



September 28, 2022

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Marion P. Thomas Charter School

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Agenda for Today

Reimagining the Village - Chapter 2



Agenda:

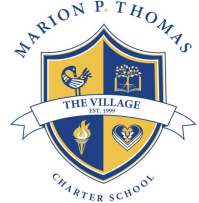
- Mission and Village Crest
- Attendance & Enrollment
- Facilities
- Academic Updates - NJSLA & NAEP context
- Upcoming Dates & Village Events
- Village Recognitions



The New Mission of Marion P. Thomas Charter School is to build culturally rich, transformative educational spaces that cultivate successful, lifelong innovators who use their passions, character, and intellect to better themselves, the greater Newark community, and the world beyond.

The MPTCS Crest speaks to four core values that are designed to guide our young people and govern our work.

- ***The Sankofa Bird*** is a West African adinkra symbol which means to “go back and get it.” We want our scholars to use knowledge from the past to inform, inspire, build a successful future, and give back to the community.
- ***The Tree of Knowledge*** symbolizes lifelong learning that is rooted in rich culture and well-rounded experiences.
- ***The Torch*** represents the igniting of fire, passion, and leadership in our scholars. We want them to be trailblazers and light their own paths.
- ***The Tiger*** encased in the heart signifies the balancing of strength, boldness, resilience, and prowess with compassion and strong character. We want our scholars to be good people who are courageous and self-aware.

