

First Trimester Progress Report

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TERM 1: 21ST CENTURY SKILLS

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Dear Parents - Thank you so much for looking over the 21st Century Report Card that I have developed for your child! I created this report card based on the studies I have done in 21st Century education, and I am constantly revising it to make it most effective for students, parents, and teachers. Please let me know how I can make it better!

The best way to interpret these scores is to determine relative strengths and relative weaknesses. Ask your child to determine where Mr. Solarz feels they are strongest based on these scores. Ask them where they think they need to improve the most. Grades are on a scale from 1 to 10, but 8 is the highest they can achieve this trimester (9 in winter and 10 in spring). The percentages will look low for all students, so don't compare them to typical grades. In this system, a 71% is considered "Strong" or "Secure" and a 51% is average. If your child is below average, please help them develop their skills in this area (as I will do in school!). Thanks!

Please remember that each of these skills are explained in greater detail in the attached printout and in your child's self-assessment packet. I was not able to assess any of these skills without using those behaviors as my guide. The bulleted behaviors helped to make this assessment more objective and less personal. Thanks for reading through this and looking at the bulleted behaviors. This took nearly as long to complete as the standard report card did, so I clearly believe strongly in this system of measurement!

Grade Summary

| Summary Item | Points | Grade |
|---------------------------------|---------|------------------|
| Overall Grade | 210/340 | 61.8% Developing |
| • Category: Comm/Collaboration | 14/30 | 46.7% Beginning |
| • Category: Creativity/Innovatn | 26/40 | 65.0% Developing |
| • Category: Crit Thkg/Pblm Slvg | 21/40 | 52.5% Developing |
| • Category: Reflectn/Awareness | 10/20 | 50.0% Beginning |
| • Category: Flex/Adaptability | 24/30 | 80.0% Strong |
| • Category: Initiative/Self-Dir | 37/60 | 61.7% Developing |
| • Category: Social/Cross-Cultrl | 22/30 | 73.3% Strong |
| • Category: Prdctvty/Acntblty | 12/20 | 60.0% Developing |
| • Category: Ldrshp/Responsibty | 12/20 | 60.0% Developing |
| • Category: Info Literacy | 13/20 | 65.0% Developing |
| • Category: Media Literacy | 19/30 | 63.3% Developing |

Term 1 Assignments

| # | Date | Category | Assignment | Grade |
|----|----------|---------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | 10/26/12 | Comm/Collaboration | Communicate Clearly | 50.0% Beginning |
| 2 | 10/26/12 | Comm/Collaboration | Collaborate w/Others | 50.0% Beginning |
| 3 | 10/26/12 | Comm/Collaboration | Think Interdependently | 40.0% Beginning |
| 4 | 10/26/12 | Creativity/Innovatn | Think Creatively | 70.0% Developing |
| 5 | 10/26/12 | Creativity/Innovatn | Work Creatively w/Others | 70.0% Developing |
| 6 | 10/26/12 | Creativity/Innovatn | Implement Innovations | 60.0% Developing |
| 7 | 10/26/12 | Creativity/Innovatn | Apply Past Knldg 2 New Situatns | 60.0% Developing |
| 8 | 10/26/12 | Crit Thkg/Pblm Slvg | Think Critically | 50.0% Beginning |
| 9 | 10/26/12 | Crit Thkg/Pblm Slvg | Make Judgments & Decisions | 50.0% Beginning |
| 10 | 10/26/12 | Crit Thkg/Pblm Slvg | Ask Questions | 50.0% Beginning |
| 11 | 10/26/12 | Crit Thkg/Pblm Slvg | Solve Problems | 60.0% Developing |
| 12 | 10/26/12 | Reflectn/Awareness | Metacognition | 60.0% Developing |
| 13 | 10/26/12 | Reflectn/Awareness | Reflect and Synthesize | 40.0% Beginning |
| 14 | 10/26/12 | Flex/Adaptability | Adapt to Change | 80.0% Strong |
| 15 | 10/26/12 | Flex/Adaptability | Think & Learn Flexibly | 80.0% Strong |
| 16 | 10/26/12 | Flex/Adaptability | Demo Lrng thru All Intelligence | 80.0% Strong |
| 17 | 10/26/12 | Initiative/Self-Dir | Manage Goals & Time | 50.0% Beginning |
| 18 | 10/26/12 | Initiative/Self-Dir | Be a Risk-Taker | 70.0% Developing |
| 19 | 10/26/12 | Initiative/Self-Dir | Be a Self-Directed Learner | 60.0% Developing |
| 20 | 10/26/12 | Initiative/Self-Dir | Persist Despite Setbacks | 60.0% Developing |
| 21 | 10/26/12 | Initiative/Self-Dir | Be Curious | 60.0% Developing |
| 22 | 10/26/12 | Initiative/Self-Dir | Learn Continuously | 70.0% Developing |
| 23 | 10/26/12 | Social/Cross-Cultrl | Interact Effectively w/Others | 80.0% Strong |
| 24 | 10/26/12 | Social/Cross-Cultrl | Work Effectvly in Diverse Teams | 80.0% Strong |
| 25 | 10/26/12 | Social/Cross-Cultrl | Find Humor in Approp Situations | 60.0% Developing |
| 26 | 10/26/12 | Prdctvty/Acntblty | Manage Projects | 60.0% Developing |
| 27 | 10/26/12 | Prdctvty/Acntblty | Produce Results | 60.0% Developing |
| 28 | 10/26/12 | Ldrshp/Responsibty | Guide and Lead Others | 60.0% Developing |
| 29 | 10/26/12 | Ldrshp/Responsibty | Be Resp. to Yourself & Others | 60.0% Developing |
| 30 | 10/26/12 | Info Literacy | Access & Evaluate Information | 50.0% Beginning |
| 31 | 10/26/12 | Info Literacy | Use and Manage Information | 80.0% Strong |
| 32 | 10/26/12 | Media Literacy | Analyze Media | 70.0% Developing |
| 33 | 10/26/12 | Media Literacy | Create Media Products | 60.0% Developing |
| 34 | 10/26/12 | Media Literacy | Apply Tech Effectively | 60.0% Developing |

Disclaimer: Although these grades may appear to be random and arbitrary, they are actually derived from 3 months of anecdotal records and a comparative study of 14 years of fifth graders. Occasionally, parents or students disagree with some of the scores. That's good! To see why I graded a particular area the way I did, I ask that you follow this procedure: (1) Refer to the behaviors listed under each skill (on the attached printout). (2) Ask your child when they think Mr. Solarz would have seen these behaviors. (3) Let your child know that I can't assume they do a behavior - I have to see it! Thanks!!!