



Happy New Year

Good morning Parents
Today is Wednesday, January 13th



Welcome Parents!



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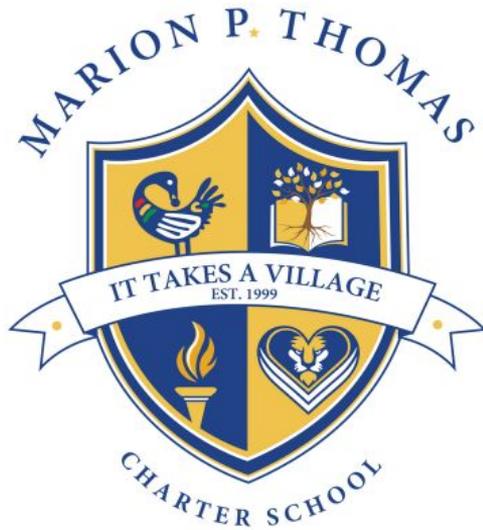
STEAM Academy Vice Principals



Chit-Chat Schedule & Time

Second Tuesday of Every Month
9:15 to 10:00 am

Next Meeting will be on
February 10th



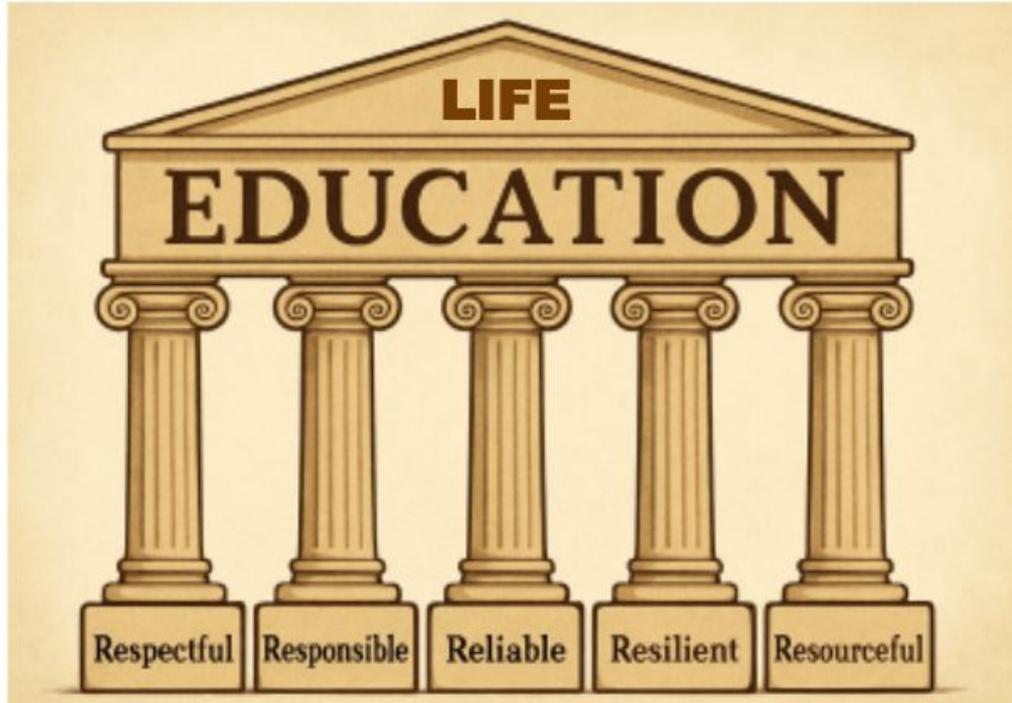
Our Mission: *The Mission of Marion P. Thomas Charter School is to build culturally rich, transformative educational spaces that cultivate successful, lifelong innovators who use their passions, character, and intellect to better themselves, the greater Newark community, and the world beyond.*

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.

