

A-F Accountability

Recommendations for High School Model for 2013-14

Pursuant to 511 IAC 6.2-6-4(d), Bonus Targets and Weights for the High School model will be reviewed annually for the 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15 school years.

Bonus Targets

- **Background:** Per 511 IAC 6.2-6-4(d), the board shall establish new target percentages for the 2013-14 school year.
- **Recommendation:** The DOE recommends that the bonus targets below remain as defined in 511 IAC 6.2-6-5.3 and will not be raised for the 2013-14 school year.
 - Improvement Grade 08 to Grade 10
 - ELA: 10.3%
 - Math: 17.1%
 - Improvement Grade 10 to Grade 12
 - ELA: 59.3%
 - Math: 62.8%
- **Grounds for recommendation:** The DOE considered the following points when making the above recommendation:
 - Provisions in the rule.
 - In 511 IAC 6.2-6-4(d)(2), the rule allows targets to be reset for Improvement 10 to 12 in the following:
 - 5.3(h)(2)(c) Improvement ELA 10 to 12
 - 5.3(m)(2)(c) Improvement Math 10 to 12
 - 5.3(s)(2)(b) Does not exist; likely a technical error referring to 5.3(r)(2)(b) which would be Waiver Diploma targets.
 - Rule does not address adjusting targets for Improvement for 08 to 10.
 - Opportunity to meet Improvement 10 to 12 targets.
 - Improvement 10 to 12 uses the prior year cohort graduates for the base of students.
 - At the time of target setting in December, the group of students to whom the goal applies has already graduated the prior May/June.
 - Schools have no opportunity to adjust instruction to meet the goal as the data is already final before the target is established.
 - Example: 2013-14 A-F will use the 2013 cohort graduates. Most graduates in the 2013 cohort exited the school in the May/June 2013 timeframe. Targets for this group are now being considered in December 2013.
 - Retiring model.
 - With the revision of the A-F model, the current model will likely be retired following 2013-14 school year.
 - Revisiting the above concerns may not be necessary given the revision.

Weights

- **Background:** Per 511 IAC 6.2-6-4(d), the board shall establish new weights for the 2013-14 school year.
- **Recommendation:** The DOE recommends that the College and Career Readiness weight increase by 5%; and ELA and Math weight decrease by 2.5% each.
 - Current 2012-13 A-F High School Weights
 - ELA: 27.5%
 - Math: 27.5%
 - College and Career Readiness: 15%
 - Graduation: 30%
 - Recommended 2013-14 A-F High School Weights
 - ELA: 25%
 - Math: 25%
 - College and Career Readiness: 20%
 - Graduation: 30%