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Part A: Preliminary Data Report and Current Charter Contract Terms

South Valley Preparatory School

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Charts with additional data are marked with  .

School Address: 2551 Karsten Ct SE, Albuquerque, NM 87102

Head Administrator: Charlotte Alderete-Trujillo

Authorized Grade Levels: 6-8

Mission: The mission of South Valley Preparatory School is to provide a small, safe and unique family learning community where students are prepared for high school and beyond.

SECTION 1. ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

State and federal statute mandates accountability for all public schools. In 2011, New Mexico lawmakers enacted requirements that schools demonstrate progress through a grading system similar to that applied to students, A-B-C-D-F. The statute required the governing body of a charter school rated D or F to prioritize its resources toward proven programs and methods linked to improved student achievement until the public school earns a grade of C or better for two consecutive years.

In 2011, New Mexico lawmakers also enacted requirements that each charter school authorizer develop a performance framework to set forth academic performance expectations. The statute requires each charter authorizer to collect, analyze and report all data from state assessment tests in accordance with the performance framework (§22-8B-9.1 NMSA 1978).

Each school in New Mexico has been included in one of two School Grading systems, either for elementary/middle schools or high schools. Although total possible points for either scheme add up to 100 in which points earned determine a school's letter grade, the two grading systems have different point allocations and components. *Charter schools are held to the same standards and calculations as regular public schools.* In addition, schools could earn up to five additional or *bonus* points for reducing truancy, promoting extracurricular activities, engaging families, and using technology. The School Grading Report Card also provided school leaders with information comparing their school to schools with similar student demographic characteristics.

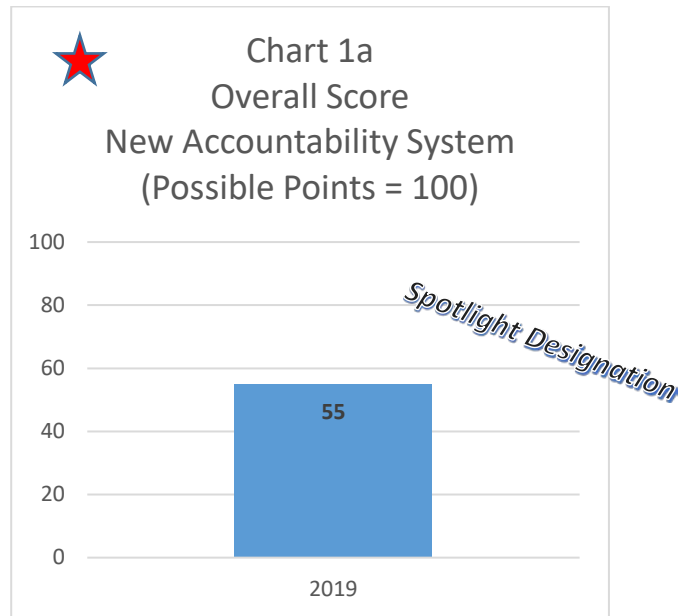
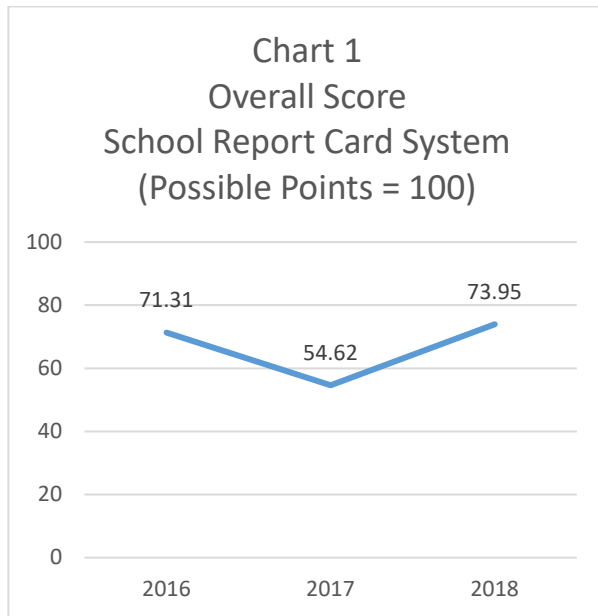
In 2019, New Mexico Public Education Department repealed the A-F School Grading legislation and replaced it with the New Mexico System of School Support and Accountability.

The following pages provide a snapshot of the school's academic performance, including analysis towards meeting the Department's Standards of Excellence for school years 2015-2016, 2016-2017, and 2017-2018 (under the A-F Grading System). Please note that the data was pulled directly from School Report Cards.

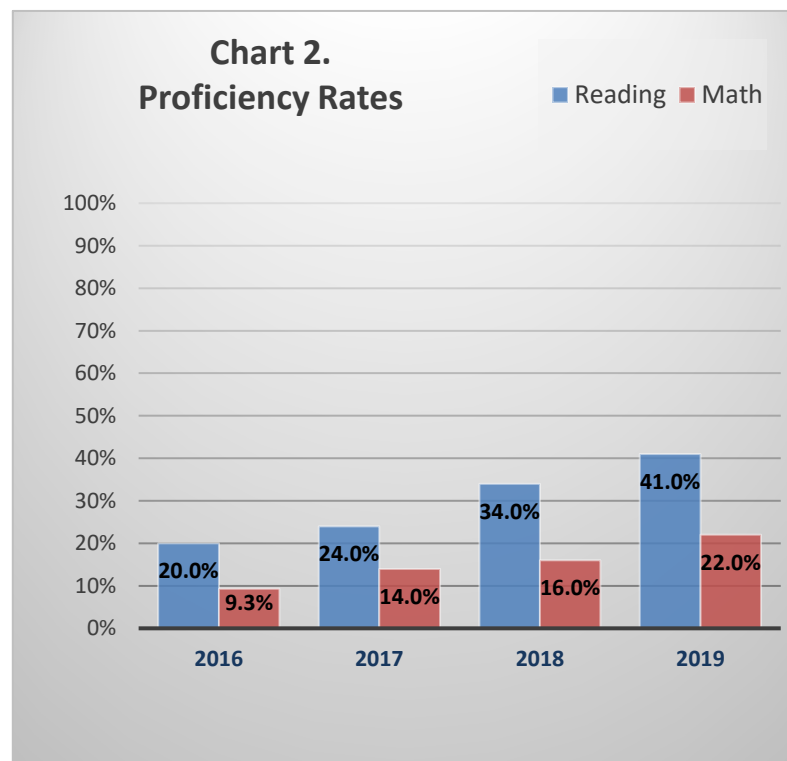
For 2019, since the NM System of School Support and Accountability Reports are not yet released, the data provided consists of all publicly available proficiency percentages.

1a. Department's Standards of Excellence

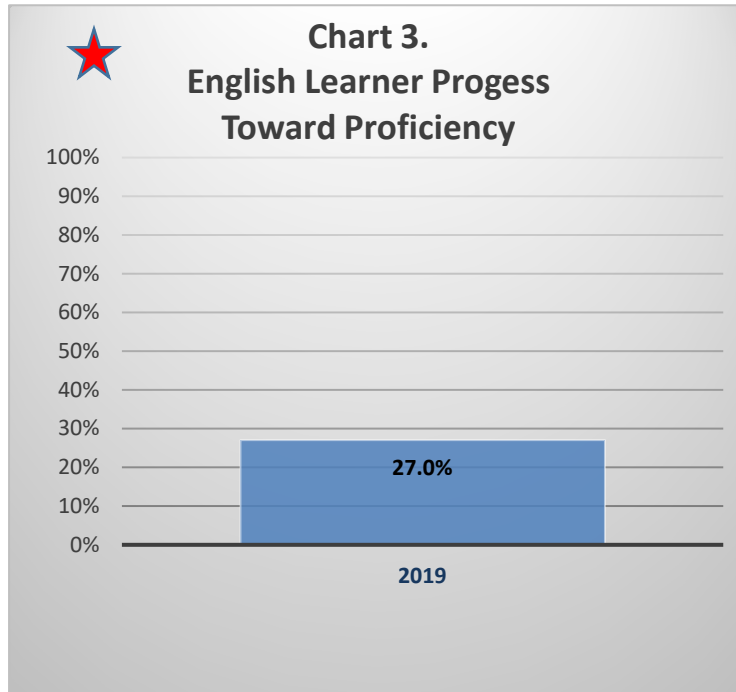
Overall Standing: Charts 1 and 1a illustrate the school's overall score (out of 100 possible points) in each of the last 4 years (FY2016-FY2019).



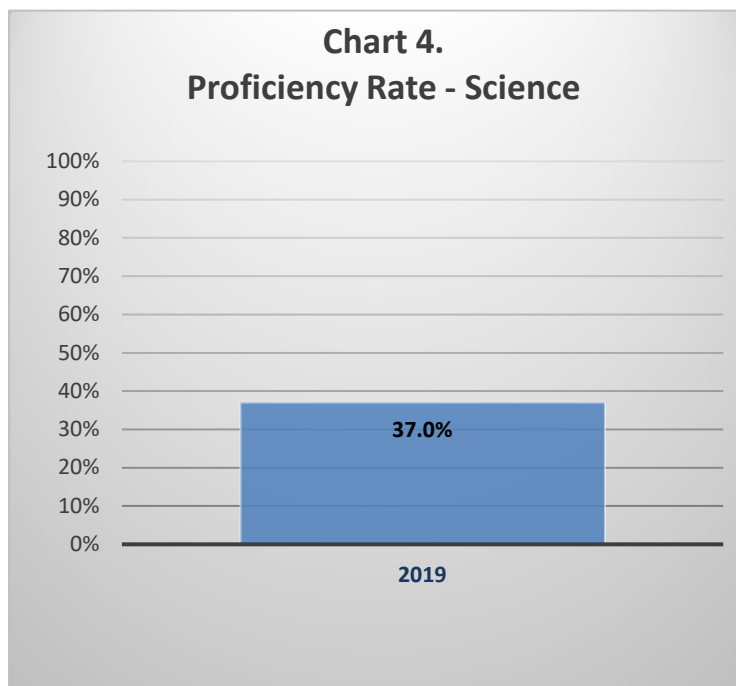
Proficiency Rates: Chart 2 shows the school's proficiency rates in **reading and math** during the four (4) year period.



