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20. Approval to consider 2012 accountability results separately for districts and schools participating in the Excellence for All pilot program

Three school districts in the state are currently engaged in the *Excellence for All* pilot program with initial implementation beginning in the fall of 2011. Each participating district approached implementation in a manner that reflected the unique needs of its students, schools, and community. Following is a chart that outlines the implementation by district and school:

DISTRICT	CURRICULUM	SCHOOL
Clarksdale	Cambridge – Cohort	Clarksdale High
Corinth	Cambridge – Total School	Corinth High
Gulfport	CCSS/ACT	All Schools

As was discussed and agreed upon during the January 2011 State Board meeting, the Department recommends that the 2012 accountability results for the *Excellence for All* pilot districts and schools should be considered separately due to curricular non-alignment with state assessments.

The Offices of Accreditation, Assessment, Curriculum and Instruction will recommend changes to State Board Policy, Accreditation Standards, and Graduation Requirements following the completion of a comparability study to align *Excellence for All* assessments with state assessments.

Recommendation: Approval