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Dear Parents and Community Members:

On the reverse side of this letter is a Notice regarding CCCCSD's Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) status for 2012. The District as a whole and each campus individually will be engaged in improvement efforts all year designed to meet AYP performance targets according to standards drafted in 2001. Students and families at OMS and OHS have received similar Notices at the start of school.

Almost 70% of Texas Public School campuses and districts are engaged in similar required improvement processes. Texas Commissioner of Education Michael Williams has recently filed for waivers of No Child Left Behind accountability for Texas beginning in 2013-2014, but for now, Texas is one of two states that must continue to follow school improvement processes outlined in NCLB.

Crockett County schools are continuously engaged in analyzing and improving student academic performance. We feel very good about early indicators and scores from newly implemented STAAR testing this past Spring. However, we will always have a higher bar to shoot for, and NCLB / AYP standards are important to us.

If you have questions about these targets or requirements, please contact your campus principal or me personally, and we will be more than happy to review current performance levels and discuss your questions or concerns. We want to encourage every parent and citizen to maintain awareness of progress toward academic goals for our students. Please contact us at any time at 325-392-5501 or simply arrange a personal visit.

We are proud of our teachers, students and instructional program and want you to know that excellence is always our goal.

With Lion Pride,

Chris duBois, Superintendent

September 14, 2012

TO PARENTS OF STUDENTS ATTENDING Crockett County Schools:

Under the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001, a Title I, Part A-funded local education agency (LEA), or school district, that has not met AYP for two or more consecutive years in the same indicator (reading, mathematics, attendance rate, or graduation rate) is subject to LEA-level Title I Improvement Requirements. Based on the 2011 LEA AYP Status released August 8, 2012, Crockett County CCSD is subject to the LEA-level School Improvement Program (SIP) requirements for Stage 1 during the 2012-2013 school year.

The NCLB statute requires the district to notify you of this status and to provide you with the following information. Please be advised that the district has the opportunity to appeal this district improvement designation. However, the requirements described in this letter must be implemented for the entire school year, regardless of the outcome of the appeal.

If a LEA that is receiving Title I, Part A funds does not meet AYP for two consecutive years for the same indicator that LEA is subject to certain SIP requirements. For additional information about the AYP definition please visit TEA's website at <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/ayp/>.

Within three months after being identified for improvement, an LEA must develop or revise its district improvement plan in consultation with parents, school staff, and others. The district improvement plan must meet certain requirements, one of which is implementing strategies to promote effective parental involvement in the district. To view additional district improvement plan requirements, please visit this link: <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/index4.aspx?id=2147484929&menu id=798>. If you do not have access to the internet, please call the contact person listed at the end of this letter and this information will be provided to you.

The district will be implementing the following activities to address the reasons the district has been identified for district improvement: *regular benchmarking of student performance; increased tutoring for students related to specific performance gaps; and professional development targeted at strengthening instructional practice in low performance areas.*

You may become involved in addressing the reasons the district is identified for improvement by assisting in the following ways: *visits with campus and district leaders to maintain awareness of instructional progress; involvement at campus as a parent volunteer, PTO member or site-based decision-making team member; attendance at campus and district site-based-decision making meetings; or attendance at meetings of the Board of Trustees where information is shared regularly about academic goals and performance.*

If you have questions concerning this letter, would like to volunteer to help revise our district plan, or need us to provide you with paper copies of the material referenced in the web sites, please contact me at 325-392-5501 or chris.dubois@ozonaschools.net.

Respectfully,

Chris duBois, Superintendent