

REPORT CARDS

Dear First Grade Parents,

Please review this page when reading your child's report card. The report cards at Quest are specific concept and skill assessments, as well as separate effort assessments in all subjects excluding Character Development and Work Habits. Your child will receive a number grade listed below for each concept or skill. In first grade, it is perfectly normal and acceptable to receive a grade of 2=Intermittently. We are introducing many new concepts that students will not be expected to master independently yet. If you see a "N/A" listed, this concept or skill hasn't been introduced. Please note that a 3 for "consistently" is considered mastery of a given skill or secure understanding of a given concept. This is our eventual target, not a 4. (The 4 exists to allow us to differentiate those few areas in which a given child is independently exploring beyond our already high standards. There is no expectation that any child should ever receive a high number of 4s.) Also, our target for the end of the year is for students to have mostly 3s. Many skills and concepts at this time of the year will be "Intermittently" (2) or "Not Yet" (1). Please understand that these are not indications of poor performance. They are merely snapshots of the academic and emotional development of each child. They should be viewed as guides to help us focus your child's learning throughout the year.

Descriptor of Academic Assessment Ratings

1 = **Not Yet** -Student does not yet demonstrate understanding of the skill or concept sufficient to apply it to class work.

2 = **Intermittently**-Student demonstrates developing understanding of the skill or concept and intermittently applies it during class work.

3 = **Consistently**-Student demonstrates secure understanding of the skill or concept and consistently applies it during class work.

4 = **Extensively**-Student demonstrates comprehensive understanding of the skill or concept and independently applies it throughout school work.

Your child's first report card will be sent home in December. You will receive 2 more report cards before the end of the year and will have the opportunity to formally talk at our second parent/teacher conference in March. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me.

Sincerely, Mrs. Kristin Fiore