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## Reporting and Assessment: Information for Parents

**The Ministry of Education's 'Learning Transformation Project' has resulted in changes in curriculum, reporting and assessment in British Columbia.**

Information about the timeline of this project can be found at:

<http://engage.gov.bc.ca/yourkidsprogress/timelines/>

As part of this process, the Ministry of Education (MoE) held community meetings in 10 locations around the province and engaged in online surveys that were open between October 4, 2016 and February 28, 2017. The results of this engagement will be available on the MoE website in June, 2017.

**As part of the change in reporting and assessment across the province, we want to communicate with you a few pieces of information to provide clarity with specific regards to NLPS students and classrooms.**

- **Grades 8-9:** report cards will not include letter grades. Instead, student learning will be communicated through a competency scale. Ongoing communication will occur in a timely and responsive manner twice throughout each course and a conference will occur early to communicate formative assessment data. NLPS sent a '[Communicating Student Learning](#)' brochure home to parents in March, 2017.
- **Grades 8-9:** students will conduct a self-assessment of the [BC Curriculum Core Competencies](#) at year end. A report of this self-assessment will appear on the year-end report card. A [parent brochure on Core Competencies](#) was sent home in June, 2017.
- **Grades 10-12:** Science 10, Math 10, Social Studies 11 and English Language Arts 10 provincial exams will no longer occur. New provincial [Numeracy and Literacy assessments](#) are now part of the [Path to Graduation](#). The Numeracy Assessment will be available in January, 2018.
- **Report Cards:** you may have noticed that report cards in grades 8 and 9 looked a little different last year. You will notice further changes to the look of reporting in grades 8 and 9 in the 2017/2018 school year. Please be assured that we will endeavor always to provide the most relevant information to parents.

**We are proud of the teaching and learning that occurs in NLPS and are excited about the steps we are taking to better engage students and communicate learning with parents.**