



# TIME FOR REVIEW

Dear Brookwood School District 167 Parents and School Community,

The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) released our annual School Report Card on October 30th at [www.illinoisreportcard.com](http://www.illinoisreportcard.com). The Report Card shows how well our schools are progressing on a wide range of educational goals. Our teachers, administrators, and staff, in partnership with you, are continuing to focus on improving the education outcomes for our students and continuing our improvement efforts.

One component of the School Report Card is the summative designation - a descriptor of how well our schools are meeting the needs of all students. This designation is based on eight indicators of academic success and school quality. These designations and academic indicators appear along site-based expenditures - how much money our district spends per student at each of our schools. With these two data points, we have the opportunity to take a closer look at the relationship between financial investments and student outcomes.

The Illinois State Board of Education has identified two of our schools (Brookwood Middle School and Brookwood Junior High School) to receive target support based on the fact that the overall designation of "Underperforming" was due to subgroups such as students with disabilities who struggle with standardized grade level tests and did not meet the academic benchmark for their grade level. Hickory Bend and Longwood Elementary Schools received commendable designations. As a district, however, we use multiple measures to determine all students' academic growth and social/emotional well-being. This includes not just State mandated tests, but also district developed testing, intervention growth measures, student daily performance, teacher observations, student/parent surveys for social/emotional well-being, and the NWEA Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) nationally-normed testing.

Due to the pandemic, the Illinois State Board of Education waived the expectation of students taking the State assessment, therefore, there are no scores reported in the Illinois Report Card for 2020. Each school has created a School Improvement Plan and the principals continue to lead their staff in the goals and action plans that drive student achievement through continuous improvement efforts, culture and climate, professional development, student and learning development, and family/community engagement.

We welcome this opportunity to dive into our data and talk about additional improvements and investments we can make to support every student in reaching their goals. Our schools are strongest when we all work together, so we encourage you to give us your feedback. We at Brookwood School District 167 hold high expectations for all students and believe every student can meet our expectations with the right support. Thank you for your continued partnership to ensure that every child is thriving. The report card is available on our website ([www.brookwood167.org](http://www.brookwood167.org)) and a printed copy is available by calling (708) 758-5190 as required by law. For more information, please visit <https://www.illinoisreportcard.com>.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!**

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