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Dysart schools continue to move forward

DYSART SCHOOLS — The Dysart Unified School District had 16 of its 24 schools meet the federal AYP standard for the 2010-2011 school year, up from just four schools making AYP in 2006. Each year schools are evaluated on students meeting Annual Measurable Objectives through the No Child Left Behind measure of Annual Yearly Progress (AYP). In order to make AYP, elementary schools must meet more than 200 indicators of success. If a school misses one indicator, they will not make AYP.

More than 38% of schools nation-wide did not make AYP and 42% of Arizona schools did not meet the AYP criteria. This has raised concerns regarding the formula used to calculate AYP under the No Child Left Behind Act. Dysart is once again ahead of the national and state averages with 67% of its schools meeting all indicators of Annual Yearly Progress.

While eight Dysart schools did not meet at least one of the more than 200 indicators of AYP, district students in those schools continue to show academic progress. Dysart is committed to continuing to focus on student achievement, progress and addressing the more than 200 indicators used to determine AYP.