Pillars for Success



I am:
Respectful
Responsible
Reliable
Resilient
Resourceful



School Mantra

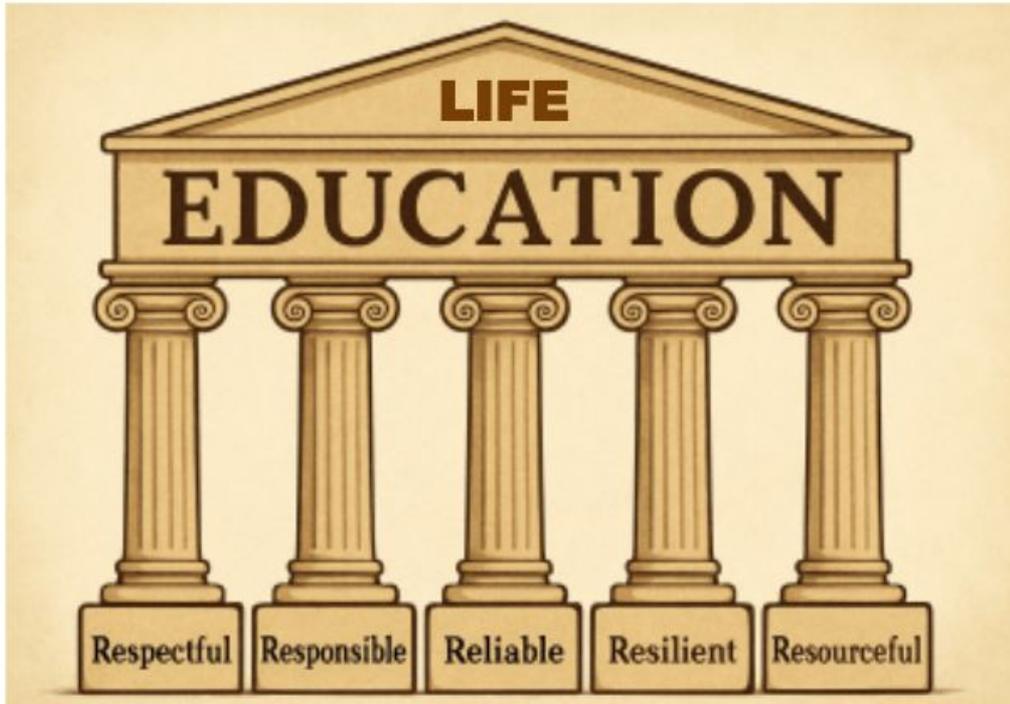
“All of us are better than any one of us, as long as each of us, gives the best in us”

Scholar Pledge

I Pledge:

1. To be present, both physically and mentally, to absorb and internalize the information given.
2. To try my best in all that I do. Making mature and wise decisions, and holding myself accountable for my actions.
3. To do my very best to show respect, get along with my fellow scholars and staff members, and help make our STEAM Academy a peaceful and productive place for everyone.
4. To recognize Everyone is important and has their own special way of seeing and doing things. When we share our ideas, we help each other learn and grow.
5. Not to fear mistakes, but reflect, learn from them, and continue to push forward.
6. To always represent myself, the school, my family and the community by being a respectful ambassador for the city of Newark.

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STEAM Education



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S - Science
T - Technology
E - Engineering
A - Arts
M - Mathematics

STEAM Approach

- Observation
- Creativity
- Innovation
- Planning
- Revision
- Collaboration
- Presentation

What Should Our STEAM Academy Scholars Look Like?



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CHARTER SCHOOL



Grades Pre-K-5

Navy blue polo with MPTCS logo
Navy blue pants, skorts, or shorts
Navy blue cardigan with MPTCS logo

Grades 6-8

Light blue oxford shirt with MPTCS logo
Navy Blue uniform pants, skorts, or shorts
Navy blue ascot or tie

**ALL STUDENTS MUST WEAR BLACK SHOES OR
SNEAKERS.**

Kids Paradise
1016 Springfield Ave
Irvington NJ 07111
973-374-4700

Today Kids
1049 Springfield Ave
Irvington NJ 07111
973-374-3070

Flynn O'Hara
196-198 Ferry Street
Newark, NJ 07105
862-231-2149



NO



HOODIES

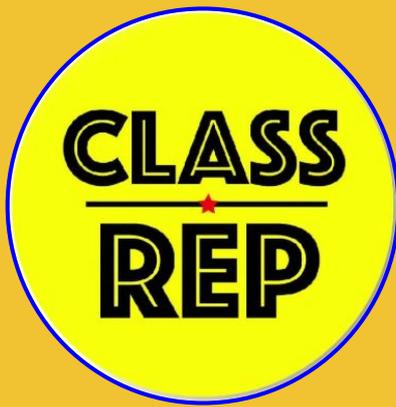
STEAM Support TEAM!



E. Silvestre - Principal
A. Richardson - VP
E. Pride - VP
D. Purnell - Operations
A. Munoz - FACE
K. KJ - Culture & Climate
N. Burgwyn - O. Manager
B. Lucas - Att. Counselor
L. Valdez - Social Worker
N. Ndichie - Nurse



School President - Morgan D.
School Vice President - Jihad H.
School Secretary - Mia P.S.
School Treasurer - Kevin N.



- 8th Grade:
 - Kaylee M.
 - Eugenia K.

- 7th Grade:
 - Karissa H.
 - Caleb V.

- 6th Grade:
 - Oluwasikemi O.
 - Aanuoluwapo D.

- 5th Grade:
 - Avalyn A.
 - Carla R.

- 4th Grade:
 - William B.
 - Ava E.

- 3rd Grade:
 - Janice I.
 - Nathaniel M.

Staff & Student Safety

Staff and Student safety is our top priority. Whenever we have a safety concern, our expectation is for everyone to comply.

If you see something, say something.

Let's Roll



3rd - 8th

January 2026
Perfect Attendance

GOING TO THE
MOVIES!

