

ANNUAL

# SCORECARD of SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

2012-2013

# **OUR MISSION**

To transform public education through our state and national leadership and gold standard approach to chartering schools, overseeing and supporting their operations, and evaluating their performance.

# **OUR VISION**

We envision a diverse and dynamic public education marketplace that fosters academic excellence for all children.



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Cynthia M. Schumacher Executive Director

To the dedicated board members serving charter public schools authorized by Central Michigan University:

On behalf of our entire team at The Governor John Engler Center for Charter Schools (Center), I am pleased to provide you with the 2012-2013 Annual Scorecard of School Performance (Scorecard). This Scorecard is a critical tool that integrates the data from the Academy's three performance reports – the Academic Performance Report, the Fiscal Performance Report and the Operational Performance Report – into one summative report. Furthermore, the Scorecard paints a holistic picture of the Academy's progress toward the expectations outlined in the Charter Contract.

Clear expectations and performance goals are the core of our professional authorizing practices. As you review this information, I sincerely hope the Academy Board will find this Scorecard useful as an evaluation tool, and as a resource for decision-making and future planning. As your partner, the Center also welcomes your feedback in our continuous efforts to maximize the usefulness of this information for the Academy's team.

Please know that I am sincerely grateful for your work as we relentlessly pursue excellence for Michigan students. Your dedication to creating quality educational opportunities will help provide each and every child with the tools to be successful in college, work and life.

Thank you for keeping kids first!

Cynthia M. Schumacher Executive Director

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# PERFORMANCE REPORTS FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR

The annual performance report suite is made up of three distinct reports: the Academic Performance Report, the Operational Performance Report and the Fiscal Performance Report, as well as one capstone report - the Annual Scorecard of School Performance.

These reports, shown to the right, cover each of the primary content areas and are intended to provide a greater understanding of the Academy's holistic performance for a complete academic year (July through June).

The first report is distributed in June when the academic data becomes available, with the operational and fiscal reports following suit. The final report, the Scorecard, is released in the winter of the following year, as the summary of the three performance reports.



### **ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE REPORT**

The first performance report, published annually in the summer, provides a comprehensive overview of the Academy's academic outcomes for the academic year just completed.



## **OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE REPORT**

The second performance report, published annually in the fall, provides a comprehensive overview of the Academy's operational outcomes for the academic year ending in June.



### **FISCAL PERFORMANCE REPORT**

The third and final performance report, published annually in the winter, provides a comprehensive overview of the Academy's financial outcomes for the previous academic year.



# **SCORECARD** OF SCHOOL **PERFORMANCE**

As a summary of the three performance reports, published annually in the winter, the Scorecard provides an overview of the Academy's performance, as it relates to the Charter Contract.

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# ACADEMY OVERVIEW DEMOGRAPHICS FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR

Knowing your students and which communities they come from helps in understanding the make-up of the Academy and the student population it serves. The data displayed in this section represents a summary of the Academy's demographics for the 2012-2013 school year and provides an overview of trending and comparison information.

# **ABC Academy**

**Date Opened** 9/1/1995

**Grades Served** K-12

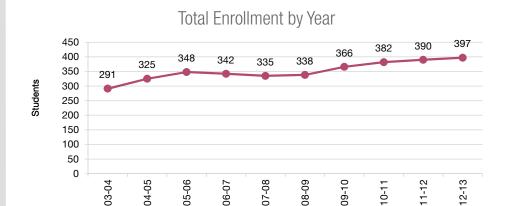
**Charter Contract** 2012-2017

Management Self-managed

Mission Statement Prepare students academically for success in college, work and life.

