



PROJECT GRADUATION: **The Digital Advantage**

Demographics

District Student Enrollment

17,306

Hispanic	87.7%
Anglo	5.6%
Native American	4.1%
African American	2.1%
Asian/Pacific Islander	0.5%

Staff

Certified	1,128
School site administrators	37
Central administrators	29
Support staff	1,044

English Language Learners

Grades K-5	42.1%
Grades 6-8	23.4%
Grades 9-12	16.2%
K-12	31.6%

Eligible for free and reduced meals

14,434 students 83.6%

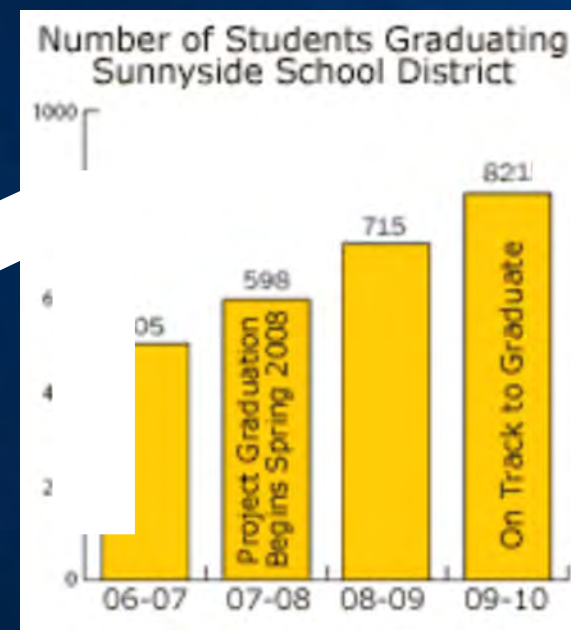
Homeless 5.8%

Graduation Rate 63%



Project Graduation: The Digital Advantage Program

- Launched in the 2008-09 school year
- 1,700 laptops awarded to students in the 2009-10 and 2010-11 school years



821
students
graduating from SUSD

From dropout factory to Tech-Savvy District

bringing the world to your classroom

a computer every 5th-grade classroom

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Sunyside Unified School District

bringing the world to your classroom



Digital Explorer
5th-grade 1-to-1 computing

Project Graduation: the digital advantage

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digital dropout record

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Contact us today! sununi@msd12.org

digital advantage SCHOLARS

Free laptops for scholars grades 10, 11 & 12

Sophomores, juniors and seniors can earn a free laptop by achieving the Four A's at the end of the third quarter:

Academics: 3.5 or higher grade point average

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the digital advantage PARENTS family plan

PARENTS + STUDENTS + LAPTOP

Parents and students can team up to earn a free mini-laptop for the family!

PARENTS: Having all four children of a third grade or below at the Sunyside Technology Institute

STUDENTS: No more than 10% unexcused absences



digital advantage 8TH-GRADE DIGITAL SCHOOL

Be an 8th-grade scholar and earn a laptop for freshman year

Eighth-grade students can earn a free laptop for their freshman year of high school by achieving the Four A's:

Academics: 3.0 or higher grade point average

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digital advantage TEACHER LAPTOP INITIATIVE

Transforming teaching through technology

Every teacher in the Sunyside Unified District will be a recipient of the Sunyside Technology Institute laptop.

Providing relevant technology to teachers and promoting innovation in the classroom is the responsibility of Sunyside Unified School District. Learning technology is an essential part of our mission and provides opportunities for our teachers and students.



What they are saying about us...

Demand for Online Education Grows 20

District Administration

SOLUTIONS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT MANAGEMENT

July/August 2010

SPECIAL REPORT
States of DEBATE

California



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3. Saving a Dropout Factory

A program spurs student attendance and achievement.

SHORTLY BEFORE MANUEL ISQUIERDO became superintendent of Sunnyside Unified School District #12 in July 2007, a Johns Hopkins report labeled the downtown Tucson, Arizona, district a dropout factory. So his top priority was not in doubt.

"Our big goals were to cut the dropout rate and boost the student graduation rate and achievement," Isquierdo says. His main focus: freshmen and seniors.


Administrator Profile

SUPERINTENDENT MANUEL L. ISQUIERDO

Improving Graduation Rates with an Innovative Rewards Program

WHEN MANUEL L. ISQUIERDO joined the Sunnyside (Ariz.) Unified School District (SUSD) as superintendent in 2007, school board president Louie Gonzales let him know that there was no time for a honeymoon period. He had to hit the ground running.

The district's two high schools col-



eSCHOOL NEWS

Technology News for Today's K-20 Educator

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SCHOOL DISTRICTS REINVENTED

How they made it happen. BY DAM BERRINGE



A Historic Event

The 2010 graduation ceremonies for Desert View and Sunnyside High Schools



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September 24 / 24 de septiembre 2010

Fifth-graders Swap Textbooks for Netbooks

By Eric Badger

Fifth-graders of Sunnyside Unified School District are becoming tech-savvy digital explorers thanks to a program that is trading each student a textbook to learn class subjects.


By the end of this month, all 1,431 of the district's fifth-graders will have a netbook, computer.

"Students are thrilled; they just can't believe they've received this opportunity," said Principal Lily Delacruz of Mission Manor Elementary. "I've never seen an opportunity such as this. They don't feel left behind in education anymore."

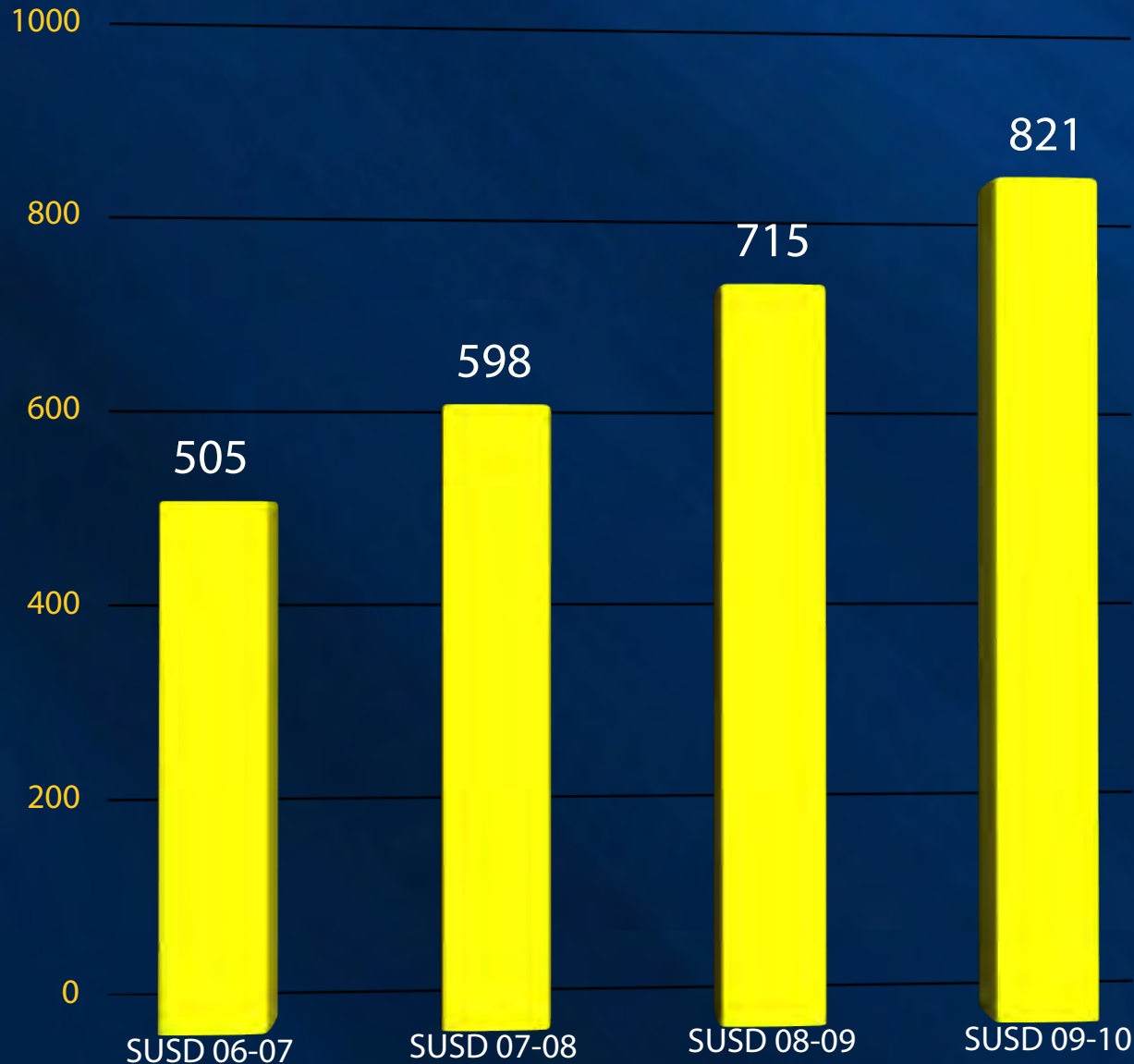
supported the pilot program for fifth-graders, called Digital Explorers. State funding and soft capital, monies used for necessities like bus for the laptops, Director of Public Relations for Sunnyside Montague Scott said.

Scott said that Sunnyside's long-term goal is to have "one-to-one computing" for all students in grades five through 12.

