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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child attends Avon Elementary School which receives federal Title I funds. These funds provide help for your child to meet state achievement standards. In the 2010-2011 school year, the school did not meet the adequate yearly progress (AYP) targets. Your child's school is in school improvement which means the school has failed to make adequate yearly progress for 2 consecutive years in the same subject.

Our district's 2011 report card and the most recent AYP status report for your school show how your child's school compares to other schools in our district and state. These reports are available on our Web site, at your child's school, and at the school district office.

<http://www.avonschools.us>

Your child's school has been identified because the cumulative student population did not make the target of 85% proficient in reading and math. The school is working to improve the school's academic program by using a new reading/language arts program and reading coach to improve student reading/language arts skills, which research shows also translates into improved mathematics abilities. The district and the State Board of Education are working with your child's school to help improve the academic standards of the school. This is being accomplished by providing technical assistance to the teachers and administrators within your child's school.

However, this may not be enough and we want to request your help as the school addresses its academic problems. If you have any suggestions, please make contact with your school office, or email Superintendent Dan Oakley at [doakley@avonschools.us](mailto:doakley@avonschools.us).

The *No Child Left Behind Act* provides you, as a parent, the option to transfer your child to another public school within the district with transportation provided by the district. However, at this time we do not have a school within the district to which your child can transfer.

Please call Superintendent Dan Oakley, 309-465-3708 if you have any questions about these services.

Thank you,

Superintendent