

# 2011-2012 School Report Card

South Orange & Maplewood

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# Objectives

- New School Report Card
- Columbia High School PSAT Results

# School Report Cards

## New Performance Reports

- School Performance Reports for all schools in the state of New Jersey for the 2011-12 school year build upon and replace the outdated school report cards.
- “While the evaluation of student outcome data is crucial for school improvement, we know that these data alone cannot capture the dozens of other essential elements of schools such as a positive school climate, participation in extracurricular programs and the development of non-cognitive skills; however, by focusing on college and career readiness and including meaningful comparisons for schools, we hope that these new reports will inform conversations at the local level about where schools are doing well and where they can continue to improve.”

# New School Report Card Measures

- Replace DFG comparison groups with peer comparison groups
- Student Growth
- College & Career Readiness
- Graduation & Post Secondary Enrollment

# Peer comparison Groups

- Peer schools are drawn from across the state and represent
  - Schools that have similar grade configurations
  - Schools that are educating students of similar demographic characteristics, as measured by enrollment in:
    - Free/Reduced Lunch Programs
    - Limited English Proficiency
    - Special Education Programs

# Student Growth

- Student Growth measures the performance of students from one year to the next on the New Jersey Assessment of Skills and Knowledge (NJ ASK) in Language Arts Literacy and Math when **compared to students with a similar history of performance** on NJ-ASK
- Student Growth Percentile Methodology
  - <http://www.state.nj.us/education/njsmart/performance>

# College & Career Readiness

- College and Career readiness measures the degree to which students are demonstrating behaviors that are indicative of future attendance and/or success in college and careers.
- For all elementary and middle schools
  - How many students are chronically absent.
- For Middle Schools
  - Measurement of how many students take Algebra I in either seventh or eighth grade.
- For high schools
  - Participation in college readiness tests such as the SAT or PSAT
  - Rigorous coursework as defined by participation in AP courses in English, Math, Social Studies and Science.

# Graduation & Post Secondary Enrollment

- Graduation and Post-Secondary measures the rate at which students who begin high school **four years** earlier graduate within four years. Also included is a measure of the rate at which students in a particular school drop out of school.



# Performance Scales

- Very High Performance is defined as being equal to or above the 80.0th percentile.
- High Performance is defined as being between the 60.0th and 79.9th percentiles.
- Average Performance is defined as being between the 40.0th and 59.9th percentiles.
- Lagging Performance is defined as being between the 20.0th and 39.9th percentiles.
- Significantly Lagging Performance is defined as being equal to or below the 19.9th percentile.

# Academic Achievement & Growth

School Percentile Ranking vs. All State Schools						
Growth	VH				SOMS	
	H			Clinton	MMS Tuscan	SouthMt.
	A				Jefferson SethBoyden	
	L					
	SL					
	SL	L	A	H	VH	
Academic Achievement						

School Percentile Ranking vs. Peer Schools						
Growth	VH			Tuscan	SOM	
	H		Clinton		Jefferson SouthMt.	SethBoyden
	A					
	L					MMS
	SL					
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Academic Achievement						

# Academic Achievement & College/Career Readiness

School Percentile Ranking vs. All State Schools						
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	Academic Achievement						

# Columbia High School

## 2011-2012 Report Card

- Academic Achievement
  - Columbia outperforms **58% (Average)** of schools statewide and **62% (High)** of schools educating students with similar demographic characteristics.
- College & Career Readiness
  - Columbia outperforms **83% (Very High)** of schools statewide and **88% (Very High)** of schools educating students with similar demographic characteristics.
- Graduation % Post Secondary
  - Columbia outperforms **26% (Lagging)** of schools statewide and **10% (Severely Lagging)** of schools educating students with similar demographic characteristics.

# Calculation of High School Graduation Rates Changed!

- Old Calculation
  - # Graduating Seniors / # Seniors
  - $431 / 451 = 96\%$
- New Calculation
  - #\_students starting high school 4 years ago / #\_students graduating in 4 years
  - $396 / 464 = 85.3\%$

# 68 students did not graduate in 4 years because ...

- Transferred out of CHS and did not enroll in another New Jersey High School
- Completed graduation requirements in September after their senior year
- Earned a GED
- Attended an out of district school and did not graduate
- Retained
- Dropped out

# Columbia High School PSAT Results

- Spring of 2010 the Superintendent's Task Force on Equity and Excellence recommended to the Superintendent to provide all 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students the opportunity to participate in the PSAT exams.
- Fall of 2010 the district began administering the PSAT exams to all 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students.
- The PSAT administration helps prepare all students for the SAT exam and helps identify students that have the potential to excel in higher level classes.

# PSAT Exams

- Students are tested in 3 areas: Reading, Writing, and Math.
- The PSAT/NMSQT College Readiness Benchmark is the score on each section that a student should meet or exceed to be considered on track to be college ready. The cut scores are different for each tested area and adjusted based upon the students grade level (juniors have higher cut score requirements than sophomores).

	Critical Reading	Mathematics	Writing	PSAT/NMSQT Composite
11th grade PSAT/NMSQT	50	50	49	152
10th grade PSAT/NMSQT	49	47	48	145



# Columbia High School PSAT Results

PSAT 2010-2011 School Year		
Grade	Not College Ready	College Ready
10	64%	36%
11	52%	48%
Total	59%	41%

PSAT 2011-2012 School Year		
Grade	Not College Ready	College Ready
10	63%	37%
11	61%	39%
Total	62%	38%

PSAT 2012-2013 School Year		
Grade	Not College Ready	College Ready
10	45%	55%
11	48%	52%
Total	46%	54%