Delacruz said the district is partnering with Casa Comunitaria to provide four-

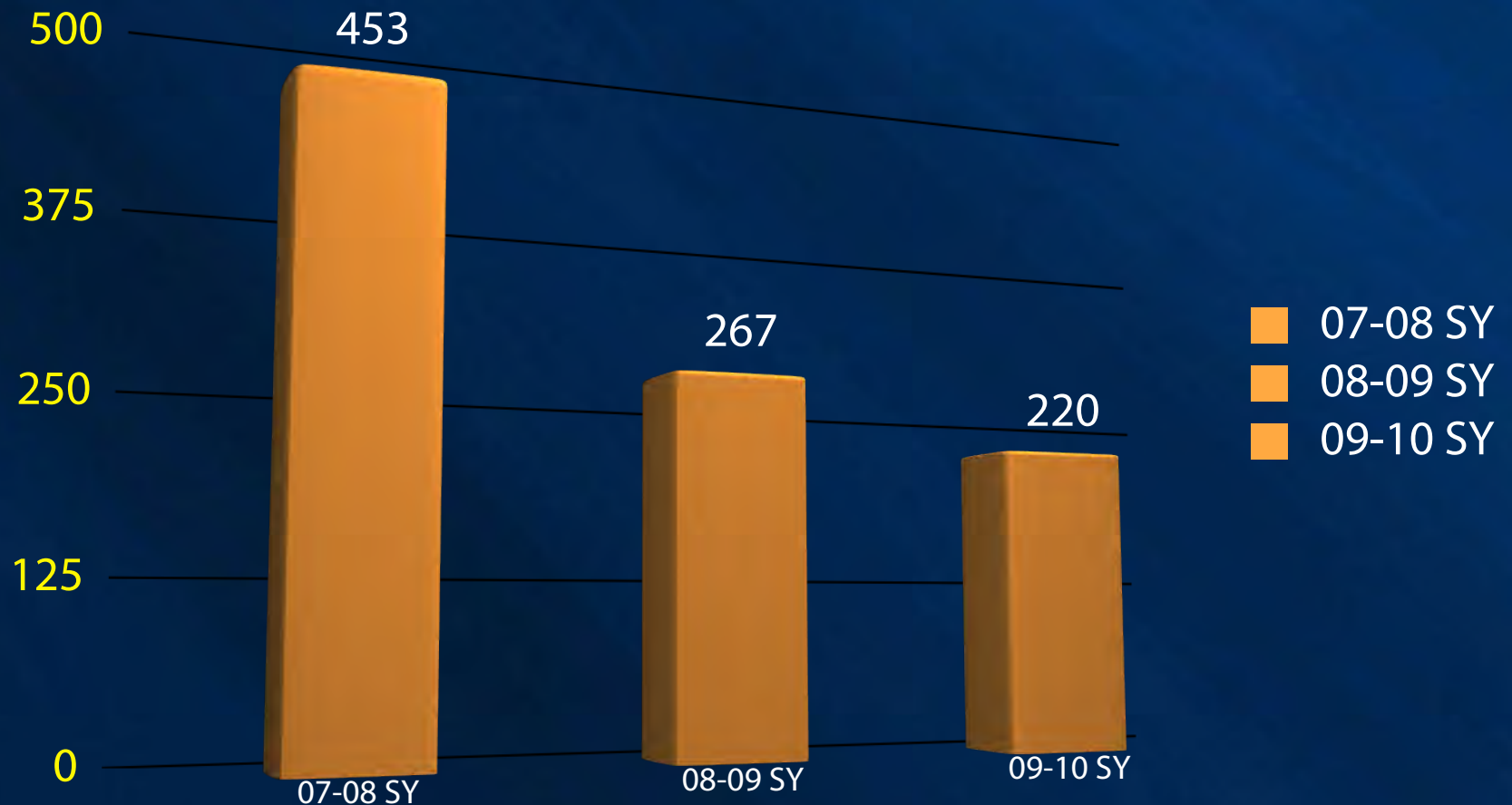


Graduation Numbers 4yr & 5yr



Tier 5 Trend Data Digital Advantage

Two F's or more, less than 95% attendance



* Not correlated with less than 95% attendance

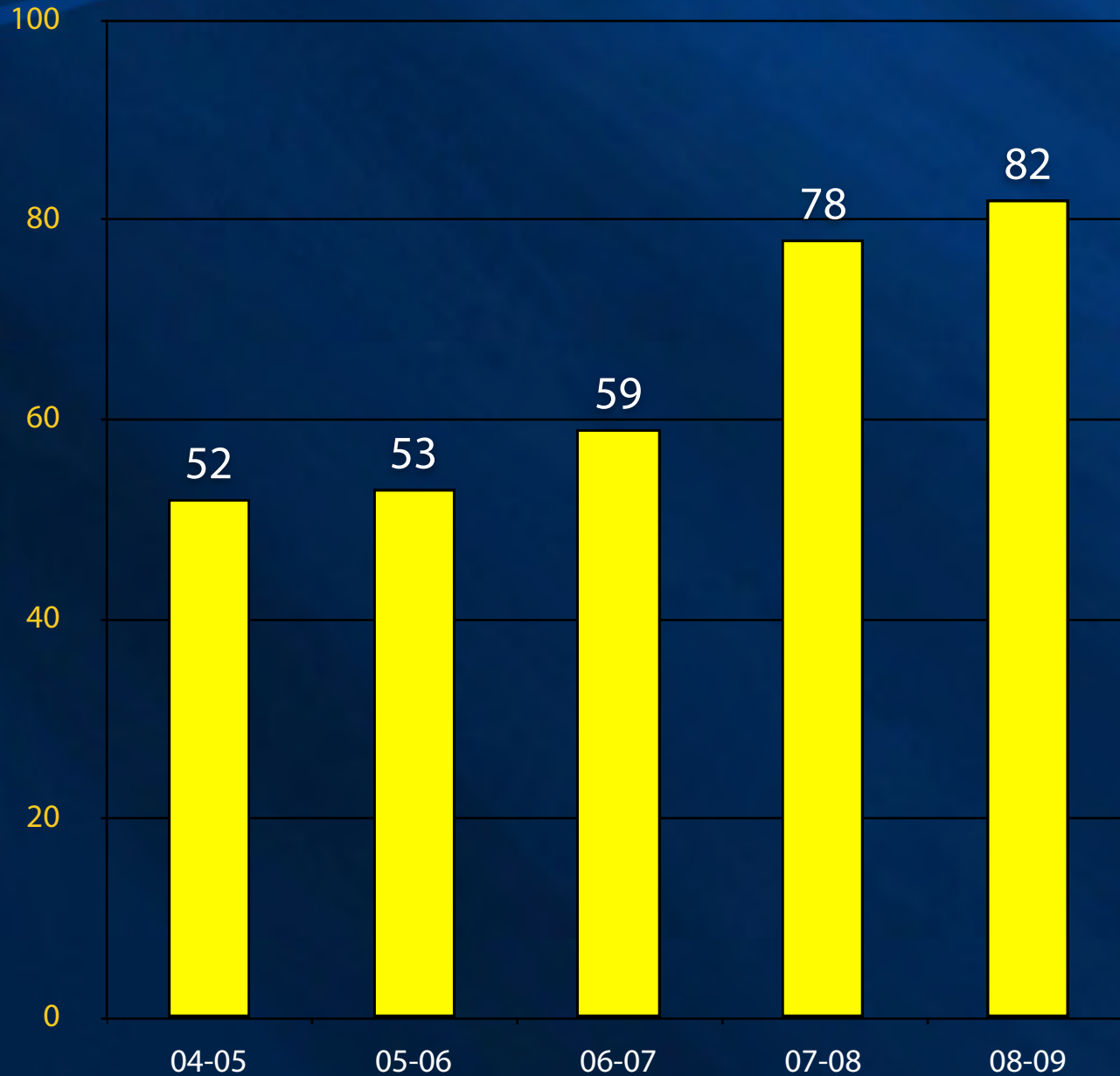
Sunnyside HS

Unknown/Unexcused Attendance



DVHS

Promotion to Sophomore Status



PROJECT GRADUATION: THE DIGITAL ADVANTAGE

PYRAMID OF INTERVENTIONS - FRESHMEN INTERVENTION NEEDS

TIER 1- 505 DIGITAL ADVANTAGE COHORT

TIER 2- 83 Students:

PROFILE: Students with a 2.5 or higher but less than 95% attendance

INTERVENTION: Referral to advisory Teachers and Ignite mentors to foster connections to the school

TIER 3- 142 Students:

PROFILE: Student with 95% attendance, but lower than a 2.5 GPA

INTERVENTION: Individual student plan of action working with GEAR-Up; family contact; referral to Reading Plus

TIER 4- 163 Students:

PROFILE: Less than a 2.5 GPA, less than 95% attendance, failing 0 – 1 class

INTERVENTION: Intervention by counselors; potential to earn partial summer school scholarships for credit recovery

TIER 5-267 Students

PROFILE: 2 F's or more, less than 95% attendance

INTERVENTION: Intervention by counselors; potential to earn partial summer school scholarships for credit recovery

Pyramid of Interventions (TIERS 2-5)
Cohort 2012

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Cohort 2012

Even with a laptop initiative, challenges remain.

Record number of grads in 2010

The Sunnyside District reached its goal of 800 graduates in 2010. A total of 821 students graduated from Desert View and Sunnyside high schools, and STAR Academic Center, up from 715 in 2009 and 598 in 2008.

Our Goal
for 2010-11

875





Sunnyside a tech-savvy district



Our tech-savvy graduates are prepared to create their own future.

Sunnyside Unified School District in Tucson, Arizona

www.susd12.org

Project Graduation: The Digital Advantage Legacy Program

A netbook computer will be provided for every incoming freshman student who achieves **the 4 A's** by the end of the first semester:

- ✓ **Achievement** – 2.5 GPA
- ✓ **Attitude** – positive, good citizenship and no disciplinary issues
- ✓ **Attendance** – 95%
- ✓ **Activities** – participation in at least one extracurricular activity



Project Graduation: The Digital Advantage

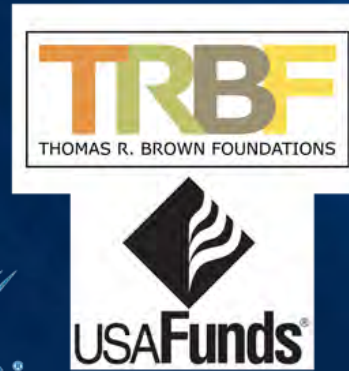
Is a multi-phased, research-based effort aimed at significantly reducing the number of high school dropouts and increasing the graduation rate.

In Tucson, Arizona the Sunnyside Unified School District graduated 821 students in May 2010; a 30% increase in the number of graduates in just two years.

Under the leadership of Superintendent Dr. Manuel L. Isquierdo, Project Graduation was launched in November 2007, with the goal of having 558 students on track in the fall graduate in May 2008. In fact, 598 students graduated. In 2009, the number rose to 715, and 821 in 2010.



