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WINNISQUAM REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL



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Dear Parent/Guardians:

I am writing to inform you that **Winnisquam Regional High School** has been identified by the New Hampshire Department of Education as a "School in Need of Improvement" in the area of mathematics (Year 2) and reading (Year 3).

In January of 2002, President Bush signed a new education law called *No Child Left Behind* (NCLB). The long-range goal of NCLB is that every child will be proficient in reading and mathematics according to the state's academic standards. The Winnisquam Regional High School did not make the state target goal in either area. For a school to no longer be considered a School in Need of Improvement, the students must meet the state target two years consecutively.

Below is a chart with comparative data for the state and surrounding districts on the Fall 2010 New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) test:

School Name/State	% of Students Substantially Below Proficient	% of Students Partially Proficient	% of Students Proficient	% of Students Proficient with Distinction	AYP STATUS Yes: Met Standard No: Did Not Meet Standard
State of NH Grade 11	Reading: 9% Math: 36%	Reading: 18% Math: 29%	Reading: 49% Math: 33%	Reading: 25% Math: 3%	Reading: No Math: No
Winnisquam Regional High School	Reading: 10% Math: 46%	Reading: 20% Math: 33%	Reading: 56% Math: 20%	Reading: 15% Math: 1%	Reading: No Math: No
Belmont High School	Reading: 7% Math: 44%	Reading: 20% Math: 33%	Reading: 56% Math: 20%	Reading: 16% Math: 3%	Reading: Yes Math: No
Laconia High School	Reading: 20% Math: 52%	Reading: 24% Math: 28%	Reading: 36% Math: 19%	Reading: 20% Math: 1%	Reading: No Math: No

Winnisquam Regional High School is working closely with the District and the NH Department of Education representatives to identify key areas of improvement. The high school will review the current "School in Need of Improvement" Plan, assess how it is helping our students to become proficient learners, and update it. The school has implemented the following which provide support to students and teachers:

- Begin Block Schedule for 2011-2012
- Focus professional development on curriculum alignment
- Continue to integrate technology as a tool for student learning
- Continue silent reading as a part of Mentoring

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- Establish a Literacy Committee
- Commit to reading, writing, and numeracy literacy across the curriculum
- Provide reading support through Read 180 and System 44
- Support students to successfully complete Algebra I by increasing class time

As a parent, you are a critical partner in your student's education. All of us working together will ensure the development of a successful improvement plan and advance the quality of education. If you are interested in participating in this process, please call the school at 286-4531, send an email to rcadarette@wrsdsau59.org, or stop by the office.

I look forward to our partnership for continued growth and the provision of successful opportunities for all students. Winnisquam Regional High School's detailed plan for improvement will be available in the school office and on the website by September 2011. Please contact the school if you would like to have a copy mailed to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ronna Cadarette".

Dr. Ronna Cadarette
Principal

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