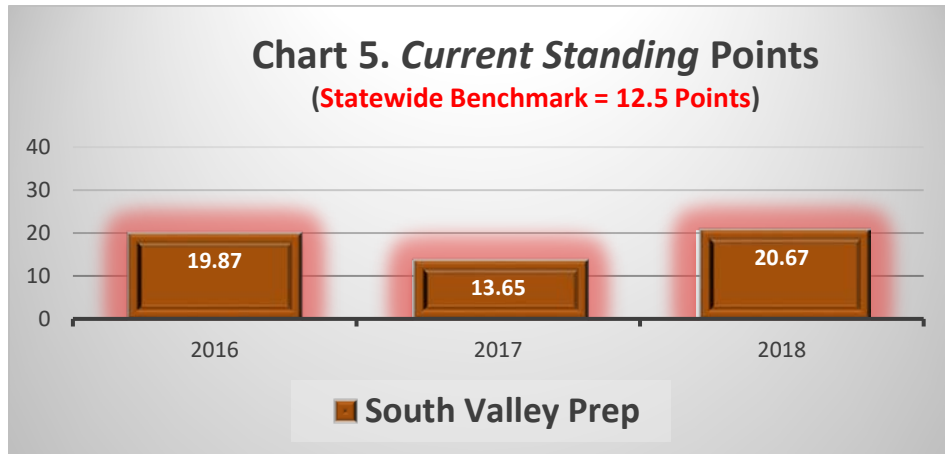
English Learner Progress toward English Language Proficiency: This indicator was added in 2019 and is measured by the WIDA ACCESS assessment given annually to students identified as English Learners. It is the percentage of English Language Learners who are “on track” to achieve English Proficiency in their fifth year after being identified as an EL.



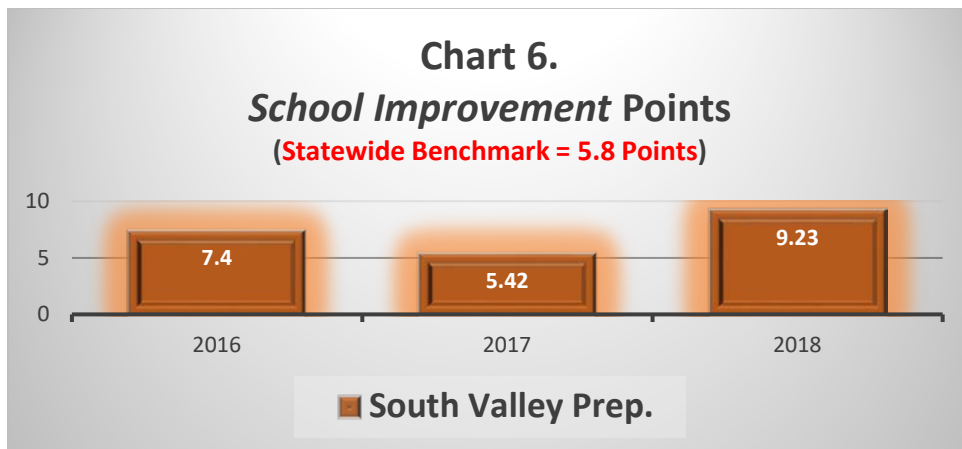
Science Proficiency: This indicator was added in 2019 and Chart 4 indicates the percentage of students who scored at the proficient level on state assessments in science.



Current Standing: Current standing measures both grade level proficiency and student performance, in comparison to expected performance, based on statewide peer performance. The statewide benchmark (established in 2012) was 12.5 points. The school's results for three years are provided in Chart 5. **This measure is not available for 2018-2019.**

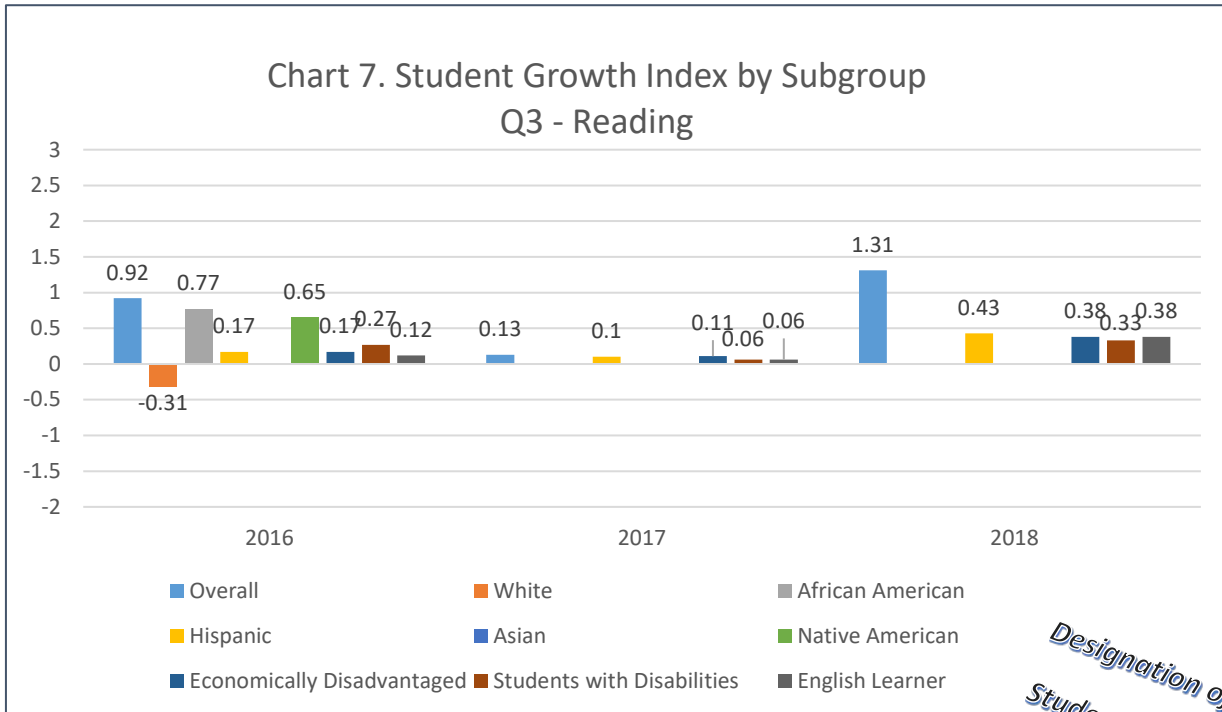


School Improvement: The school growth/improvement performance on the School Report compares overall student performance from year to year. Growth can be positive or negative. When it is positive, school performance is better than expected when compared to others schools with the same size, mobility, and prior student performance. Chart 6 shows the school's performance for three years. **This measure is not available for 2018-2019.**



Subgroup – Higher-Performing Students in Reading

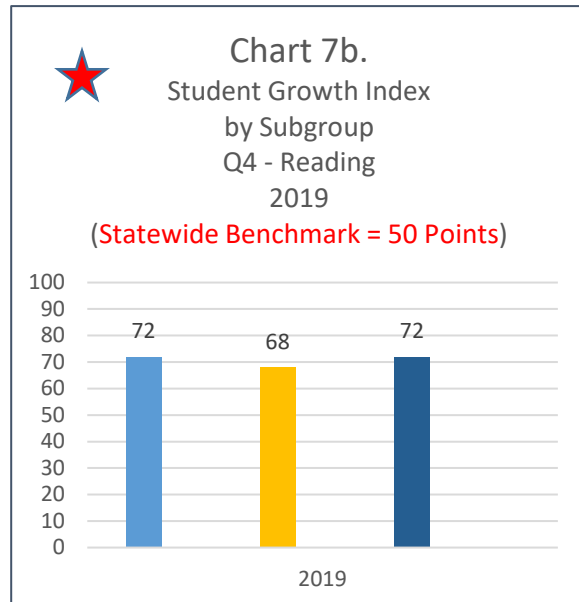
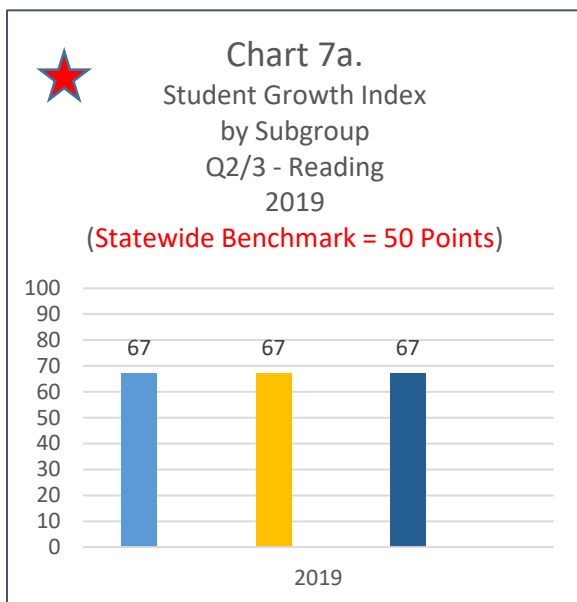
SY2016 - SY2018 Q3 Higher-Performing Students (top 75%). This indicator evaluates changes in comparative performance for the school’s higher-performing students (top 75%) for 2015-2016, 2016-2017, and 2017-2018. A growth index of zero (0) indicates expected growth; a positive number is greater than expected and a negative number is less than expected. **Please note that Q3 was changed to Q2/3 (middle) and Q4 (highest) in 2018-2019.**