Address 1234 Abacus Ave. Scholastic, MI 42860

Fig. 1



Number of Students in Fach Grade 50 45 40 35 30 25 20 15 10 5 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th

> Length of Student Enrollment 3+ Year Students 74%

### 120 100 80 60 40 20 13% 14% 8% 8% 0 5 Years 6 Years 1 Year 2 Years 3 Years 4 Years 7 Years 8+ Years

### Racial/Ethnic Breakdown

American Indian or Alaskan Native Asian American Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander White Hispanic or Latino Multi-Racial

Ethnicity

Your	CMU	State
School	Average	Average
0.3%	0.2%	0.8%
2.0%	2.6%	2.7%
65.9%	51.2%	18.8%
0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
22.3%	38.4%	69.3%
2.3%	5.0%	6.1%
7.2%	2.5%	2.2%

Fig. 4

### MEAP and MME Achievement Results

SUBJECT/ GRADE	2012-2013	2011-2012	CHANGE	COMPOSITE RESIDENT DISTRICT	STATE AVERAGE
Reading 3	61.7%	56.4%	5.3%	72.3%	66.5%
Reading 4	63.6%	69.0%	-5.4%	67.6%	68.1%
Reading 5	79.3%	60.0%	19.3%	74.4%	70.4%
Reading 6	66.7%	70.6%	-3.9%	72.5%	68.2%
Reading 7	77.4%	48.0%	29.4%	67.6%	62.0%
Reading 8	78.9%	44.0%	34.9%	65.5%	65.7%
Reading 11	72.7%	57.7%	15.0%	59.8%	53.5%
Math 3	42.6%	20.5%	22.1%	37.0%	40.9%
Math 4	52.9%	23.3%	29.6%	40.2%	44.9%
Math 5	33.3%	36.7%	-3.4%	39.3%	45.7%
Math 6	24.2%	35.3%	-11.1%	37.3%	40.2%
Math 7	39.4%	24.0%	15.4%	40.8%	38.4%
Math 8	26.3%	12.5%	13.8%	32.4%	32.5%
Math 11	28.1%	20.0%	8.1%	34.5%	28.6%

\*Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) – Federal law that prohibits student identifiable education data from being publicly disseminated. A group of 10 or less students is considered to contain student identifiable data.

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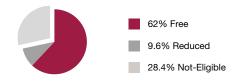


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### General and Special Education Status

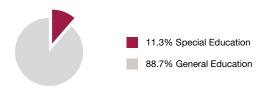


Fig. 8

### English Language Learners (ELL)

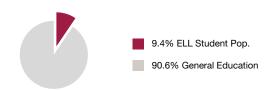


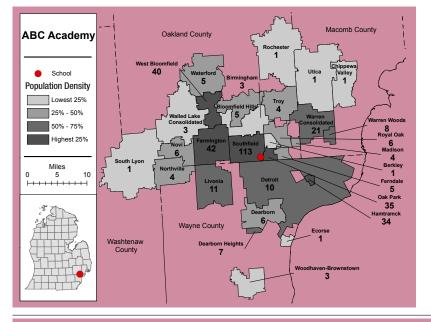
Fig. 9

# COMPOSITE RESIDENT DISTRICT

### WHERE YOUR STUDENTS COME FROM

The Composite Resident District (CRD) is a breakdown of the traditional public school districts students would be assigned to if they were not enrolled in the Academy. Below is a list of those districts along with an illustrated map showing the Academy (red dot), including the surrounding traditional public school districts. Due to geographical constraints, the map may not show all the districts. Please refer to the list for a complete breakdown.

Fig. 6



Students' Resident District	Number of Students from Resident District	Percent of Students from Resident District
Southfield Public School District	113	29.7%
Farmington Public School District	42	11.0%
West Bloomfield School District	40	10.5%
Oak Park, School District of the City of	35	9.2%
Hamtramck, School District of the City of	34	8.9%
Warren Consolidated Schools	21	5.5%
Livonia Public Schools School District	11	2.9%
Detroit City School District	10	2.6%
Warren Woods Public Schools	8	2.1%
Dearborn Heights School District #7	7	1.8%
Dearborn City School District	6	1.6%
School District of the City of Royal Oak	6	1.6%
Novi Community School District	6	1.6%
Bloomfield Hills Schools	5	1.3%
Waterford School District	5	1.3%
Ferndale Public Schools	5	1.3%
Northville Public Schools	4	1.0%
Madison District Public Schools	4	1.0%
Troy School District	4	1.0%
Other	15	3.9%

Total Number of Districts: 28

Fig. 10

<sup>--</sup> No Data Available.

# ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

The Center has established one educational goal: to prepare students academically for success in college, work and life. To determine whether or not students who are continuously enrolled at the Academy are meeting, or demonstrating measurable progress toward this goal, specific achievement targets have been set for each grade, and are measured by the Performance Series® by Scantron® or NWEA Measures of Academic Progress® (MAP) tests. The results of these tests are shown here, illustrating the Academy's progress toward this goal over the past three years.

### Educational Goal 1

Prepare students academically for success in college, work and life.

To determine whether the Academy is achieving or demonstrating measurable progress toward the achievement of this goal, the Center will annually assess the Academy's performance using the following measure:

### Measure

The academic achievement of all students in grades 2-7, who have been enrolled for three or more years at the Academy, will be assessed using the following metric and achievement target:

### Metric

The average college readiness level based on scaled scores from the Performance Series or MAP reading and math tests administered in the spring.

### Achievement Target

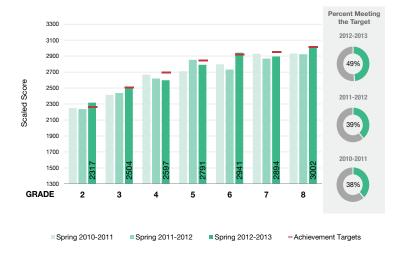
Students enrolled for three or more years will on average achieve scaled scores equal to or greater than the grade-level achievement targets for reading and math identified in this schedule.

NOTE: If the cohort of students enrolled for three or more years is not sufficient in size to conduct a valid analysis, the cohort of students enrolled for two or more years will be used.

### Performance Series or MAP Spring Results

AVERAGES FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED FOR THREE OR MORE YEARS, AS COMPARED TO THE ACHIEVEMENT TARGETS

### READING



### MATH

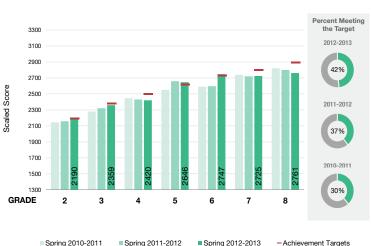


Fig. 11 Fig. 12

### UNDERSTANDING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

The scaled scores of students enrolled for three or more years in the Academy during the 2012-2013 school year are used in determining whether or not the Academy met the achievement targets in reading and math. Student scores are illustrated by the dark green bars as the average scores of students who were enrolled for three or more years. The achievement target for each grade is illustrated by a horizontal red bar. Additionally, student results from spring 2011 and 2012 are presented for reference.

### YOUR ACADEMY'S PERFORMANCE RESULTS

The Academy's performance demonstrates that students, on average, who remain continuously enrolled in the Academy are currently **not on-track** to be academically prepared for success in college, work and life, as determined by the Academy's Charter Contract (average scaled scores equal to or greater than the grade-level achievement targets).

<sup>1</sup> The Educational Goal is described in Schedule 7b of the charter contract.

\* FERPA (see page 17 for more information)

# ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Student Achievement measures whether or not students in middle and high school are on track to be successful in college, work and life as measured by the EXPLORE®, PLAN® and ACT® tests by ACT, Inc. These tests, administered annually in the subjects of reading, mathematics, science and English, reveal how students are performing against the achievement targets derived from standards developed by ACT, Inc., which are aligned with expectations of colleges and employers around the country. Whether it's college, a career or other pursuits, these targets will ensure students are prepared academically.

### Educational Goal 1

Prepare students academically for success in college, work and life.

To determine whether the Academy is achieving or demonstrating measurable progress toward the achievement of this goal, the Center will annually assess the Academy's performance using the following measure:

### Measure

The academic achievement of all students in grades 8-11, who have been enrolled for three or more years at the Academy, will be assessed using the following metric and achievement target:

### Metric

The average college readiness level based on subject scores from the EXPLORE, PLAN and ACT tests by ACT, Inc. administered in the spring.

