



# ZILLAH SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 205

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August 1, 2014

Dear Zillah Middle School Parent/Guardian,

The purpose of this letter is to reaffirm our commitment to the success of ALL students and to inform you that we are still working to improve. During the spring, Zillah Middle School was identified as a “Priority” school based on an analysis of student achievement in relationship to how we compare with other schools in our state. This analysis, identified that our students have not met our goals or expectations over the past three years on state assessments.

To increase learning outcomes for all of our students, we are taking the following action steps over the course of the school year:

- Participate in a Needs Assessment to identify strengths and challenges in our school; the assessment will also include recommendations for improvement.
- Identify next steps we will take to improve learning outcomes for our students, by completing our “Student and School Success Action Plan”; the plan must be submitted to the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction for review and approval by October 230, 2014.
- Engage parents/guardians and our school community in our improvement efforts.

During the 2014-15 school year, we will implement our plan and examine a variety of data to ensure we are making progress.

If you have any questions or would like more information pertaining to the Zillah Middle School and their “Priority” school status please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Justin Irion  
Principal

Kevin McKay  
Superintendent