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The No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB) requires the Iowa Department of Education (IDE) to collect data in grades 3-8 and 11 on an annual basis in order to determine if school districts and buildings have reached state adequate yearly progress (AYP) targets using both the status and growth models. Also included in AYP calculations are participation rates for all students and subgroups, as well as average daily attendance and high school graduation rate.

Based upon the individual district and school data, the attachment shows your AYP Notification Status for the 2014-2015 school year.

**Title I schools identified as schools in need of assistance (SINA) must offer school choice options to student and parents of that school. Those Title I SINA schools identified as in need of improvement for two or more years must also offer low-income students the opportunity to receive supplementary educational services. Additionally, identified Title I SINA schools must submit a SINA action plan and parent notification letter through C-Plan (Consolidated Plan) to the Iowa Department of Education by November 2, 2015.**

**Districts identified as districts in need of assistance (DINA 1 or 2) must reserve 10 percent from the current year Title I allocation for professional development related to the area of identification and complete a DINA plan through C-Plan by November 2, 2015.**

Iowa used all available data to make the 2014-2015 AYP decisions. Proficiency data from the Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) alternate assessment will not be available before the 2015-16 school year starts. Thus, AYP participation data included students who participated in the Iowa Assessments, as well as students who participated in DLM. AYP proficiency data included students who participated in the Iowa Assessments only.

If a district believes that an identification of the district or a school as "not meeting adequate yearly progress" is in error for statistical or other substantive reasons, the district may provide supporting evidence to address the issue. The superintendent of a district wishing to appeal a proposed identification should submit a request in writing postmarked on or before August 21, 2015 to:

David Tilly, Deputy Director  
Iowa Department of Education  
400 E 14th Street  
Des Moines, IA 50319-0146

All data supporting an appeal must be submitted by September 4, 2015, and will be reviewed by IDE staff. Decisions on appeals will be communicated in writing to the district superintendent.

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For further information, please refer to the following link: [Iowa Accountability Workbook revised February 2011](#).

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact Tom Deeter at [Tom.Deeter@iowa.gov](mailto:Tom.Deeter@iowa.gov) / 515-242-5616, or Geri McMahon at [Geri.McMahon@iowa.gov](mailto:Geri.McMahon@iowa.gov) / 515-281-3944.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. David Tilly". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "W" and a stylized "T".

W. David Tilly  
Deputy Director

Cc: Amy Williamson, Bureau Chief  
Tom Deeter, Lead Consultant  
Geri McMahon, Administrative Consultant

Attachment