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“Educational Excellence for Everyone”

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Federal law requires Washington State to set standards for the development of English language proficiency skills and academic progress for children learning English. Schools test students learning English annually with the Washington English Language Proficiency Assessment (WELPA), which measures English proficiency in the skills of reading, writing, speaking and listening.

Programs for students learning English must meet three targets, called annual measurable achievement objectives (AMAO). Within 30 days of receiving notification from the State, districts are required to notify the parents of students learning English if the district did not meet one or more of the AMAO targets. Last year, our district did not meet one or more of the following targets:

The district met AMAO 1: _____ Yes ___X___ No

AMAO 1 measures annual increases in the number or percentage of children making progress in learning English.

The district met AMAO 2: _____ Yes ___X___ No

AMAO 2 measures the number or percentage of children attaining English proficiency.

The district met AMAO 3: _____ Yes ___X___ No

AMAO 3 measures the number or percentage of students learning English who reach academic standards in reading and math based on the state's assessments.

If you have any questions about the performance of your child, please contact your child's school. Also, contact the school for information on programs within the district to help English learners attain English proficiency and meet academic goals.

Sincerely,

Kevin McKay
Superintendent

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