

- This Guide describes the basic steps for setting student goals and reviewing reports using the Zones of Growth feature.
- Use the Zones of Growth tool to set learning objectives and goals for each student. Zones of Growth uses students' baseline data in combination with normative data about average and above-average growth of students with a similar initial skill level to help set meaningful students goals.

A. Setting Goals:

- 1) Enter benchmark scores.
 - a. In grades 2-6 enter beginning of year scores to set beginning to end goals.
 - b. In grades K-1 enter beginning of year scores to set beginning to middle of year goals, and enter middle of year scores to set end of year goals.
- 2) From the **Data Entry** page, click on **DIBELS Zones of Growth Student Goal Data Entry**.
- 3) Use the menus to select the desired class.
- 4) Use the drop down menu to select a student goal for each student. See Figure 1 below.
 - a. Select a goal of average, above average or ambitious growth and the system will display the goal based on the Zones of Growth research. Or,
 - b. Select the IEP or Custom goal option, then click **Edit** to enter a specific goal for the student. Click **Save** in the pop up window after the goal is entered.

Figure 1. Screenshot of Zones of Growth Student Goal Data Entry.

Student	Beginning DORF-Words Correct		End DORF-Words Correct			Add/View Notes
	Score	NFS	Growth Rate	Goal	NFS	
Obsidian, Kalei	60	Strategic	Ambitious Growth	104	Core	
Tourmaline, Verbena	61	Strategic	Average Growth	91	Strategic	
Aquamarine, Blossom	65	Strategic	IEP	NA Edit		
Aquamarine, Yew	65	Strategic	Select Goal Type	95	Strategic	

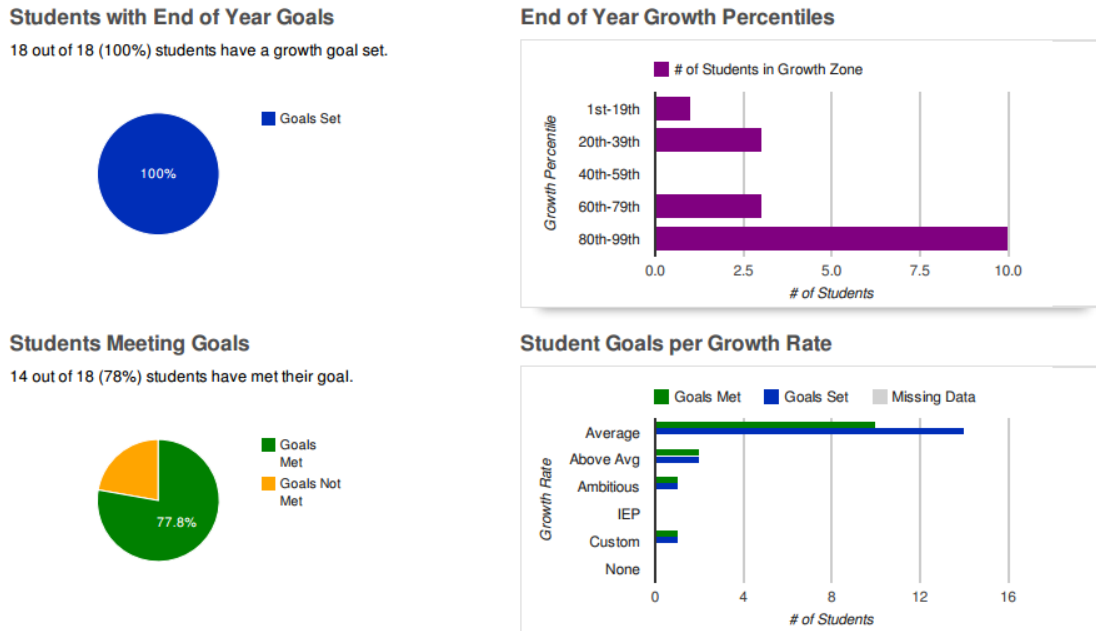
- 5) Enter notes for a student (optional) by clicking the notes icon in that student's row.
- 6) When finished, click **Save** at the top or bottom of the Zones of Growth Data Entry page.

B. Reviewing Reports:

The Zones of Growth report shows the percentage of students who have goals set. After middle or end of year benchmark data is entered, the report will show progress toward student goals, or whether student goals are met. Reports display growth percentiles for all students whether a goal is set or not.

- 1) Click the **Reports** tab on the menu.
- 2) Select the **Zones of Growth** report, web or PDF version.
- 3) Use the menus to select the desired class.
- 4) Review the Summary section of the report to see the percentage of students with goals set and the percentage of students who have met their goals. See Figure 2 below.

Figure 2. Zones of Growth report, Summary section.



- 5) Review the student details section to see growth percentiles and if students met their student goal and/or the benchmark goal. See Figure 3 below.

Figure 3. Zones of Growth report, Student Detail section.

Student	DORF-Words Correct Beginning Score	Zones of Growth		DORF-Words Correct End Score	Met Goal	Growth %-tile
		Growth Rate	Goal			
E, Marco	80	Average Growth	110	163	Yes	99th
C, Beatrice	87	Average Growth	117	110	No	33rd
F, Evan	90	Average Growth	119	155	Yes	97th
B, Ali	97	Average Growth	126	120	No	38th
D, Derrick	98	Average Growth	127	152	Yes	92nd
G, Kenji	103	Average Growth	132	143	Yes	74th
K, Bennie	105	Average Growth	134	150	Yes	83rd
H, Lisa	108	Above Average Growth	144	154	Yes	84th
L, Yvonne	114	Average Growth	143	165	Yes	91st
J, Jordan	121	Ambitious Growth	162	163	Yes	82nd
O, Nate	121	Average Growth	147	172	Yes	91st

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