” mean in math? In what specific areas does my child excel in or need help in that he/she got a “B” and not an “A”?

This year, kindergarten and first grade students will receive a standards-based report card that uses a M, P, N reporting system.

- M= Mastery of standard
- P= Progressing
- N= Need to Improve

Each subject area will have the standards listed set forth by Ohio Department of Education. Students will be receive a M, P, or N for each. This will allow parents to see what specific standards their child may be struggling in and how their is progressing through the grade level standards.

An example of the previous report card looked like this-

Math B

Parents may question what area in math caused my child to get a B. What is my child struggling in?

An example of the standards based report card will look like this-

Math
Can count by ones to 120 M
Can count by twos to 30 P
Can tell time to hour/half N

Parents can see their child can count fine but is struggling with time and can then help reinforce this standard at home.

This new grading system is designed to give teachers and parents more information about the student’s progress in meeting the grade level standards. Teachers and parents can work together to enhance the child’s achievement. It allows teachers to share the standards with students and parents, helping them to better understand the learning that needs to take place.