Designation of Excellence in Student Growth in Reading

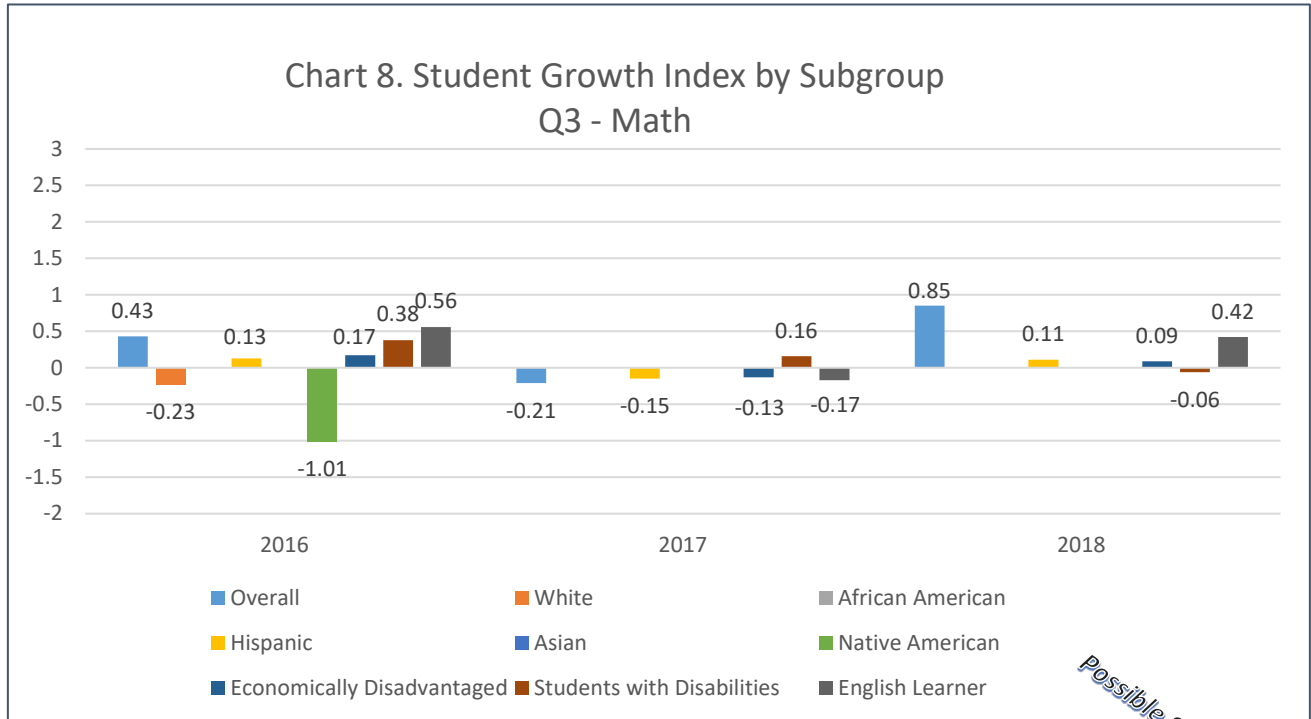
SY2019 Q2/3 Middle-Performing (middle 50%) and Q4 Highest-Performing (top 25%)

Charts 7a and 7b are reserved for the 2019 data for Q2/3 and Q4 in Reading.



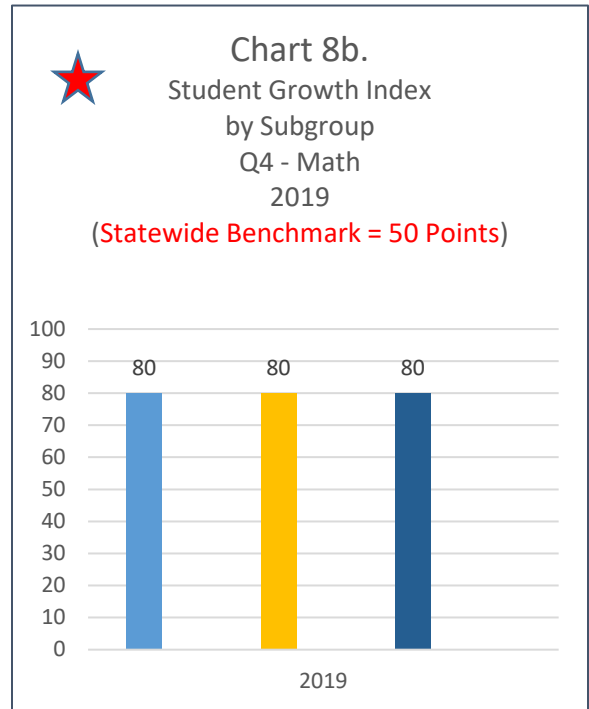
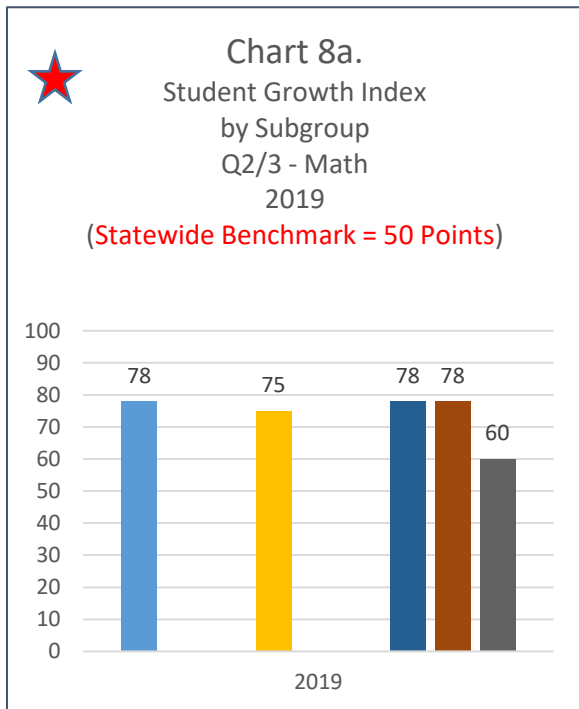
Subgroup – Higher-Performing Students in Math

SY2016 - SY2018 Q3 Higher-Performing Students (top 75%)



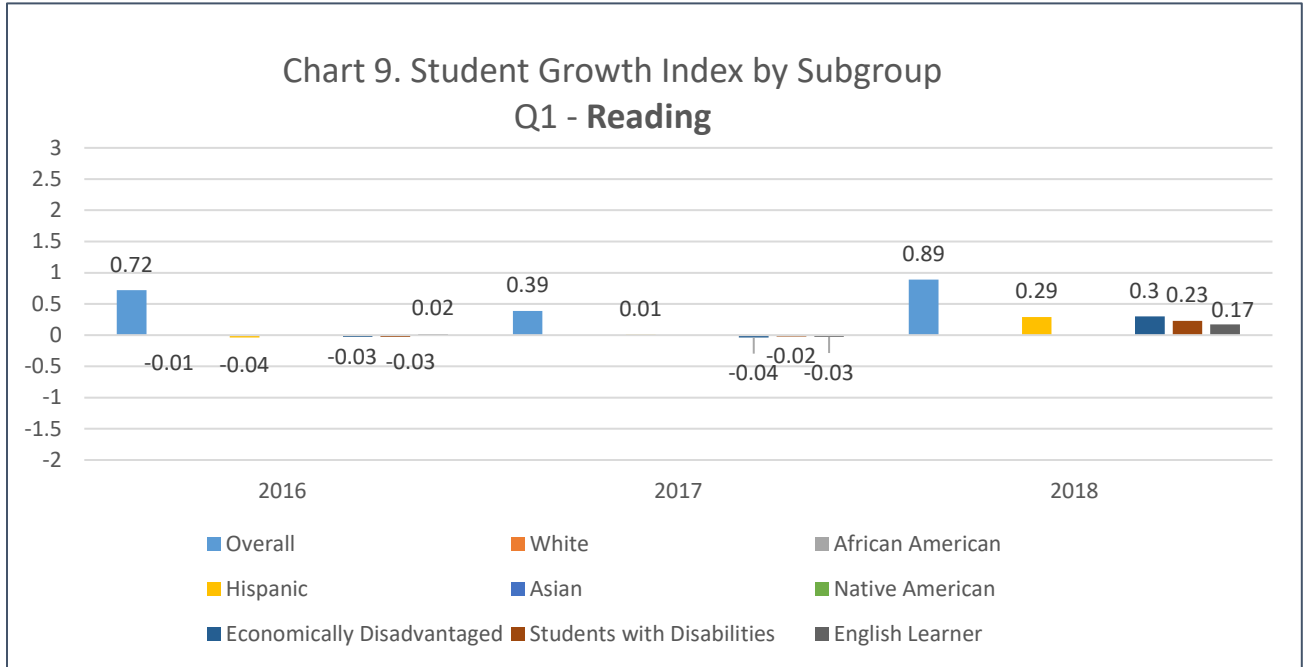
SY2019 Q2/3 Middle-Performing (middle 50%) and Q4 Highest-Performing (top 25%)

