

# EAST BUCHANAN C-1 SCHOOLS

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Under the federal *No Child Left Behind Act* (NCLB) of 2001, each state is required to assess all school districts to determine if each district has made adequate yearly progress (AYP) toward meeting the academic testing standards and additional measures set by the state. AYP decisions are based on the results of state testing in communication arts and math and the district's attendance rate and graduation rate. If the district has not made AYP for two consecutive years in any one of the four areas, it is considered "in need of improvement."

Based on the results of this year's academic testing in Communication Arts, the East Buchanan school district did not make adequate yearly progress because one of the identified subgroups (White, Free/Reduced Lunch Count, or students on an Individualized Education Plan) did not have enough students scoring in the Advanced or Proficient levels of the MAP test. As such, the district is in District Improvement Level 2. However, it is important to point out that scores did improve for the school total.

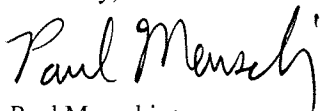
It is also important to point out that roughly two-thirds, or 67% of Missouri school buildings did not meet these standards.

Because of this designation, the district must develop a plan for improvement. One important component of this plan will be parent involvement in both the development and implementation of the plan.

You can also help by increasing your understanding of the assessment, understanding the importance of good attendance and graduating from school, visiting schools and becoming a volunteer, and engaging in reading and math strategies at home.

Information about *No Child Left Behind* and what parents can do to improve student achievement can be found at:  
<http://www.ed.gov/parents/landing.jhtml>

Sincerely,



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