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## Dear Parents and Community Members:

I am writing to inform you of the release of school report cards. The state designed these report cards to incentivize schools to strive for and reach high levels of college and career readiness. This is the second year this type of report card has been utilized for districts in Oklahoma and we are pleased that our district is making progress.

Oklahoma school report cards are designed to give parents and communities an annual update on various indicators that, in combination, create a snapshot of student's learning, progress, and achievement. Various school sites are ranked on all or a combination of several indicators:

- \*Academic Achievement (all levels)
- \*Academic Growth (elementary & middle level)
- \*ELPA progress (all levels)
- \*Graduation rate (high school)
- \*Postsecondary opportunities (high school)
- \*Chronic absenteeism (all levels)

To improve student achievement in our schools, we implement a variety of practices. Elementary sites offer a skill-specific intervention/enrichment time, as well as 90-minute reading blocks at all lower elementary sites. The secondary level offers mentor groups which assist students with tracking grades, tutoring, and various other supports for academic and career readiness. Our district has also engaged in strategic planning to assure that progressive steps are being taken in all aspects of the educational process. With the implementation of "The Wardog Way", we hope to challenge and support our students and families.

The goal of Miami Public Schools is to provide students with opportunities which will prepare them for a successful future. We know the report card is just one of many ways you will engage with us. We are proud of our progress as a district and are looking forward to future collaboration to make Miami Public Schools the desired district in Northeast Oklahoma.

If you have further questions concerning school achievement, please don't hesitate to call your student's school. Thank you for supporting Miami Public Schools.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Hogan

Superintendent of Schools