K - 2nd

January - Key Information

1/13 - 1/16: Universal ELA Screener for K-3

1/16: December Perfect Attendance Dress-Up day

1/19: School Close - MLK Holiday Observance

1/20: Individualize iReady Report (from BOY to MOY)

1/28: Student Progress Report

Ragland, Taylor	<div style="width: 0%;"><div style="width: 0%;"></div></div> Not Started
Titusnta Simbana, Arleth	<div style="width: 1%;"><div style="width: 1%;"></div></div> 1% In Progress
Ferguson, Shaheym	<div style="width: 18%;"><div style="width: 18%;"></div></div> 18% In Progress
Hiers, Taylor	<div style="width: 26%;"><div style="width: 26%;"></div></div> 26% In Progress
Baez, Skyler	<div style="width: 28%;"><div style="width: 28%;"></div></div> 28% In Progress
Summerville, Ethan	<div style="width: 34%;"><div style="width: 34%;"></div></div> 34% In Progress
Plummer, Amanda	<div style="width: 37%;"><div style="width: 37%;"></div></div> 37% In Progress
Calderon, Samuel	<div style="width: 39%;"><div style="width: 39%;"></div></div> 39% In Progress
Campoverde, Diego	<div style="width: 39%;"><div style="width: 39%;"></div></div> 39% In Progress
Ayantola, Umar	<div style="width: 40%;"><div style="width: 40%;"></div></div> 40% In Progress
Kyeremeh, Eugenia	<div style="width: 43%;"><div style="width: 43%;"></div></div> 43% In Progress
Delgado, Joseph	<div style="width: 56%;"><div style="width: 56%;"></div></div> 56% In Progress
Davis, Madison	<div style="width: 56%;"><div style="width: 56%;"></div></div> 56% In Progress
Wilson, Syei	<div style="width: 56%;"><div style="width: 56%;"></div></div> 56% In Progress
Herrera, Landon	<div style="width: 56%;"><div style="width: 56%;"></div></div> 56% In Progress
Armstrong, Me'jah	<div style="width: 57%;"><div style="width: 57%;"></div></div> 57% In Progress
Valderrabano, Santiago	<div style="width: 64%;"><div style="width: 64%;"></div></div> 64% In Progress
Alcantara, Samantha	<div style="width: 65%;"><div style="width: 65%;"></div></div> 65% In Progress
Pitts-Smith, Mia	<div style="width: 68%;"><div style="width: 68%;"></div></div> 68% In Progress

Frimpong, Edward	<div style="width: 55%;"><div style="width: 55%;"></div></div> 55% In Progress
Booker, Ja'myii	<div style="width: 64%;"><div style="width: 64%;"></div></div> 64% In Progress

Attendance Data as of January 13, 2026

School Goals:

- **97% Average Daily Attendance**
- **≤10% Chronic Absenteeism Rate**

Attendance (86 days)		
	Students	Percentage
Perfect	72	18.2%
Good (≤ 4%)	141	35.7%
Frequent (4% - 9%)	114	28.9%
Chronic (≥ 10%)	68	17.2%

Chronic Absenteeism

Chronic absenteeism is when a student misses **10% or more** of the school year. As of 1/13, we have accumulated a total of **86 days of school**, chronic absenteeism applies to students who have missed **9 or more days**. For the entire school year, chronic absenteeism applies to students that miss **18 or more** days of school.

Here's how chronic absenteeism affects promotion:

- **18–20 Unexcused Absences:** Summer school will be required to make up missed seat time and be eligible for promotion
- **21+ Unexcused Absences:** The student will be required to repeat the grade due to insufficient seat time

# of students currently chronic	9-12 Absences	13-17 Absences	≥18 Absences
64 Students	38 Students	20 Students	10 Students

Our goal for the year is **≤ 10%**, which equal to **≤ 39** students.

Attendance Data

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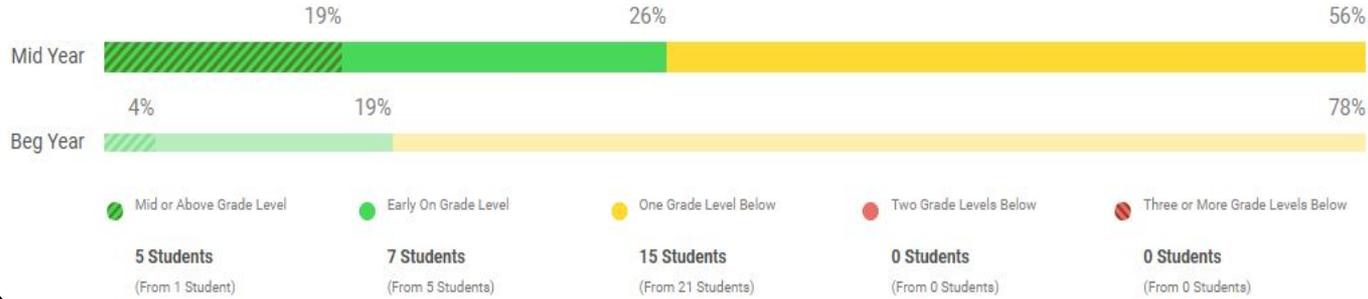
January avg
93.67%
M
92.03%
T
94.05%
W
96.71%
Th
94.68%
F
92.15%

December avg	November avg	October avg	September avg
91.56%	93.01%	94.49%	95.95%
M	M	M	M
92.12%	93.65%	94.71%	95.61%
T	T	T	T
94.38%	95.43%	96.77%	96.45%
W	W	W	W
93.37%	90.25%	95.47%	96.73%
Th	Th	Th	Th
93.71%	93.69%	94.48%	97.36%
F	F	F	F
84.23%	91.71%	91.09%	93.50%



