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# Soap Lake School District: Positive Trajectory of Improvement

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# Goals for Today



- Review process to designate Soap Lake School District for required action
- Share progress on state assessments for Soap Lake MS & HS and Soap Lake ES illustrating each school’s “positive trajectory” of improvement
- Summarize Soap Lake SD progress in meeting requirements for release from required action and OSSS next steps





# Review of RAD Designation

- **2011:** 4 districts designated for RAD Cohort I, effective 2011-12
- **Soap Lake SD Designation:** Identification based on persistently low and declining performance of *Soap Lake MS & HS* on state assessments
- **2014:**
  - Identified school in each RAD Cohort I district exited Priority status, effective 2014-15
  - Three of four districts exited RAD status, effective 2014-15
  - Soap Lake SD remained in status due to identification of *Soap Lake ES* as a Priority school in spring 2014, effective 2014-15



# Soap Lake Middle & High School: Performance on State Assessments



- **2011** - Declining performance over 3 years led to district's designation for required action
- **2012** - Middle & High School designated as a Priority school
- **2014** - School met criteria to exit Priority status, effective 2014-15
- **2016 and 2017** - 2-Year Averages in ELA/Math on SBAs
  - All Students: 31.54% (Threshold = 22.65%)
  - Subgroups: Hispanic – 24%, Former ELL – 40%, Low Income – 29% (Threshold = 11.79%)



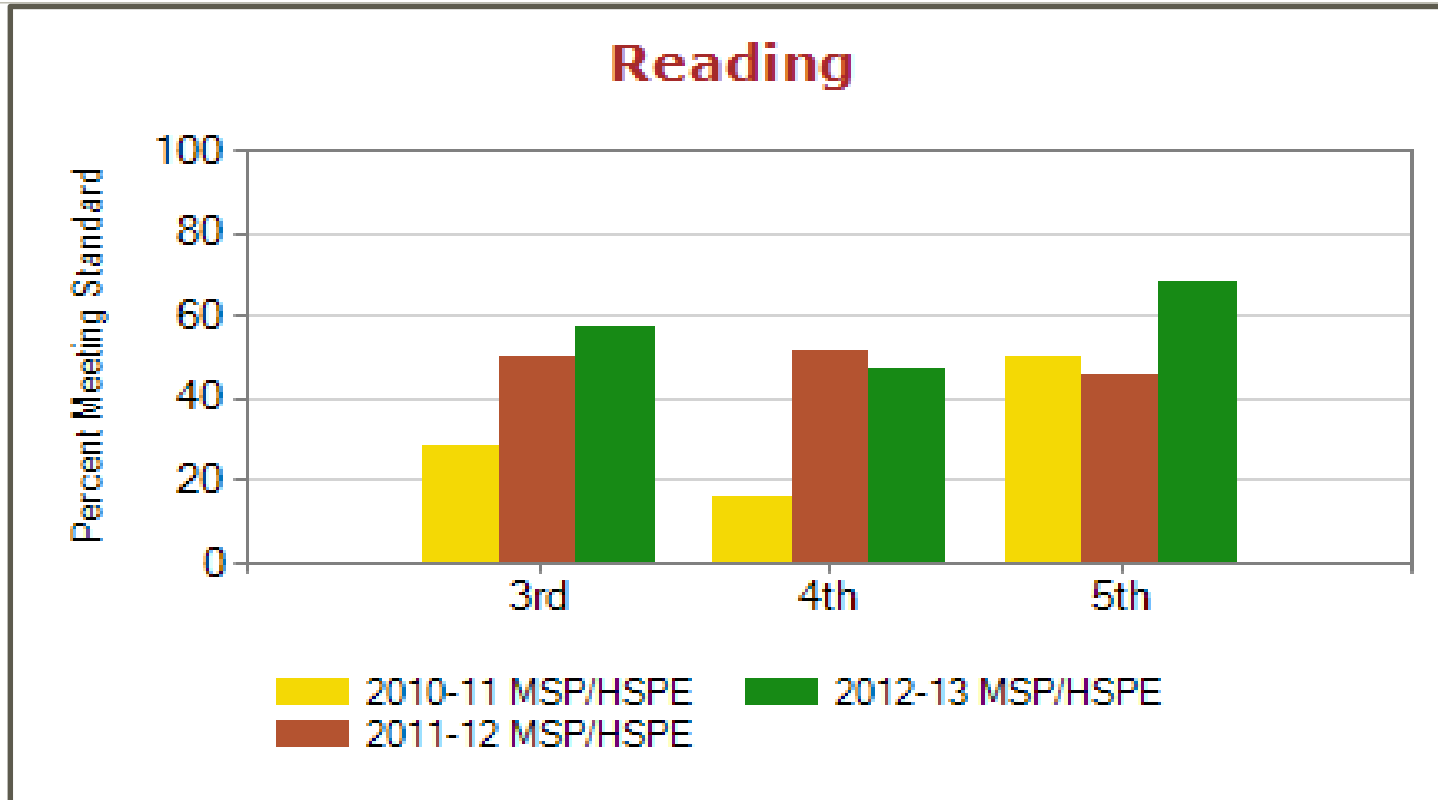
# Soap Lake Elementary School: Performance on State Assessments



