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2021 School/District Report Card

Dear Parents or Guardians,

We would like to share some information about how our students and schools are doing in the areas of student achievement. The South Dakota Report Card is intended to share important information about the state's public schools. It encompasses a variety of indicators that contribute to school performance. Last spring (2021), students took the South Dakota State Assessment for Math and English Language Arts in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 11. Those scores, along with other information, are being used to help determine a School Performance Index, or SPI, that allows our schools to be compared to others in the state to see how we are doing. Because of the interruption of testing in the last few years, due to COVID-19, an interruption in the data to compare testing from year to year that determines growth has occurred. There is an absence of a number for SPI due to that. However, the test scores per a grade level, school, and district are all available. Detailed reports of how all students in South Dakota scored may be found by going to the Department of Education's Webpage at:

<https://sdschools.sd.gov/#/home>

(If you do not have internet access, please come to the Hamlin Education Center and internet access will be provided to you.) These reports also include information about how our students did at the state level on the National Assessment of Education Progress, or NAEP, test compared to students in the rest of the United States.

District and school level reports may also be found on the same web site by selecting the school, year, and the type of report you would like to look at. Full copies of the Hamlin School District reports are found in the Superintendent's, Elementary Principal/Title I Director's, or the Middle School/High School Principal's offices, along with being in the HEC School Board Room. For help in getting to these reports or understanding what is in these reports, please call the Hamlin School District and talk to Superintendent, Pat Kraning; Elementary Principal/Title I Director, Gail Krause; or Middle School/High School Principal, Jeff Sheehan.

Sincerely,



Gail Krause, Elementary Principal/Title I Director