They made it possible



Pima County Supervisor
Ramón Valadez



Ward 5 Councilman
Steve Laal



Mayor Bob Walkup
and the City of Tucson

PROJECT GRADUATION

Transforming Communities through Education and technology

Site-Based Graduation Plan	Credit Recovery	Advisory	Attendance Monitoring	Freshmen Intervention	Digital Advantage
<p>Objective: Each high school will have a graduation plan that is site-based and that is developed by all stakeholders.</p>	<p>Objective: Increase the number of seniors on track to graduate and increase the number of on-time grade promotions at the high school level through the use of credit recovery courses.</p>	<p>Objective: Connect all students with an adult on a daily basis at school to foster a sense of belonging, while monitoring academic and attendance process with emphasis on research-based Curriculum that is designed to improve student success.</p>	<p>Objective: Increase the daily attendance rate & decrease the number of trancies for freshmen while creating a culture that connects attendance to academic achievement.</p>	<p>Objective: Identify freshmen needs and challenges prior to the school year and throughout the freshmen year experience to ensure academic success and promotion .</p>	<p>Objective: Provide laptop computers to freshmen who achieve the 4As by the end of the first semester.</p>
<p>Strategies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do the math 2. 3-yr data trend review 3. Identify obstacles 4. AYP status 5. Create a new culture of high expectations and new focus 6. Color coded data of graduates and their credits 7. Awareness campaign related to the importance of graduation PreK-12 levels 	<p>Strategies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Monitor student enrollment/earned credits in courses required for graduation 2. Offering credit recovery courses after school, on Saturdays, and during summer 3. Increase opportunities for online courses 	<p>Strategies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adults will connect with students through weekly interactions 2. Teach life, social, & study skills 3. Relay academic/ attendance progress in all courses on student's schedule 4. Communicate attendance issues/errors to appropriate personnel 5. Assist students with academics and refer when appropriate 	<p>Strategies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improve attendance monitoring through organizational efficiency 2. Regularly monitor Attendance with customized weekly reports 3. Use incentives, interventions, & consequences 4. Improve communication with students & parents families 	<p>Strategies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify through data analysis freshmen study skills and literacy proficiency and other personal, social, and academic need needs 2. Offer literacy skills classes for at-risk students 3. Hold parent engagement meetings for all freshmen students 4. Focus on AIMS Readiness throughout freshman year 5. Develop freshmen transition program for all incoming freshmen 6. Align programs such as AVID and Gear-UP 	<p>Strategies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Use laptops as an incentive for graduation 2. Use technology as a tool to change learning culture, teach students & families 21st century skills that align with Graduation and post-secondary areas 3. Develop a marketing campaign to promote the laptop initiative school and district wide 4. Develop district wide celebrations to award laptops at the end of the first semester 5. Align the laptop initiative with the district's technology plan 6. Develop after school programs and support for students who receive laptops

Project Graduation: GOALS

- ✓ Increase the average grade point average earned by freshmen students (Academics)
- ✓ Decrease the number of absences (Attendance/ADA)
- ✓ Decrease the number of out-of-school suspensions by freshmen students (Attitude)
- ✓ Increase the promotion rate of freshmen
- ✓ Increase the number of freshmen students participating in high school-sponsored extracurricular activities (Activity)
- ✓ Increase the high school graduation rate and the number of graduates
- ✓ Decrease the high school dropout rate
- ✓ Increase Parental Engagement
- ✓ Improve Organizational Efficiency in the area of Attendance Operations
- ✓ Increase the number of students prepared to enter a four year college (College Readiness)
- ✓ Each of the goals will be measured quarterly through benchmarks established by the district and school sites (Program Evaluation)

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Outcomes

Through Project Graduation: The Digital Advantage, the Sunnyside District has been able to bridge the digital divide while improving student attendance and graduation rates.

3,174

*student laptops
deployed*



DISTRICT DEMOGRAPHICS

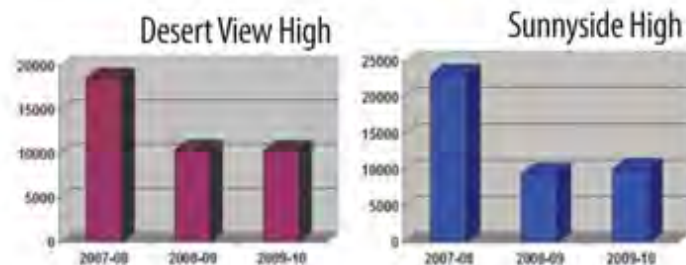
Student population: **17,500**

87.7% Hispanic

86% are eligible for
free/reduced meals

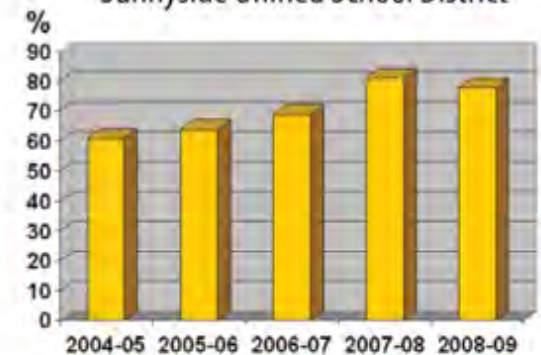
Freshman Absences

Number of unknown/unexcused absences
First semester, three-year trend

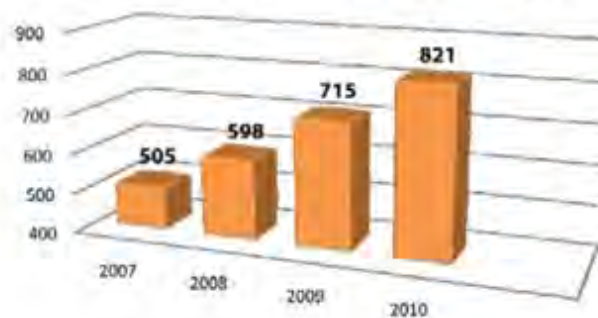


Freshman Promotion Rate

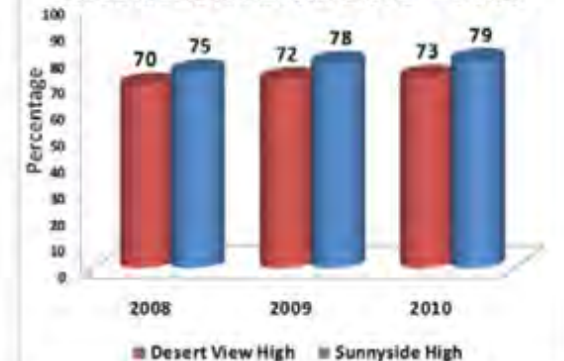
Sunnyside Unified School District



Graduation Numbers: 2007—2010



Graduation Rates: 2008—2010



Tech-Savvy District

National and state recognition

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EDTECH FOCUS ON K-12



Schools are leveraging technology to increase graduation rates. Here's how.

Crossing the threshold

Sunnyside Governing Board
recipient of the 2010

Lou Ella Kleinz Award of Excellence



the Arizona School Boards Association's highest honor, for the most outstanding educational leadership by a school board in Arizona

The SUSD Governing Board has led the district's development of Project Graduation: The Digital Advantage, which is becoming a state and national model. The Board is leading the Sunnyside District's implementation of one-to-one computing, assigning computers this year to every fifth-grader and to every teacher. The Board has maintained its commitment to early childhood education with the continuing support of all-day kindergarten, the establishment in 2010 of the Ocotillo Early Learning Center and continued support of Parents as Teachers.

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a tech-savvy district

The 2010 SUSD Governing Board:



Louis C. Gonzales, President
Magdalena Barrajes, Clerk
Eva Carrillo Dong
Eric Giffin
Robert Jaramilla

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Magna Awards

THE MAGNA AWARDS 2011 NOMINATION PERIOD IS NOW CLOSED. You will receive notification of your nomination's status by close of business. Please e-mail, to the address specified on your nomination form.

Good luck!

Every year the judges tell us the Magna Award nomination process is an inspiring work clearly that encourages innovative thinking in public education.

-- Steve Dunmore, president, Sodexo School Services

Welcome to American School Board Journal's Magna Awards. In the past 16 years, we've featured many excellent examples of innovation. Again, we found common threads running through all of them: community, collaboration, and partnership.

Only nominations made online using the online Magna Awards nomination form. The Magna Awards 2011 program is now closed to nominations.

Want to find out more? Visit our [Magna Information page](#) today for answers to frequently asked questions.

And don't forget to take a look at our new, searchable [Magna Awards Best Practices Database](#), where you can browse through past Magna winners and other high-scoring programs for innovative best practices, proven and practical solutions, and new ideas. New programs that receive high scores from the Magna judges will be added to the database every year -- maybe yours will be added next year!




What they are saying about us...



Governing Board earns top honor

The Sunnyside District Governing Board received the Lou Ella Kleinz Award of Excellence from the Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) Dec. 16, 2010. The award honors the most outstanding educational leadership by a school board in the state of Arizona, and is the ASBA's highest honor.

Project Graduation in Ed Tech Magazine

The February/March 2011 issue of EdTech Magazine: Focus on K-12, features the Sunnyside District's Project Graduation in an article entitled "Crossing the Threshold – Schools are leveraging technology to increase graduation rates. Here's how."



Sunnyside District is reinventing itself

The Sunnyside District was one of the five districts highlighted in the Winter 2011 issue of Scholastic Administrator Magazine. The feature article, "5 School Districts Reinvented," focused on Sunnyside's Project Graduation and one-to-one computing initiative.

Governing Board wins national Magna Award

The Sunnyside District Governing Board has been named winner of a 2011 Magna Award for its leadership of Project Graduation: The Digital Advantage. The Magna Award is a national recognition program co-sponsored by American School Board Journal, the National School Boards Association, and Sodexo School Services that honors school board best practices and innovative programs that advance student learning.



Dr. Isquierdo earns national tech-savvy award

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Project Graduation receives state award

Project Graduation: The Digital Advantage was awarded the 2009 Pathways to Higher Education Award by the Arizona Commission for Postsecondary Education for being an outstanding college access program which prepares, encourages and transitions students into postsecondary education.



Marketing efforts honored at state level



The Sunnyside District Office of Public Relations received a 2009 ASPRA*tions Award for Excellence from the Arizona School Public Relations Association for its marketing of Project Graduation: The Digital Advantage.

New explorer

bringing the world to your classroom

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Providing relevant technology to teachers and promoting innovation in the classroom is the responsibility of Sunnyside Unified. We are committed to providing our teachers with the tools they need to succeed in the 21st century classroom. We will provide equipment for this initiative and provide support for the teachers' technology needs.





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HOUR MINUTE SECOND

Digital Explorers

5th-grade 1-to-1 computing



bringing the world into your classroom
a computer for every 5th-grader
Sunnyside Unified School District
bringing the world into your classroom
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Next Step

- ✓ How do I replicate Project Graduation in our District?
- ✓ Go to www.susd12.org
- ✓ Fill the form/School profile
- ✓ Take reference material
- ✓ Give us your contact info



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Building on the success of Project Graduation: the Digital Advantage

SUSD expands its technology initiative

SUSD technology use goes one-to-one

Building on the success of Project Graduation: The Digital Advantage, the Sunnyside District is designing a three-year strategic plan for technology. The goal is to implement one-to-one computing for all students in grades 5-12 in three years. One-to-one computing provides a computer for each student to have access to technology anytime, anywhere.

[Read more](#)

¿Dónde Estás?
Where have you been?

