John E. Hart III, Principal

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Dear Parent(s) of Glenn C. Marlow Elementary School:

Once a year, the state of North Carolina provides you with updates on your school's achievements through the North Carolina School Report Card – which includes important information about school and student performance, class sizes, attendance, school safety, instructional resources, and teacher quality. There also is information about how our school measured against federal Annual Measurable Objectives (AMO) targets in our school.

This is the fourth year the N.C. General Assembly is requiring that schools receive individual letter grades, which are comprised of student achievement (80 percent) and growth (20 percent) on state standardized assessments.

At Glenn C. Marlow Elementary School, we are proud to have met all 10 of our AMO targets in 2016-2017. And over the last four years, have met or exceeded school-wide growth measures set for us by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. As a school in 2016-2017, we met expected growth with a school-wide growth index of 1.84. We exceeded growth in 3rd grade reading for the third consecutive year, and have a 3-year streak of exceeding growth for 3rd grade Reading at 6.4. The percentage of students performing at or above grade level in 5th Grade Math was 87.8 percent – the highest in the county. Although we received an overall grade of a "B," we recognize how close we were to achieving A+ status again, and will continue to work toward achieving that goal.

But the numbers only tell part of the story. At Glenn Marlow, we are also proud of our culture of family and community. Our success is also attributed to the strong parental support and encouragement outside the school. We are proud of the expectations met and behaviors exemplified by our students throughout the day; embracing a set core of values we call the "Marlow High Five" - being safe, kind, responsible, respectful, and mindful.

As we move forward, we continue to focus on our vision that each child will achieve success, while consistently holding all of our students to high expectations. Our faculty and staff will continue to work hard to ensure that our vision is met, and that our parents and community support that vision, as well.

Thank you for your investment in your child's school, and for supporting our efforts to provide your child with a high-quality education.

Sincerely,

John E. Hart III, Principal