



Bluewater District School Board

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

As promised previously by the Minister of Education and in my ongoing communications, all elementary students have received a final term two report card. This report card represents your child's progress, learning skills, and work habits between February 3, 2020 and June 26, 2020. This period includes the provincially-mandated school closure period from March 14, 2020 to June 30, 2020. Your child's mark on the report card is the grade they had prior to school closures or higher, if additional work was completed that improved their grade after March 13, 2020. For the Kindergarten Communication of Learning, the observations of key learning and growth in each of the Four Frames was based on the progress within the timeframes above.

Report cards provide valuable information to students and their families regarding each student's progress and staff have worked under very unusual circumstances to provide as much useful information as possible. During the closure period, we recognize that access to learning supports and opportunities, and extra help have been uneven and very different than when your child was in a classroom setting. For this reason, this report card may look differently than in previous years. Every attempt was made to provide enough feedback for you and your child to understand their progress at the end of this unprecedented school year. For further details about the reporting process for this final report card, please view our [continuous learning Q and A](#) posted on our board website.

The Ministry of Education has emphasized its commitment to ensuring that all students would be able to complete the school year without any negative impact or barriers due to the unique circumstances we are currently facing. We have worked as a team to support our students as they complete the 2019-20 school year. If your child is graduating from grade 8 this year I congratulate them and thank you for all the support you provided to them over the past 10 school years. Well done to each of you!

As always, we appreciate your ongoing support and understanding as we all work together to ensure continued student success and well-being. On behalf of everyone at Bluewater District School Board we wish you and your child(ren) a restful and re-energizing summer. If you have any questions about the report card, please feel free to reach out to your child's teacher or school principal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alana Murray', with a long horizontal flourish underneath.

Alana Murray
Director of Education