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Dear Pearl River Community,

The New York State Education Department (NYSED) has developed a <u>Parent Dashboard</u> to increase transparency and make information about school performance and other school-level data easier for parents and the public to access. The Parent Dashboard is part of <u>New York's Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) plan</u>, which emphasizes equity in education for all students and expands measures of school accountability and student success. This new dashboard will provide parents with information about their child's school and the district overall. The Parent Dashboard is now available in addition to the New York State School Report Card on NYSED's <u>public data site</u>. The Parent Dashboard offers information on all public schools including charter schools.

The link to the NYSED Parent Dashboard can be found on the District homepage at www.pearlriver.org under Departments> Curriculum and Instruction> NYSED Parents Dashboard, and also under the "For Parents" tab. Each school will be linked to their data under the "For Parents" tab and under "Quick Links for Parents" on each school's homepage. Please note the district data covers all students in our five schools as well as our students attending programs outside of Pearl River schools.

In 2019, NYSED gathered feedback from parents and stakeholders to guide the work of developing the Parent Dashboard. The data elements that parents ranked highest on the survey are available on the Parent Dashboard.

NYSED is now gathering additional feedback from parents and stakeholders to guide further enhancements to the Parent Dashboard. We invite parents and other stakeholders to explore the Parent Dashboard and then provide feedback via an <u>online feedback survey</u> available in 17 languages. NYSED will use this feedback to identify the data that is most useful to parents and the public and to make improvements to the website.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please visit the <u>Parent Dashboard</u>, which includes frequently asked questions and contact information.

Thank you for your feedback and for your continued commitment to your child's education.

Sincerely,

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