



# KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## M E M O R A N D U M

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**DATE:** July 28, 2010  
**TO:** Members, Board of Education  
**FROM:** Steve Atwater, Ph.D. *Steve Atwater*  
Superintendent of Schools  
**RE:** Adequate Yearly Progress Update

**Background:** The 2001 reauthorization of the Elementary Secondary Education Act (ESEA) that is commonly known as No Child Left Behind (NCLB) includes an accountability portion that is used to determine whether schools and districts are making adequate yearly progress (AYP). Each state has their own accountability plan and Alaska uses the results of the Standard Based Assessments (SBA) for this purpose. A part of the state's accountability plan is the annual measurable objective (AMO) that is a required percentage of students showing proficiency or advanced on the SBAs. This past year the AMO for language arts was 77.18% and 66.09% for math. In order for the District to make AYP, all considered groups must meet the established AMO threshold. On August 9 the state will release its AYP results for each district.

**Reason for this worksession item:** to advise the Board of the District's AYP designation for FY10 and provide time to ask questions on how the calculation of this designation is made. Please note that a comprehensive report of student assessment results will be presented in September.