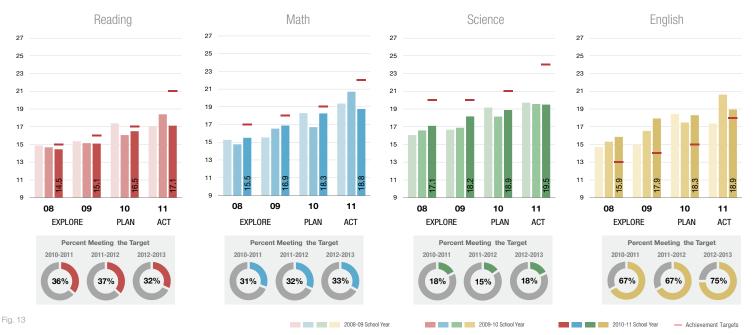
### Achievement Target

Students enrolled for three or more years will on average achieve EXPLORE, PLAN and ACT subject scores equal to or greater than the achievement targets for reading, math, science, and English identified in this schedule.

NOTE: If the cohort of students enrolled for three or more years is not sufficient in size to conduct a valid analysis, the cohort of students enrolled for two or more years will be used.

### EXPLORE, PLAN and ACT Results

AVERAGES FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED FOR THREE OR MORE YEARS, AS COMPARED TO THE ACHIEVEMENT TARGETS



### UNDERSTANDING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

The scaled scores of students enrolled for three or more years in the Academy during the 2012-2013 school year are used in determining whether or not the school met the achievement targets in reading, math, science and English for grades 8 through 11. Student scores for the current year are illustrated by the dark colored bars as the average scores of students who were enrolled for three or more years. The achievement target for each grade is illustrated by a horizontal red bar. Additionally, student results from 2011 and 2012 are presented for reference.

### YOUR ACADEMY'S PERFORMANCE RESULTS

The Academy's performance demonstrates that students, on average, who remain continuously enrolled in the Academy are currently **not on-track** to be academically prepared for success in college, work and life, as determined by the Academy's Charter Contract (average scaled scores equal to or greater than the achievement targets).

- <sup>1</sup> The Educational Goal is described in Schedule 7b of the charter contract.
- \* FERPA (see page 17 for more information)

# ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE STUDENT GROWTH

The student growth measure in grades 3 through 8 determines whether or not students at the Academy are demonstrating measurable progress toward the achievement targets. This measure is the most important, but not the only factor, the Center considers when determining whether the Academy is "demonstrating measurable progress" toward the contractual goal of preparing students academically for success in college, work and life.

### Educational Goal 1

Prepare students academically for success in college, work and life.

To determine whether the Academy is achieving or demonstrating measurable progress toward the achievement of this goal, the Center will annually assess the Academy's performance using the following measure:

### Measure

The academic growth of all students in grades 3 through 8 at the Academy will be assessed using the following metric and growth target:

### Metric

Growth made by students from fall-tospring in reading and math as measured by scaled scores on the Performance Series or MAP test.

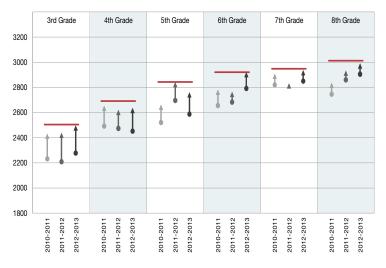
### Growth Target

Students' fall-to-spring academic growth on average will demonstrate measurable progress toward the grade-level achievement targets for reading and math identified in this schedule.

### Performance Series or MAP Fall to Spring Results

ALL STUDENT SCORES, AS COMPARED TO THE ACHIEVEMENT TARGETS

Reading Math



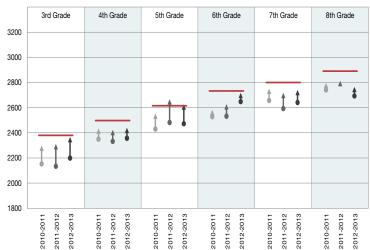


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### UNDERSTANDING STUDENT GROWTH

The charts above illustrate student growth, from fall to spring, within a school year using a matched pairs analysis. The growth is measured toward the achievement targets identified in the charter contract. The achievement targets are shown by a red line — for grades 3 through 8. The beginning fall scores are illustrated by a dot  $\bullet$ , while the ending spring scores are illustrated by an arrow  $\uparrow$ . The actual amount of gain (or loss) between tests is represented by the black line.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Educational Goal is described in Schedule 7b of the charter contract.