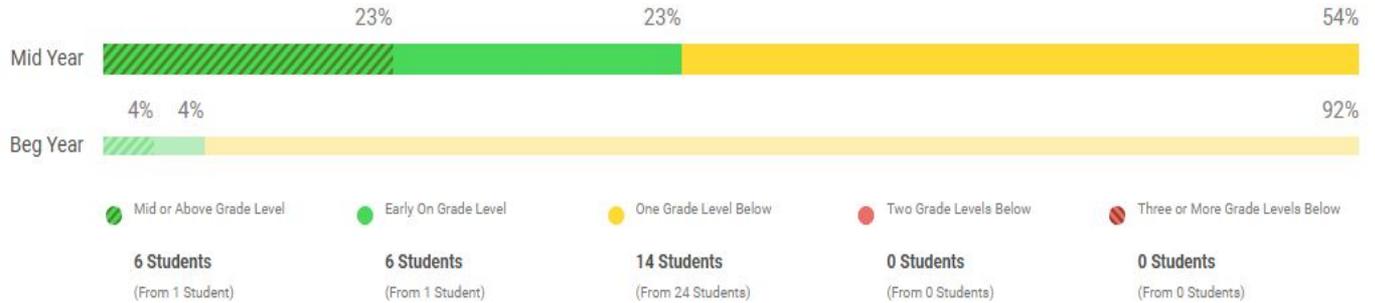
Tailored instruction for our scholars

Kindergarten



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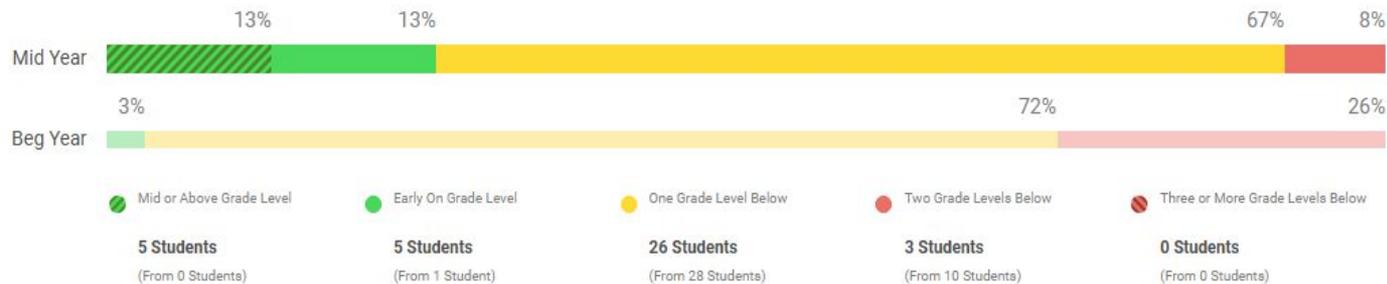


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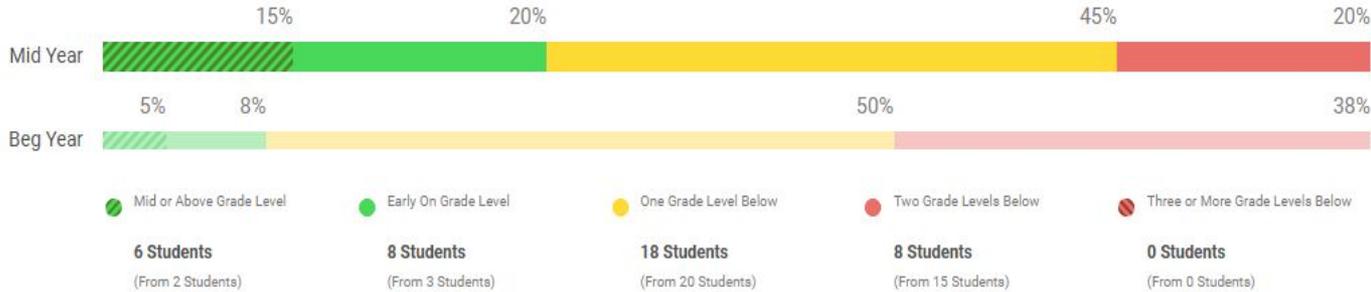


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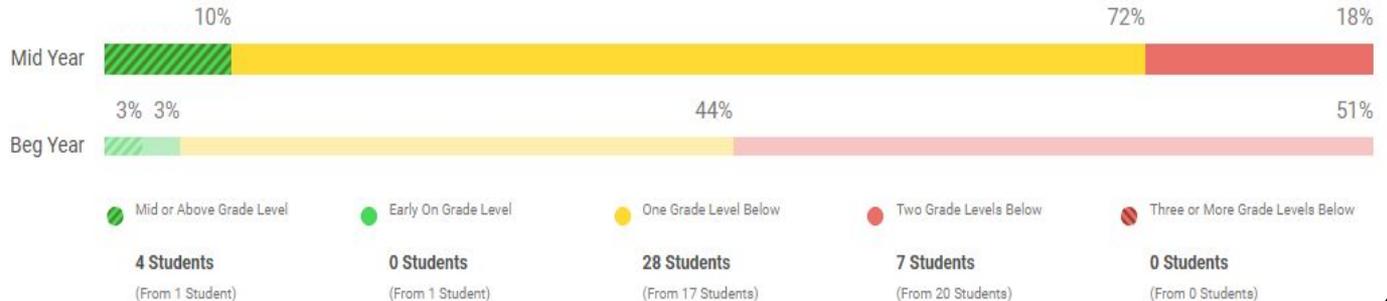


