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Dear Kindergarten Family,

A standards-based report card lists the most important skills students should learn in that particular grade and indicates progress toward mastery of each skill. Rather than receive a traditional letter grade, students receive one of the following markings in each skill to indicate proficiency toward the standard:

Proficient = Student *consistently* demonstrates an understanding of the concept or skill

Developing = Student has demonstrated *some understanding* of the concept or skill

Beginning = Student has demonstrated *little or no understanding* of the concept or skill

Not Yet Assessed = Student has *not yet been assessed* on the concept or skill

The expectation is that students are **Developing** in as many skills as possible in January, since that's the middle of the year, and working toward Proficient in as many skills as possible by the end of the year. Since the report card is color coded, you may see a lot of yellows on the report card in February - that's right where they should be!

You can head to our website to see a rubric for the skills and how we check mastery to get an idea of what we have and will be working on this year. We can't wait to share your child's first report card!

Sincerely,

Brook Castillo & Michelle Bundeck

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