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Dear Board Chair Russette III, Superintendent St. Pierre & Principal Reese:

Based on the federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and the Montana accountability system, Rocky Boy 7-8 was identified as <u>Comprehensive Support and</u> <u>Improvement</u> in 2018 and as described in the state plan will remain Comprehensive for at least three years. The school was identified as Comprehensive for students having achievement rates on the statewide assessments in reading and mathematics in the bottom five percent of the state. At the end of the three-year cycle, the school's exit criteria will be reviewed.

The OPI will continue working with your leadership team to complete an updated Continuous School Improvement Plan that follows the school's Comprehensive Needs Assessment.

The list of Comprehensive and Targeted schools will be posted publicly on the OPI's website as required under ESSA. Please feel free to reach out to the OPI for additional information or guidance. Susie Hedalen, Deputy Superintendent for Education Services, can be reached at <u>susie.hedalen@mt.gov</u> or 406-444-3449 for questions, concerns, or assistance.

We look forward to working with your school to ensure that all Montana students can succeed. The OPI strives to promote positive public conversations around improving opportunities for all Montana students.

Thank you for putting Montana students first!

Elsie Arntzen State Superintendent