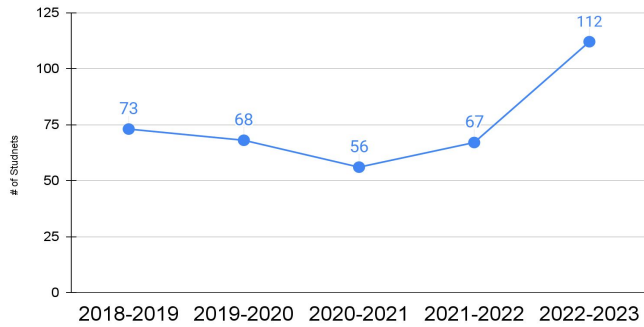


Enrollment Trends

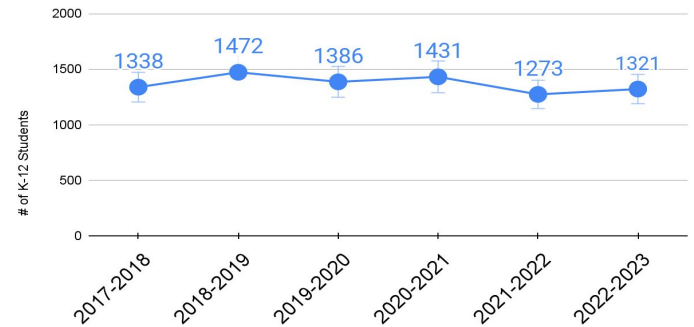
Grades prek-12



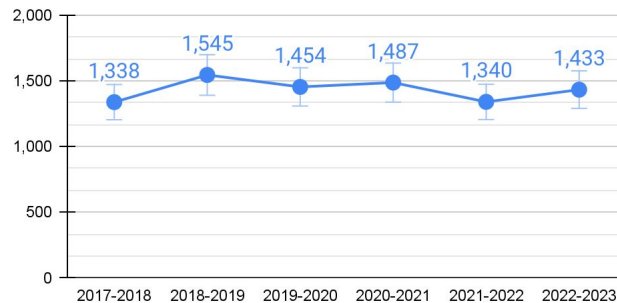
Pre-K Enrollment Trend



K-12 Enrollment Trend



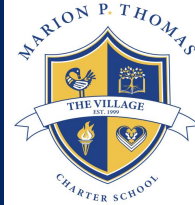
MPTCS Enrollment Trend



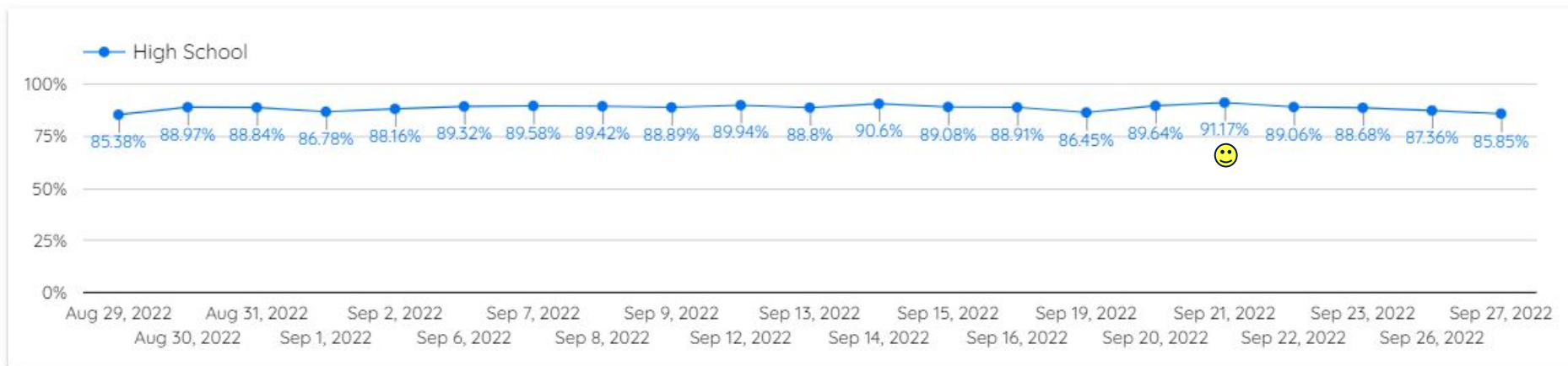


Attendance, Academics, & Attitude

Keep it 100%



High School - Strategic Goal = 93%



ADA Year-to-Date: 89.23%

