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## **Lake no longer mailing report cards**

*Parents are urged to sign up for Family Access to see report cards online*

TAVARES – The days of students nervously waiting for the mail carrier to deliver their report cards are going away in Lake County Schools. Effective immediately, the district will no longer print and mail report cards to parents. Instead, parents can see the report cards digitally online through the Skyward Family Access program.

The change is projected to save the district \$35,000 a year. It's also expected to be a more efficient way of getting the report cards to parents. Many times, report cards that were mailed to parents in previous years would be returned to the district unopened because families often move without updating their addresses in school files.

Parents are being asked to enroll in Skyward Family Access now so they have no problems seeing grades when report cards are published at the end of the school year. Enrolling in Skyward Family Access not only links parents to their children's report cards, but it also gives them the ability to monitor attendance records, assignments and test scores, and to receive important notices from the school or district.

Enrolling is easy:

- Download the enrollment form at [www.lake.k12.fl.us/FamilyAccess](http://www.lake.k12.fl.us/FamilyAccess) , print it and complete it.
- Bring the completed form and ID to the school and sign the form in front of a witness there.

OR...

- Have the completed form notarized and turn it in at the school.

Parents who don't have access to a computer at home can link to Skyward Family Access from a smart phone or other mobile device – a link is available on the Lake County Schools app, which can be downloaded through Google Play or the Apple App Store. They also have the option of using computers for free at public libraries in Lake. Those who still want a paper copy of their child's report card can come to the school and have one printed and given to them on the spot.

For more information about Skyward Family Access, see the Frequently Asked Questions at [www.lake.k12.fl.us/FamilyAccess](http://www.lake.k12.fl.us/FamilyAccess)

