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*A 2014 Re-Designated Pennsylvania and National Schools to Watch Middle School*

November 6, 2015

Dear Canonsburg Middle School Parent/Guardian:

As a part of Canon-McMillan's ongoing effort to curb costs and "go green" without impacting the educational programs and services, the middle school and high school will be moving to a "paperless" report card system starting with the second nine-week reporting period (January 2016). The transition will save tax payer dollars, which would have been expended for paper and printing. In addition to saving on costs and being environmentally friendly, the trend is also supported by more and more parents who prefer digital notifications over traditional print notifications (National School Public Relations, 2011).

Please make sure the school has your up-to-date email address in the PowerSchool system. With our new report card notification system, all parents will receive an email at the conclusion of the nine-week marking period reminding them to check the PowerSchool Parent Portal. The District's Technology Department recently added GPA and Honor Roll status to your child's Quick Lookup screen. This information combined with your child's grades will provide an overall snapshot of your child's progress throughout the school year. Lastly, please remember that you may also take advantage of signing up for email updates whenever your child's grade is updated in the system.

Once again, to help with this effort, please make sure the school has an **up-to-date** e-mail address to receive progress report and report card information. If you have any questions or do not have Internet/email access, please contact the school office at 724-745-9030.

Sincerely,

Greg Taranto, Ph.D.  
Principal