

Dear Parents/ Guardians:

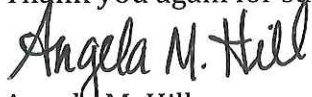
The NC School Report Card for The Capitol Encore Academy provides important information about our school. This report card is based on information from the 2015-2016 school year and provides a basic profile of the school. This includes information about the size of the school, the average class size (as it relates to the state), student performance, test scores with state comparisons, information about the safety of our school and the accessibility to technology and quality of teachers.

However, the numbers only tell a small part of the story. We are very excited and proud of the many exciting initiatives in place at The Capitol Encore Academy. One of the most unique things about TCEA is our Integration Studio program where each student participates in an integrated course of study that teams Arts staff with Core Curriculum teachers to create a dynamic unit that explores pertinent Social Studies topics. We are also very proud of how our schedule provides students with an intervention/enrichment period for reading and math on a daily basis. The fun doesn't stop with the end of the school day thanks to our multitude of Encore Kids College after-school classes that enrich academic instruction. To maintain a safe, respectful and responsible school climate, our school counselor teaches the evidence-based Second Step socio-emotional curriculum, which is reinforced by homeroom teachers. We are also proud to be one of the only public schools in the state to utilize the innovative and world-renowned Math In Focus Curriculum that incorporates problem solving as the center of math learning. The concepts are taught with a concrete-pictorial-abstract learning progression through real-work and hands-on experiences.

It is important to note that, no; we are not satisfied with our test scores. Instead, we celebrate the fact that our overall achievement score increased by 5 points, from last year, and the percentage of students proficient in Math increased by 7%. These results have pushed our staff to work harder than ever to show greater progress this year. The educators at our school reflect frequently on our teaching practices, utilize data to ensure that each student receives the quality education they deserve, and integrate high yield learning strategies into their instruction daily. We are also very proud to be one of seven charter schools in the state that reflect the demographics of their surrounding community. The inclusion of students from diverse backgrounds in our school helps ensure that our students are more than prepared to collaborate with people in college, in their future workplaces, and in life.

Your involvement is important to the success of your child and our school. I ask you to review our School Report Card closely and if you have any questions/concerns please feel free to contact me. I also ask for any suggestions that would build on the great things already happening here!

Thank you again for supporting The Capitol Encore Academy!


Angela M. Hill
Principal