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## **Speaker Vos Statement on Governor Evers Veto of Assembly Bill 1**

**Madison...** Assembly Speaker Robin Vos (R-Rochester) released the following statement in response to Governor Evers veto of Assembly Bill 1 that would restore the educational standards that State Superintendent Jill Underly dumbed down for her own political gain.

"Governor Evers has once again shown that he cares more about appeasing the educational establishment than ensuring educational success for the students of Wisconsin. The 2024 National Association of Education Progress exam scores showed only 31% of 4<sup>th</sup> graders in our state are reading at grade level. State Superintendent Jill Underly cooked the books, changing Forward exam scores to make it look like 51% of students are reading at grade level."

"Governor Evers' veto shows his lack of willpower to address the problems facing our students. It proves he doesn't want to help students learn how to read. He wants to ensure the education establishment stays in power at the cost of student achievement. Today we have witnessed the governor's "year of the kid" yield to political interests, protecting the bureaucracy and failed leadership of State Superintendent Jill Underly at the expense of Wisconsin students."

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