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## **Elkton School District**

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The annual State Report Card is now available at <a href="http://doe.sd.gov/reportcard/">http://doe.sd.gov/reportcard/</a>. I encourage you to access it to learn more about how our district and schools are performing.

The Report Card encompasses a great deal of information for understanding how well schools are preparing students for success after graduation. It's based on a 100-point School Performance Index, or SPI. The SPI consists of multiple performance indicators. Two distinct indexes are used: one for elementary and middle schools, and one for high schools.

Elementary and middle school performance indicators include:

- Attendance
- Student achievement

High school performance indicators include:

- College and career readiness
- High school completion
- Student achievement

The student achievement indicator is based on student performance on the Smarter Balanced test, which covers English language arts and math. The results shown in the 2015 Report Card represent a brand new baseline for our students, because this test measures mastery of more challenging academic standards. With each passing year, as students become more familiar with these standards, it is expected that student performance will increase, as our young people rise to these new expectations that put them on the path to college and career readiness.

If you would like to see a complete color copy of the full school report, please ask to see the binder in the main office. There is also a binder in the School/Public Library available for viewing. The report is also available for viewing at school website (<a href="http://www.elkton.k12.sd.us">http://www.elkton.k12.sd.us</a>) and my website (<a href="http://kn028.k12.sd.us">http://kn028.k12.sd.us</a>).

The South Dakota Department of Education website has the full school reports as well (<a href="http://doe.sd.gov">http://doe.sd.gov</a>).

If you have any questions about the Report Card, I encourage you to contact me. You are a critical piece of your child's education, and we appreciate your continued partnership.

Sincerely,

Kelly L. Neill K-12 Principal

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