

Illinois State Board of Education

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Jesse H. Ruiz Chairman

Rod Blagojevich Governor Dr. Randy J. Dunn State Superintendent of Education

September 14, 2005

Dear Superintendent:

In accordance with the *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001*, a State must provide notification to parents of students in districts that are identified for improvement for failure to make adequate yearly progress. (See 20 U.S.C. § 6316 (c) (6)). This communication will act as the notification to meet this federal requirement.

Enclosed you will find a parent letter which the State Board of Education is asking that you disseminate in an appropriate manner to the parents of your district. Also enclosed is your district's 2005 AYP Status Report which should be disseminated to your parents as soon as possible. In addition, you may disseminate a cover letter to your parents along with the ISBE letter and district AYP Status Report. The cover letter may include other information explaining why your district is in improvement status.

I will be contacting several districts to request a copy of what you disseminated to parents in order to meet a federal compliance requirement. If any district would like to volunteer, please let me know.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 217/782-2948.

Sincerely,

Donna J. Luallen Division Administrator Accountability Division

cc: Regional Office of Education