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Dear Parent/Guardian:

In 2009, the Texas Legislature passed House Bill 3. This Bill mandated the creation of a new accountability system with a focus on postsecondary readiness. In 2014, House Bill 5 was passed, which added additional indicators of postsecondary readiness measures. The result was an accountability system which uses a performance index framework to provide comprehensive information about the district and its campuses.

The four areas of assessment, called indexes, are described below. To achieve the rating of “Met Standard,” a district must meet the index targets for Index 3, Index 4 and *either* Index 1 or 2. If the requirements are not met, the district/campus receives a label of Improvement Required. In Celina ISD, the district and all of its campuses achieved the Met Standard rating.

- Index 1: Student Achievement – This index evaluates all learners in all subject areas.
- Index 2: Student Progress – The year-to-year progress and growth of students is evaluated.
- Index 3: Closing Performance Gaps – In this index, the focus is on improved academic performance and high level achievement for the lowest performing student groups.
- Index 4: Postsecondary Readiness – This index evaluates the readiness of learners to be successful postsecondary.

In addition to the four indexes, the state has devised a system to honor outstanding academic achievement for those districts/campuses who Met Standard. There are seven possible Distinction Designations, and the number available to campuses differs based upon the assessments given at that campus level. The Distinction Designations are:

- Academic Achievement in Reading/English Language Arts
- Academic Achievement in Math
- Academic Achievement in Science
- Academic Achievement in Social Studies
- Top 25 Percent: Student Progress
- Top 25 Percent: Closing Performance Gaps
- Postsecondary Readiness

The Accountability Summary for your campus, along with an explanation, is posted on your campus website. Additional accountability information is locate on the district website at www.celinaisd.com under the area of accountability.

For more information about the information contained in the Accountability Summary, please visit: <http://tea.texas.gov/2017accountability.aspx>.