

School Profile: Stephens Elementary School

Introduction

Stephens Puts the Child First: Culture, Collaboration, Core. We have a very diverse school where over 41 different languages are spoken, and we like to celebrate all the cultures that make up our school. In addition, we focus on our Stephens culture and climate. As for collaboration, we focus on working together as teams to plan and teach our students, and we are teaching students to work collaboratively



together around academics. Core is about teaching each student aligned to the Common Core State Standards, but we also look at the core of each child's wellbeing. Stephens is a great place to be for many reasons. We are a large school with an enrollment of approximately 550 students. We have a bilingual program, kindergarten to fifth grade, where native Spanish speakers have the opportunity to learn to read and write in Spanish and English. We are hoping to highlight that program this year so all students, staff and families can get a better understanding of the advantages of developing bilingual students. We also have a topnotch 4k through fifth grade English language program.

Strengths

Glenn Stephens staff looks at "The Whole Child." As a staff we are studying racial bias and looking at how to continue our strong growth annually. Our Parent Teacher Organization is very supportive of our students and staff and making Stephens a successful place to be. We encourage our parents and families to take an active role in the academic growth of our students and will be exploring more ways to do this in 2016-17. In addition, Stephens has a Movin' Minds Practice time where we have a daily time to work on our brain/body connections.

Progress

We delved deeply into studying race and equity and understanding concepts such as implicit bias, funds of knowledge, deficit thinking and race as social construct. We engaged more deeply in Movin' Minds practice. We invested more time in our teacher teams in the planning process using learning targets and collaborative learning. Teacher teams worked together to better understand and instruct around the Writing Standard 5, the Process of Writing.

Areas for Growth

We want to continue our work around culture, collaboration and core. In addition, we will work on becoming more data literate by looking at different pieces of student data to inform our instructional approaches. We are aware we have achievement gaps and do focus on making gains for our African American and Hispanic students. We will also work on collaborating to create stronger connections between home, school and the community and intentionally creating partnerships that will foster student learning beyond the school environment.

Vision Connection

Our school supports MMSD's vision that all students acquire the skills and abilities needed to be successful, including a mastery of content areas, growth mindset, self-knowledge, creativity, wellness, interpersonal skills, confidence, cultural competence and community connection. Through these skills and abilities, our students will graduate college, career and community ready.



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2015-2016 Data Profile

Address 120 S Rosa Rd
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4K Yes
Title I No

Developmental Bilingual Education Yes
Dual Language Immersion No
SAGE No
Attendance Rate 94.7%
Total Enrollment 556

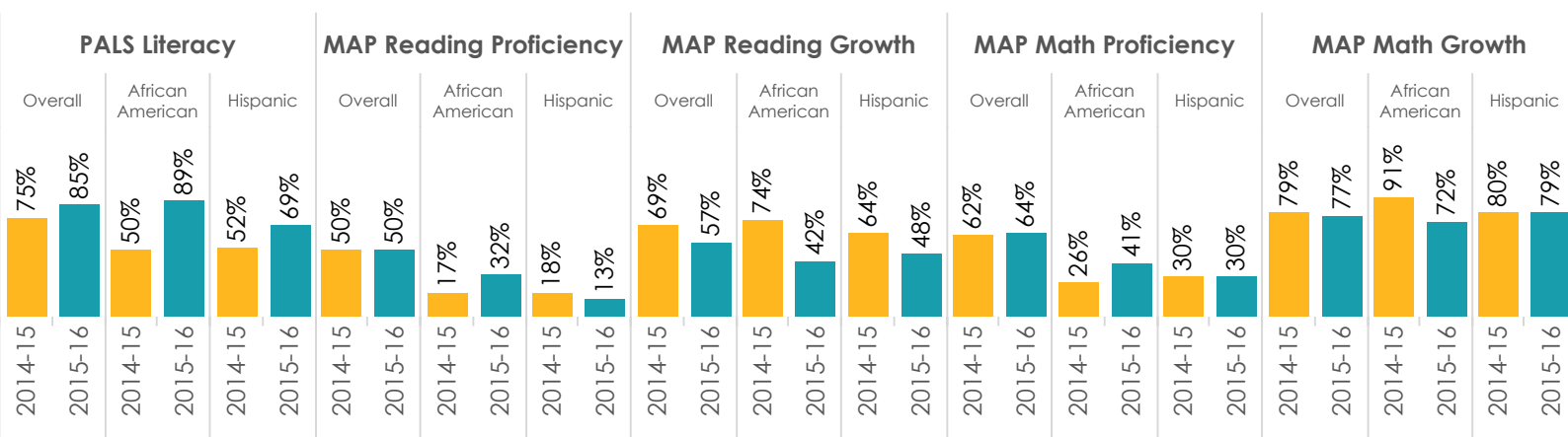
Demographics



ELL	45%
Low-Income	39%
Special Education	16%

Strategic Framework Goal #1 Milestones: On-Track to Graduate

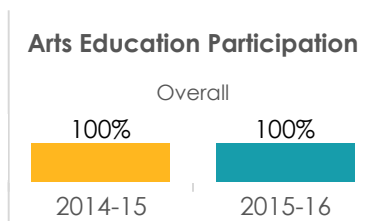
Each bar shows the percent of students meeting the relevant metric overall and for the focus groups the school selected on their School Improvement Plan (SIP, when applicable).



PALS includes English and Espanol in Grades 1-2. MAP includes Grades 3-5. MAP Growth is based on the percent of students meeting typical Fall to Spring growth targets.

Strategic Framework Goal #2 Milestones: Challenging and Well-Rounded Education

The table below shows the percent of students meeting the relevant metric.



Participation rates are based on transcribed courses.

Strategic Framework Goal #3 Milestones: Positive Climate

The table below shows the percent of responses within each dimension and group that were positive.

