
2010 List of State Identified High Priority Schools and School Systems

The Background:

Tennessee is in its eighth year of implementing the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) requirements for all schools and school systems. State and federal accountability requirements have been merged into one process for identification of high priority schools and systems. In 2000, the State Department of Education preempted NCLB and developed state law driven identification criteria which were used initially to identify schools then known as low performing, now as high priority schools. A federally mandated thirty day appeals process has been developed online to provide school system personnel access to student performance information for revision and correction of coding errors, safe harbor and natural disaster issues.

The list presented is the final post appeals list of high priority schools and systems.

This year we have a list of schools to present for approval in various status stages which has been impacted by the merger of the two accountability systems, state and federal. Additionally, as required by NCLB, we are presenting a list of high priority school improvement school systems for Board approval.

The Master Plan Connection:

The item being presented supports the focus of the SBE *Master Plan* in all four key areas; school leaders, teachers, curriculum, and resources.

The Recommendation:

The Department of Education recommends approval of these lists on final reading. The SBE staff concurs with this recommendation.

The list will be available prior to the meeting