Sunnyside a tech-savvy district

School News

- SUSD director of food services named Paul Harris Fellow by the Kino Rotary Club of
- Desert View alum's corrido published in UA Poetry Center collection

Current Issues

- SUSD joins litigation opposing SB1070 - A letter to the community
- Governing Board votes to join litigation opposing SB1070



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Upcoming Events

- Summit View's Parent/Volunteer Workshop - Topic - Science Fair Nov 18 2010 - 9:30am
- Desert View Jaguar Athletics Golf Tournament Nov 20 2010 - 7:30am
- Gallego Basic Band / Orchestra Concert Nov 22 2010 - 6:30pm
- Board Meeting Nov 23 2010 - 6:30pm

[View all events](#)

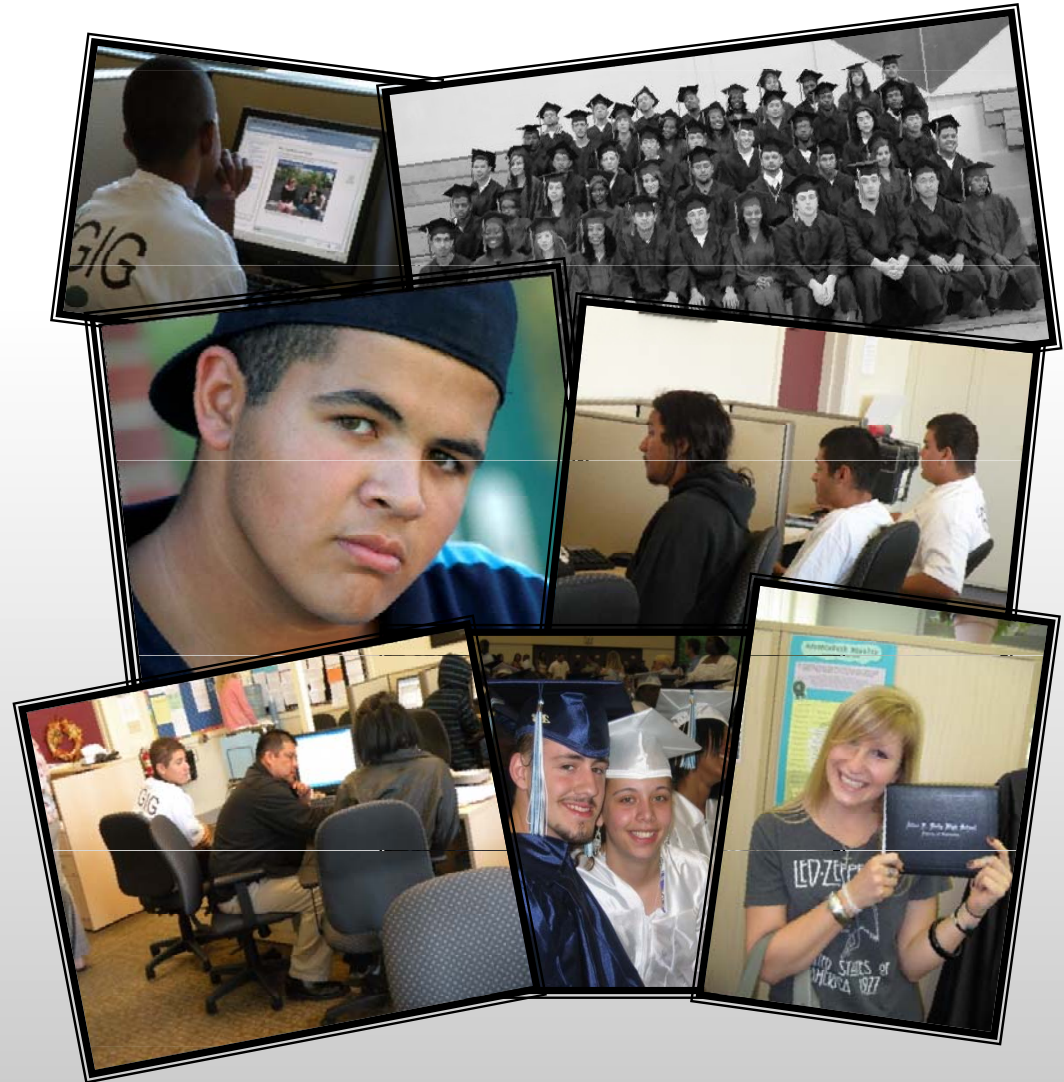
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**CDE / ScholarCentric
Dropout Prevention &
Student Engagement
Summit**

February 18, 2011

John Murray - CEO

John Super - President



Each year, the high school drop out rate is greater than twice the American casualties of World War II.



It is not too late!



AdvancePath

ACADEMICS

"To enrich lives and improve society through education – one student at a time"

AdvancePath Model – Based On Broad Research



❑ 30 Years Of Research Has Determined That At-Risk & Dropout Students Need

- A Safe & Secure Environment (somewhere students, and teachers, want to be)
- Caring Adults (inside and outside of the learning environment)
- To Take Ownership (stop blaming the adults around them)
- A Flexible Schedule (allowing additional choices, not limiting them)
- A Culture Of Trust & Mutual Respect (neither a Love Fest, nor a Boot Camp)

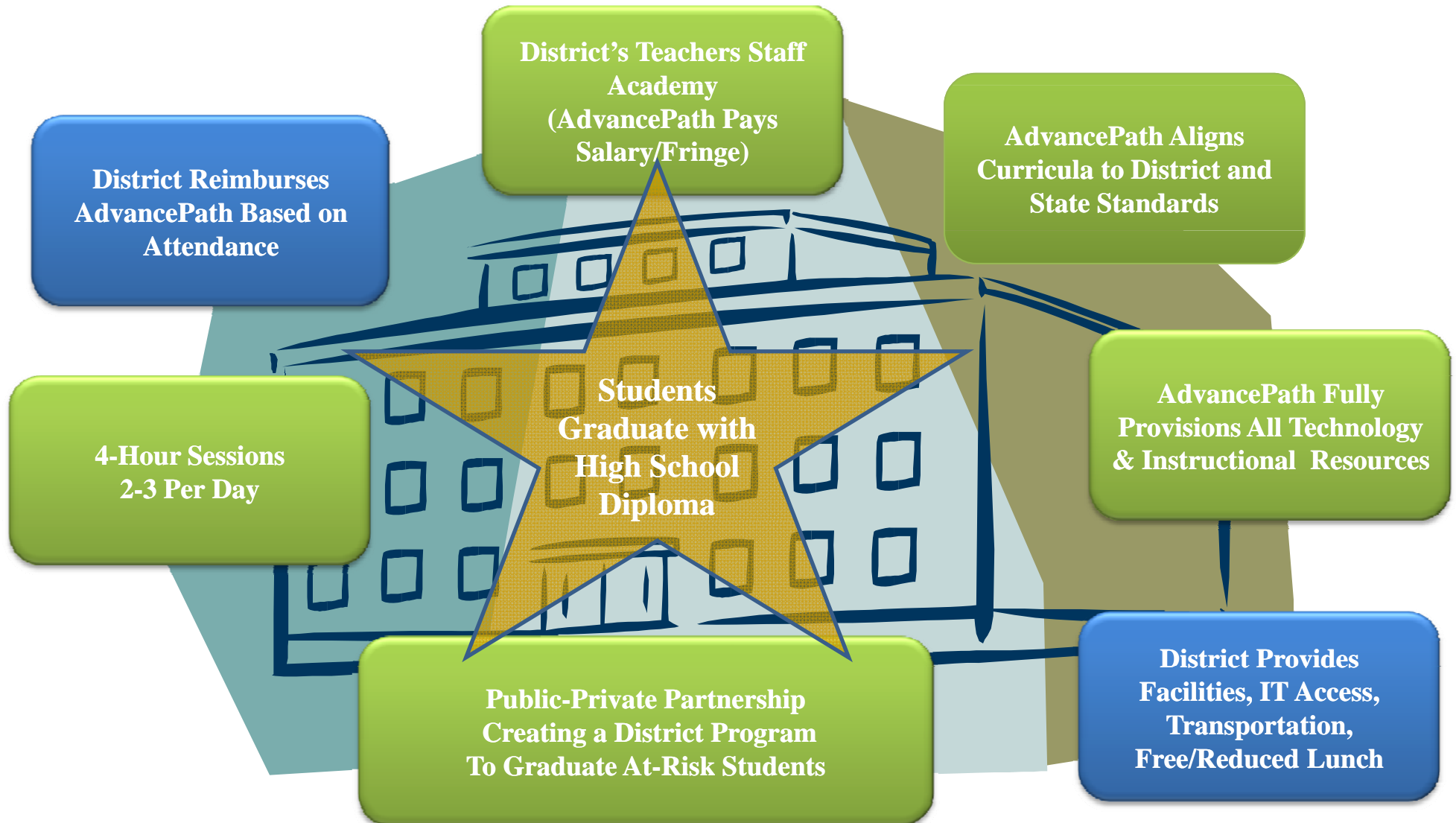
❑ AdvancePath Has Systemically Implemented That Research And

- Developed a Strong Culture of Team Teaching & Team Learning
 - ✓ Supported by in-depth initial training and ongoing professional development
- Uses Highly Rigorous Curricula & Sets Lofty Student Goals
- Provides Ongoing Interventions For Students & Teachers Alike

➤ The Results Speak For Themselves

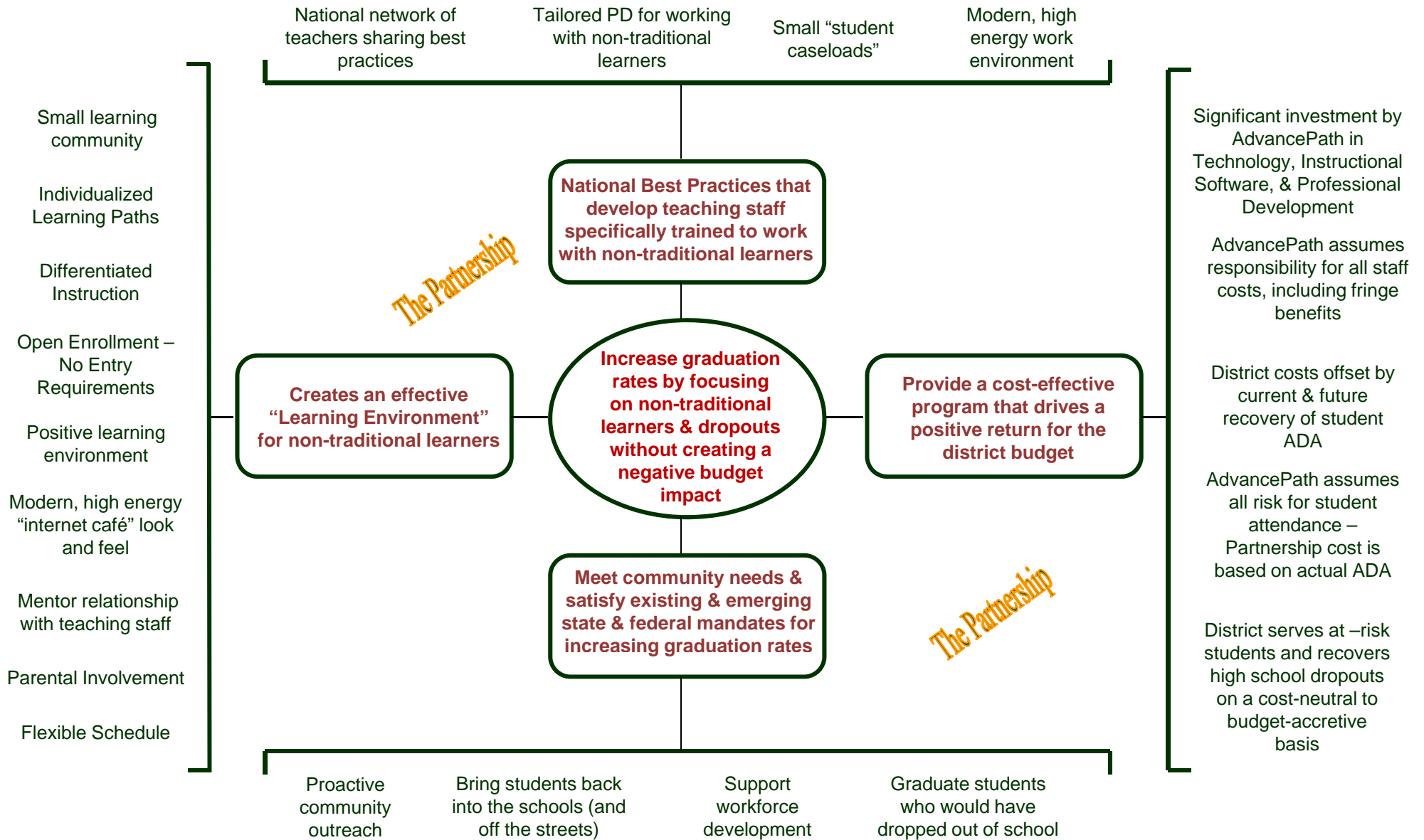
- Success For 9 Out Of 10 Eligible Students
- Creating A Level Playing Field Across Ethnicity's

