

**Albemarle Road Elementary School**

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Legislation (G.S. §115C-83.15) passed during the 2013 long session of the North Carolina General Assembly provides parents with an additional measure of school performance in the form of School Performance Grades. Beginning with the 2013–14 school year, the annual North Carolina School Report Cards display a letter grade of A, B, C, D, or F for each school in the state.

The School Performance Grades are based 80 percent on our school’s achievement score (student proficiency) and 20 percent on students’ academic growth. At Albemarle Road Elementary School our achievement score for the 2022-2023 school year is based on how well our students performed on *Grades 3–8 Mathematics, Grades 3–8 English Language Arts/Reading, Grades 5 and 8 Science.*

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that Albemarle Road Elementary School has been designated as a low performing school by the North Carolina State Board of Education.  As defined in G.S. 115C-105.37: “The State Board of Education shall identify low-performing schools on an annual basis. Low-performing schools are those that earn an overall school performance grade of D or F and a school growth score of "met expected growth" or "not met expected growth" as defined by G.S. 115C-83.15.”

Albemarle Road Elementary School received a School Performance Grade of D and a growth designation of Met for the 2022–2023 school year. Although we are committed to improving this score, it is important to remember that just as no one single score or grade tells the whole story of a student, neither does it tell you everything about the performance of a school or the opportunities that our school provides. At Albemarle Road Elementary School we offer the following to support the needs of our students:

* MORE to support our students in Social Studies and Science.
* Capturing Kids Hearts to address our students' social emotional well being.

As a low performing school, we are required to develop an improvement plan that specifically addresses how the school will improve both the school performance grade and school growth score.  The plan will also include how the superintendent and other central office administrators in the district will work with us and monitor the progress of our school.  We are already engaged in the work of refining our plan and will present the plan to our school board at their next meeting, Tuesday, October 10th at 6 p.m. *Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center,* [*600 East Fourth Street, Charlotte, NC 28202*](https://goo.gl/maps/jdkU8Gb6MXFMyiuB6), where the plan will be presented for approval.  The final plan will be available for review [Albemarle Road Elementary School / Homepage (cmsk12.org](https://www.cmsk12.org/albemarleroadES).