# Student Achievement Report 

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## Introduction

- AAPS Learning is a shared responsibility
- Students, Staff, Parents, Community
- Exceptional Student Performance is the expectation for all students!
- The AAPS Strategic Plan is the framework which guides all District Work
- This annual report provides an update regarding student performance outcomes


## Introduction

- As you will see throughout this report, our students continue to perform at high levels
- Achievement data consistently demonstrates how AA students perform higher than state scores, as well as a large percentage of AA students are meeting and exceeding national benchmarks


## Student Performance Highlights

- Ann Arbor Public Schools was named a State Academic Champion for excelling in academics with our MEAP and ACT scores.
- Pioneer and Huron were named as among The Best High Schools in America by U. S. News \& World Report in May 2012.
- Pre-School named "Best Pre-School with Special Needs Services" by Ann Arbor Family publication.
- Ann Arbor Tech received prestigious "Program Award" as an outstanding MI alternative school.
- 63 National Merit Semi-Finalists and 59 Finalists in 2011/12:

Huron $25 \quad$ Pioneer $19 \quad$ Skyline $10 \quad$ Community 5

## Student Performance Highlights



- 7 AAPS students earned top composite scores of 36 on the 2011-12 ACT with the MME
- 58 perfect scores in Math
- 39 perfect scores in Reading
- 22 perfect scores in English
- 19 perfect scores in Science
- 14 perfect scores on SAT Reading the previous year
- 30 perfect scores on SAT Math the previous year


## MEAP Overview

- Administered
- Reading and Mathematics Grades 3-8
- Writing
- Science
- Social Studies
- Results
- Monitor individual student achievement
- Monitor performance of individual schools and districts


## MEAP Overview

- Performance Levels
- Illustrate student's levels of achievement relative to Michigan Standards
- Advanced Proficient, Proficient, Partially Proficient, Not Proficient
- New Cut Scores
- State adopted new cut scores which represent career and college ready achievement standards
- Applied for the first time Fall 2011
- Applied retroactively to MEAP results from prior years for comparisons























## MEAP Reading Highlights

- Grade 3 increased by 3 points with African Americans increasing by 6 points
- Grade 4 increased by 1 point with African Americans increasing by 9 points
- Grade 5 increased by 1 point with African Americans increasing by 13 points


## MEAP Reading Highlights

- Grade 6 increased by 5 points with African Americans decreasing by 6 points
- Grade 7 increased by 4 points with African Americans increasing by 10 points
- Grade 8 increased by 4 points with African Americans increasing by 5 points


## MEAP Mathematics Highlights

- Grade 3 increased by 5 points with African Americans increasing by 5 points
- Grade 4 decreased by 1 point with African Americans increasing by 6 points
- Grade 5 stayed the same across the board.


## MEAP Mathematics Highlights

- Grade 6 increased by 2 points but African Americans decreased by 4 points
- Grade 7 increased by 1 point and African Americans increased by 2 points
- Grade 8 remained the same with no increase or decrease but African Americans decreased by 5 points


## MME Overview



- Administered
- Reading, Writing, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies (Grade 11)
- Results
- Monitor individual student achievement
- Monitor performance of individual schools and districts



Achievement Rate


41

MME Mathematics by Subgroup




## MME Highlights



- Reading increased in the 2011/12 school year by 1 point for all students and by 5 points for African American students
- Math increased in the 2011/12 school year for all students by 2 points and for African Americans by 7 points
- MME results remained flat overall with an increase of .1 point for the District but African Americans increased by 6 points


## MME Highlights

- Social Studies remained flat overall with an increase of 2 point for the District but African Americans increased by 2 points
- Writing increased by 3 points for the District and African Americans increased by 5 points


## Early Indicators of College Readiness

- EXPLORE and PLAN

College Readiness Benchmark Scores
-The EXPLORE and PLAN College Readiness Benchmark Scores are based on the ACT College Readiness Benchmark Scores. They reflect students' expected growth from EXPLORE to PLAN to the ACT and assume sustained academic effort throughout high school.

| ACT Subject <br> Area Test | College Course(s) | College Readiness Benchmark Score |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | EXPLORE | PLAN | ACT |
| English | English Composition | 13 | 15 | 18 |
| Math | Algebra | 17 | 19 | 22 |
| Reading | Social Sciences | 15 | 17 | 21 |
| Science | Biology | 20 | 21 | 24 |

Students who meet a Benchmark on the ACT have $\approx 50 \%$ chance of earning a B or better and $\approx 75 \%$ chance of earning a C or better in the corresponding college course or courses.

Students who meet a Benchmark on EXPLORE or PLAN are likely to have approximately this same chance of earning such a grade in the corresponding college course(s) by the time they graduate high school.

