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Dear Parents,

Emge Elementary is using revised grading scales for all subject and special areas from Kindergarten through 2nd grade. In the special areas (PE, Music, Art, and Technology), students are given a grade for both skill and effort. Here are the descriptors the specialists are using to assign grades for each area:

Skill	Effort
4 = Proficient 3 = Approaching Proficient 2 = Beginning Progress 1 = Of Concern	4 = Consistently Demonstrates 3 = Sometimes Demonstrates 2 = Occasionally Demonstrates; with reminders 1 = Rarely Demonstrates

Since the specialist teachers often have skills that may only be taught during one particular quarter each school year, we will be grading your K-2 student based on how well they achieve the skills we have worked on each quarter. This means that scores may go up and down throughout the year depending on what skills were worked on that quarter.

If you have any further questions about your child's grades in the special areas, please let us know. Thank you!

Sincerely,

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