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Dear Parents/Guardians of LPA Lakeside Students,

I wanted to let our parents know some good news about LPA Lakeside. On Monday, the Arizona Department of Education released the final **2016-2017** school letter grades. These A-F letter grades were mainly based on last year's AzMERIT scores, as well as other data such as school attendance. This is the first year that schools have been evaluated using the AzMERIT test in grades 3-8. This test is more challenging and rigorous than the AIMS test which was used before.

La Paloma Academy Lakeside received a **"B"** rating from the state of Arizona. This officially puts our school in the category of **"Highly Performing"**. This could not have happened without a lot of teamwork.

- Thank you to the parents for making your child's education a priority;
- Thank you to the students that put so much hard work into being the best student and the best person they can be;
- Thank you to the teachers and support staff that have the work ethic, caring nature, and skill to truly make a difference in student's lives.

I appreciate the parents and family members that trust our school 180 days a year with the most important thing in their lives – their children. Every day, I see how hard our teachers and students work. It is nice to be recognized as a **Highly Performing** school. Go Patriots!

Sincerely,

Sean Watins

Principal

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