
2012-2013 Year End Report to the Board

Items in this report are presented in abbreviated form. They represent significant advances for the district and immeasurable hours of dedicated service by employees, students and volunteers. They are listed in this report for the purpose of documenting major initiatives and ongoing progress to accomplish the district's strategic plan.

Section I: Superintendent Comments:

McCall-Donnelly School District has high expectations and a proud tradition of student achievement. As a district we have been on a fast track to prepare our teachers for Idaho's implementation of the Common Core State Standards and the Smarter Balanced Assessment. These new standards are aligned with college and workforce expectations and build upon strengths and lessons of current Idaho State Standards. It is the district's ultimate goal that students leave high school well prepared for the rigors of post-secondary education and the workforce. There are several critical elements that contribute to our solid foundation and early progress.

- The district has a high number of instructional leaders who have a talent for navigating the process of change. They know how to explore uncharted territory, seek opportunities, and map the journey for others to follow.
- For several years, virtually every department, program, or initiative in the district has been focused on continuous improvement.
- Cooperation throughout the organization and community has allowed the district to align resources and manpower to provide an enviable amount of student learning opportunities in the district.
- Our students are housed in safe, comfortable, and well-maintained schools, therefore allowing us to place focus on instruction.

The State of Idaho's transition to implementation of the Common Core State Standards will take several years. It is critical that the district be proactive and develops a parallel plan to ensure a successful transition.

Change is best handled by thorough planning and preparation. As we move forward it will be essential for stakeholders to become active participants in the district's strategic planning process. The strategic plan will be the district's roadmap for the next five to ten years. Our success will depend greatly on the quality of our conversations during this process. Parents, students and the community are encouraged to join educators in the process of designing the future educational landscape for the McCall-Donnelly School District.

Section II: 2012-2013 School Year Highlights

National Recognition

McCall-Donnelly High School was recognized as Newsweek Top 1000 high schools in the United States for the past five years.

McCall-Donnelly High School ranked #785 in the nation and #3 among Idaho high schools by U.S. News and World Report based on the rate of students participating in Advanced Placement courses.

Barbara R. Morgan Elementary School teacher, Lindsey Truxel received the Presidential Innovation Award for Environmental Educators. Lindsey was also selected to attend the 2013 Mickelson ExxonMobil Teachers Academy at the Liberty Science Center.

State Recognition

Donnelly Elementary School and McCall-Donnelly High School earned 5 Star School academic ratings.

Barbara R. Morgan Elementary and Payette Lakes Middle School earned 4 Star School academic ratings.

All McCall-Donnelly Schools achieved "Annual Yearly Progress" on the State of Idaho School Report Cards.

McCall-Donnelly High School was recognized as an Exemplary Achievement School for Excellence in Athletics, Academics, and Sportsmanship for 2012-2013 by Idaho High School Activities Association.

All district teachers meet state requirements to be designated "Highly Qualified".

Maggie Crawford and Sandy Mello were recognized as "Mentor of the Year" at a ceremony at Boise State University.

Lindsey Truxel's fourth grader students were recognized as finalists in the "Siemen's We Can Change the World Challenge" for their work with the ecology project on Knapweed. They were the only group in Idaho to place as National Finalists.

Greg Pittenger was awarded 3A Idaho State Soccer Coach of the Year.

Michael Kraemer was awarded 2A Idaho High School Association Athletic Director of the Year.

Bill Anderson was awarded 2A District III Track Coach of the Year.

Other

Barbara R. Morgan Elementary School was selected to participate in the Boise State University Math Coach and Tier 2 Intervention cohort project during the 2013 – 2014 school-year.

The district received an Aa2 rating on its bonds from Moody's Investors Service.

The district was a Grow Smart Award Recipient from the Idaho Business Review in 2012 for re-using materials when renovating the high school and keeping the building in the downtown area.

The district was recognized at the Egyptian Theater as an Idaho Leads "Studio District."

The Budget Stabilization was preserved in Idaho Statute.

The district refinanced the school construction bonds saving taxpayers \$1,000,000 over the life of the bonds.

Section III: Summary of Official Board of Trustees Meetings/Actions

12 Regular Meetings

3 Special Meetings

3 Negotiation Meetings

Other:

The Board of Trustee supported two additional teacher training days in the 2013-2014 school year to facilitate the transition to the Common Core Standards.

The final phase of the Payette Lakes Middle School roof modernization and repair project was completed.

The Annual Financial Audit was completed.

Revenues exceeded expenditures during the FY 2012-2013 school year.

The district maintained a minimal fund balance \$2.5 million dollars.

Trustees participated in the ISBA Annual Conference.

The district implemented Performance Pay for employees.

Trustees attended Day on the Hill.

The district participated in the Boise State University Idaho Leads Project.

District Committees made significant progress.

- Forty five (45) policies were adopted in section 3000, Instruction.
- The Green Committee implemented a recycling program.