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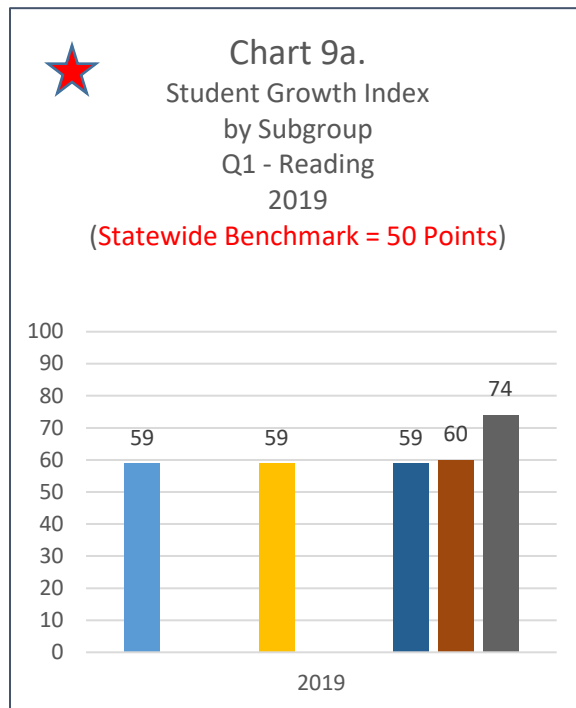


Subgroup – Lowest-Performing Students in Reading

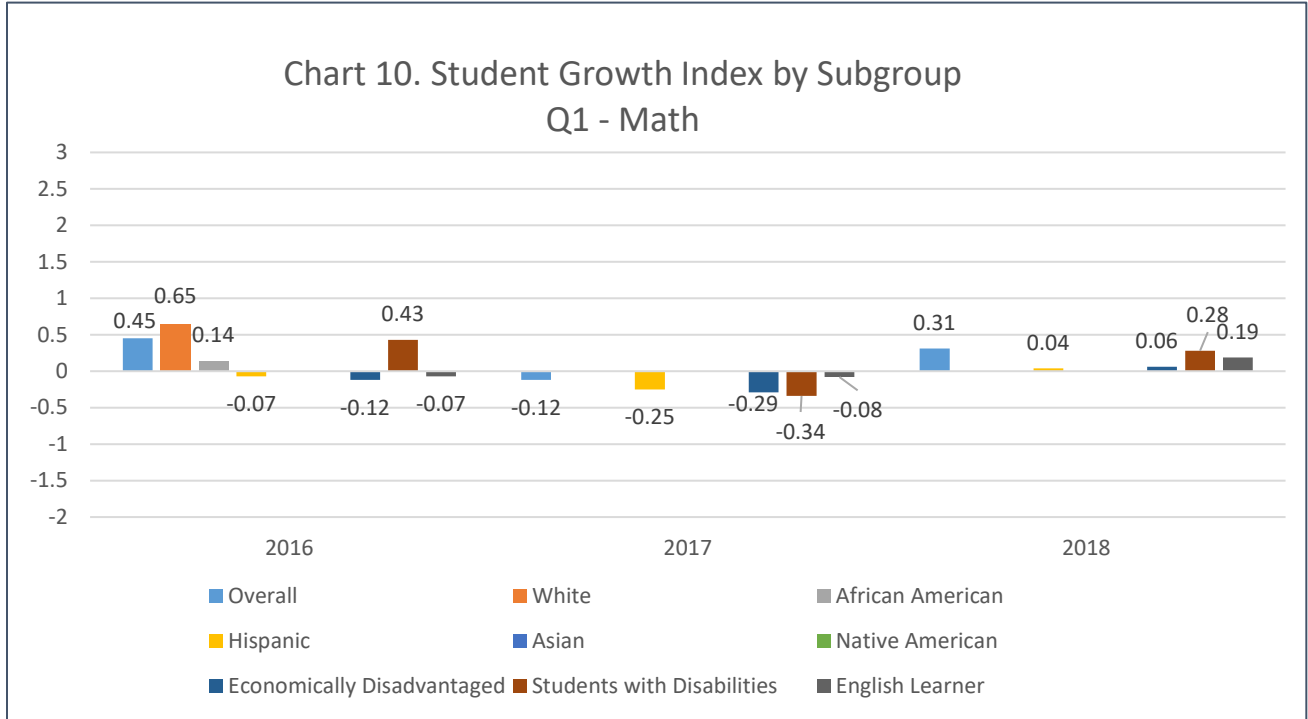
Q1 Lowest-Performing Students (Q1). In Q1 student growth, the indicator evaluates changes in comparative performance for the school’s lowest-performing students (lowest 25%).



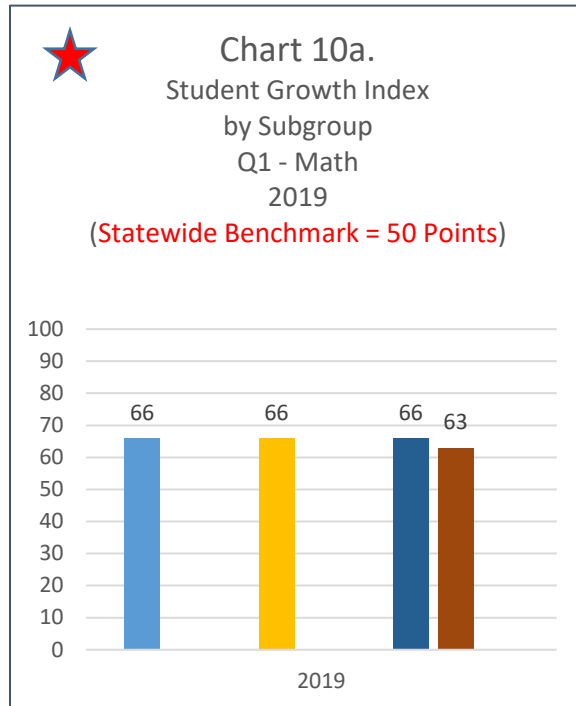
SY2019 Q1 Lowest-Performing Students in Reading



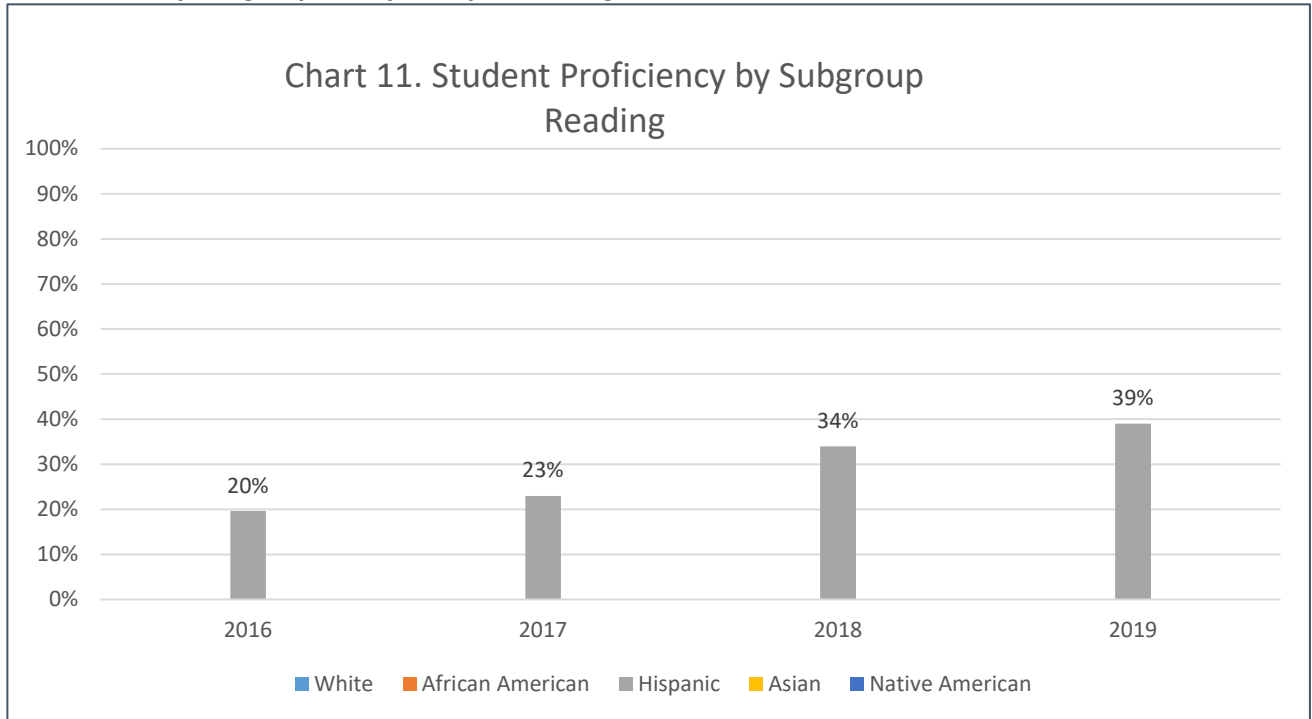
Subgroup – Lowest-Performing Students in Math