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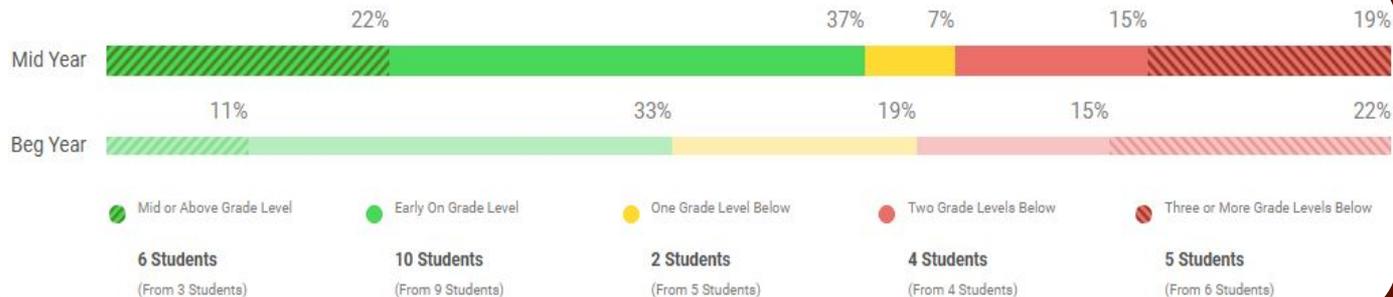


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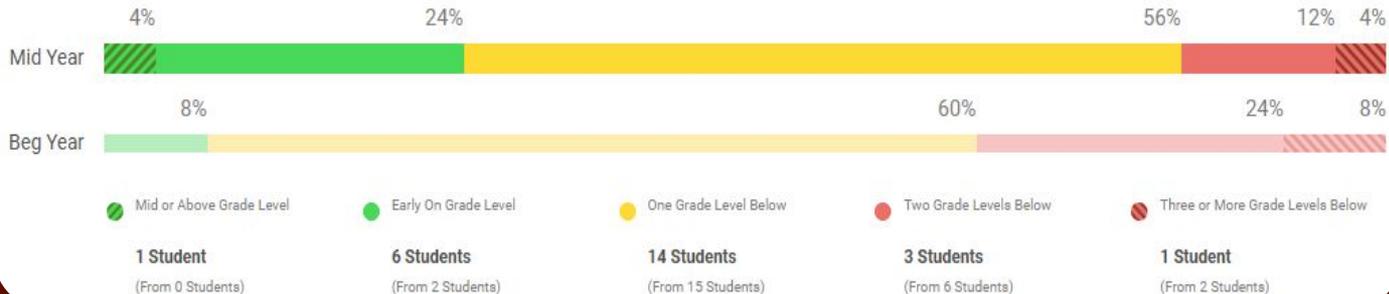


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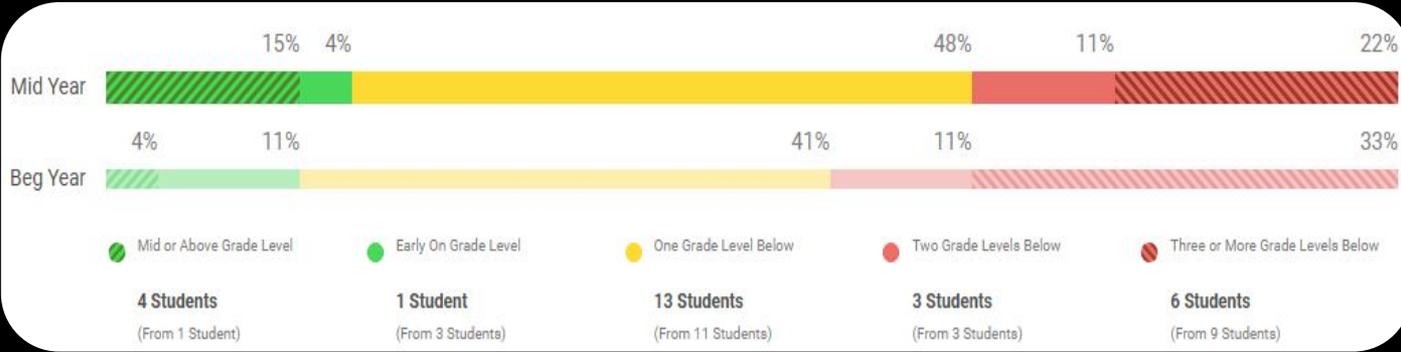