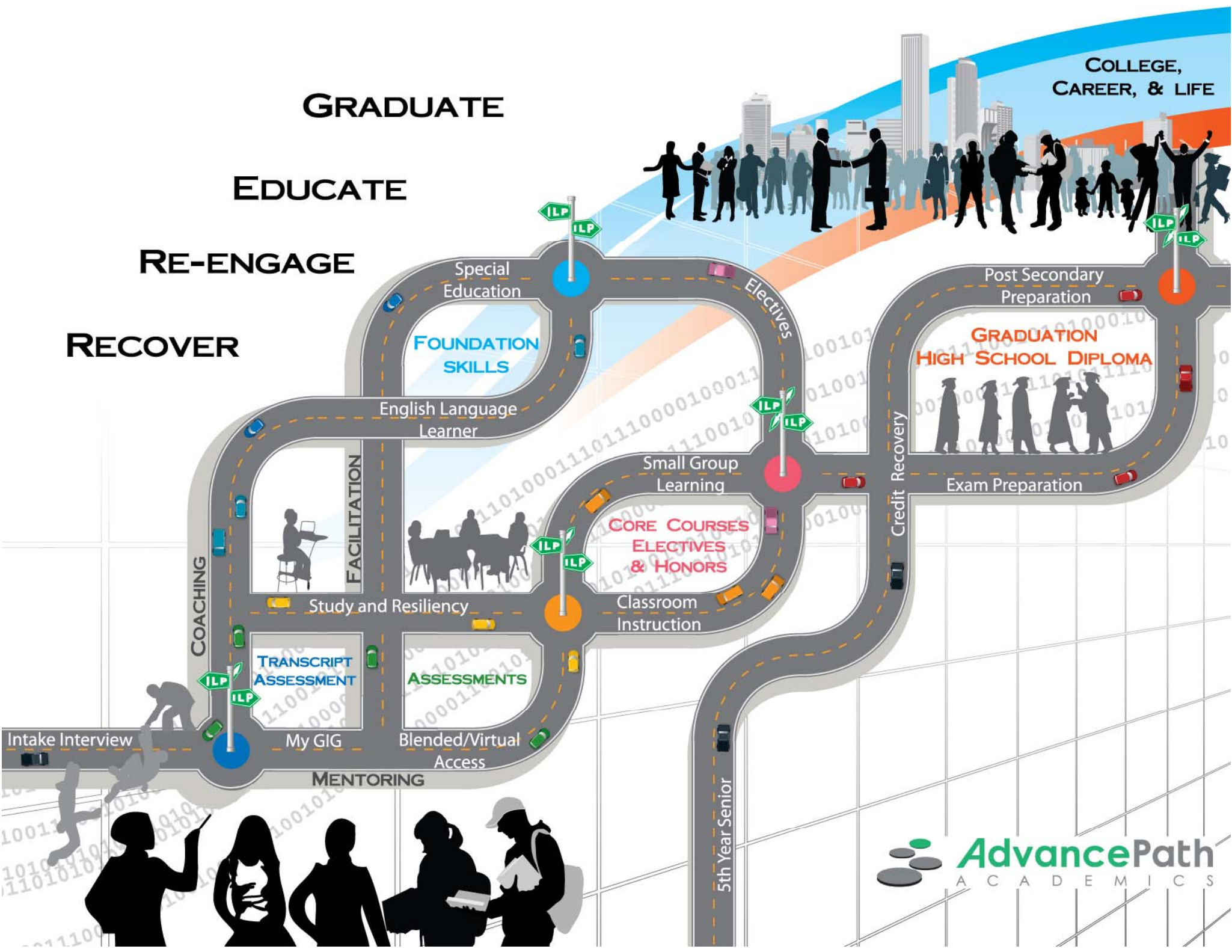
AdvancePath Partnership Model



Technology rich, safe and secure, in-school Academies that provide multiple pathways to graduation

Benefits Of The AdvancePath District Partnership





GRADUATE

EDUCATE

RE-ENGAGE

RECOVER

**COLLEGE,
CAREER, & LIFE**

Special Education

FOUNDATION SKILLS

English Language Learner

FACILITATION

Study and Resiliency

TRANSCRIPT ASSESSMENT

ASSESSMENTS

My GIG

Blended/Virtual Access

MENTORING

Electives

Small Group Learning

**CORE COURSES
ELECTIVES & HONORS**

Classroom Instruction

**GRADUATION
HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA**



Exam Preparation

Post Secondary Preparation

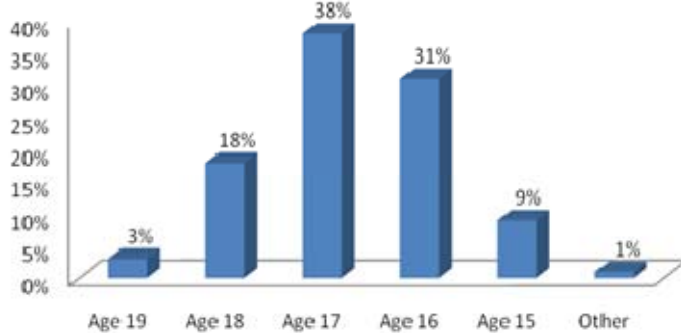
Credit Recovery

5th Year Senior

Student Profile and Progress Data



Age Breakdown for all AdvancePath Academies
2009-2010



Student Academic Deficiency At Enrollment

	Number of Students	School Year Deficit
Age 19	74	1.25
Age 18	373	1.95
Age 17	798	1.95
Age 16	658	0.74
Age 15	197	0.31

Gain in Credit Attainment by Age

	Number of Students	Pre-Enrollment Index	Post Enrollment Index	Percentage Gain
Age 19	74	0.25	0.50	100%
Age 18	373	0.27	1.32	389%
Age 17	798	0.28	1.33	375%
Age 16	658	0.30	1.29	330%
Age 15	197	0.33	0.97	194%

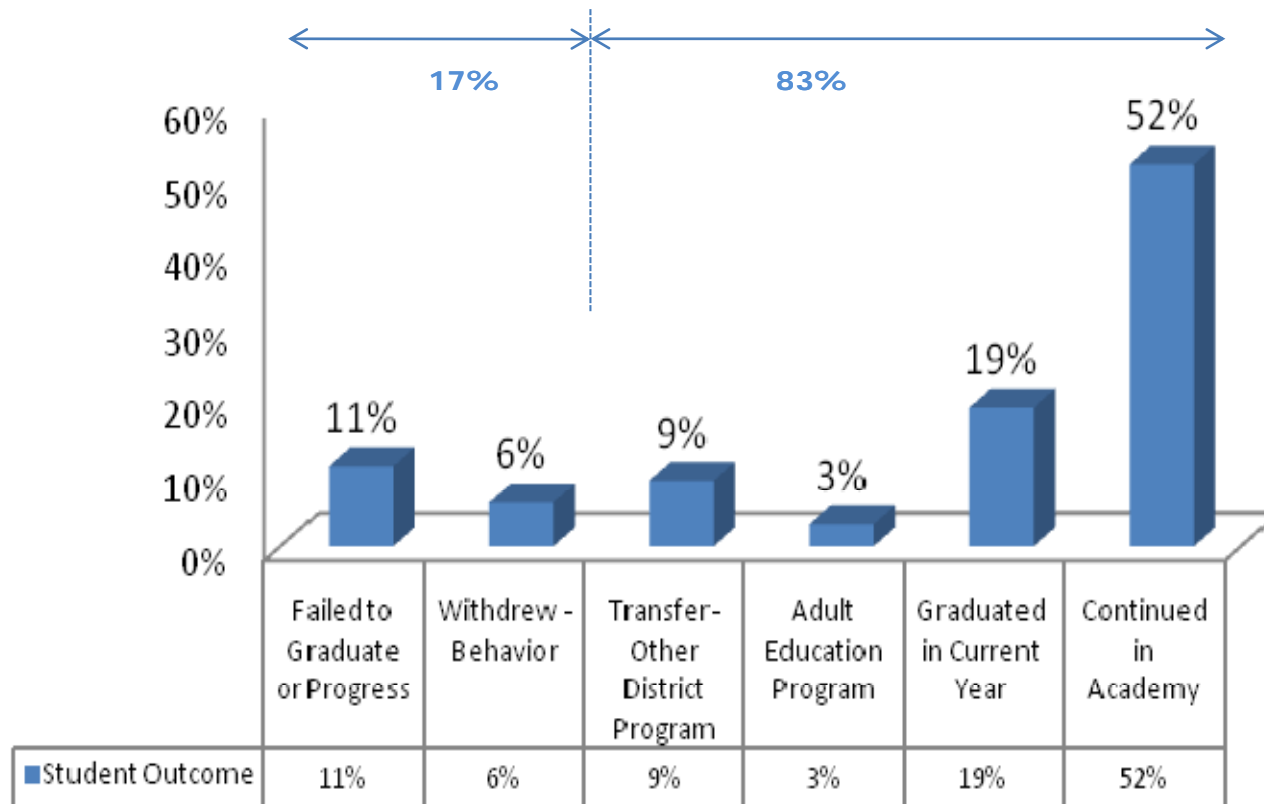
Gain in Credit Attainment by Ethnicity

	Number of Students	Pre-Enrollment Index	Post Enrollment Index	Percentage Gain
African American	432	0.24	1.23	413%
Caucasian	375	0.30	1.37	357%
Hispanic/Latino	1,131	0.29	1.30	348%