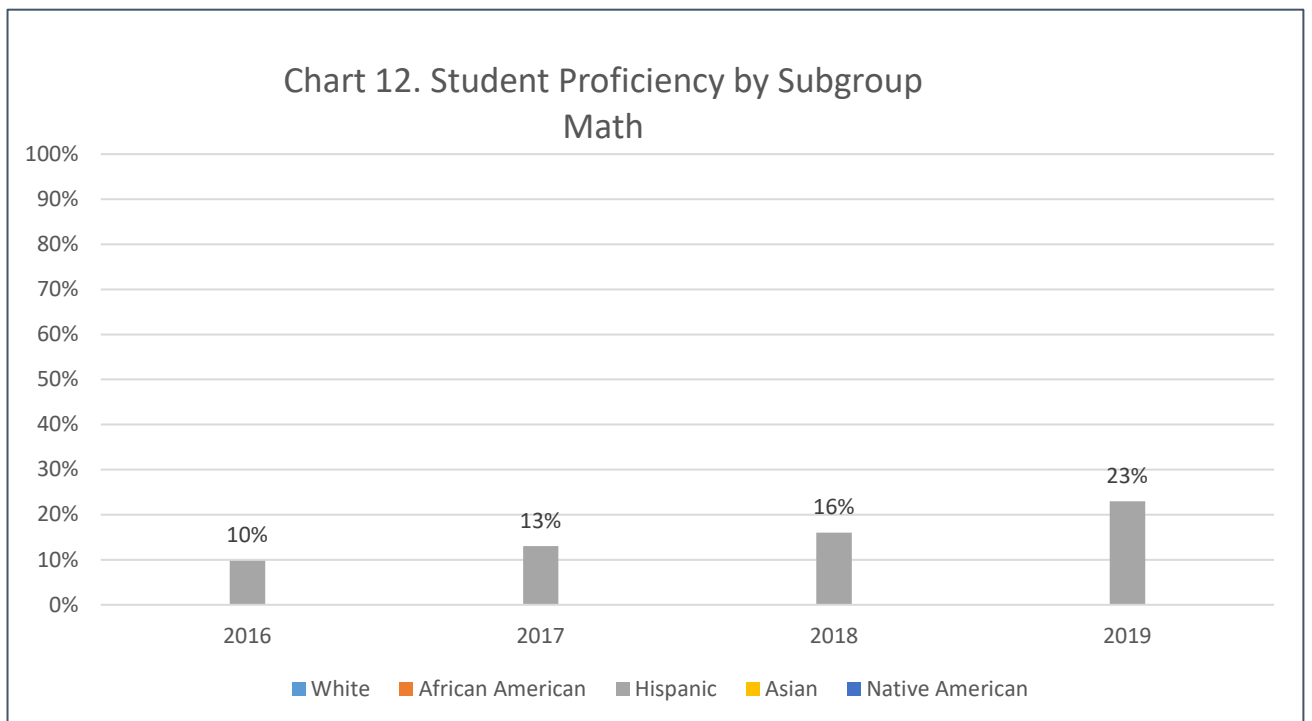
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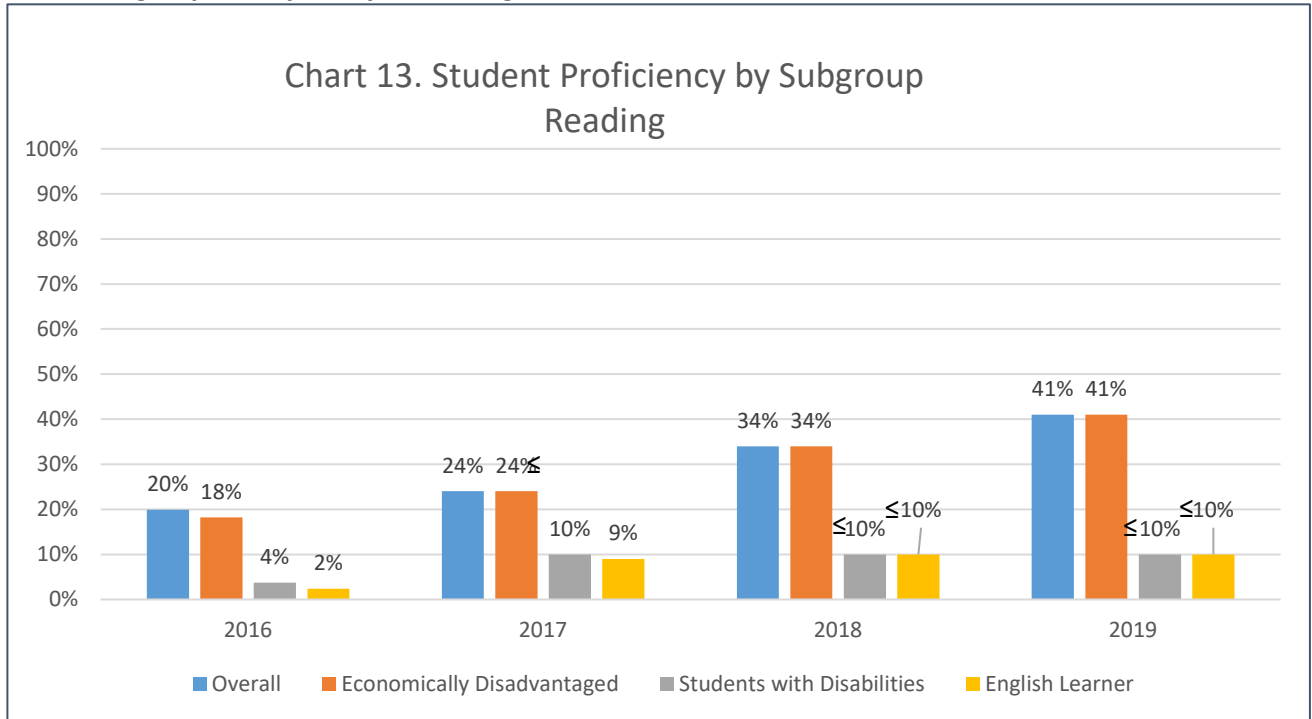
Race/Ethnicity Subgroups - Proficiency in Reading



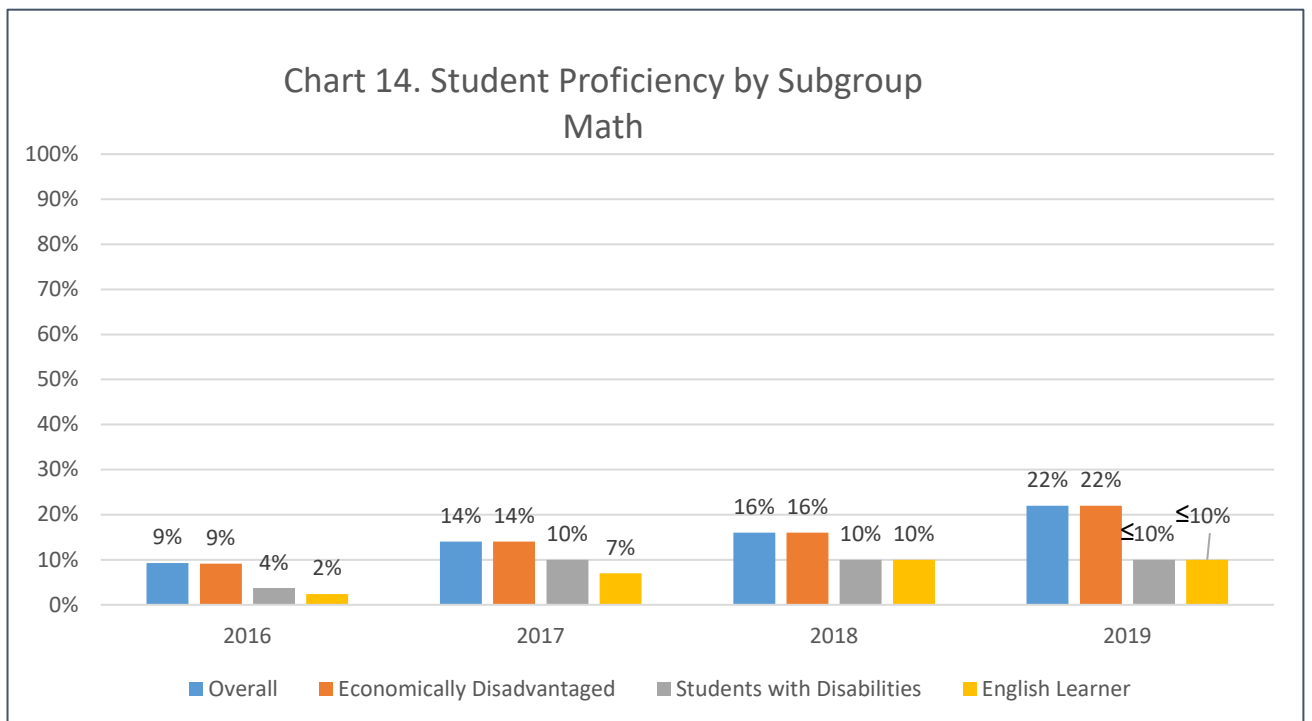
Race/Ethnicity Subgroups - Proficiency in Math



