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Hi Jan,

This is the paragraph that Tanya and I have agreed upon after a look at the last draft of K-12 standards. In case you want to add it to the web page you created, we are fine with that.

Best,  
Dorina

The Algebra I component of the revised document  
"Missouri K-12 mathematics: Core Content, Learning Goals  
and Performance Indicators"  
is a minor improvement over the Algebra I component in the previous  
version of this document. While the most egregious aspects we  
singled out in our previous review (which were just samples of how badly  
written the document was) were addressed, the document continues  
to be flawed at multiple levels: it promotes low standards in our  
classrooms, omits critical topics, and provides little depth.  
Placing the new and old versions side-by-side shows only small  
changes - a few simple rearrangements and word additions.  
As such, they do not make this an acceptable document. Adoption of the proposed  
standards would be a disservice to the state of Missouri and will hurt  
its students for years to come.