

Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)

Federal requirements for accountability in the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) legislation mandate that all students in grades 3 through 10 score proficient for language arts and mathematics by 2014. Districts and schools in Alaska must demonstrate “adequate yearly progress” (AYP) toward meeting that goal.

Summary

AYP is reported as part of No Child Left Behind, a national education law. Alaska’s AYP calculations are based on certain factors:

- Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state standards in language arts and math
- Testing participation rate – all schools, districts and student groups must have at least 95 percent of their students take the designated state tests.
- Schools must also make the “other academic indicator” of average daily attendance or graduation rate Proficiency in language arts and math is determined by performance on Alaska Standards Based Assessment (grades 3 – 10).

AYP is determined for:

- The Aleutians East Borough School District as a whole
- Each individual school
- Student groups at each school within the district, if the group is large enough to be numerically significant:
 - African American
 - Alaska Native & American Indian
 - Asian
 - Caucasian
 - Hispanic
 - Multi-Ethnic
 - Economically Disadvantaged
 - Students with Disabilities
 - Limited English Proficiency

Consequences

- Schools that do not make AYP must notify parents and develop a school improvement plan
- Extra services are offered to students if a Title I school continues in school improvement status for a second year
- Schools receiving Title I funds that do not make AYP three years in a row must offer students the choice to transfer to another school with paid transportation
- The district must take corrective action in Title I schools not making AYP for four years in a row. Corrective action could include changes in curriculum or school structure.
- Non-Title I schools that do not make AYP two years in a row continue to implement school improvement plan
- A school is eligible to exit school improvement status if it makes AYP two years in a row District and school

Additional information about No Child Left Behind (NCLB) and Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) is available on the federal Web site [at www.nclb.gov](http://www.nclb.gov), on the state’s Web site at <http://www.eed.state.ak.us>.