

MEMORANDUM

TO: TODD COUNTY DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TEAM, ALL TODD COUNTY PRINCIPALS

FROM: AMY RAMAGE, DAC

SUBJECT: NEW GROWTH CHARTS

DATE: 12/16/2008

If you will recall when CATS scores arrived back in the fall, I explained to you that KDE would be establishing new baselines for each school later this year. In doing so, the state moved away from the concordance system put in place in 2007.

Attached are new growth charts for each school and the district. A breakdown of the changed reflected in the growth charts can be found below. Basically, if a school's index adjusted downward with a concordance, the new baseline is higher; conversely, if the school's index adjusted upward, the new baseline is lower.

School	New 2008 Biennium Baseline	Fall 2008 Biennium Baseline	Change	Biennium Goal	Points Needed for 2010 Goal	Assistance Line	Current Points Away from Assistance
District	83.7	80.8	+2.9	88.7	5	79.6	4.1
NTES	91.2	87.5	+3.7	93.1	1.9	79.0	12.2
STES	91.1	87.4	+3.7	93.0	1.9	78.9	12.2
TCMS	80.7	75.3	+5.4	86.4	5.7	79.3	1.4
TCCHS	79.1	79.5	-.4	85.3	6.2	78.3	.8

Also attached is an explanation provided by the Kentucky Department of Education explaining the new growth charts. I would like for each principal to review the new baselines and goal lines with your staffs.

Please contact me if you have questions.

Attachments – growth charts

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