

I drafted some language to include in the Committees' working definition of 'adequacy' for purposes of conducting the adequacy study. The draft language, with underline and strike-through so you can see what will be changed, is as follows:

- “1. The standards included in the state's curriculum frameworks, which define what all Arkansas students are to be taught, including specific grade level curriculum and a mandatory thirty-eight (38) Carnegie units defined by the Arkansas Standards of Accreditation to be taught at the high school level;
2. The standards included in the state's testing system. The goal is to have all, or all but the most severely disabled, students perform at or above proficiency on these tests; ~~and~~
3. Sufficient education and preparation to enable each student to become career-ready; and
4. Sufficient funding to provide adequate resources as identified by the General Assembly.”