

In December of 2018, The Maryland State Department of Education released the new Maryland Report Card website containing performance data for every school in the State, including schools in Wicomico County.

The elementary schools eligible to receive star ratings in Wicomico County all scored a four out of five possible stars in the State's new accountability system while our middle and high schools received either a three or a four-star rating in this new system of accountability.

Through this accountability system, elementary and middle schools are evaluated and ranked in the following categories: academic achievement, academic progress, progress in achieving English language proficiency, and measures of school quality and student success. For high schools, the system includes academic achievement, graduation rate, progress in English language proficiency, readiness for postsecondary success, and measures of school quality and student success. Star ratings will continue to be released annually for each intermediate, middle, and high school in our system.

Maryland's new School Report Card system allows all stakeholders an opportunity to better understand how our schools are performing. The School Report Cards can be found on the new Maryland Report Card website, as well as more information and data about schools and districts. This information can be found at: [MdReportCard.org](http://MdReportCard.org).

In addition to the information currently available on Maryland Report Card website, students taking assessments in the spring of 2019 have just received their individual home reports from their respective schools. Each schools' performance data on these spring assessments will be live on the Maryland Report Card site in October with new Star Ratings being published in December of 2019.

Please feel free to contact your child's school or Karen Parsons, Supervisor of Assessment and Accountability, in our district Office of Assessment and Accountability, (410)677-4477, for additional information and/or support in better understanding your child's assessment performance or school's overall performance rating.