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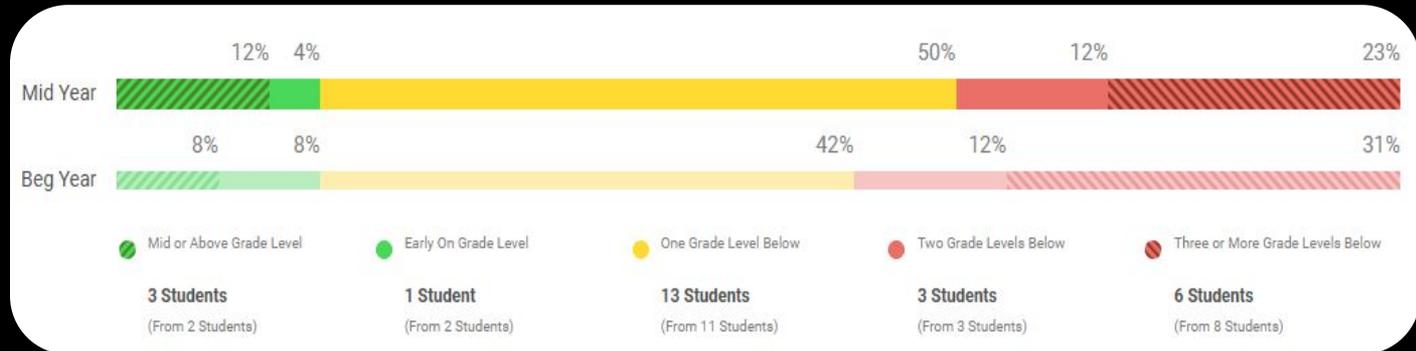


Fourth Grade

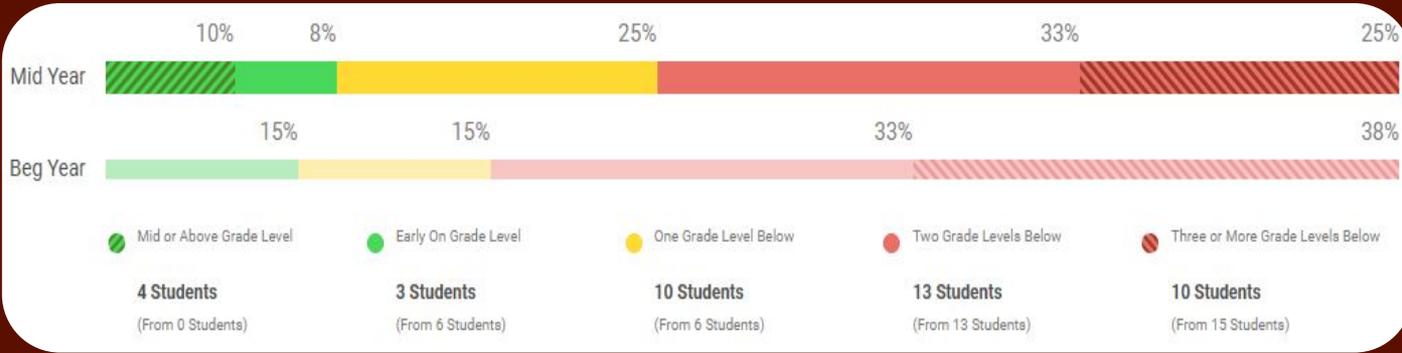


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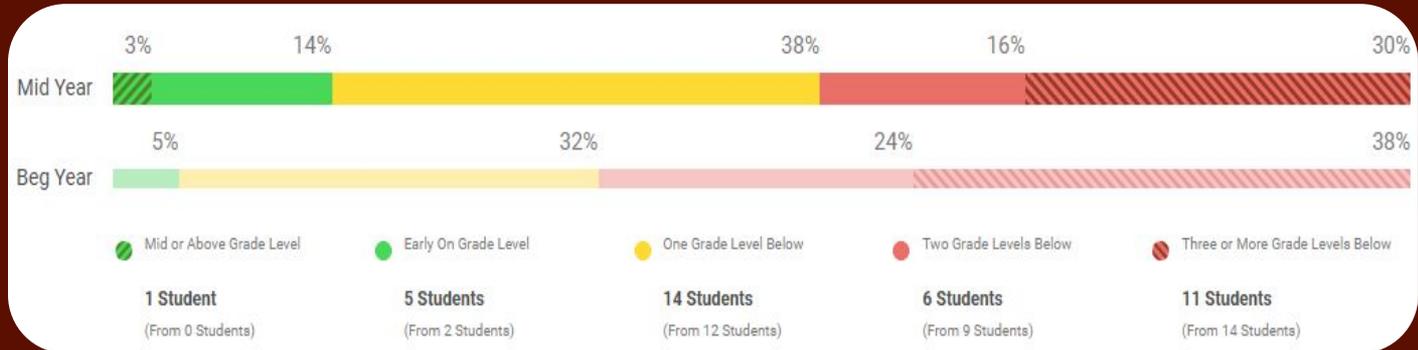


