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Dear Parent/Guardian,

One of the benefits North Carolina public schools offer parents is transparency. Public school accountability is a standard practice for North Carolina going back to the early 1990s, and the North Carolina School Report Cards provide parents with information on such key issues as student performance, teacher experience, and school safety. Data are provided at the school, district, and state levels to enable parents to compare the performance of their student's schools with others across the district and state.

Legislation (G.S. §115C-83.15) passed during the 2013 long session of the North Carolina General Assembly provides an additional measure of school performance in the form of School Performance Grades. Beginning with the 2013–14 school year, the annual North Carolina School Report Cards display a letter grade of A, B, C, D or F for each school in the state. We are required to provide families a letter to notify of our report card grade annually.

The School Performance Grades are based 80 percent on our school's achievement score (student proficiency) and 20 percent on students' academic growth. At North Carolina Virtual Academy (NCVA), our achievement score for the 2023-2024 school year was based on how our students performed on these assessments:

Grades 3–8 Mathematics	NC Math 3 End of Course
Grades 3-8 English Language Arts/Reading	Biology End of Course
Grades 5 and 8 Science	ACT
NC Math 1 End of Course	Math Course Rigor
English 2 End of Course	Graduation rate

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that NCVA received a School Performance Grade of D for the 2023-2024 school year therefore not met growth status. Although we are committed to improving this score, it is important to remember that just as no one single score or grade tells the whole story of a student, neither does it tell you everything about the performance of a school or the opportunities that our school provides.

Let me share with you many of the positive factors that are not included on this report card so that you have a full view of our school's performance:

- NCVA continues to have more applications for students seeking enrollment than we are able to offer a seat.
- NCVA continues to meet expected growth per the state in Math grades 5-8 and Math 3.
- NCVA continues to meet expected growth per the state in ELA grades 6, 8 and HS Eng II

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- NCVA continues to meet growth per the state in science grades 5, 8 and HS Biology
- NCVA has been awarded clean financial audits for each year of operation.

Our top priorities for this 2024-2025 school year are simple: (1) improve our School Performance Grade to a C and (2) demonstrate growth school-wide. There are several key programs we have in place to help improve student performance. These include:

- Implementing the use of NC Check-In benchmark assessments in the virtual setting to measure student mastery in all EOG-and-EOC-tested subjects;
- Hiring data coordinator coordinators to provide additional data anaylsis and support;
- Continuation of reading and math remediation teachers to conduct small group sessions to improve areas of weakness
- Offering 1:1 tutoring initiative for needy students in math and reading; and
- Modifying class connect schedule changes to provide students with more support in small group settings

We hope you will closely follow your student's academic progress and work with his or her teacher(s) to help ensure they stay on track academically. Working together as a team, we can improve not only how well our students are performing individually, but how our school is performing as a whole. There is nothing more important to administrators and teachers at North Carolina Virtual Academy than ensuring that students are ready for the next step in their academic career.

We, as a school, look forward to working with you to make sure your student is on track for success. If you have any questions or concerns regarding our School Performance Grade and how we plan to improve, please don't hesitate to contact any of the grade band Academic Administrators.

Sincerely,

NCVA Administration

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