2.32%

High School ADA - 86.91%(21-22 SY)



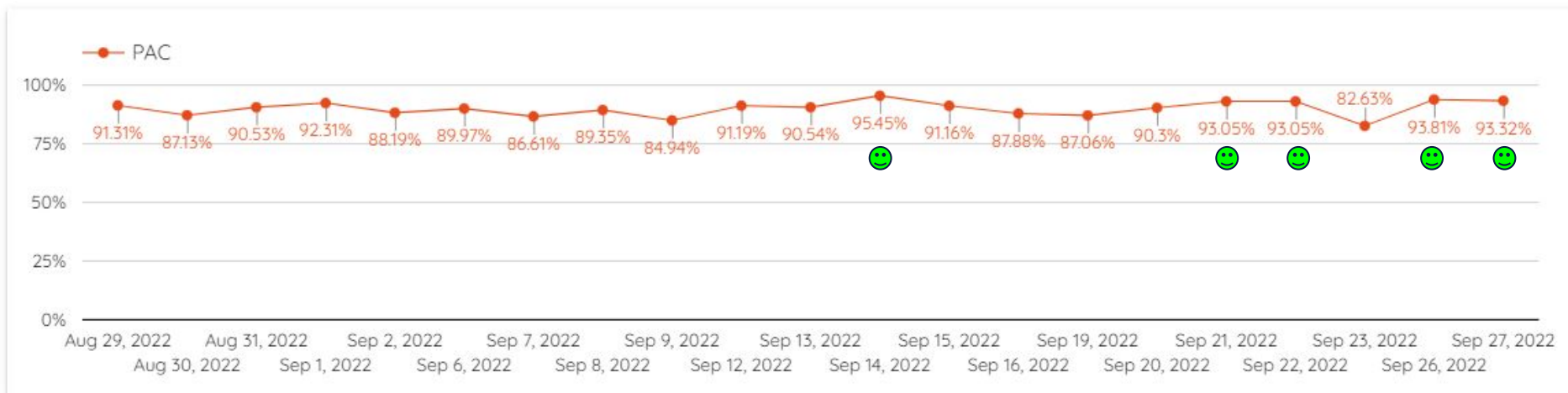


Attendance, Academics, & Attitude

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PAC - Strategic Goal = 93%



ADA Year-to-Date: 90.70%

6.57%

PAC ADA - 84.13% (21-22 SY)

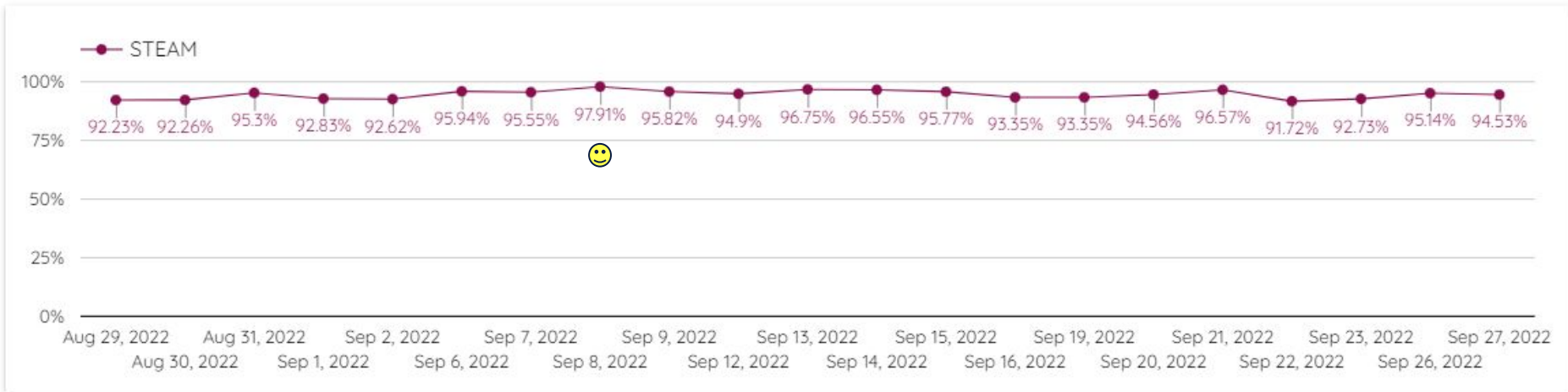




Attendance, Academics, & Attitude

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STEAM* - Strategic Goal = 98%