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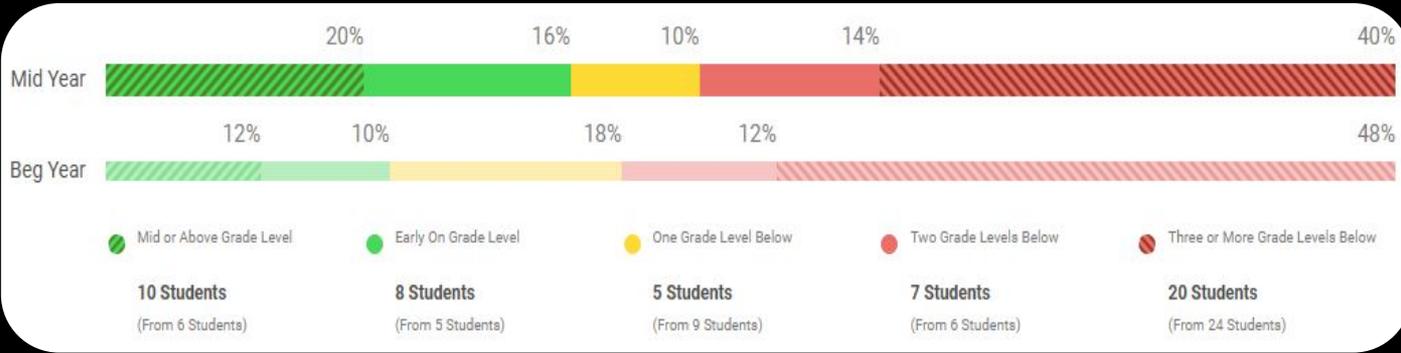


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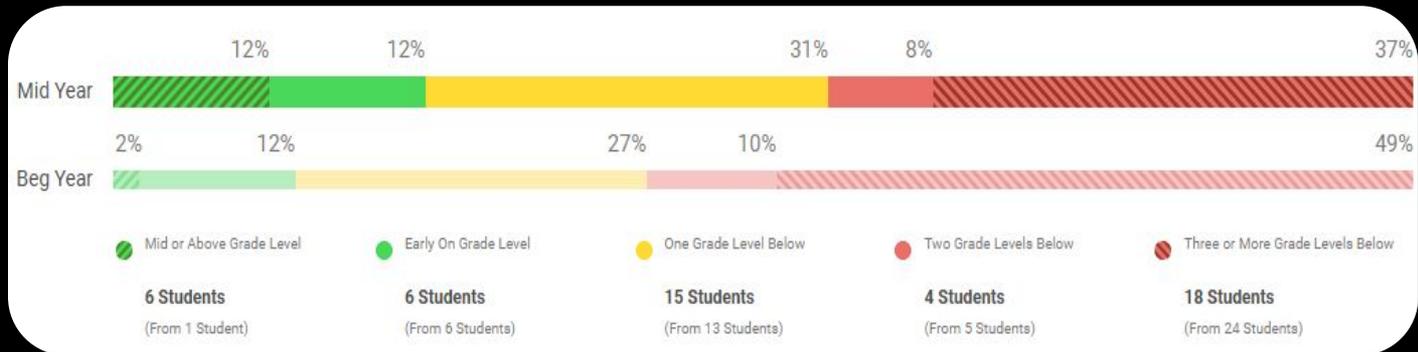


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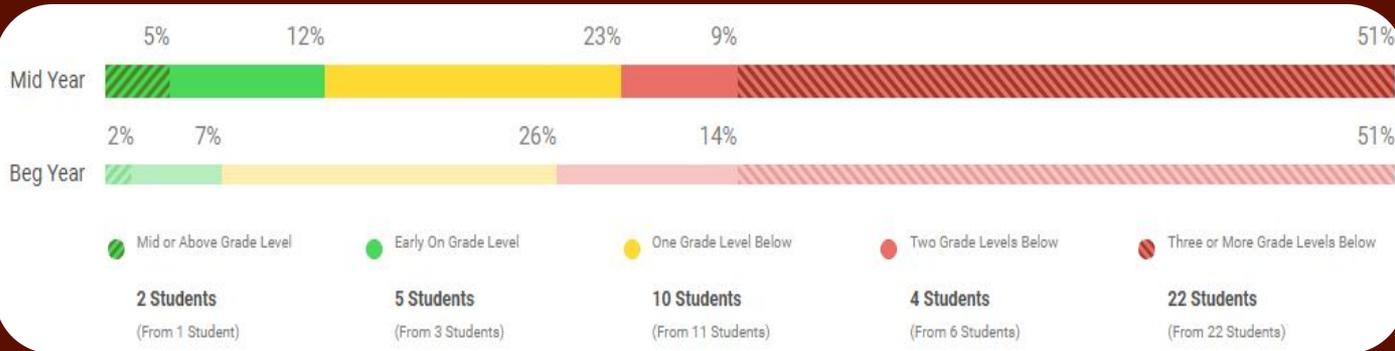