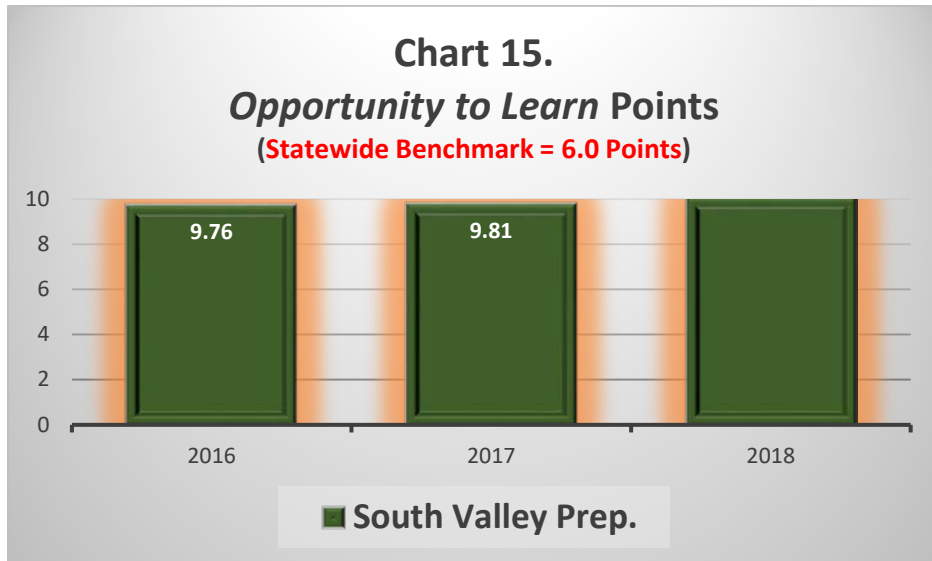
Other Subgroups - Proficiency in Reading



Other Subgroups - Proficiency in Math



Opportunity to Learn (OTL): Opportunity to learn represents the quality of learning environment schools provide. This indicator is based on attendance and classroom surveys administered to students (or parents in grades K-2). High schools can earn 8 total points (3 for attendance, 5 for the survey). The target for attendance is 95%. Only attendance was assessed in 2016 and scores were not assigned that year. The 2019 NM System of School Support and Accountability used the same Opportunity to Learn Survey. However, this indicator will be changed to the “Educational Climate Survey, Multicultural Initiatives, and Socio-Emotional Learning” in future years.



1b. Specific Charter Goals

This section contains a summary of the school’s progress towards meeting its Specific Charter Goals or Mission-Specific Indicators.

Charter Specific Goals

1. SHORT CYCLE ASSESSMENT READING Short Cycle Assessment data (NWEA) will be used to measure academic growth or proficiency in Reading of Full Academic Year (FAY) students who have attended South Valley Prep for at least one full school year. The school meets the target of this indicator if 55-61% of identified students made at least one full year’s growth in reading short-cycle assessment scores when comparing beginning year results to later results OR The student tests “meets standard” or “exceeds standard” on the winter or spring short-cycle assessment.

2. SHORT CYCLE ASSESSMENT MATH Short Cycle Assessment data (NWEA) will be used to measure academic growth or proficiency in Math of Full Academic Year (FAY) students who have attended South Valley Prep for at least one full school year. The school meets the target of this indicator if 50 - 55% of identified students made at least one full year’s growth in math short-cycle assessment proficiency scores when comparing beginning year results to later results OR The student tests “meets standard” or “exceeds standard” on the winter or spring short-cycle assessment.

3. Full academic Year South Valley Prep students will demonstrate at least 5% growth in the Qualities of Success Assessment (seven qualities: zest, grit, self-control related to school work, interpersonal self-control, optimism, gratitude, and social intelligence) from the first assessment in the fall through the last assessment in the spring until a total score of 88 or above is attained. The school meets the target of this indicator if 65-74% of South Valley Prep students demonstrate at least 5% growth in QS scores during the school year OR achieve a score of at least a QS score of 88 on one of the assessments during the year.

Figure 2. Progress towards Charter Specific Goals.¹

	Goal 1	Goal 2	Goal 3
2016	Exceeds	Exceeds	Exceeds
2017	Exceeds	Exceeds	Meets
2018	Exceeds	Exceeds	Exceeds
2019	Exceeds	Exceeds	Exceeds

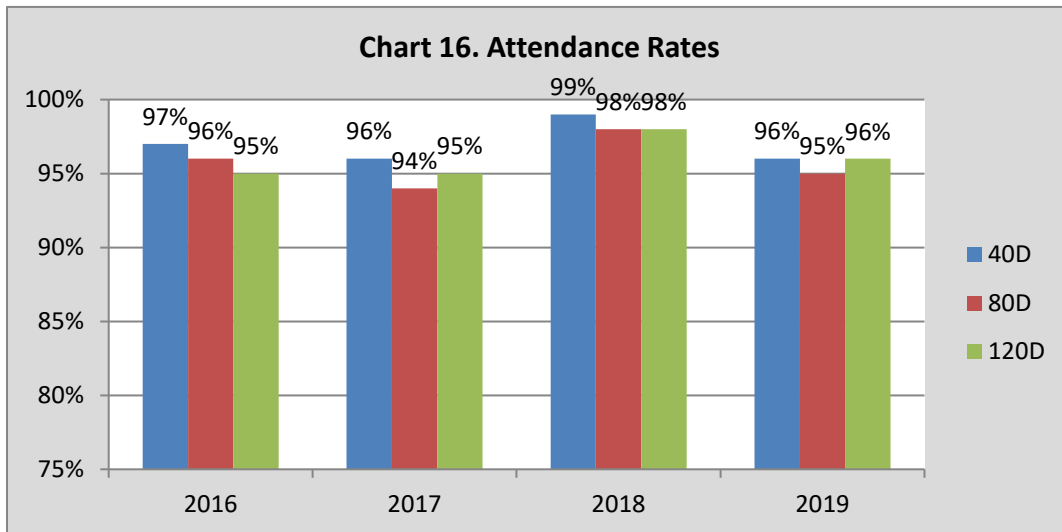
¹ Charter Specific Goals are referred to as “Mission-Specific Indicators” or “Performance Indicators” in the school’s contract and performance framework.

1c. Student Attendance and Enrollment

The following information provides a picture of the school's attendance and truancy, current student membership (enrollment), and enrollment trends over the term of the contract.

Attendance Rate (The statewide target is 95% or better.)

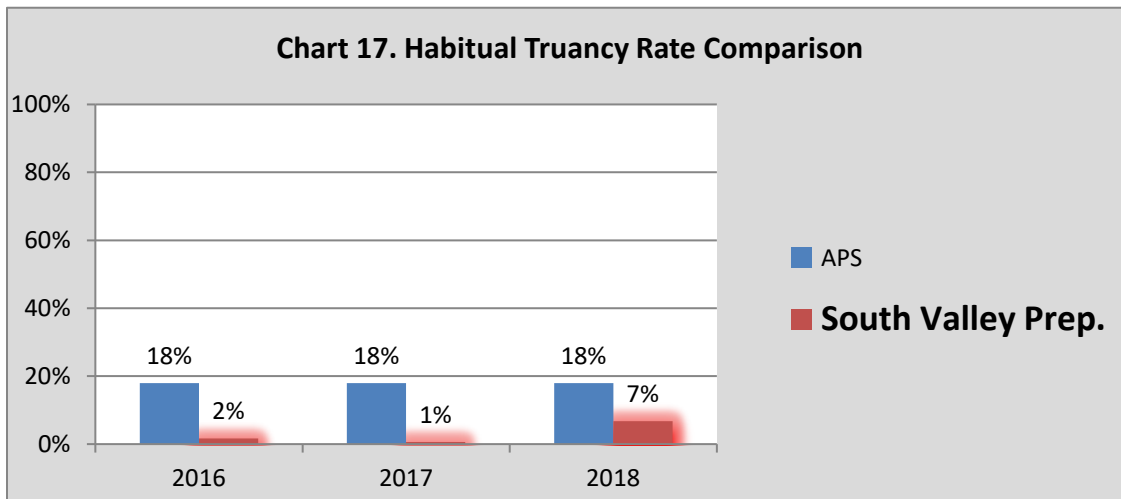
Source: STARS → District and Location Reports > Template Verification Reports > Student > Student Summary Attendance Verification



Habitual Truancy (The statewide target is 2% or less.)

Chart 17 reflects the school's habitual truancy rate compared to the local district.

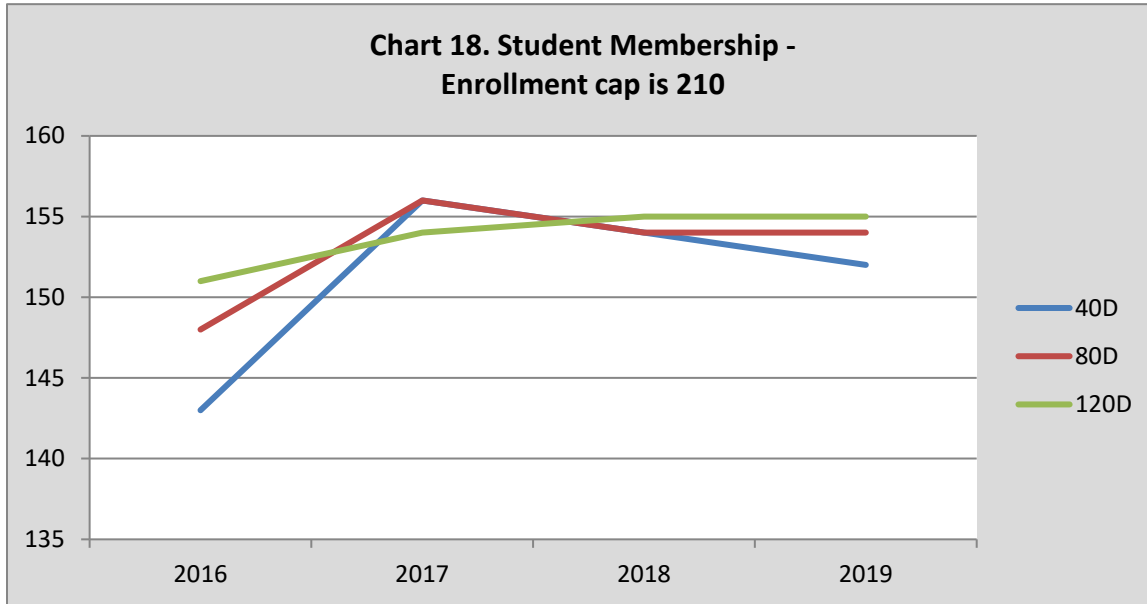
Source: STARS → District and Location Reports → Mobility and Truancy → Habitual Truant Student Totals by District and School



