

Report Card Narratives

New Jersey Department of Education

CHERRY HILL TWP (07-0800-075)

Horace Mann Elementary School

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Community Members:

On behalf of Horace Mann Elementary School and the Cherry Hill School District, I am happy to share with you the New Jersey School Performance Report. It provides a method for tracking our school's progress toward New Jersey's Core Curriculum Content Standards.

At Horace Mann Elementary School, we use results from both formative and summative assessments to identify areas for growth and improvement. Student achievement cannot be defined solely by performance on standardized tests at the elementary level. Of equal importance are participation in classroom discussions and activities, a variety of performance assessments and participation in the arts, community service, and more. At Horace Mann Elementary School, we have established the following initiatives that help each and every student achieve:

1. We continue to actively stress character education among our students. Our school-based efforts center on the bucket filling philosophy and monthly character education themes / activities.
2. We continue to encourage and educate our students on the importance of sustainability to help them understand their role in protecting our environment. In doing so, our hope is that we can work together, and help students see that can make a difference, in developing a more sustainable future.
3. We continue to model the critical skills of lifelong learning by participating in faculty book studies and professional development opportunities. By doing so, our teachers stay at the forefront of educational research, allowing them to always give the students their very best.

Horace Mann Elementary School thrives in an atmosphere of collaboration among students, educators, parents, and the Cherry Hill community. By integrating a challenging academic program and a successful character education program, we are able to foster lifelong learning in order to develop the whole child. Please contact the school to learn more about these initiatives or about any of the data in School Performance Report.

Sincerely,

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