## Setting a Goal



## ACT Explore Overview

- ACT's Educational Planning and Assessment System (EPAS) Integrated system of career planning programs designed to help students increase academic readiness for college
- Predictor of success on the ACT
- Content is closely tied to ACT Assessment, which is used for college admissions and placement
- Administered
- English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science Grade 8
- Results
- Improve academic achievement and career preparation




## ACT Plan Overview

- ACT assessment tool
- Powerful predictor of success on the ACT
- Content is closely tied to ACT Assessment, which is used for college admissions and placement
- Administered
- English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science Grade 10 Fall
- Results
- Aid students in measuring academic development, and to explore career options


## Grade 10 ACT Plan



Percentage at College Readiness Level



## ACT PLAN Highlights



- For those performing at or above the 50th percentile...
- English increased by 11 points in the percent of students at or above the $50^{\text {th }}$ Percentile.
- Reading increased by 4 points in the percent of students at or above the $50^{\text {th }}$ Percentile.
- Math increased by 6 points in the percent of students at or above the $50^{\text {th }}$ Percentile.


## ACT PLAN Highlights

- For those performing at or above the 50th percentile...
- Science increased by 11 points in the percent of students at or above the $50^{\text {th }}$ Percentile.
- The Composite increased by 3 points in the percent of students at or above the $50^{\text {th }}$ Percentile.


## ACT PLAN Highlights



- For those performing at or above the College Readiness Benchmark...
- English increased by 4 points in the percent at or above the College Readiness Benchmark.
- Reading increased by 4 points in the percent at or above the College Readiness Benchmark.


## ACT PLAN Highlights

- For those performing at or above the College Readiness Benchmark...
- Math increased by 5 points.
- Science increased by 6 points.


## NWEA MAP 2011-2012



## (Northwest Evaluation Association, Measures of Academic Progress)

- The NWEA MAP - computer adaptive assessment serves the following purposes:
- To inform educational decision-making at the classroom level
- To evaluate the efficacy of programs
- To chart growth over time
- In 2011-12, the assessment was administered in September, January and May for students in grades K-5 and 6-8 at Ann Arbor Open and Scarlett Middle School. In 2012-13, the Kindergarten assessment will be administered in January and May.




| NMEA |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Skills and Concepts to Enhance $151-160$ | Skills and Concepts to Develop $161-170$ | Skills and Concepts to Introduce $171-180$ |
| Phonetic Awareness, Phonics, Word Recognition | Phonetic Awareness, Phonics, Word Recognition | Phonetic Awareness, Phonics, Word Recognition |
| - Identifies words using the same ending consonant blend as a given word* <br> - Uses consonant digraphs (e.g, sh, th, wh, ch) to make meaningful words from word fragments <br> - Identifies words that thyme (one syllable) <br> - Distinguishes real words from nonsense words* <br> - Use basic elements of phonetic analysis to choose among similarly structured words to identify a picture* <br> - Use basic elements of phonetic analysis to choose among the words that correctly identify a picture* <br> - Chooses the correct prefix (in-)* <br> - Selects the correct compound word when given two pictures <br> Subject: Reading <br> Goal Strand: Word Recognition, Word RIT Score Range: 161-170 | - Chooses the word with same initial consonant blend (bl, cr) as a given word* <br> - Identifies words with the same short vowel sound* <br> - Identifies words that rhyme (one syllable) <br> - Determines the number of words in a sentence <br> - Distinguishes among words that look similar* <br> - Identifies words that fit into a given word family (i.e., sharing a common phonic element) <br> - Uses context to determine the meaning of a prefix (in-) <br> - Selects the correct word based on context and definition of prefix* <br> - Selects the correct word based on definition of a prefix and root word* <br> - Selects the correct definition of a prefix and root word* <br> - Chooses the correct suffix based on context (-ful)* <br> - Chooses the correct definition of a word when given the meaning of the root word and suffix* <br> - Selects the words that will form a given contraction <br> - Selects a compound word <br> - Selects the correct compound word when given the definition* <br> - Selects the correct beginning of a compound word* <br> Study, Fluency | - Chooses the word with same initial consonant sound as a given word <br> - Identifies words with $r$-controlled vowels that are pronounced the same way* <br> - Identifies words with the same long vowel sound* <br> - Identifies words with the same short vowel sound* <br> - Compares the number of syllables in given words* <br> - Determines the number of parts (syllables) in a given word when examples are used <br> - Determines the number of syllables in a given word <br> - Selects the correct prefix based on the context (un-) <br> - Chooses the correct prefix (un-)* <br> - Selects the correct definition of a word based on the prefix and context* <br> - Uses context to determine the meaning of a prefix (re-)* <br> - Uses knowledge of prefix to choose the correct word based on context (re-)* <br> - Chooses the correct prefix (re-)* <br> - Uses context to determine the meaning of a prefix (dis-) <br> - Chooses the correct suffix based on context (-ful)* <br> - Chooses the correct suffix based on context (-less)* <br> - Chooses the correct suffix based on context $(-y)^{*}$ <br> - Chooses the correct suffix based on context (-er)* <br> - Selects the correct word based on suffix and context <br> - Selects the correct word based on context when given the definition of the suffix ${ }^{+}$ <br> - Selects a compound word <br> - Selects the correct compound word* |
| Vocabulary | Vocabulary | Vocabulary |
| - Uses semantics to choose the most appropriate word to complete a sentence* <br> - Uses syntax to choose the phrase which best completes the given sentence* | - Uses syntax to choose the phrase which best completes the given sentence* <br> - Uses semantics to complete a sentence by choosing the adjective (term not used) that best fits the context of | - Chooses the appropriate vocabulary word based on the description in a paragraph* <br> - Uses semantics to complete a sentence by choosing the correct form of a verb |
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## High School - Increasing Rigor