- **2014** – Low performance over 3 years led to the following:
  - District’s continued designation for required action and
  - School’s designation as Priority school
- **2016 and 2017** – 2-Year Averages in ELA/Math on SBAs
  - All Students: 34.93% (Threshold = 22.65%)
  - Subgroups: Hispanic – 20.21%, Former ELL – 50.66%, Low Income – 34.04% (Threshold = 11.79%)



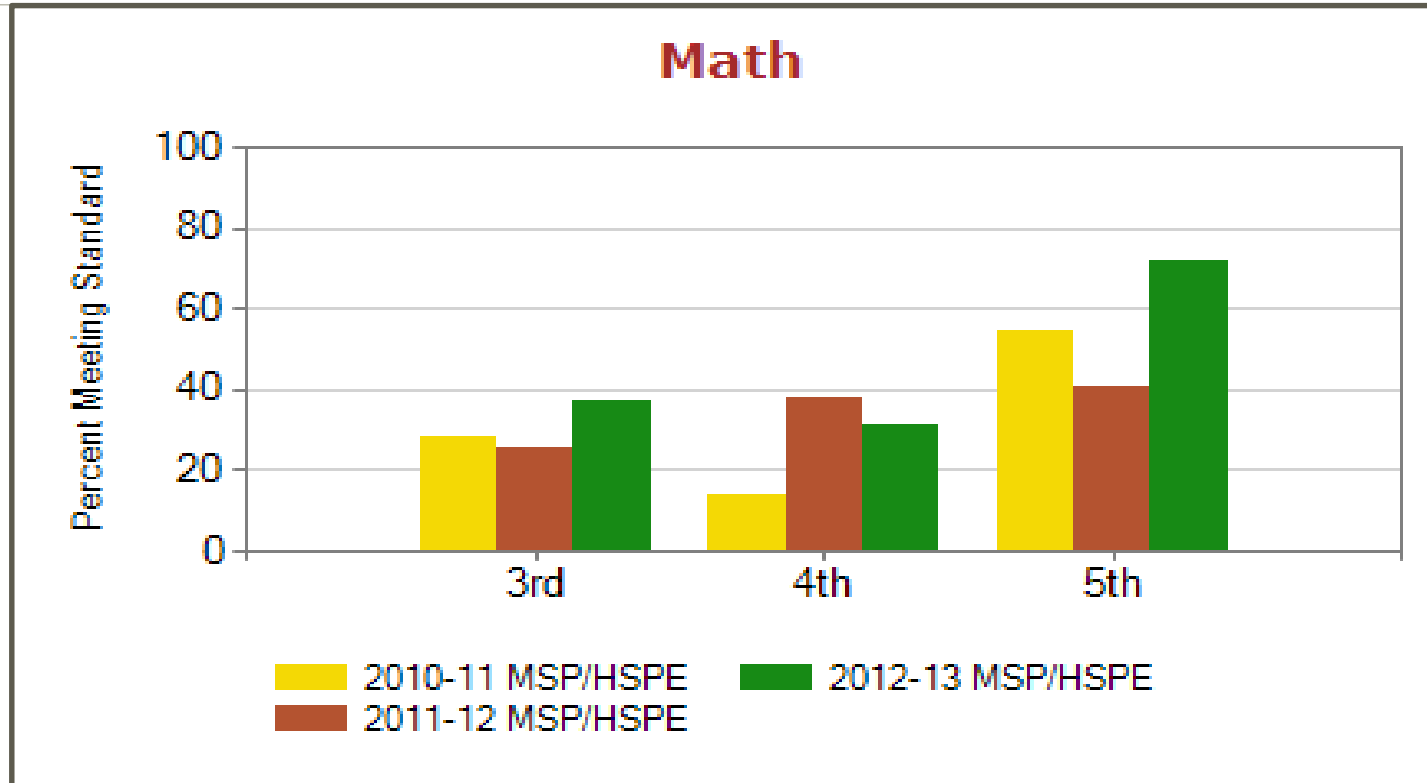
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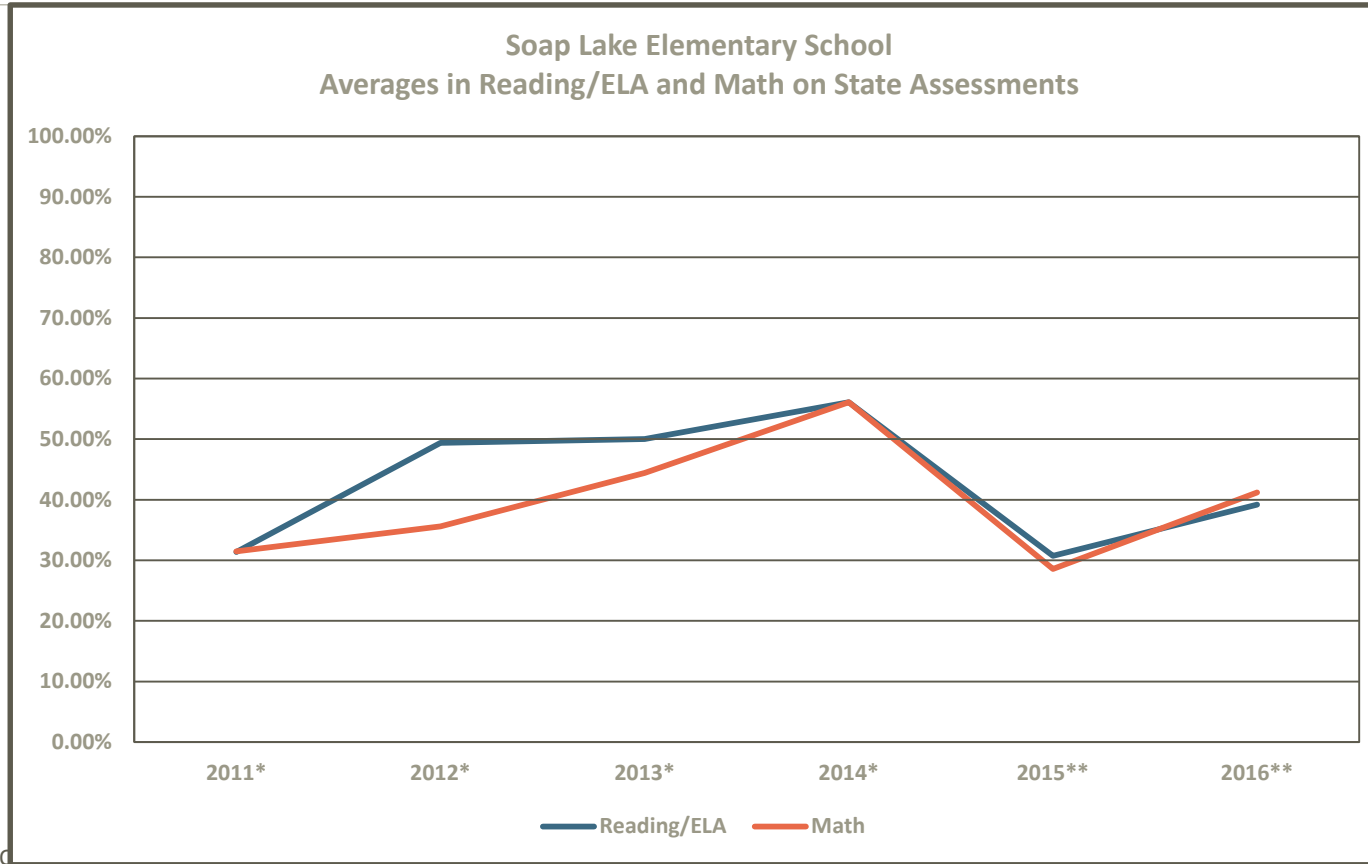
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# Soap Lake Elementary School: Performance from Baseline to 2016



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# Soap Lake Elementary School: Performance on SB Assessments, 2015 and 2016



	2015	2016	Change
ELA	30.77%	39.22%	8.45%
Math	28.57%	41.18%	12.61%



# Requirements to Release from RAD Status



- District implemented required action plan for 3 years;
- District has made progress, as defined by superintendent of public instruction using criteria adopted under RCW [28A.657.020](#) including progress in closing the educational opportunity gap; and
- District no longer has a school within the district identified as persistently lowest-achieving.

(From RCW 28A.657.100)



# Summary: Soap Lake School District



- District met 2 of 3 requirements for release from required action
  - District implemented required action plan for at least 3 years
  - Schools show positive trajectory of improvement on state assessments and are closing educational opportunity gaps
- District not eligible for release because Soap Lake ES remains on Priority list
- OSSS will continue to work with both the district and school as long as designations continue



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# Questions? Comments?

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*Thank you!*

