

SHELBY OAKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL **#SOARINGTOGETHER**

Dear Eagle Families,

We are writing to you to share information about the new school letter grade system, which the Tennessee Department of Education is using to evaluate all public schools in our state. We hope that this letter provides insight into any questions you have.

We know that our school is more than just a letter grade!

Schools are places where our children develop into well-rounded individuals. They are also places where communities come together. At Shelby Oaks Elementary we are particularly proud of our culture of student activity and engagement with a variety of during the day and after school programs because it represents a commitment to educating the whole child

For elementary and middle schools, a school's rating is based on three key indicators: academic achievement, student growth, and the academic improvement of students in the school's bottom 25%.

Shelby Oaks Elementary received a C.

We are committed to helping all students succeed. Our commitment to high dose tutoring, as well as an emphasis on data driven instruction, has helped increase our literacy scores. However, we won't be satisfied until all students excel.

While the new letter grade is one way to see how our school is doing, it's not the only thing that matters. What we know is, our students are learning and growing every day. We encourage you to visit our school, talk to your child's teachers, and get involved. Join us for our upcoming Music programs on February 13 (Black History Program) and February 27, 2024 (Side by Side with the Memphis Orchestra). Engaging in opportunities like this is the best way to get a true understanding of our school and learn how you can support your child's success. In addition, check out our video about why we love Shelby Oaks here: https://youtu.be/OoJGXX2J6Z8. Go Eagles!

Sincerely,

Dr. Michelle Hope, Principal