

Report Card Narratives

New Jersey Department of Education

CHERRY HILL TWP (07-0800-100)

Joseph D. Sharp Elementary School

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Community Members:

On behalf of the Joseph D. Sharp Elementary School and the Cherry Hill School District, I am happy to share with you the New Jersey School Performance Report. It provides a method for tracking our school's progress toward the state's academic standards.

Joseph D. Sharp Elementary School implements initiatives that provide a great focus for our learning community. Our C & Believe framework provides focus on our Children, Curriculum and teaching, Community, Culture, Collaboration, Character, and Common language. This framework takes into account many of our institutionalized practices, components of the district-wide Professional Learning Community (PLC) initiative, and research-based school-level factors including the implementation of a guaranteed and viable curriculum, challenging student learning goals along with frequent effective feedback, high levels of parent and community involvement, the maintenance of a safe and orderly environment, and teacher professionalism and collegiality.

Joseph D. Sharp Elementary School thrives in an atmosphere of collaboration among students, educators, parents, and the community. We continue to promote a positive school culture that is summarized by our school mission statement.

The mission of Joseph D. Sharp Elementary School is to see that all our students learn at high levels according to the Common Core Standards and the State of New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards. The future of our students depends on our success! We must work collaboratively to achieve that purpose, because it is impossible to accomplish if we work in isolation. And, we must continually assess our effectiveness in achieving our purpose on the basis of results-tangible evidence that our students are acquiring the knowledge, skills, and dispositions that are essential to their future success as contributing members and lifelong learners in an international society.

We are excited about the many initiatives that contribute to the development of the whole student. Please contact the school to learn more about these initiatives or about any of the data in School Performance Report.

Sincerely,

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