*Highest ADA Year-to-Date: 94.54%

STEAM ADA - 90.39% (21-22 SY)

4.15%





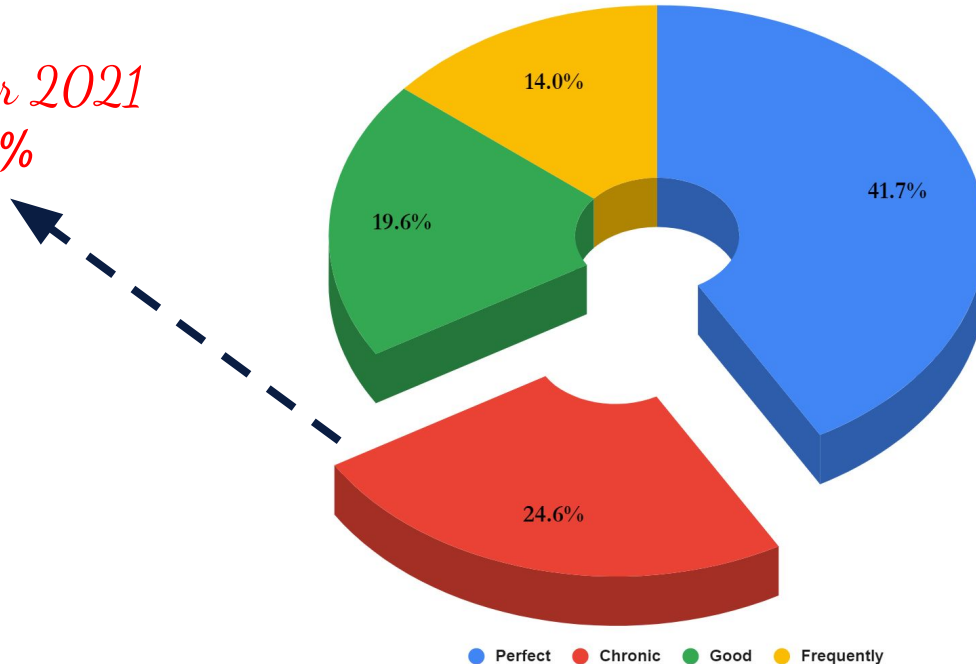
Attendance, Academics, & Attitude

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Chronic Absenteeism - District Percentages (As of 9/27/22)

September 2021
36%



District Totals:

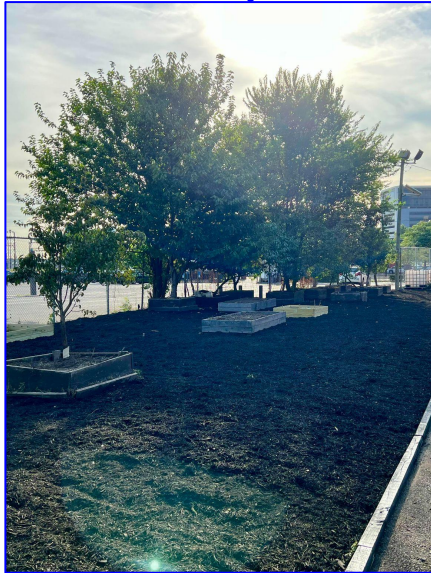
- Chronic Absenteeism Rates
 - **22-23 SY = 24.6% (current)**
 - 21-22 SY = 49.5% (6/30/22)
 - 20-21 SY = 72.4% (6/30/22)
- Average Daily Attendance (ADA)
 - **22-23 SY = 91.51% (current)**
 - 21-22 SY = 87.10%
 - 20-21 SY = 81.06%

Facility Updates

Original



Beautified



Conceptual





Facility Updates



PAC Academy

- ★ All water fountain repairs have been made and they are now fully functional
- ★ Hot water heater was repaired by internal maintenance team (saved the district \$6,000)
- ★ Awaiting final proposal for delayed egress locking system (exterior doors)

STEAM Academy

- ★ Phase 1 of the classroom and stairwell flooring replacement will be completed by the end of the month
- ★ Additional superficial beatification of the ramps outside of the trailers was completed prior to student arrival
- ★ Playground that failed inspection was taken down by our internal maintenance team (saved the district \$28,000)
- ★ All electrical issues in the cafeteria have been fixed
- ★ Awaiting final proposal for delayed egress locking system (exterior doors)

