



“The STAR Program”

Students Trying and Reaching
For Students in Grades 4 and 5

The STAR program recognizes students’ academic achievement as well as effort and improvement.

First Trimester Criteria (December)

- All 3s and 4s in Social Emotional Development and Learning Habits
- All 3s and 4s in at least 7 out of 8 content areas (ELA, math, social studies, sci/health, art, music, PE, information literacy)
- No performance rating lower than (2) Meets Basic Standard in any indicator

Children who meet these criteria will be recognized for their achievement with a star on a celestial background. The first trimester will become the baseline for future measurement of performance and effort.

Second and Third Trimester Criteria (March and June)

A. Students will be identified as a STAR student based on the same criteria applied for the 1st Trimester.

B. In addition, a classroom teacher may nominate a student for The STAR Program for outstanding effort and improvement. If a student is nominated for outstanding effort and improvement, during the second trimester, the following criteria must be met.

- All 3s and 4s in Social Emotional Development and Learning Habits
- Levels of performance in all content areas for all indicators must be maintained or improved from the previous trimester

(Improvement is shown when there is a change in performance from (1) Below Standard to (2) Meets Basic Standard or (3) Meets Proficiency Standard or (4) Exceeds Proficiency Standard)

Students who have met STAR criteria from previous trimesters will have new stars placed over former stars. The colors of the stars will be changed for each trimester.

Each trimester, a letter from the principal will be mailed home celebrating the achievement of the student who has earned STAR designation. In addition, an attempt will be made to publish the names of the recipients of the stars in the *Lynbrook/East Rockaway Herald*.