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Dear Parents,

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 is also 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. In 2016-2017, **North Henderson High exceeded expected academic growth in all core subject areas, resulting in the 6th highest academic growth score in the North Carolina, and the highest academic growth score in Henderson County. Additionally, we lead our district high schools in having exceeded expected academic growth each of the last four years.**

Compared to all other traditional high schools, North Henderson High has the second highest overall academic achievement score this side of Charlotte, NC. More than 92 percent of students graduated in four years or fewer. Eighty-two percent of our graduates attended a postsecondary education institution and were awarded almost \$2 million in scholarships. North Henderson students continue to reach beyond their potential as evidenced by a 9-point increase in ACT proficiency.

Far beyond the numbers, North Henderson is home to some of WNC's best teachers. Our teachers are driven to help all students succeed in the 21st Century workplace, evidenced by the continued growth of technological devices used in our classrooms each day.

As we move forward, North Henderson's focus for improvement will be multifaceted. We are continuing to increase the number of Advanced Placement (AP) courses offered. Our staff is dedicated to seeing 100 percent of our students graduate in 4 years, with skills that will help them be successful in a 21st Century workplace that is both complex and demanding. Finally, North Henderson is committed to professional development and continued learning in order to equip students with the skills needed to increase their proficiency on all end-of-course exams.

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

Sincerely,

John Shepard,
Principal