



FY 2017 Recommended Budget Budget Question

Board Question #: 58

BUDGET QUESTION: What has caused the increase in the number of schools meeting the accreditation standards?

RESPONSE:

- A team including division and school level personnel supported each school that was under the “Accreditation with Warning” designation from the state level. The collaborative effort of division and school personnel, coupled with ongoing professional learning for our entire administrative staff and school level teams, provided the framework for the improvement processes.
- Specific action plans were developed focusing on the areas requiring improvement. The school administration and teachers worked tirelessly to support to growth and achievement implementing the state and division level action plans.
- For the first time, the state reduced the number of tests required for some of our middle and elementary students. This reduction may have assisted with our students’ level of test fatigue. Furthermore, middle and elementary students were permitted to retake a test one time if they were within a margin of passing the test (375-399). We valued this opportunity as a number of our students were able to find success after receiving specific remediation and intervention efforts.