High School

- ★ Received proposal to beautify garden area adjacent to executive lot - project will be complete by 10/17 with additional hydroponic gardening tasks to be led by our HS students
- ★ Installation of art room sink and laundry connection will be complete by 10/17



NJSLA Participation Rates

Spring Administration 2022



New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) Participation Rates			
Campus	ELA Testing	Math Testing	Science Testing
HS	99.20%	99.20%	94.06%
STEAM	99.36%	99.36%	98.04%
PAC	99.28%	98.91%	97.06%
District Totals	99.28%	99.16%	96.39%

State goal is a 95% participation rate

Performance Levels - ELA/Math

- Level 5** Exceeded Expectations
- Level 4** Met Expectations
- Level 3** Approached Expectations
- Level 2** Partially Met Expectations
- Level 1** Did Not Yet Meet Expectations

Performance Levels - Science

- Level 4** (243 - 300) Advanced Proficiency
- Level 3** (200 - 242) Proficient
- Level 2** (150 - 199) Near Proficiency
- Level 1** (100 - 149) Below Proficient

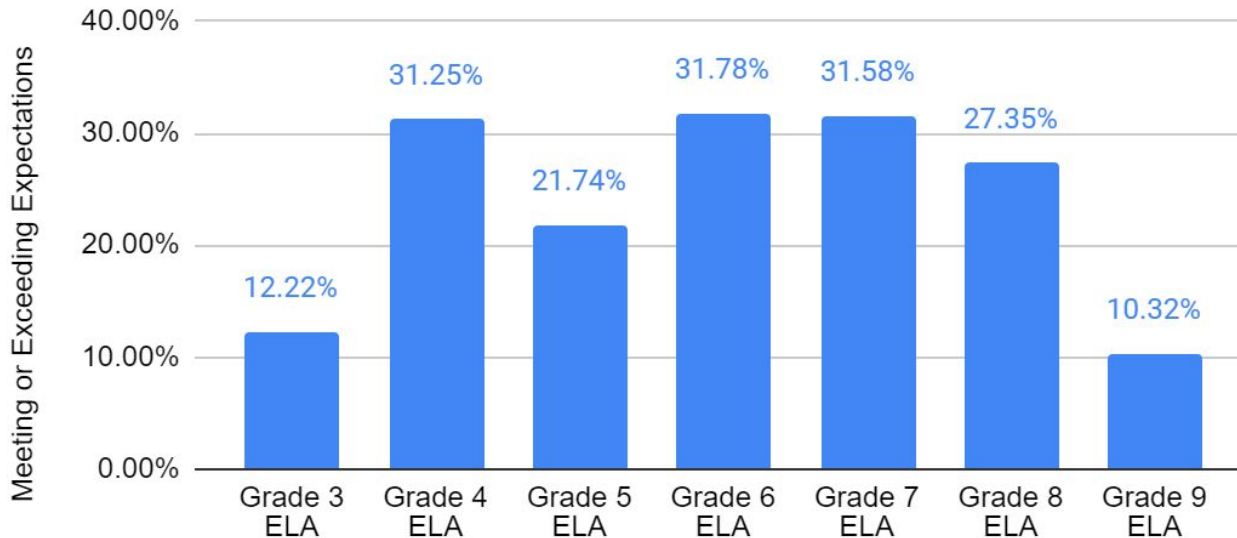


NJSLA - ELA

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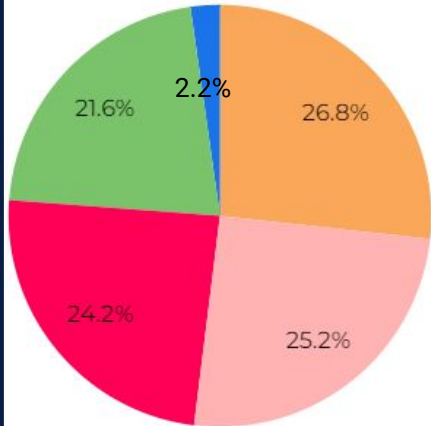
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SPRING 2022 NJSLA Administration - ELA

NJSLA - ELA

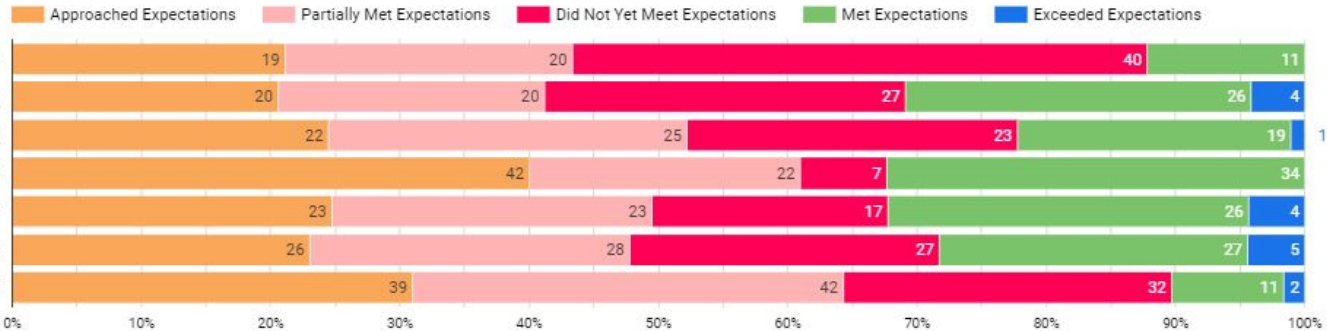
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- Approached Expectations
- Partially Met Expectations
- Did Not Yet Meet Expectations
- Met Expectations
- Exceeded Expectations



