

DUNKLIN R-V SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

The goal of the *No Child Left Behind Act* (NCLB) of 2001 is to ensure that all children in this country receive a quality education. Under NCLB, each state is required to assess all schools to determine if each school has made adequate yearly progress (AYP) toward meeting the academic testing standards and additional measures set by the state. AYP decisions are based on the results of state testing in communication arts and math and the school's attendance rate or graduation rate. If the school has not made AYP for two consecutive years, it is considered "in need of improvement." For a school to leave that same designation, they must meet AYP for two consecutive years.

Based on the results of the 2010-2011 academic testing in communication arts and math and the school's attendance rate or graduation rate, your child's school, Pevely Elementary, did make adequate yearly progress for the following reasons:

The *No Child Left Behind* (NCLB) 2010-2010 testing target for students scoring at or above the proficient level in communication arts is 75.5% and in math is 72.5%. In 2010-2011, 50.2% of Pevely third and fourth graders scored at or above the proficient level in communication arts, and 57.2% scored at or above the proficient level in math, therefore, meeting AYP through the Safe Harbor component of the assessment program.

Because of this designation, the school is considered to be in Level 1 of School Improvement Delayed and must develop a plan for improvement. One important component of this plan will be parent involvement in both the development and implementation of the plan.

Another component of school improvement is school choice. If there were other elementary schools in our district that had met AYP, you would have the opportunity to enroll your child at that school. There are no other elementary schools in our district.

We encourage you to become involved with your child's school to support school improvement. You can help by visiting the school and becoming a volunteer, engaging in reading and math strategies at home, and participating in the MAP prep and informational night that is held in the spring of each school year.

Information about NCLD and what parents can do to improve student achievement can be found at <http://www.ed.gov/parents/landing.jhtml>.

Sincerely,


Sherri L. Lindquist
Principal

"Mission Statement"

Dunklin R-V is committed to creating a positive learning community that will prepare all students to attain their highest level of achievement in becoming responsible, respectful, healthy, and productive citizens.