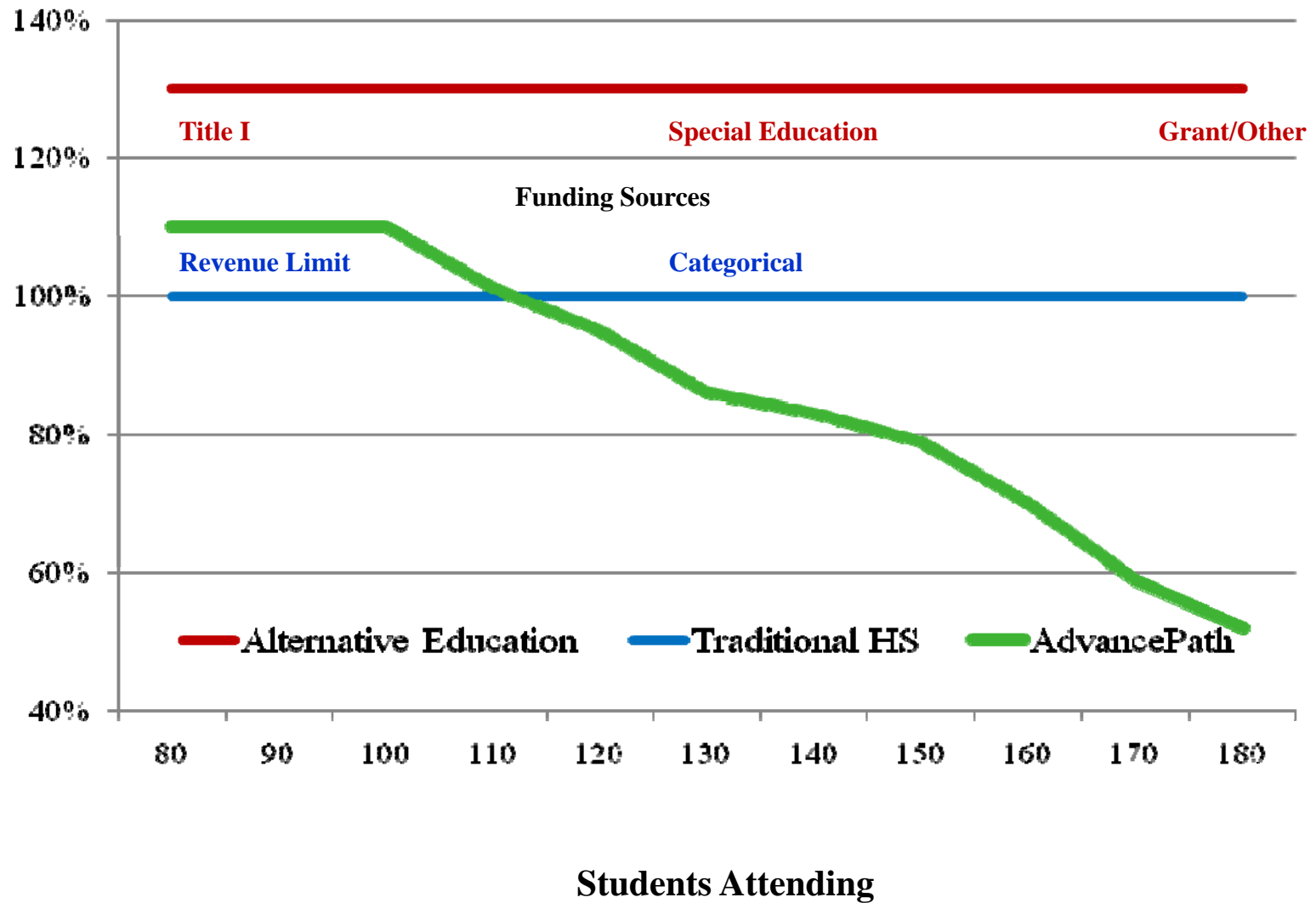
Student Profile and Progress Data



4 out of 5 Students Achieved Success in an AdvancePath Academy in 2009-2010



Cost Per Student



What Our Students Say



“I was just done with it ... didn’t like it ... didn’t want to go”



“I see it as a second chance to redeem yourself and show other people that you can graduate ... with your class”



“Everything is in one spot ... easy to keep organized ... easy to get it done because you can focus and do it at your own pace”



“I just get home and get on my computer and carry on from where I left off”



“I believe if I was in a different high school I wouldn’t have been able to finish”



“AdvancePath has opened my eyes to a new world ... a new way of learning ... a new way of going about trying to succeed”

Official's Response



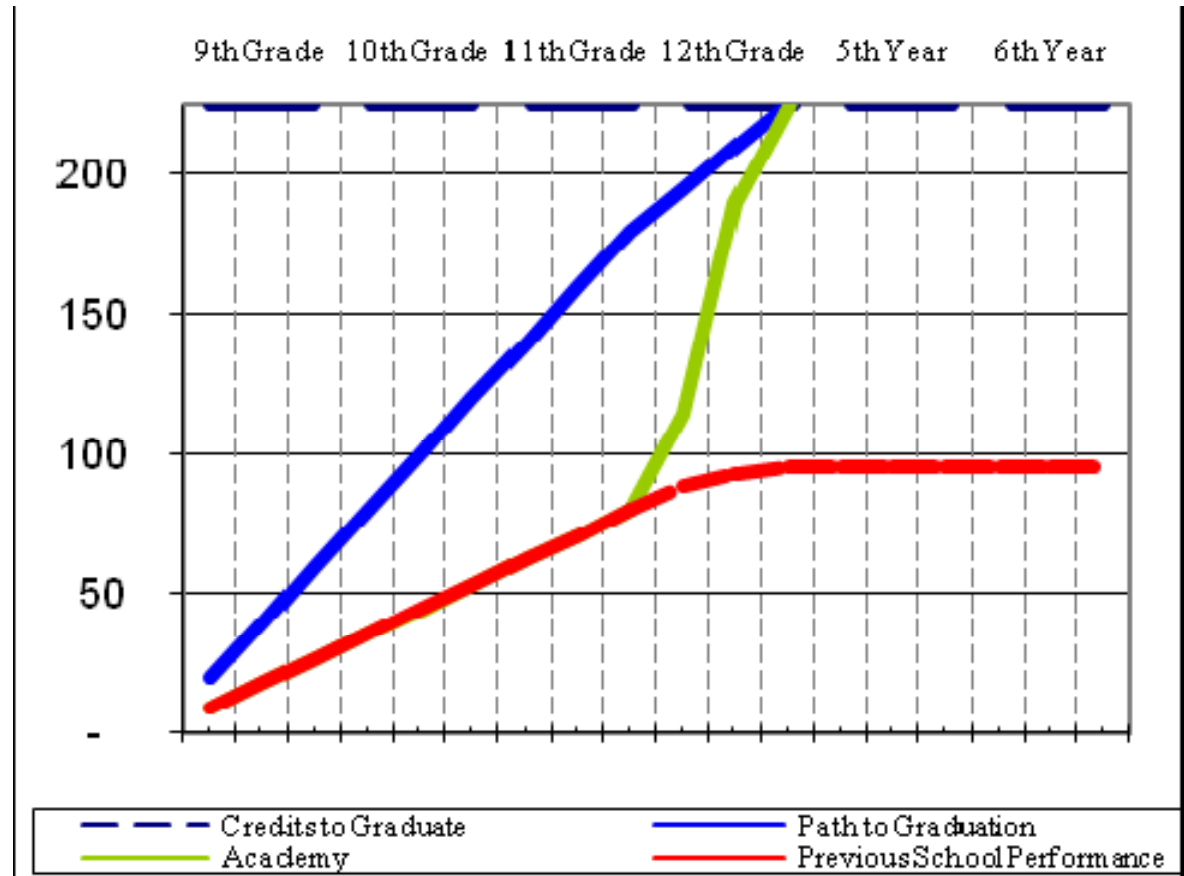
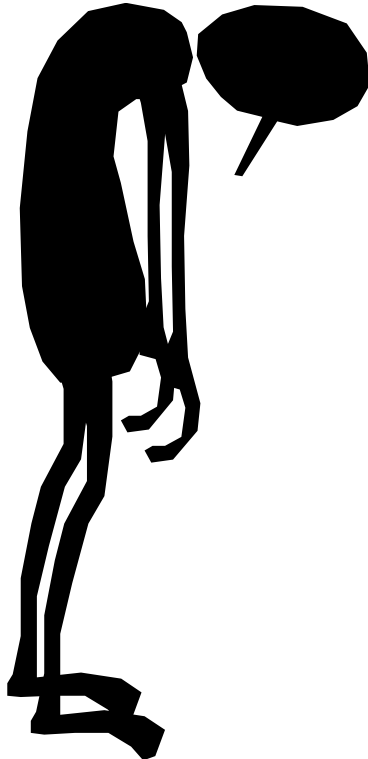
- ❑ **“That’s our job – it’s to educate EVERY child We partnered with AdvancePath because it’s OUR Curriculum, OUR Rigor and OUR Teachers”**



- ❑ **“Why don’t we have this kind of operation throughout the United States I’m hoping we can transfer this environment into classrooms across the country.... We’re going to see the same kind of student behavior and student outcomes.”**

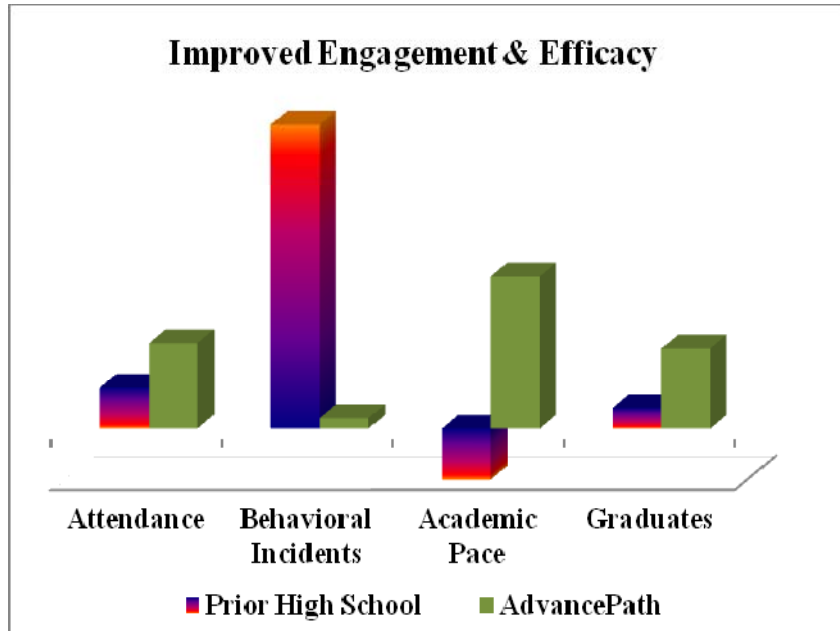


Education Budgets Are Under Siege! But, ALL Children Still NEED To Be Served

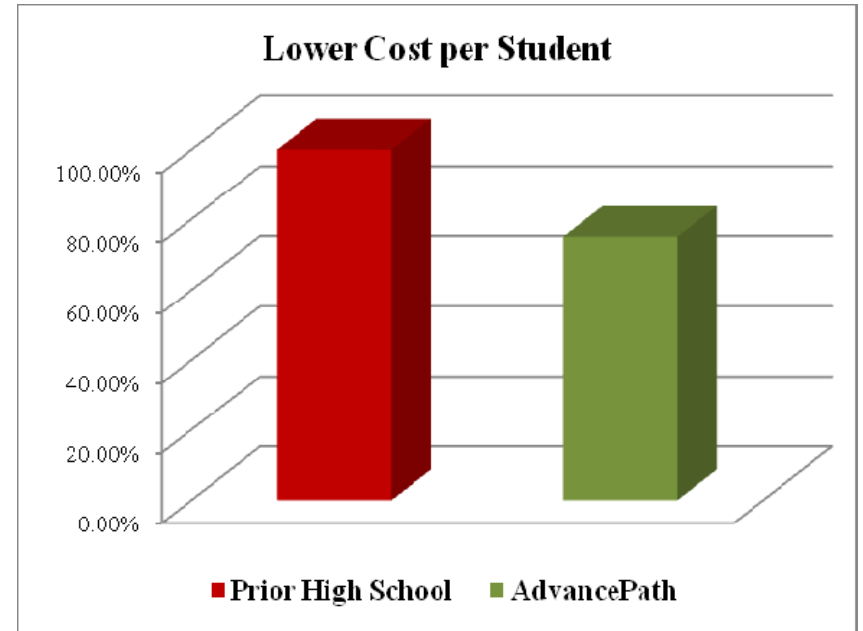


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AdvancePath - District Value Proposition



