

REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board of Education Meeting of June 14, 2012

SUBJECT: **BOARD MONITORING SYSTEM–GOAL 1, SECTION J:
PERFORMANCE OF HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL
DISTRICT STUDENTS WILL EXCEED NATIONAL AVERAGES**

At the February 11, 2010 meeting, the Board of Education implemented a revised Board Monitoring System in order to efficiently maintain and measure achievement of Houston Independent School District (HISD) goals and adherence to its core values. The monitoring system was designed to give district administrators clear direction on how to meet the board's expectations in these crucial areas.

Board Policy AE(LOCAL) states "*[t]he administration shall report to the Board on each goal and core value using the specific method and timing set out below, . . .*"

In reference to the district's **Goal 1: Increase Student Achievement**, the attached report provides information regarding **Section J: Performance of HISD Students Will Exceed National Averages**. The policy states that, "*[t]he administration will provide the Board of Education with a report that includes data indicating the percent of non-special education students, summarized across all grades and by grade level, performing at or above the 50th percentile on the Stanford and Aprenda for all subject components of the test. Finally, this report must also include a national comparative analysis of the performance of District students using national percentile ranks. This report will be provided in June of each year.*"

The attachment provides information regarding the requested report for the 2011–2012 school year.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board Members

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SUBJECT: **BOARD MONITORING ITEMS AFFECTED BY STAAR PROGRAM**

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As you are aware, the TAKS tests have been replaced by the STAAR tests beginning with this year's spring administration. For grades 3–8, the state will only be providing raw scores this spring, and will be using the data to set the actual passing standards to be released in November (anticipated). Consequently, the Board Monitoring System (BMS) items that use TAKS data will not be available.

For June 2012, the BMS Goal 1, Section E: Increase the Percent of TAKS Commended Students will no longer be available. Also for June, the BMS Goal 1, Section J: Performance of HISD Students will Exceed National Averages will be delayed until the July board meeting due to the later testing window for Stanford-10 and Aprenda-3 for the 2011–2012 school year.

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cc: Superintendent's Direct Reports