



SHELLEY JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60

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"Where Students Come First"

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Superintendent of Schools*

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new school year. This letter details our school's progress toward state reading and math goals and reviews options available to some students.

Each year, all schools are required to reach goals in reading, math, and language arts. Schools must meet the proficiency targets in 41 different areas. Based on the spring ISAT scores, our school made 41 of 41 of the required targets. The full report is available from the Office of the Board of Education at <http://www.boardofed.idaho.gov/saa/ayp/AYP-2007-2008%20District&SchoolReport.xls>. This report provides information on how Shelley High School compares with other high schools in the state.

Shelley High School is in school improvement year 3 because in past years did not meet the academic targets in participation and some sub groups, but did meet state and federal goals in 2008-09. Under No Child Left Behind (NCLB) law, you have the option to transfer your child to another school that is not in School Improvement status where it is possible and/or practicable. SD60 is not able to offer school choice because there is only one high school in the district.

We do not take missing any goal lightly. Our staff is committed to using the best instructional practices and strategies to help individual students and our goal is for all students to be successful. To that end, we provide the following to help children who struggle to improve:

Our staff continues to work to improve the educational process and to provide quality-learning experiences for your student. Our teachers are being trained in CRISS and SIOP to improve their teaching strategies. We continue to offer additional ISAT preparatory courses in Math and English. We are confident these offerings will assist us in reaching our desired goals. We have also improved the testing environment and the way we schedule ISAT tests.

We would love parents to become involved in any way possible. Monitoring students in Power School is a great way to be involved in your son or daughters education. We will also be holding monthly lunch meetings to give the community a chance to ask questions about our school and to find out what is happening.

Sincerely,

Dale Clark SHS Principal