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Improved Graduation Rate

Lower Dropout Rate

More Dollars To Spend On Traditional Programs

A More Educated Workforce

A Safer Community

Although Education Budgets Are Under Attack



There Is A Greater Expectation Of Academic Outcomes

**How Can We Pull In The Same Direction?
To Improve Academic Outcomes
And Live Within Your Current Expenditures**

Each year, the high school drop out rate is greater than twice the American casualties of World War II.



It is not too late!



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CDE / ScholarCentric Dropout Prevention & Student Engagement Summit

February 18, 2011

John Murray - CEO

John Super - President





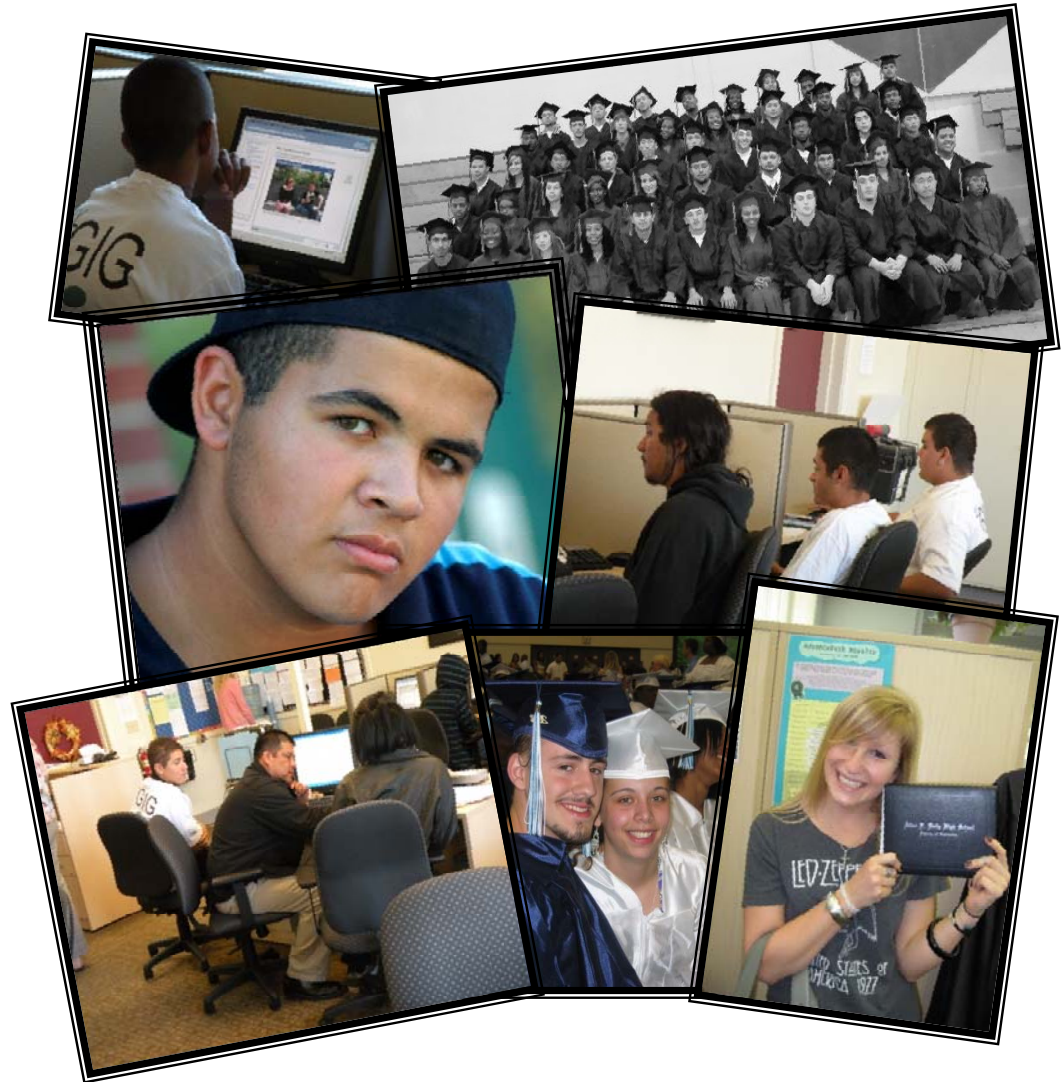
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A Different View:

