

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BEEVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Date: March 22, 2005**

**Subject: Adequate Yearly Progress**

**Submitted By: Mrs. Jones**

**INFORMATION**

**Information:** The federal standards that schools must meet are called Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) under the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB). Every group counts separately under AYP. To make AYP, schools must make sure that every single group of students—including students who have learning disabilities or who do not speak fluent English—meet the same AYP goals. That is a very tough challenge. If even one group does not meet the goals, our schools cannot make AYP. AYP give all or nothing results. Under NCLB, a school either makes AYP or it does not. There is no in between. It is as if the only two grades are “pass” and “fail.” A school can be very close to meeting its goals, but it will get the label of not making AYP—just the same as if it did not get close to meeting the goals at all. For a school to make AYP, a certain percentage of students must get scores at the “proficient” level (or higher) on our tests. If not enough students are proficient; the school does not make AYP—even if the school improved over the year before.

You may recall that in September, AC Jones received noticed that they had missed AYP for the second year in a row, putting them in Stage 1 of school improvement. Since that time, all of the other schools and the district received preliminary AYP results. All of the schools and the district had the opportunity to appeal the results, which we did. On Wednesday, February 23, 2005, we received the happy news that all of the appeals were granted, including the one for AC Jones. All of the schools are now rated Meets AYP. Beeville ISD, AC Jones, Moreno, and Thomas Jefferson all have Meets AYP—Appeal, but that simply means that we appealed the original data and the appeal was granted.

You can get the full results at the website:  
<http://www.tea.state.tx.us/ayp/2004/index.html>.

**ITEMS ADDRESSED:**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

None needed

**BUDGETARY INFORMATION:**

None