

**SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
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TO: Principals

FROM: Katherine Blasik, Ph.D., Assistant Superintendent
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VIA: Dr. Verda Farrow, Area Superintendent
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SUBJECT: NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND: ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS (AYP)

As you are aware, the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act established requirements concerning adequate yearly progress by requiring states to specify annual measurable objectives to monitor student progress. Measurement of progress by specific subgroup ensures that all groups of students, disaggregated by poverty, race and ethnicity, disability, and limited English proficiency will reach proficiency in Reading and Mathematics within 12 years. Florida's accountability plan has merged the requirements of NCLB with the pre-existing components of the State's A+ Plan and created a single accountability plan for schools and districts.

Although the plan is considered to be a unified plan, it is important for educators and parents to understand the similarities and unique areas covered in each part of the plan. In order to assist you in providing this information to staff and community, a PowerPoint presentation has been developed, including notes, and has been posted on the Broward School's Student Assessment website at <http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/studentassessment/>.

It is expected that each administrator will have reviewed the presentation prior to the Superintendent's Summit scheduled for August 14, 2003. If you have any questions regarding this information or the presentation, **please contact me at (954) 760-7342, or Anne Dilgen, Director, Student Assessment, at (754) 321-4257.**

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cc: Area Superintendents
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