High School Dropouts
and
Non-Graduates

A Look Across the High
School Population



■ Has Dropped Out

DISTRICT FALL ENROLLMENT

A = 35K Plus

B = 25-35K

C = 15-25K

D = 10-15K

D2

D1

C2

C1

B3

B2

B1

A3

A2

A1

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1,000

2,000

3,000

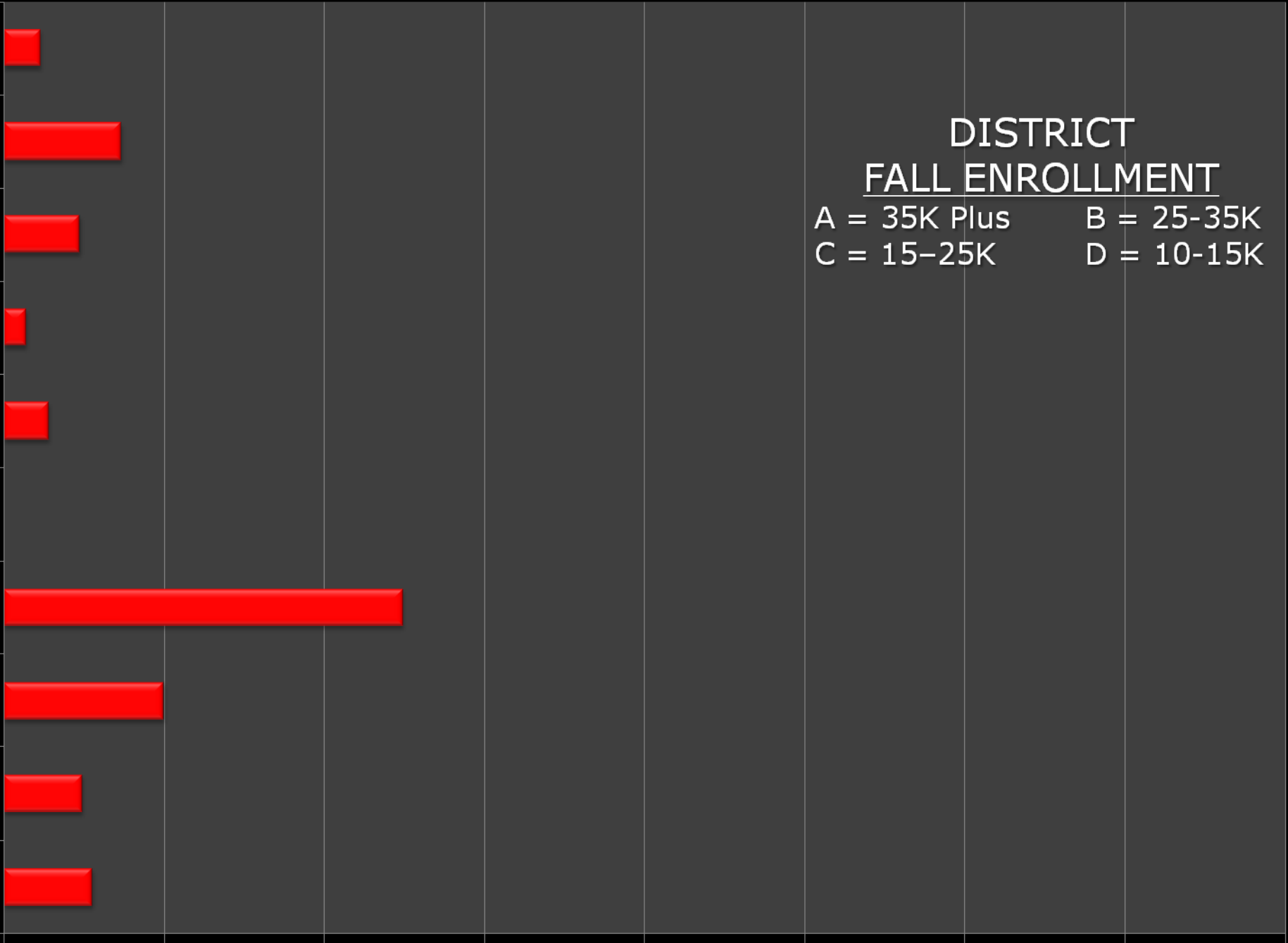
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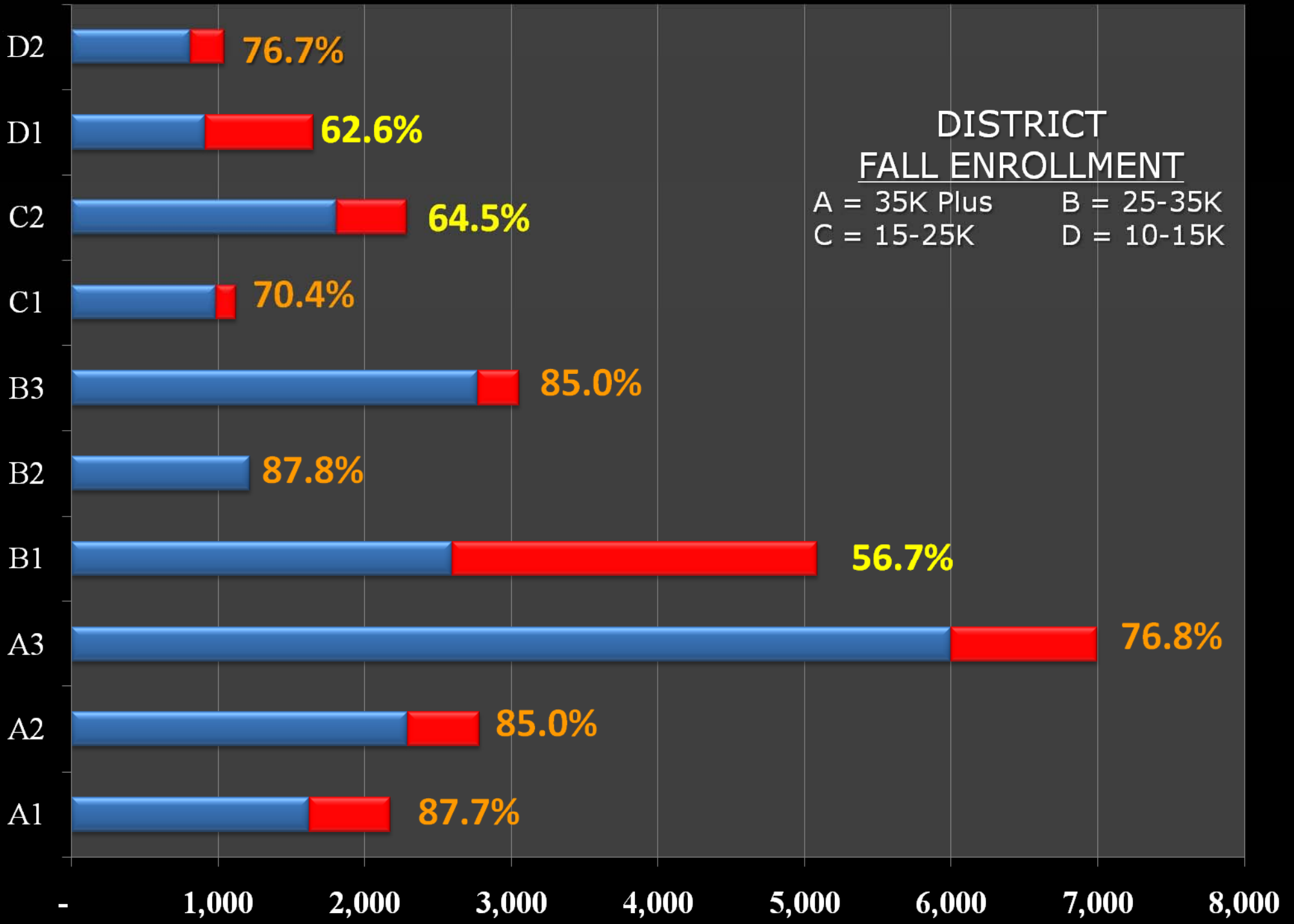
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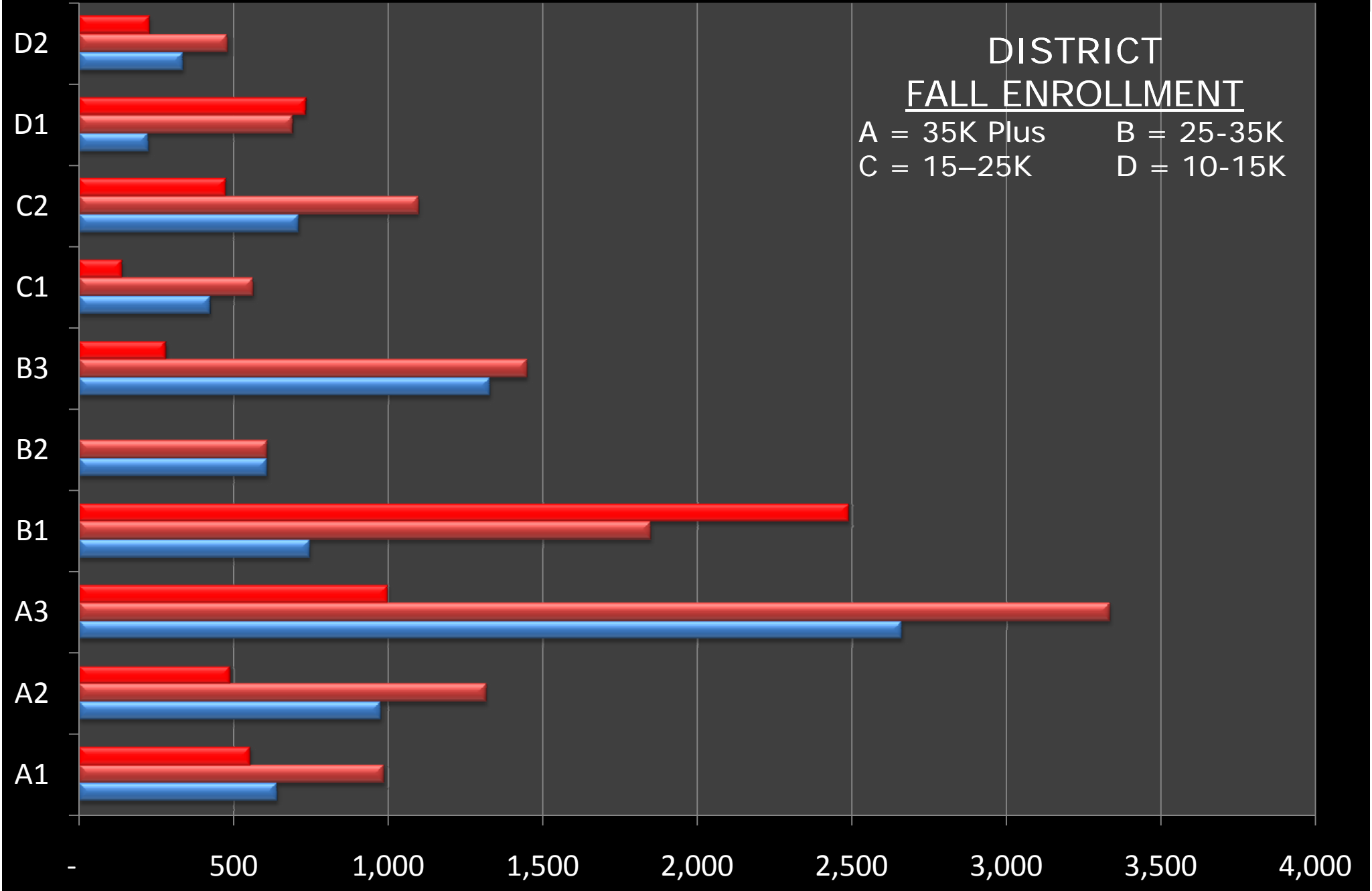
■ Will Dropout/Not Graduate ■ Has Dropped Out



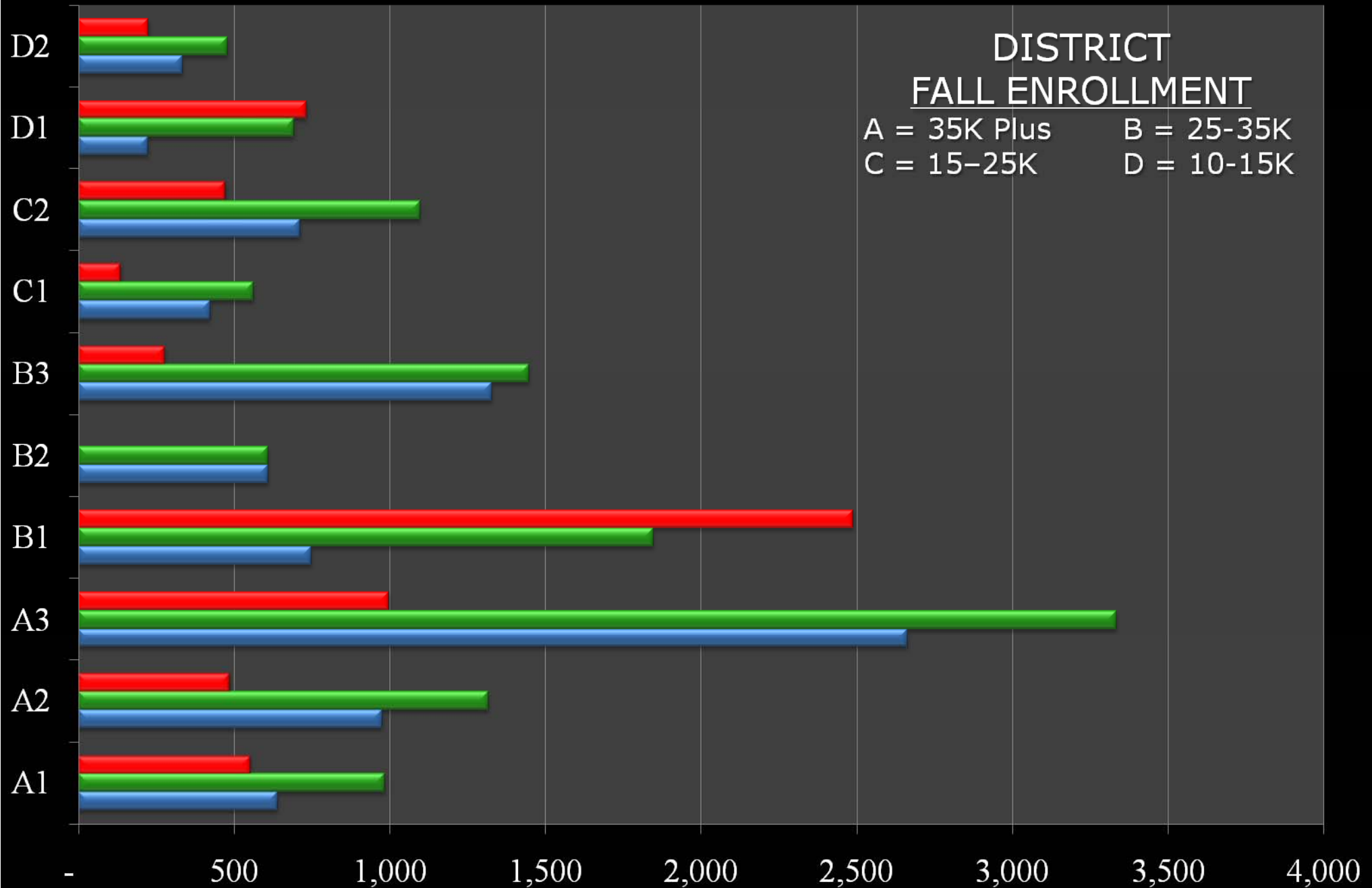
- Has Dropped Out
- 9th/10th Graders Who Will Not Graduate
- Number of Junior/Senior Who Will Not Graduate

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In Colorado, Among Districts With Enrollments Greater than 10,000 Students....



On The First Day of High School Each Year:

- ❑ *39,500* Enrolled Students Will Not Graduate
 - *15,500* Juniors and Seniors
 - *24,000* Freshmen and Sophomores

- ❑ *14,500* High School Dropouts Already Out of School

50,000 HS Students Who Will Not Graduate



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