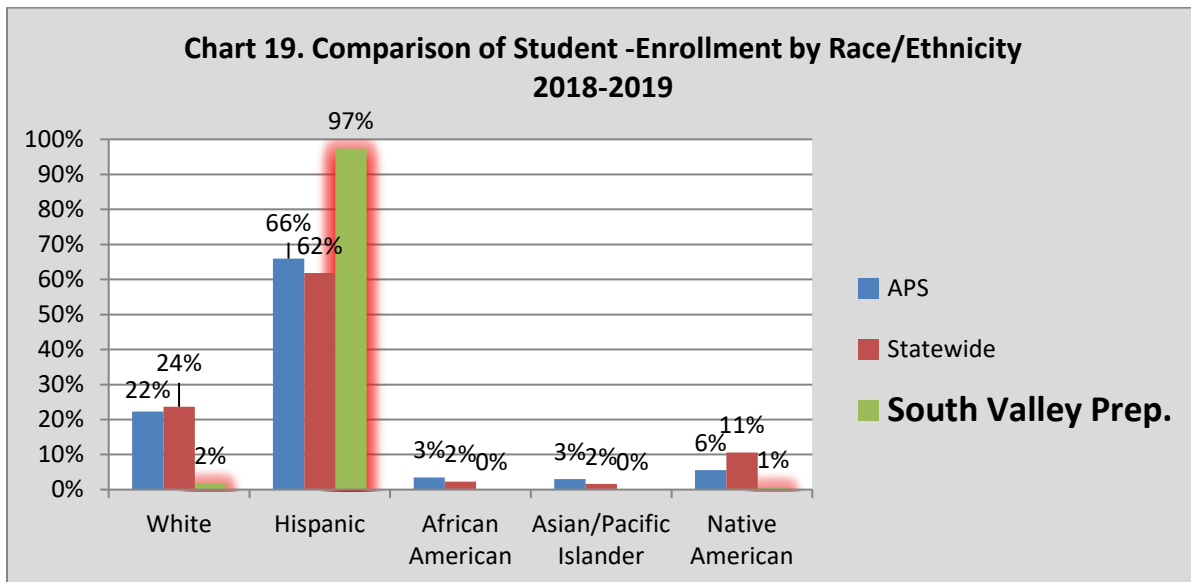
Student Membership (Enrollment)

The chart below shows the school’s student membership for each of the years in operation during the contract term, at each of the reporting windows (40 day, 80 day, and 120 day).

Source: STARS → District and Location Reports → Membership Reports → Membership – District Detail Report

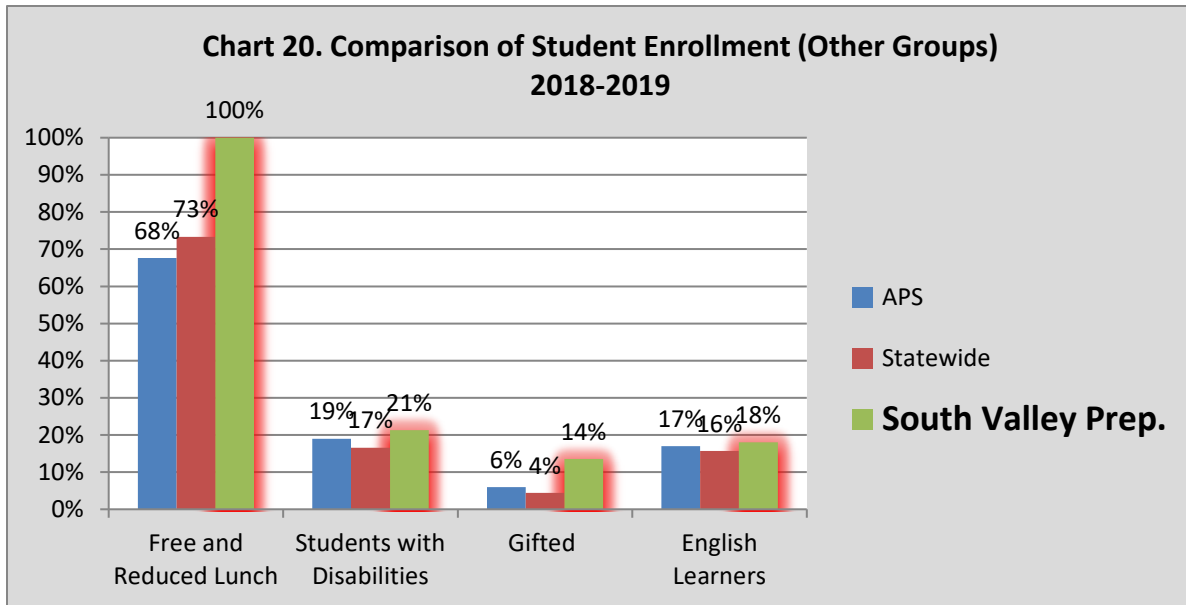


Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity



Source: STARS → District and Location Reports → General Reports → Enrollment Subgroup Percentages with Averages

Enrollment by Other Subgroups

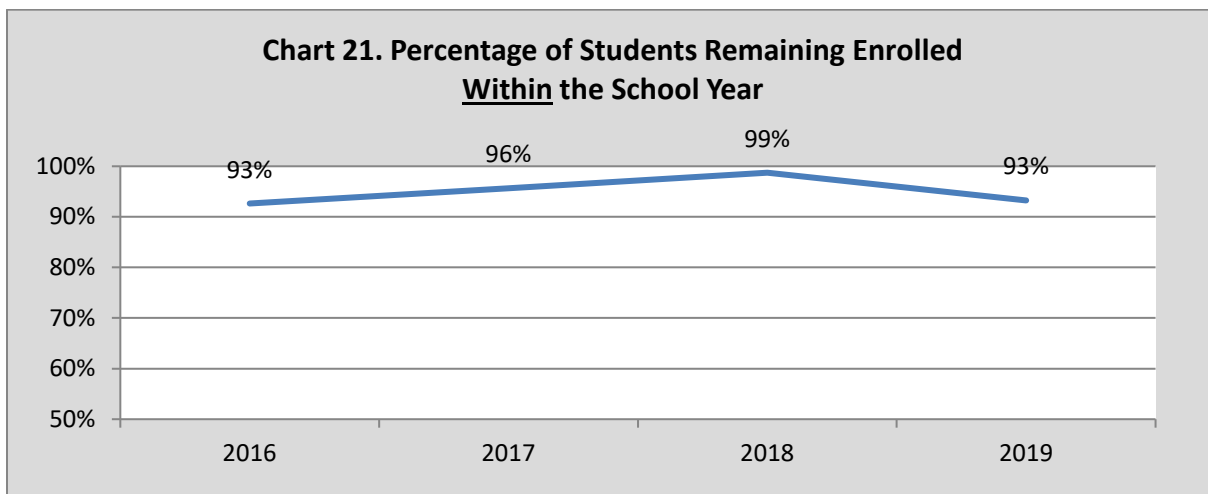


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Retention and Recurring Enrollment

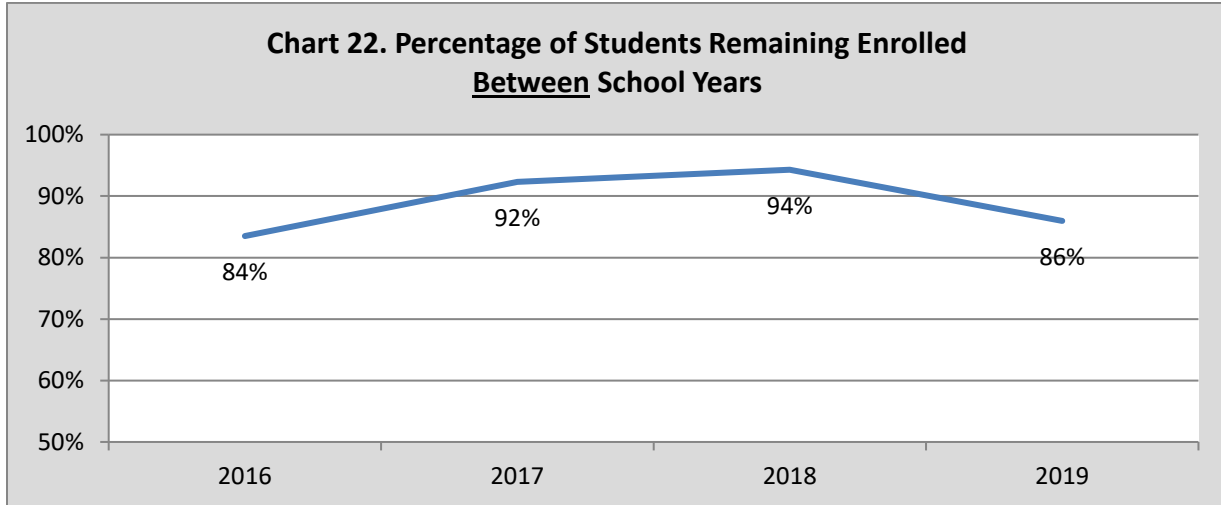
In its Performance Framework, the PEC established student retention expectations. For this school, the PEC established a target of 85% recurrent enrollment between years.

