



Grading/Report Cards at MRA

Report cards will be out around the second week of February. If you have not yet logged in to Jupiter you will need to go to Jupiter and establish your parent account. The login is: <https://login.jupitersed.com/login/> Click on the parent tab, hit forgot password/username. Go to your email account and follow the set up directions. Student in grades 5 through 8 have student access to Jupiter and are able to check their status with each teacher as well.

At MRA our report cards are skill based, and some skill are taught year long. Skill based report cards are not the same as the traditional grading system. Students do not get letter grades. Our Cedars may have some percentage scores listed in some of their classes under the comments, but those will be minimal.

Skill based report cards reflect student progress on the essential skills that they should have mastered by the end of the term or of the year. Scores are displayed as 1, 2, 3, and 4 and include .5's in some cases. These scores are defined as:

- 1—Beginning: This means the student is still in the early stages of grasping this skill. In some cases this means that the student is not participating or performing enough for the teacher to assess the skill. If that is the case the teacher will explain that in the comment section.
- 2—Emerging: The student is grasping the concept and making appropriate progress. The concept is not yet grasped fully. Many students will have 2's for most if not all of the yearlong skills this first term. They are not expected to master these yet, unless it is a skill that is only taught this term.
- 3—Proficient: The student demonstrates a strong understanding of the skill and is able to apply it. In other words, they get it and are moving on.
- 4—Exemplary: This means that the student is going above and beyond this skill in their thinking, problem solving and application.

Classroom teachers will write comments on all of their students. Please keep in mind that teacher comments will vary in length, but all are carefully and thoughtfully written for your individual student.