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**Subject:** Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Appeal

AC Jones High School missed AYP this year because of poor performance on the tenth grade mathematics TAKS test. Specifically, it was performance by economically disadvantaged students in tenth grade that was not up to the standard set by the state. Heather Lee, Robin Sellman and I have spent a lot of time reviewing, by student, to determine if there were coding or other errors by which we could appeal this rating. The guidelines for appeal are very strict. AYP only applies to grade 10 at the high school. You cannot combine it with the results for grades 9 and/or 11. Based on our extensive review of documentation, we believe there are no grounds for an appeal and so we are not going to appeal the rating.

Basically, the performance by tenth graders in math is very poor and in order to keep from missing AYP this year, math teaching to all students, and especially tenth grade students, must be improved. Mr. Reyes is working on this already by meeting with the teachers, reassigning the teachers and setting high expectations. I am available to assist in any way. Thank you.

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