Below, in Chart 21, the PED has calculated within-year retention rates to evaluate the percentage of students who remain enrolled in the school from the time they enroll until the end of the school year. This data is calculated by identifying all students who enroll in the school at any time during the year and then evaluating if the students remain enrolled until the end of the school year. Students whose withdrawal codes indicate circumstances beyond the student’s control are removed from the data set.



Source: STARS → District and Location Reports → Options for Parents → Charter School Enrollment Report

To evaluate recurrent enrollment as required by the PEC, the PED has calculated this measure by identifying the students enrolled at the end of each year who are eligible to reenroll (not graduated), and then identifying the students who reenroll on or before the 10th day of the subsequent year. Students whose withdrawal codes indicate circumstances beyond the student’s control are removed from the data set.

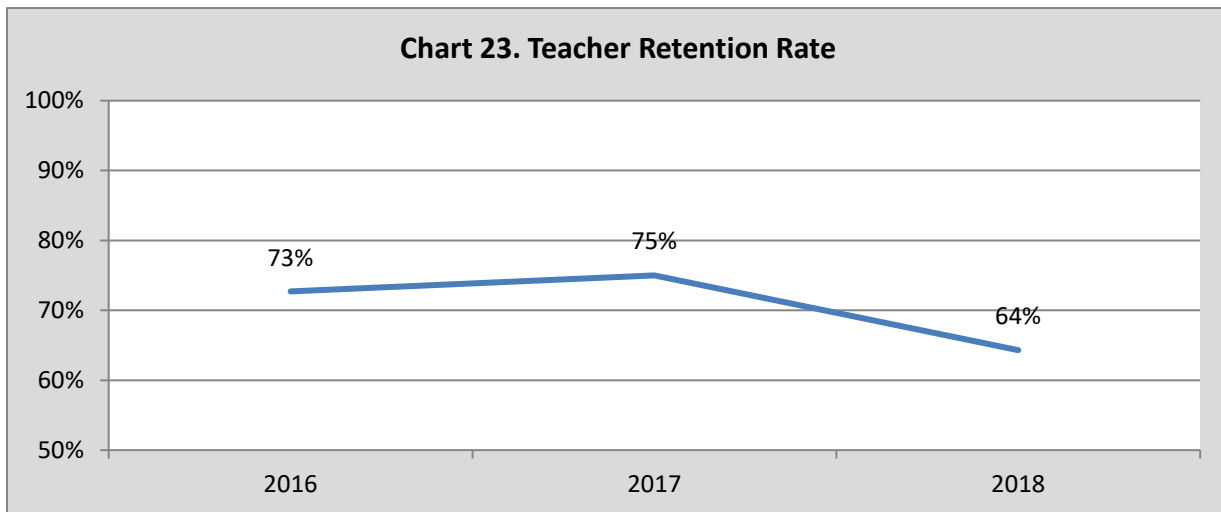


Source: STARS → District and Location Reports → Options for Parents → Charter School Enrollment Report

1d. Teacher Retention Rate

Chart 23 demonstrates the school’s retention of teachers over time. This data is calculated by comparing the license numbers for teachers from one year to the next. For example, all teacher license numbers reported for the 2015-2016 school year were compared to teacher license numbers the following year for the same reporting period. The percentage of duplicate license numbers were compared in the second year and the retention rate was calculated based on the percentage of teachers who returned the following year.

The PEC established a goal of 80% teacher retention (lower than 20% turnover) as stated in the performance framework #4d.



Source: STARS → State Reports → Staff Reports → Turnover Rates for Assignment Category (Teachers)

SECTION 2. FINANCIAL COMPLIANCE

2a. Audit

Figure 3. Fiscal compliance over term of contract.

Audit Year	# of Findings	# of Repeat Findings	# of Material Weaknesses and Significant Deficiencies
FY18	1	0	0
FY17	2	0	1
FY16	1	0	0

Summary of Most Recent Fiscal Report

In FY18, the school received the following audit findings:

2018-001 Purchasing (Other Noncompliance)

Condition/Context: During our audit, we identified 1 out of 50 disbursements where the School failed to make timely payments of an invoice, resulting in a total of \$39 of incurred late fees.

Management's Response: Management will review and revise internal controls to assure invoices are paid timely, and that all purchases have an approved purchase order.

2b. Board of Finance

The school's Board of Finance was not suspended during the term of the current contract.

SECTION 3. CONTRACTUAL, ORGANIZATIONAL, AND GOVERNANCE RESPONSIBILITIES

3a. Educational Program of the School

- i. Students are looped within family strands where they maintain the same core content teachers in Math, Science and Humanities, all 3 years of middle school. This looping provides consistency and rigor in instruction, a safe and small learning environment as well as a foundation to build authentic, rich relationships that support student academic and personal growth.
 - ii. All students are provided a school-developed rigorous, consistent and research-based reading instruction framework, for the entire three years of their middle school experience.
 - iii. Fine art instruction is an integral part of the curriculum at South Valley Preparatory
 - iv. Service learning and the authentic, real-life application of being an active participant in community based projects that positively impact people will be implemented to strengthen the values of community support and social networking that are at the core of the South Valley community. This will be evidenced by student presentations, portfolios and project artifacts.
 - v. Students are placed into homogeneous reading groups by the core team of teachers. All students will be assessed quarterly using the Analytical Reading Inventory (ARI) or a similar reading assessment in addition to the school's short-cycle assessment and are re-grouped according to the achievement results.
 - vi. The school provides an outdoor classroom experiences annually for all 7th grade students. Outdoor experiences provide students with learning opportunities in archeology, native history, forest restoration and team-building activities.
 - vii. School will provide after school programs with emphasis on math, science and robotics programming.

SVP implements a well-rounded health and wellness initiative where all students are provided resources and support that fosters physical, social and emotional health and wellness and healthy choices via healthy fresh meals, access to fresh fruits and vegetables, organic farming methods, culture and identity learning, and extended physical education and fitness for all 3 years in middle school.

3b. Organizational Performance Framework

South Valley Preparatory School	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019
Category I. Academic Performance Framework			
I-A.00 NM A-F School Grading System	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Pending
I-A.01 Required Academic Performance Indicators	Falls Far Below (or Does Not Meet) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
I-A.02 Optional Supplemental Indicators (school specific items in charter)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Category II. Financial Performance Framework			
II-A.00-06 Operating Budget/Audits/Periodic Reports/Expenditures/Reimbursements/Audit Reviews/Meals	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
Category III. Organizational Performance Framework			
III-A.00 Educational Plan: material terms of the approved charter application	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
III-A.01 Education Plan: applicable education requirements	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
III-A.02 Education Plan: protecting the rights of all students	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
III-A.03 Educational Plan: protecting the rights of students with special needs (IDEA, 504, gifted)	Working to Meet Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
III-A.04 Educational Plan: protecting the rights of English Language Learners (Title III)	Falls Far Below (or Does Not Meet) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
III-A.05 Educational Plan: complying with the compulsory attendance laws	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Working to Meet Standard
III-A.06 Educational Plan: meet their recurrent enrollment goals	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
IV-A.00 Business Management & Oversight: meeting financial reporting and compliance requirements	Working to Meet Standard	Working to Meet Standard	Working to Meet Standard
IV-A.01 Business Management & Oversight: following generally accepted accounting principles	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Working to Meet Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
V-A.00 Governance and Reporting: complying with governance requirements	Working to Meet Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
V-A.01 Governance and Reporting: holding management accountable	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
VI-A.00 Employees: meeting teacher and other staff credentialing requirements	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Working to Meet Standard	Working to Meet Standard
VI-A.01 Employees: respecting employee rights	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Working to Meet Standard
VI-A.02 Employees: completing required background checks	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Working to Meet Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
VI-A.03 4d. General Info: Staff Turnover, if applicable			
VII-A.00 School Environment: complying with facilities requirements	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Working to Meet Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
VII-A.01 School Environment: complying with health and safety requirements	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
VII-A.02 School Environment: handling information appropriately	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard	Meets (or Exceeds) Standard
Category: Organizational Performance Framework			
School Specific Terms: data on any terms specified in the school's Performance Framework	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

3c. Governing Body Performance

The school has five (5) members serving on their Governing Body.

Figure 7 lists the information provided to the PED regarding the members who are currently serving on the school’s Governing Body.

Name	Role	Service Start Date	Membership Status	FY19 Training Requirements*	Hours Completed	Hours Missing
Bernadette Frieze	Chair	10/24/2012	Active	8	8	0
Jess Wiltamuth		11/23/2013	Active	8	8	0
Micaela Trujillo		9/22/2016	Active	8	8	0
Monica Aguilar		11/22/2014	Active	8	12	0
Frederick W. (Bill) Reed	Resigned at end of school year; Replaced by Brian VerPloegh for 2019-2020.					

Figure 7. Current governing council members

*Training requirements reduced by any approved exemptions.

Part F: Amendments and Amendment Requests during the contract term

The historical information on amendments and amendment requests is provided by the Charter Schools Division in Figure 8.

Description	PEC Action	PEC Approval Date	Reason for denial
Amendment request to increase enrollment cap from 156-210	Approve	4/12/2019	NA
Amendment request to relocate the charter school's primary location, 2551 Karsten, Southeast, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102.	Approve	4/13/2018	NA

Figure 8. Amendment Requests and actions.