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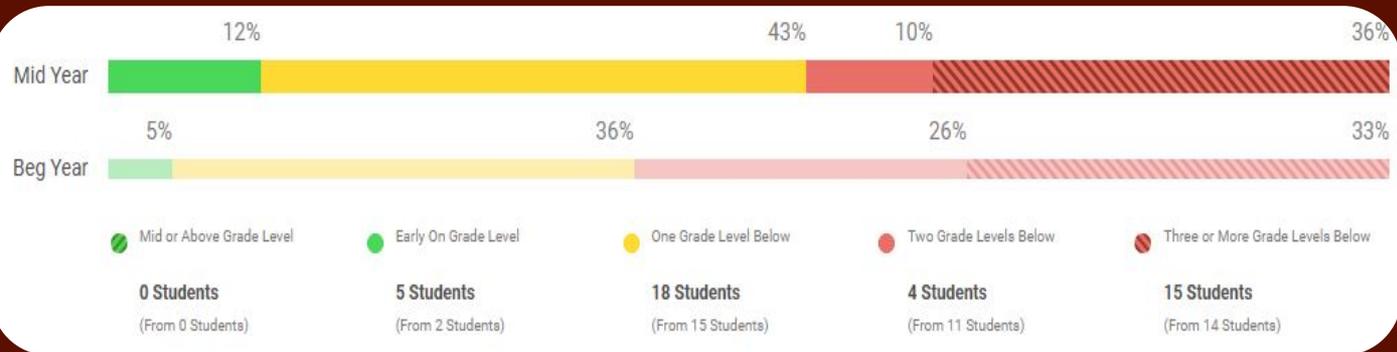


Seventh Grade

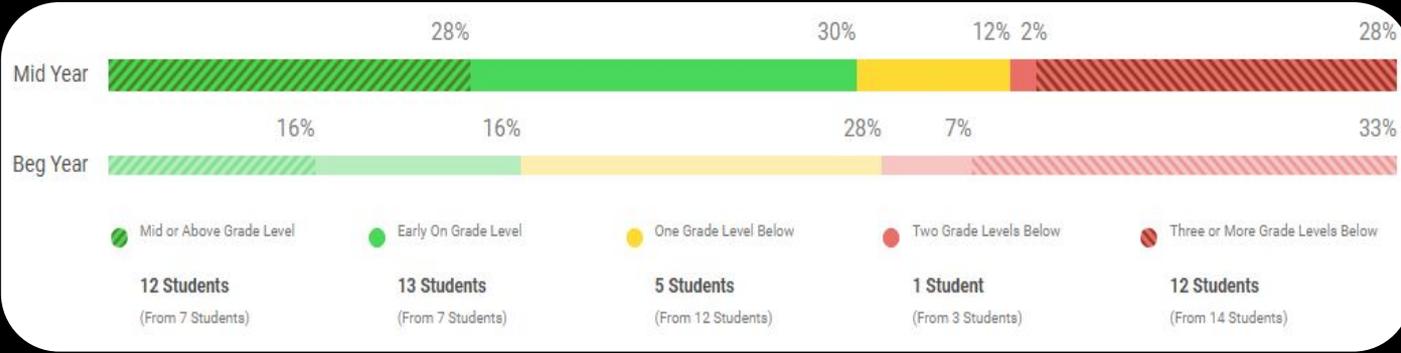


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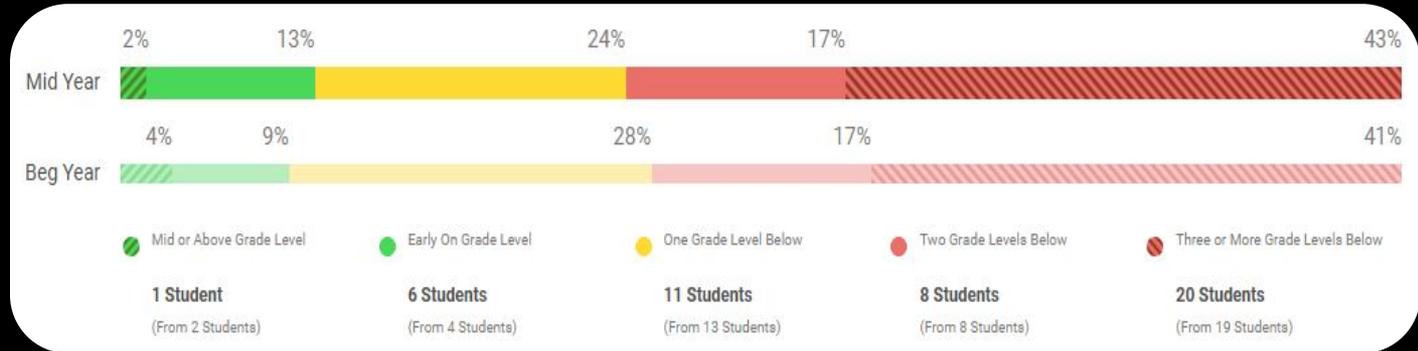


Eighth Grade



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Next Steps



- We will use the data to Regroup the classes based on the data
 - This will allow us to provide more support to students that need it.
- Sign up for Morning Homework Lab & Hot Breakfast
 - 7:15 - 8:00 am
- Sign up for after school Homework Help & Tutoring
 - 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Stay in the know!



PARENT PORTAL

Parent Access is currently at 55%



QUESTIONS?

COMMENTS?

CONCERNS?