- Algebra
- 94.4\% of students completed 1st semester Algebra in grade 9 compared to 68.6\% in 2007/08
- African Americans increased from 29.9\% to 68.0\%
- Economically Disadvantaged students increased from 26.8\% to 62.6\%
- Special Needs Students increased from 20.6\% to 43.8\%
- Biology
- $83.4 \%$ of students completed 1st semester Biology in grade 9 compared to $90.3 \%$ in 2007/08
- African Americans increased from 55.8\% to 76.8\%
- Economically Disadvantaged students increased from 56.1\% to 73.6\%
- Special Needs Students increased from 56.0\% to 67.4\%


## High School - Increasing Rigor

- Algebra II
- 92\% of students completed 1st semester Algebra in grade 9 compared to $77 \%$ in 2007/08
- African Americans increased from 22\% to 71\%
- AP Enrollment
- 1,528 students took one or more AP courses - $28.1 \%$
- 10.4\% of African Americans increased from 5.7\% in 2006/07
- 8.8\% of Economically Disadvantaged students enrolled in AP courses
- AP Exams
- $84.6 \%$ of students who took the test scored 3 or higher
- 31 different exams were taken by students (not all of the areas have classes in the district)


## Graduation Rates 4-year Cohorts

The graduation rate is calculated by tracking individual students who enrolled for the first time in the $9^{\text {th }}$ grade. For example those students in the 2011 cohort would have been $9^{\text {th }}$ graders starting in the Fall 2008 school year and assigned to the 2011cohort.

- On Track Graduated - Students completed necessary credits and graduated
- Other Completers - Students who complete a GED or special educations who receive a certification of completion
- Off Track Continuing - Students did not complete the necessary credits to graduate within four years but are continuing their education
- Drop Out - Students withdrew before graduation and did enroll at another school
- Exempt - Students withdrew and enrolled in non-public or out of state school


## Graduation Rates 4-year Cohorts



## Discipline/Suspension Data



- Social and Emotional Learning
- Cooperative Discipline
- Developmental Pathways
- District-Wide Discipline Form
- Monthly Monitoring of Data
- Maximizing instructional time


## High School Suspensions




## Suspension Highlights

- High School
- Percentage of students suspended out of school decreased from 6.0\% to 5.0\%
- African American percentage decreased from 14.0\% to 12.2\%
- Middle School
- Percentage of students suspended out of school decreased from $7.5 \%$ to $6.5 \%$
- Hispanic percentage decreased from 6.5\% to 4.2\%
- African American percentage decreased slightly from 20.1\% to 20\%
- Elementary
- Percentage of students suspended out of school decreased from $1.5 \%$ to $\mathbf{0 . 6 \%}$

Absent Percentages - Elementary School
$\square 10$ Days or Less $\square$ 11-17 Days $\square$ Over 17 Days




## Areas of Focus

- Teachers will continue to receive training in the implementation of Data Teams for the purpose of creating and analyzing common formative assessments.
- We will utilize newer tools such as NWEA to help drive instruction and place students on a path toward career and college readiness.
- Training in the use of Data Director will continue as a means of accessing important student learning data that will serve to inform Personalized Learning Plans and growth goals.


## Areas of Focus

- Reading Apprenticeship training will continue as a means of ensuring that quality literacy instruction is guaranteed for all students.
- Our work in Equity and Culturally Relevant Teaching will continue with greater levels of support and accountability for building equity teams via implementation of the Equity Team Rubric.
- Common Core State Standards alignment continues with attention to best practice strategies, balanced assessment systems and report cards.


## Areas of Focus



- Co-Teaching is being defined and implemented to provide seamless support for our students.
- We continue our focus on preserving learning time for students with greater consistency in Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) at all levels.
- Teachers and administrators will receive training in the techniques of Cooperative Discipline and Social and Emotional Development.


## Areas of Focus



- All teachers will be evaluated on the Ann Arbor Public Schools Framework for Teaching, which has a student growth component.
- Climate surveys will continue as we strive to meet the needs of our constituents and to improve our level of service to the community.
- The Achievement Gap Elimination Plan and Discipline Gap Plan will drive the focus of our efforts to improve academic outcomes for all.


## Areas of Focus

- An increased emphasis will be placed on Social and Emotional Development and its relation to student achievement.
- An increased focus will be placed on developing Personal Curriculum, and developing a framework for international standards, and implementing Personalized Learning Plans which are all part of the Ann Arbor Public Schools Strategic Plan.

