

RESOLUTION

ACHIEVEMENT GAP

In keeping with the desire of the Board of Education for constant improvement and the achievement of a 100% 4-year high school graduation rate for all students, the Board of Education recommits itself to the strategic goal of closing the gaps and raising the ceiling of academic achievement for all students attending the Albany school system. Toward that end, it shall be the immediate goal of the Albany School District to completely eliminate the achievement gap in 4-year high school graduation rates between all student ethnic groups, no later than the end of this decade. In directing the District's resources to achieve this goal, the Superintendent will use the most current data as a baseline, and by January 2007 develop specific progressive benchmark objectives by ethnic group for the 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 academic years. Progress will be assessed and publicly reported at the end of each academic year with benchmarks and fiscal resources adjusted annually to ensure that the goal is fully achieved by the end of the 2009-10 academic year.

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