

UGG Report

The Utah State Board of Education recently released the outcomes for the third-grade reading Uniform Growth Goal (UGG) for 2017-2018. The state UGG goal target for 2017-2018 was 47.83% of third-grade students making typical or better growth, which is measured from the beginning to the end of the school year with the DIBELS assessment. Districts recently received an analysis of the 2017-2018 third-grade DIBELS data relating to the UGG where we were notified that Kane School District received 87.55%. I would like to thank all of the teachers, para-educators and support staff who have helped our students achieve this amazing success.

As many of you know, research conducted by the Annie E. Case Foundation in 2011, found that students who don't read proficiently in third grade are four times more likely to drop out of school, and 75% of students who struggle with reading by the end of third grade never catch up with their peers. The research articles can be found on the Annie E. Case Foundation website and "Why third grade is a pivotal year for reading" on Amplify.com.

It is important to note that the target for the 2018-2019 school year will be 60% for students in grades 1-3 making typical or better growth using DIBELS.

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