

**PLANNED IMPROVEMENT FOR THE SCHOOL AND DISTRICT**

This is the final section of the school report card in which your school and district provide information below on areas of success and areas for planned improvement based on your school's improvement plan.

(For report cards disseminated electronically, this information may be provided in a separate document due to differences in the software used. If you are unable to locate this document, please contact your local school or district office.)

Twin Echo faculty and staff members are always striving toward our vision statement:

***Through the combined efforts of the Twin Echo staff, children, parents, and community, the students will become responsible and productive citizens who will exhibit academic knowledge, critical thinking skills, and positive character traits. A variety of educational strategies will be used to promote life-long learning.***

Some specific goals listed in our school improvement plan this year are:

- Twenty percent of third grade students and seventeen percent of fourth grade students scored below standards or at academic warning as set by the ISAT reading standards. The percentage far exceeds the performance as defined by Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP). However, Twin Echo's faculty and staff will strive to increase this percentage over the next two years.
- Twin Echo's faculty and staff will strive to provide students with a safe school environment that promotes good character and decreases the number of student discipline referrals and violations of the Fight Free rule.
- Twin Echo faculty and staff will strive to increase parent involvement over the next two years.

Throughout the year, you will see activities focused on helping Twin Echo achieve these goals. Every faculty and staff member is involved with a team, and meets regularly to work on the particular challenge area assigned to that team. Each team has specific goals and activities planned to help us meet those goals.

Our Academic Team is focusing on reading, language arts and mathematics this year. The Reading Counts program will be continued and will include school-wide incentives. Assemblies and guest readers will be scheduled in an effort to motivate students and promote reading school-wide. The team will also schedule a parent night in which the teachers will share important information on how parents can assist their child(ren) with ISAT testing in the spring. The team is investigating websites, assemblies and teaching strategies that will improve our students' reading and math skills.

Our Character Education team will work with representatives from CharacterPLUS. This program will include classroom lessons as well as individual student incentives. Assemblies and classroom presentations will be scheduled in an effort to promote good character traits and the school's fight free program.

Twin Echo's faculty and staff make every effort to respond creatively and collaboratively to our community's needs. At all times, the activities at Twin Echo will revolve around the above vision statement for our school.