The Board distributed employee holiday baskets.

The Board continued the Awards and Recognition program at board meetings.

Trustees attended the breakfast meetings with MDEA.

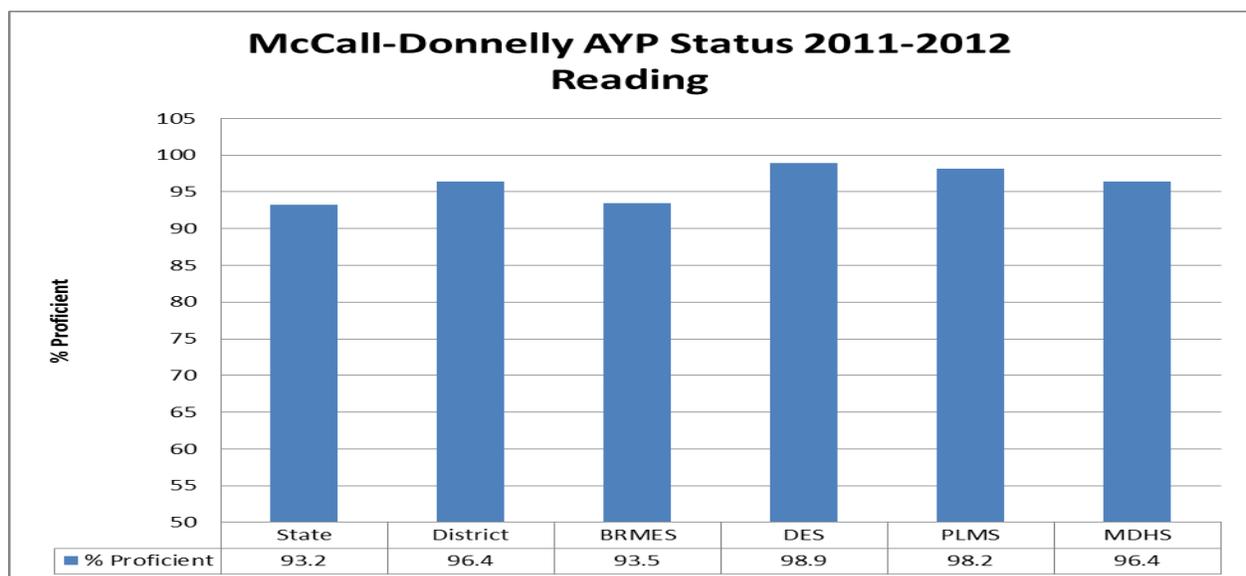
Interest Based Bargaining (IBB) was implemented when conducting negotiations with MDEA.

The district distributed Teacher Recognition Day coffee cards.

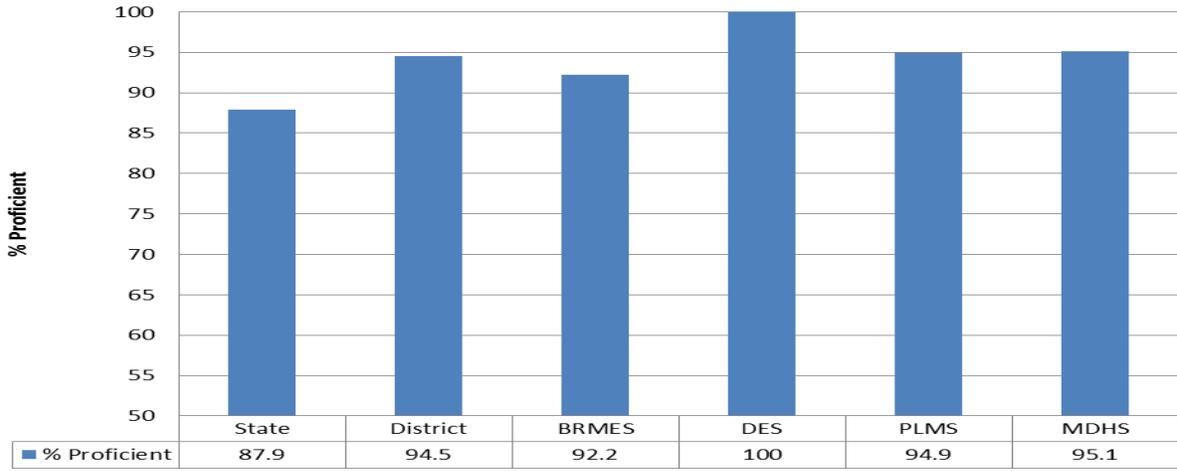
Teacher retirement was recognized at school functions.

The Board of Trustees evaluated progress on the 2012-2013 annual goals and is working to establish next year's goals.

Section IV Annual Yearly Progress Results from the Previous Year



McCall-Donnelly AYP Status 2011-2012 Math



McCall-Donnelly AYP Status 2011-2012 3rd Indicator (Language/Graduation Rate)

