



State of Arizona  
Department of Education

**Tom Horne**  
Superintendent of  
Public Instruction

September 30, 2010

LEA Name  
Address  
City, Arizona Zip

Dear Superintendent:

**Re: Annual Measurable Achievement Objectives (AMAO) Determination**

The No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act, Title III, Section 3122 (a) (1), (2), (3) requires that each Local Educational Agency (LEA) receiving Title III funding be held accountable for meeting the Annual Measurable Achievement Objectives (AMAOs) under subsection (a), including making adequate yearly progress (AYP) for English Language Learners (ELLs).

The Office of English Language Acquisition Services (OELAS) of the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) has monitored the progress of your Local Educational Agency (LEA) toward meeting these Annual Measurable Achievement Objectives (AMAOs) for ELLs. This monitoring has resulted in the following determination for your LEA:

**This is formal notification that "LEA Name"  
has not met all Annual Measurable Achievement Objectives for School Year 2009-2010.**

**Your LEA is in "Warning Year" status in the AMAO Cycle.**

LEAs in the Warning Year must update their Continuous Improvement Plan in the \*Arizona LEA Tracker (ALEAT).

\*This is accessed via the ADE Common Logon under the Arizona LEA Tracker (ALEAT) Link.

The Continuous Improvement Plan should address:

- The identification of factors that prohibited your LEA from making AMAOs through data analysis
- The plan to improve the specific schools or grade bands responsible for the failure
- The professional development that will be implemented to improve AMAO status

Your Continuous Improvement Plan should be aligned with your Title III application, which supplements your current ELL program.

You may view the data that was used to calculate your AMAO Determination on the ADE Common Logon under the OELAS Link. From there, simply click on AMAO District Determination; Click on AMAO District Determinations; Choose Year “2010” and click; And then click on the “Details” Link of your LEA.

In order to make sure that your LEA makes its AMAOs in School Year 2010-2011, we highly recommend that you take great care in reviewing the accuracy of the student level ELL data that is submitted by your LEA to the Arizona Department of Education’s Student Accountability Information System (SAIS). Please note that LEAs are responsible for entering students into ELL programs as well as exiting students from ELL programs. Pearson enters assessment data only into SAIS.

In NCLB, under Title III, LEAs who have failed to make progress on the AMAOs, are required to separately inform parent(s) of students participating in these programs of the failure no later than 30 days after the failure occurs. The LEA must provide the parent(s) this information in an understandable format and in a language the parent(s) can understand.

If you have any questions on the AMAO determination, please contact Katherine van Mourik at: [Katherine.VanMourik@azed.gov](mailto:Katherine.VanMourik@azed.gov) (602-542-3378) or Micky Gutier at: [Micky.Gutier@azed.gov](mailto:Micky.Gutier@azed.gov) (602-542-7469).

Sincerely,



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