

**Superintendent's Update**  
**January 2, 2019**

**News from Around the District**

- **I hope all of you had a wonderful Christmas and I hope you have a Happy New Year!**
- Today, districts received school report cards to review prior to the release of the report cards to the public. The report cards are replacing the A-F grades schools received in the past. The report cards are part of the Every Student Success Act and were included in Maine's application for Title I federal funding. The data is based on three years of MEA assessment scores. We reviewed the MEA data during Sue Dorris's data presentation in December. The report cards will also include Chronic Absenteeism, which is defined as students being absent from school 10% or more days that a student could have been attending. For example, if we have been in school for 75 days, a student is chronically absent if they have missed 7.5 days or more. The absences include excused and unexcused absences. The report cards will be released to the public on January 7th.

**School Committee Agenda Items**

**6:00:** Workshop: Executive Session to discuss labor contract negotiations with the Auburn Education Association pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(D)

Please review the current Teachers' Contract, which has been included in this packet.

**7:00: Regular Meeting**

**Information:**

- **Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)**

Dr. Jennifer Butterworth and Jillian Close will share the work they are doing in schools to support students, teachers and administrators to implement and maintain PBIS systems. Dr. Butterworth is a PBIS consultant that we contract with for 158 days and fund through special education and Title grants. Ms. Close is a Board Certified Behavior Analyst. She is an Auburn School Department employee, who receives an annual salary/benefits notice. In addition, Andrew Bard, Washburn Principal, with teachers and a parent, will share their implementation of PBIS and the positive impact the work is having on their school community.

**Have a wonderful weekend!**

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