

September 30, 2015

Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s):

The *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001* (NCLB) requires schools to meet annual measurable objective (AMO) goals each year in reading/language arts and mathematics. Schools that do not meet AMOs are identified as being in School Improvement. Mountain View Elementary School in Alleghany County is in Year 2 of Title I School Improvement and has been identified as a Focus School by the Virginia Department of Education which means the school has failed to meet AMOs in English: Reading and Mathematics. This designation alone does not indicate a failing school, but provides a focus on areas for school improvement by principals, teachers and parents. Identified schools become eligible for additional support from the district and state as they work to improve teaching and learning.

The school division's 2015-2016 division report card will be available at this website in early November:

<https://p1pe.doe.virginia.gov/reportcard/report.do?division=3&schoolName=All>, and the 2015-2016 school report card for Mountain View will be available at this website in early November: <https://p1pe.doe.virginia.gov/reportcard/report.do?division=3&schoolName=2661> If you would like a printed copy of either, please contact me.

The school must meet AMO goals for two consecutive years in English: Reading and in Math to move out of Title I School Improvement. The administration and staff are working to improve the school's academic performance by continuing Power-Up, Title I and Response to Intervention initiatives; working with outside resources to identify strategies to assist students; and providing assessments throughout the year to assess student performance. Additionally, the Virginia Department of Education and the school division are working with your child's school to improve the academic performance of the school. Parents are encouraged to participate in improving the school's academic achievement by ensuring your child attends school daily, participating in Family Night, attending First Books workshops, volunteering in school, and becoming involved in the PTO and/or Title I Parent Advisory Committee.

If you have questions regarding this information, you may contact:

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Please contact us if you have questions about this information. Thank you for your continued support of our instructional program.

Sincerely,

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