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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The AZ Merit scores and school letter grades have been announced. Apache Junction Unified School District saw letter grade improvement from four out of five schools.

Apache Junction High School D to a C

Cactus Canyon Jr. High C to a D

Desert Vista Elementary D to a C

Four Peaks Elementary D to a B

Peralta Trail Elementary C to a B

The system measures year-to-year student academic growth, proficiency in English language arts, math and science. It also includes the proficiency and academic growth of English language learners, indicators that an elementary student is ready for success in high school and that high school students are ready to succeed in a career or higher education and high school graduation rates.

While it is encouraging to see upward movement at most of our schools, there is more that needs to be done. On behalf of our staff I want you to know that we will remain unswayed in our efforts to help students succeed in an academic setting. We will do this by continuing to analyze student and school data, identifying deficiencies, and making adjustments where needed, implementing restorative justice practices to improve student behavior, creating stronger relationships, and boldly activating a solution-based approach that is focused on student learning.

Sincerely,

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