Performance Level	Location / # of Tests			
	STEAM	PAC	HS	OOD
Approached Expectations	94	57	39	1
Partially Met Expectations	73	64	42	1
Did Not Yet Meet Expectations	51	89	31	2
Met Expectations	83	60	11	-
Exceeded Expectations	12	2	2	-



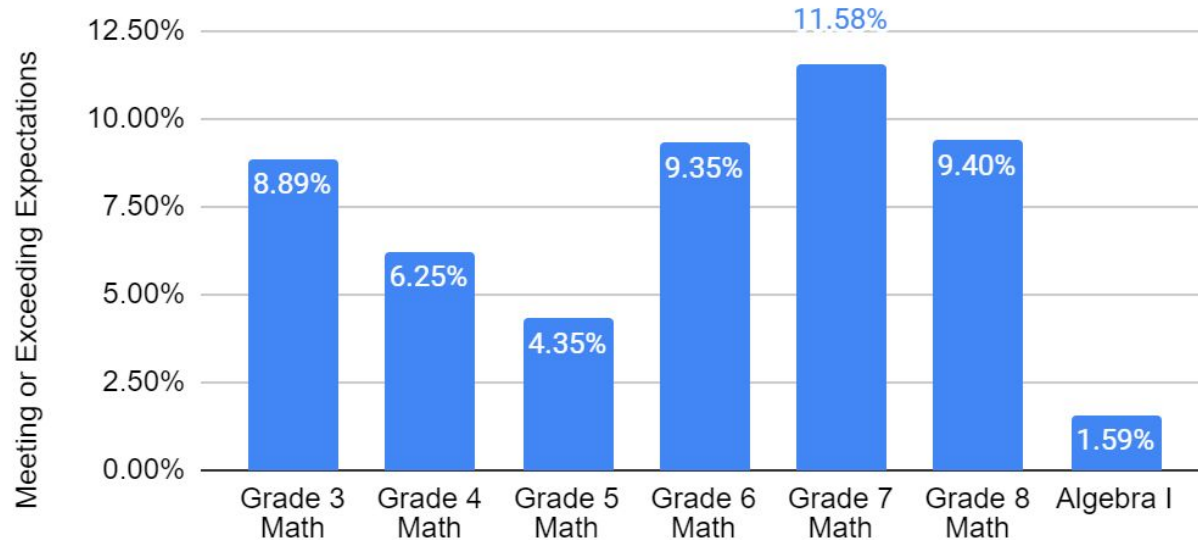


NJSLA - Math

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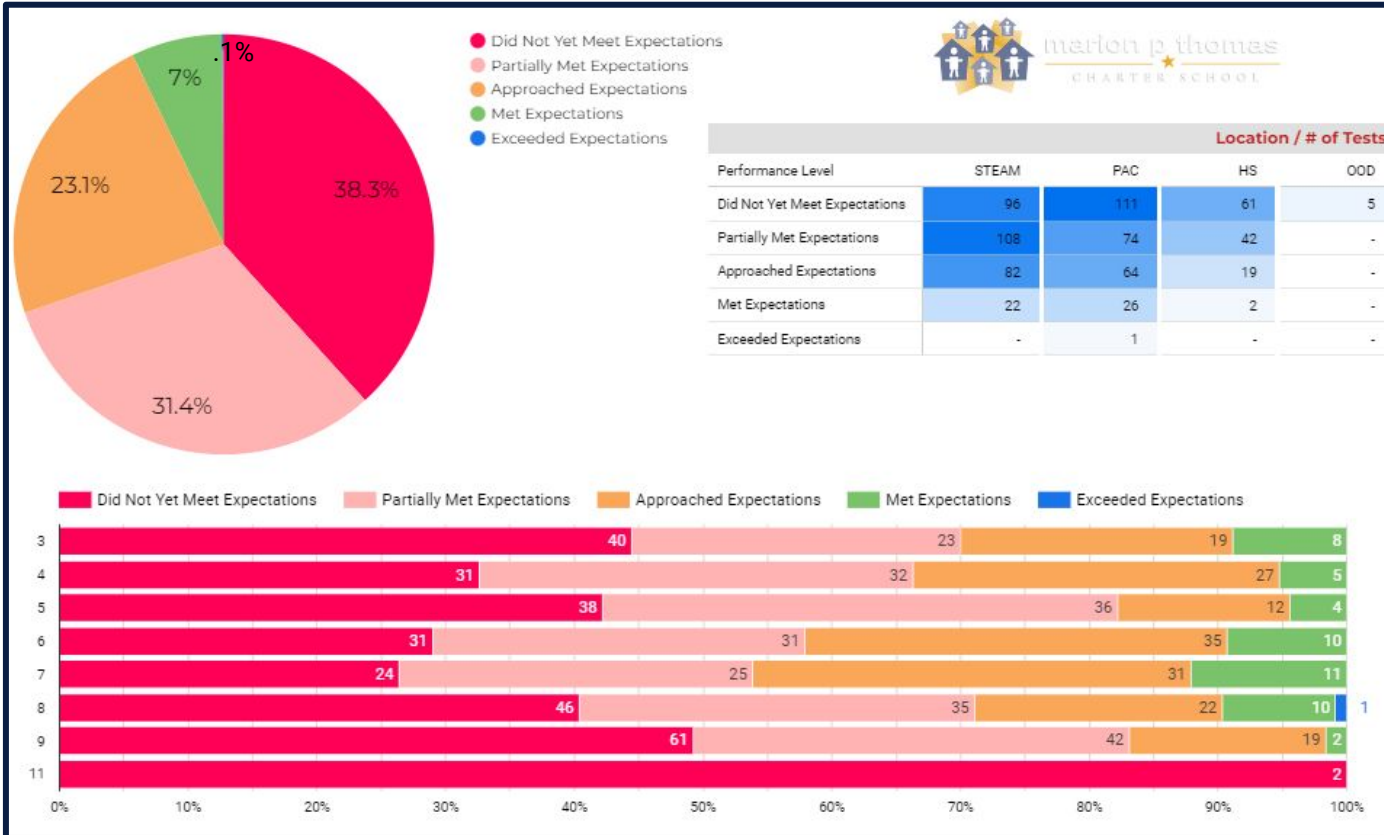
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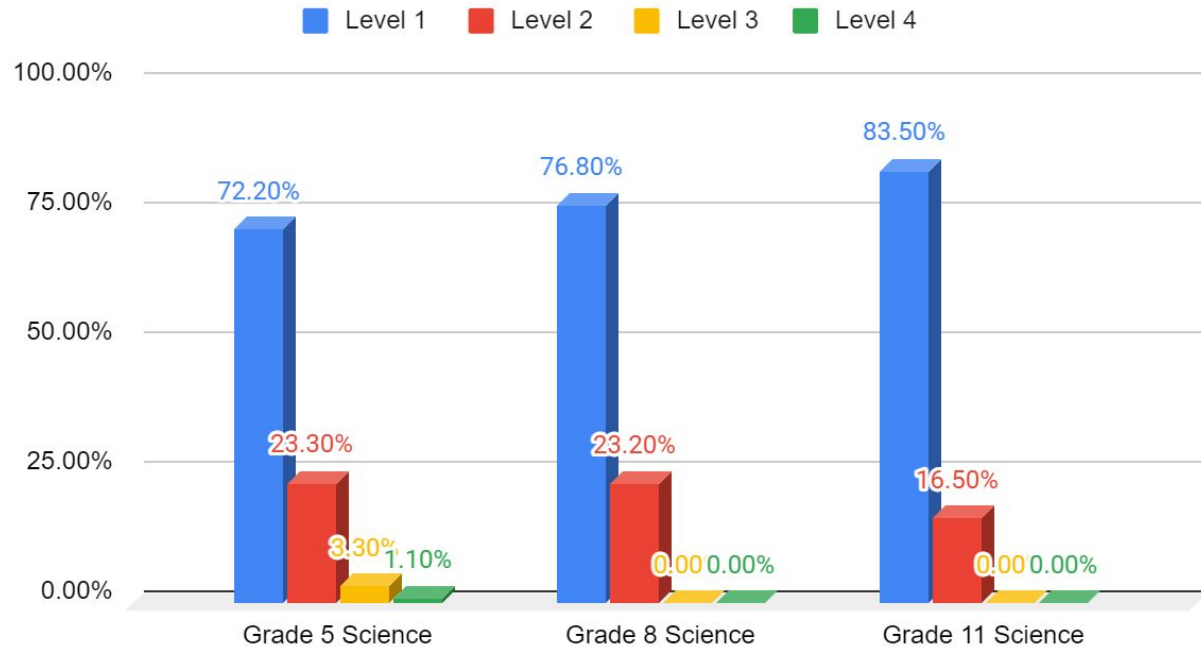


