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Dear Calvert Families,

We thank you for taking the time to meet with us at parent/teacher conferences. You know your child best and we appreciate the knowledge and insight you provide! We look forward to building on our partnership with you as the year progresses.

**Calvert in the News**-Yesterday's Lincoln Journal Star reported the percentage of fourth grade students meeting or exceeding state standards in reading, math, science and writing. Students in grades 3-5 take these annual tests, and we wanted you to have the third and fifth grade scores in addition to the fourth grade scores that were listed in the newspaper. The table below provides this information.

**Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding State Standards**

Subject	Third Grade	Fourth Grade	Fifth Grade	Summary for Grades 3-5
Reading	87%	79%	82%	84%
Math	97%	77%	98%	92%
Science	87%	87%	91%	88%
Writing	*	91%	*	*

\*Only fourth grade students take the writing test each year.

Additional information can be found on the Nebraska State Department of Education website at [www.nde.state.ne.us](http://www.nde.state.ne.us).

Ultimately, our responsibility is to ensure that your child meets grade level standards. Our goal is that 100% of students meet these standards. We embrace both the great responsibility and the great opportunity to provide a strong academic and social foundation for all of our children. We know that by working together with you, our students will make good progress.

**No School for Elementary Students**-School will not be in session for our students on Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup> due to an elementary planning day for teachers.

**PTSO Fundraiser Update**-Fundraiser packets are due back to school by Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. The PTSO intentionally limits fundraiser events at Calvert to one per year. We appreciate any support you are able to provide.

**Community Conversation**-Please see the back side of this newsletter for a message from our district office.

**To Think About**-Be the change you want to see in the world. Ghandi

Sincerely,

Michelle Suarez

Principal