
BABOQUIVARI UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Indian Oasis Elementary School

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“Home of the
Roadrunners”

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Dear Parent/Legal Guardian:

Based on Arizona’s Instrument to Measure Standards (AIMS) scores and other academic achievement and growth indicators, Indian Oasis Elementary School has received a state accountability grade of an F and/or a federal accountability designation of “Focus School”.

State Accountability

The A-F Letter Grade is designed to hold schools accountable in a fair and systematic fashion. Each school is equally evaluated both on AIMS performance and how much students grow academically from one year to the next. Other factors such as AIMS improvement, dropout rate, graduation rate and English language learner proficiency rates are taken into consideration, when applicable.

“D” schools demonstrate a below average level of performance. For example, “D” schools earn fewer points than a school that has 50 percent of students passing AIMS and has typically lower academic growth than most schools.

“F” schools are those that receive a “D” letter grade for three consecutive years. The Arizona Department of Education monitors the school for three years following the “F” letter grade and requires that “F” schools participate in a school improvement program.

Federal Accountability

A *Priority School* designation under the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) is based on student performance data that placed our school among the five percent of lowest performing schools in the state.

A *Focus School* designation under the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) is based on student performance data that placed our school among the ten percent of schools making the largest contribution to the state’s achievement gap.

Being named a Priority, Focus, “D” or “F” School allows our school to receive more resources and support to improve student achievement.

For large school districts with multiple elementary schools, parents have the right to be informed of their option of enrolling their child in an alternate schools within the district. However, there are no additional elementary schools within the Baboquivari Unified School District; therefore the “School Choice” option is not available.

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School Improvement Plan

Before you decide to transfer your student, please consider the following efforts that we are making to improve the academic success of our students:

- School Wide Implementation of the transformation model: Success For All
- Digital Curriculum and One to One laptop devices for all students
- Reading Interventionist support for all teachers and students in all grades
- Math Interventionist support for all teachers and students in all grades
- Research Based Best Practices curriculum for reading and math: McGraw Hill “My Math” and “Wonders” reading program.
- 2 full time counselors
- Prioritized time structured during the entire school day for Response To Interventions
- After School Tutoring
- After School Enrichment
- Full time Family Liason/Community Representative services for families
- Multiple student motivation and recognition efforts on a weekly, monthly and quarterly basis

Baboquivari Unified School District also provides the following in support of improved student achievement:

- Digital Curriculum and One to One laptop devices for all students
- Transportation for all after school programming
- Community events and outreach to support families in need
- Prioritized funding for Response To Interventions at each school

We encourage all parents/ guardians to get involved in our efforts to address our academic challenges. Parents/guardians can become involved by participating in the development of the Continuous Improvement Plan. Please contact Julie McIntyre, Principal at 520.383.6750 if you are interested in being part of a committee or would like more information on our school improvement efforts. As a reminder, our Title I annual meeting will be held on August 6, 2014 4-6 PM during Meet the Teacher Night at Indian Oasis Elementary School.

Educationally yours,

Julie McIntyre
Principal