NJSLA - Science

Spring Administration 2022



NJSLA Science - District Level Performance Summary



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NAEP Scores

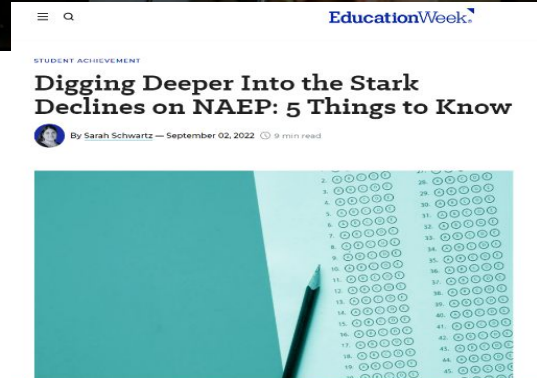
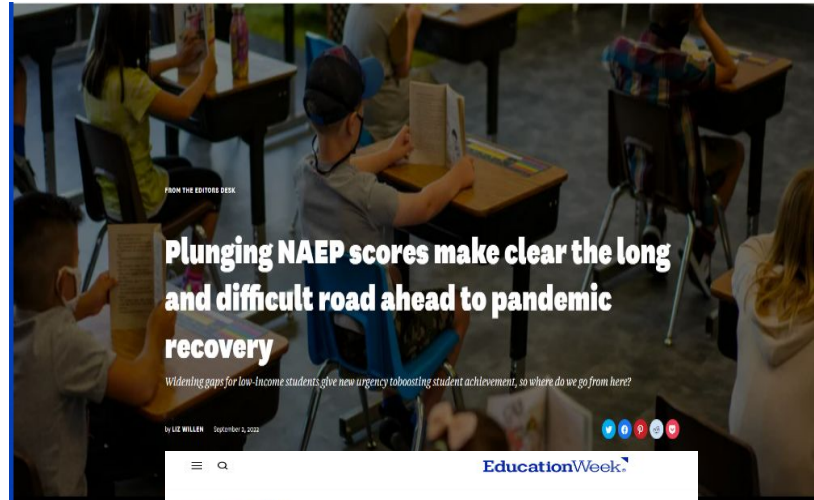
COVID-19 & Learning Loss



Education Week Article Excerpt:

[Nation's report card](#) – the National Assessment of Educational Progress. Dismal but not unexpected findings included the first-ever drop in math scores (seven points) for nine-year-old students, along with the steepest drop (five points) in reading scores since the 1980s.

Translation: Two years of Covid-related shutdowns and interruptions erased 20 years of educational progress.



Hechinger Report:

Recently, new national data confirmed what educators, parents, and other studies have warned about for months: The pandemic has massively disrupted students' learning.

[Long-term trend data from the National Assessment of Educational Progress](#) showed that 9-year-old students scored, on average, five points lower in reading and seven points lower in math in 2022 than did their pre-pandemic peers in 2020. The declines represent the largest drops in decades.

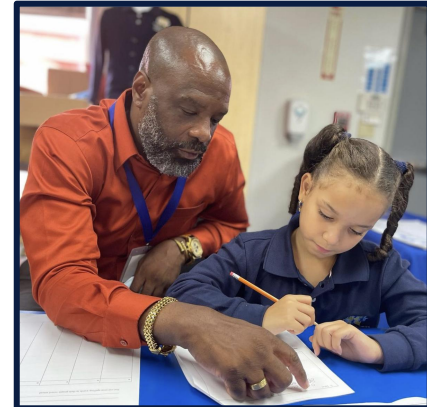


So What? Now What?

Next Steps Moving Forward



- **Curriculum and Professional Development:** Adopted new curricular materials for mathematics (K-12), ELA (5-12), and science (K-8). The Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment (CIA) team developed and/or revised subject and grade-level specific curriculum guides that are aligned with New Jersey Student Learning Standards
 - Staffing decisions to support instruction (Added a K-8 STEM Supervisor)
 - Continue to provide support to teachers to increase knowledge with curriculum guides and vendor platforms
 - Maximize the use of Friday afternoon PD sessions, PLCs, and grade-level meetings to improve the quality of teaching and learning within the Village
- **Data Driven Culture:** Focus on establishing a data driven culture to reach all learners
 - Data from state testing, NWEA Map, and curriculum based assessments will be used to drive in class instructional decisions and groupings as well as after school and Saturday tutoring sessions
- **Partnerships to Support the Lift - It Takes a Village!**
 - Engaging our families!
 - CIA Team will host an “Understanding Your Child’s Test Scores” night
 - Family resources to support learning at home
 - Leveraging our partners to support the work
 - Partnerships with Children’s Literacy Initiative (CLI) and National Urban Alliance to support instructional staff from a pedagogy and methodology standpoint
 - Teach for America - Ignite Tutoring: Beginning October 2022



School Home Letter

Module 1: Addition Strategies

Dear Family,

During the next 12 school days, our math class will be learning to understand and use a variety of strategies to solve addition problems. In this module, we will also be learning new math vocabulary. You can find definitions for these terms in the glossary.

