

Annual Progress Report (APR) Goal Setting – 2010-2011

Annual Improvement Goals

Each year all accredited schools/districts in Iowa are required to write annual improvement goals in the areas of reading, math, and science. The following are the student achievement goals we set for 2009-2010 and reported on our Annual Progress Report (APR).

We met all three of our goals. We believe that much of our success was based on the fact that the 7th grade students and high school students were offered incentives for improving their scores. It appears that these incentives motivated students to put more effort into test-taking.

We have also analyzed data for other subtests in all grade levels and have reviewed them with staff. Analysis of ITBS and ITED data lead us to formulate the 2010-2011 goals for Reading, Math, and Science that you see below.

Reading

In 2009-10 our goal was to increase the percentage of students who, as 7th graders, would be proficient in reading as compared to their performance as 6th graders and as measured by the ITBS reading comprehension subtest. We did meet our goal. In 2008-2009 69.9% of the Bosco System 6th graders scored in the proficient range (41% - 89%) on the ITBS reading comprehension subtest. In 2009-2010 90.4% of these same students showed proficiency. This was an increase of 20.5% which was more than what was expected.

Reading Goal for 2010-2011

In 2009-2010 65.1% of the Bosco System 5th graders scored in the proficient range (41%-89%) on the ITBS reading comprehension subtest. Our goal for 2010-2011 is to increase the percentage of these students who will be proficient in reading comprehension as 6th graders.

Math

Our goal was to increase the percentage of 7th grade students who showed proficiency in math as measured by the ITBS Math Total score as compared to their performance as 6th graders the prior year. We did meet the goal. In 2008-2009 63.3% of the 6th grade students were scored in the proficient range (41%-89%) in ITBS Math Total. This year 79.9% of these same students were proficient in math as 7th graders. This was an increase of 16.6% which was more than expected.

Math Goal for 2010-2011

In 2009-2010 60.8% of the Bosco System 3rd graders' ITBS Math Total scores were in the proficient range (41%-89%). Our goal is to increase the percentage of these students who show math proficiency in 2010-2011 as 4th graders as measured by the ITBS Math Total.

Science

In 2008-2009 59% of Bosco System 10th graders were proficient in science as measured by the ITBS Science subtest. Our goal was to increase the percentage of these same students who would show proficiency on the ITBS Science subtest (41%-89%) as 11th graders. We did meet our goal. In 2009-2010 83.7% of the 11th graders scored in the proficient range on the ITBS Science subtest. This was an increase of 24% which was more than was expected.

Science goal for 2010-2011

In 2009-2010 67.6% of Bosco System 8th graders scored in the proficient range on the ITBS Science subtest. Our goal is to increase the percentage of 9th graders who score in the proficient range (41%-89%) in 2010-2011 as compared to their performance as 8th graders.