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Dear Parent/Guardian,

North Dakota has launched a dashboard called “Insights,” designed to help communities across the state access important information about K-12 districts and schools. Insights features easy-to-read reports on multiple measures of school success, including:

- Student Achievement
- Choice Ready Results
- Performance Comparisons
- English Learner Progress
- Graduation Rates
- School and State Accountability Results
- School Improvement Information
- Post-Secondary Education
- School Environment

Transparency to the Public

The North Dakota Department of Public Instruction is committed to informing communities about how well our schools are doing. North Dakota’s future success depends on tapping into the potential of all students, so they graduate choice ready with the knowledge, skills, and disposition to be successful.

State education departments are required to annually create an accountability report for every public school in the state per the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The school accountability reports outline how schools perform on the accountability elements North Dakota selected within its ESSA plan.

How is our School Doing?

To find more information about the Lidgerwood Public School Accountability Report, visit the dashboard at <https://insights.nd.gov/Education>, select “Data for Specific District or School,” click “Browse K12”, and search alphabetically. The school accountability report is posted under the Dashboard heading.

Please note that the data made available to the public masks or hides data for groups with ten or fewer students to protect confidential information about individual students. Therefore, if data is unavailable to less than ten students, it will say “no data available.”

Elementary School Status: We would like to see our assessment scores grow in a more positive direction. Our Elementary School is scoring lower than the state average in Reading and Math. This is the one time where a small class size does matter. It doesn’t take much to sway data percentages. If one or two students score low on the state assessment, it has a dramatic impact on the overall class score. It often gives an inaccurate picture of how well the class/school is doing. We will be implementing two major initiatives this year: a daily K-6 reading intervention time (Utilizing the Really Great Reading Program) from 8:30-9:00 a.m. and new intervention tools (AMIRA, RGR Playground, and Freckle).

Lidgerwood Public School does not discriminate based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, age, or genetics. This policy applies to admission or access to educational programs and activities offered to students and extend to employment policies and practices applicable to school district personnel. For inquiries regarding nondiscrimination policies, contact Chris Bastian, Superintendent, 28 3rd Ave SE, Lidgerwood, ND 58053, phone 701-538-7341.

High School Status: The High School has scored above the state assessment average in Reading but lower in Math. Work has been started to align intervention strategies towards these weaker areas. Our biggest area of concern at the moment is in Choice Ready. We discovered an irreversible reporting error. Our ASFAB test results were not uploaded into the state accountability database. This caused us to get a zero in the area of Military Ready. We were very fortunate that this error did not impact any of our students directly, but it did have an impact on our school's Choice Ready status. We have put new protocols in place to remedy this situation in the future.

Family Engagement

We want you and your child(ren) to continue actively participating in our educational system. Please help support our high expectations for student achievement by participating in the school educational initiatives, offering input and support in our endeavors to raise student achievement, or volunteering at the school. Meeting our school's goals will take a united effort, and I look forward to working with our families to ensure success for each student.

Continuous Improvement

All schools engage in continuous improvement for general support; therefore, our school has completed a continuous improvement plan. As part of the overall school improvement plan, a strategy map is generated for each school. Our strategy map, outlining our key school improvement initiatives, is also available on the Insights Dashboard.

Lidgerwood Public School is a participating Title I Schoolwide School, with a student membership count of 179.

If you have any questions regarding the information in the memorandum, please contact Chris Bastian, Superintendent, at 701- 538-7341 or chris.bastian@k12.nd.us

Sincerely,



Chris Bastian, Lidgerwood School Superintendent