Ask me along the way to explain these concepts. Having me explain or show how to solve a problem helps me make sense of the mathematics and deepens my understanding. If I get stuck, we can go to the Family Resources and use digital resources to learn together.

Vocabulary

add
count on
doubles
equation
is equal to (=)
make a ten
plus (+)
sum

Lesson	Family Resources Online Support
1.1 Represent Addition	Interactive Reteach, Lesson 1.1
1.2 Count On	More Practice/Homework, Problem 3, Math on the Spot Video
1.3 Add 10 and More	Interactive Reteach, Lesson 1.3
1.4 Make a 10 to Add	Interactive Reteach, Lesson 1.4
1.5 Add Doubles	Interactive Reteach, Lesson 1.5
1.6 Use Known Sums to Add	More Practice/Homework, Problem 3, Math on the Spot Video
1.7 Choose a Strategy to Add	Interactive Reteach, Lesson 1.7

Home Activity

Use 10 small objects. Work with your child to show all the ways to make 10 (1 + 9, 5 + 4, and so on). Then write addition sentences to represent each way to make 10.



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Hispanic Heritage Month

Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15th to October 15th, by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America.

This month we will spotlight Hispanic members of our Village in honor of this important tradition.



Tiffany Noguerras-Patino (*Ms. Patino (center) pictured with her family*)
High School Teacher | Honors English and instructional Coach



On The Horizon

What's Happening in the Village



SUPERINTENDENT MINCY'S MEET & GREET

Thursday October 13, 2022
MPTCS (High School Cafeteria)
125 Sussex Avenue, Newark NJ
6:00pm -7:30pm
RSVP Today!



You are invited to a **LIVE** session with the Superintendent to hear about important updates, initiatives, and programs. We will have prizes and dinner will be served.



MPTCS Parent Meetings:

This month we will be conducting 2 MPTCS-wide meetings for parents to dig deeper into the strategic plan and NJSLA.

- October 13th will be in person at the high school.
- October 20th will be virtual.





On The Horizon

What's Happening in the Village



JOIN US FOR THE MAKING STRIDES OF NEWARK BREAST CANCER WALK

Sunday, October 16, 2022

Sign up Today!

MAKING STRIDES MEANS STAYING COMMITTED TO OUR NEW MISSION.

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You can be proud to be a part of a Village that lives out its mission every day. Join us to support this cause, and know that we can make a difference together.

Joining the team is super easy, just sign up by scanning the QR codes below!

**SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW TO
VISIT OUR VILLAGE PAGE**



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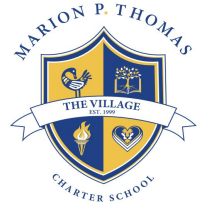
Join the Village to participate in the American Cancer Society Making Strides Against Breast Cancer event happening October 16, 2022!

MAKING STRIDES MEANS STAYING COMMITTED TO OUR NEW MISSION.

Even if you can't join the team, please consider helping our Village make an impact with a donation. I'm so proud to be a part of our Village that lives out its mission every day. Join us to support this cause, and know that we can make a difference together.

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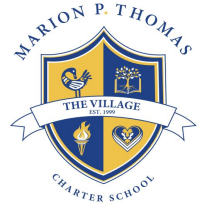
Attendance Awareness Month

Reimagining the Village...

Perfect Attendance Carnival - September 2, 2022



School Spirit Week - September 19-23, 2022



Scenes & Things

Reimagining the Village...

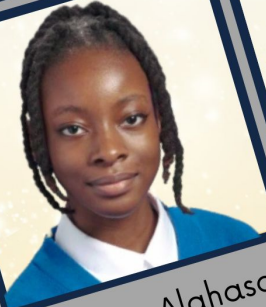




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Student of the Month - September

SEP
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Dona Alahasan



HIGH SCHOOL
GRADE: 10

STUDENT
spotlight

SEP
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Anthony Williams



PAC ACADEMY
GRADE: 3

STUDENT
spotlight

SEP
*



Isis Henderson



STEAM ACADEMY
GRADE: 8

STUDENT
spotlight



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Staff of the Month - September

SEP



Belinda Severe



STAFF
spotlight

SEP



Lavinia Schiavone



STAFF
spotlight

SEP



Jeanette Taylor



STAFF
spotlight



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Administrator of the Month - September

SEP

MARION P. THOMAS
THE VILLAGE
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Tiffany Wilson

CENTRAL OFFICE

ADMINISTRATOR
spotlight





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Parent of the Month - September



Theodore Byers
High School

Brianne & Ronald Drummond
PAC Academy

Doreen Alston
STEAM Academy





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Kean Scholars Academy

This is a dual enrollment opportunity for our high school students. They complete a four week summer orientation on campus and throughout their academic journey. Scholars can earn up to 24 college credits.



Thank you for listening.



It takes a Village to Reimagine one...

WORDS TO *Live By*

“Someone's sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago.”

—Warren Buffett