<sup>\*</sup> FERPA (see page 17 for more information)

# ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

STUDENT GROWTH

The student growth measure in high school determines whether or not students in grades 9 through 11 at the Academy are demonstrating measurable progress toward the achievement targets. This measure is the most important, but not the only factor, the Center considers when determining whether the Academy is "demonstrating measurable progress" toward the contractual goal of preparing students academically for success in college, work and life.

### Educational Goal 1

Prepare students academically for success in college, work and life.

To determine whether the Academy is achieving or demonstrating measurable progress toward the achievement of this goal, the Center will annually assess the Academy's performance using the following measure:

### Measure

The academic growth of all students in grades 9 through 11 at the Academy will be assessed using the following metric and growth target:

### Metric

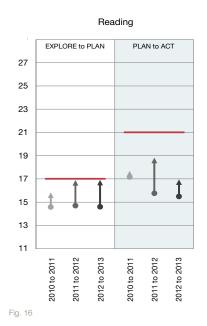
Growth made by students in reading, math, science, and English as measured by subject scores on the EXPLORE, PLAN and ACT tests.

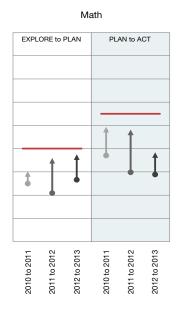
### Growth Target

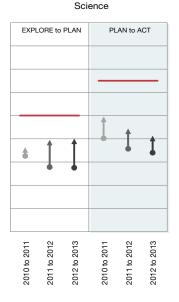
Students' academic growth between tests on average will demonstrate measurable progress toward the achievement targets for the gradelevel subject scores in reading, math, science, and English identified in this schedule.

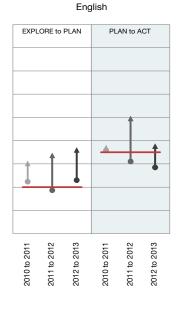
### EXPLORE to PLAN and PLAN to ACT Results

ALL STUDENT SCORES, AS COMPARED TO THE ACHIEVEMENT TARGETS









### UNDERSTANDING STUDENT GROWTH

The charts above illustrate student growth toward the achievement targets identified in the charter contract using a matched pairs analysis. The achievement targets are shown by a red line — for EXPLORE to PLAN, and PLAN to ACT. The beginning scores are illustrated by a dot ●, while the ending scores are illustrated by an arrow ↑. The actual amount of gain (or loss) between tests is represented by the black line.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Educational Goal is described in Schedule 7b of the charter contract.

<sup>\*</sup> FERPA (see page 17 for more information)

# ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE STATE & FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY

Michigan transitioned to a new state and federal accountability system developed under a waiver of certain requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (commonly known as No Child Left Behind or NCLB). The waiver was approved by the US Department of Education in August 2012. Michigan's new School Accountability Scorecard system replaced the prior system of Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in August 2013.

### THE CHARTER CONTRACT

The Center expects the Academy will meet the State of Michigan's accreditation standards pursuant to state and federal law.

### STATE & FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY

The Academy's results from the state's new Michigan School Accountability Scorecard system is presented below. A detailed report, including the Academy's results, can be accessed through the Michigan Department of Education at: https://www.mischooldata.org.

	OUTCOMES							
STATUS	Priority School	Focus School	Reward School	No Designation				
CRITERIA	Bottom 5% of Top-to-Bottom list	• 10% of schools with largest achievement gap (Top 30% vs. Bottom 30% of students)	High Performing, High Improvement, or "Beating the Odds"	The school has not been identified as a Priority, Focus or Reward school				
REQUIRED ACTION	Placed under supervision of State Reform Officer  Required to develop a 4-year reform/redesign plan: - Transformation, Turn-around, Restart or Closure  Required to set aside Title I funds	<ul> <li>Assigned an ISD Intervention Specialist</li> <li>Required to develop a 4-year plan to address the achievement gap</li> <li>Required to set aside Title I funds</li> </ul>	Recognized publicly by the MDE at conferences and other events	• None				

### 2012-2013 Academy Status

### **No Designation**

### 2012-2013 Academy Accountability Scorecard Overview

School Year	Mathematics	Reading	Social Studies	Science	Writing	Completion Rate	Attendance Rate	Educator Evaluations	Compliance Factors	Overall
2012-13	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green		Green	Green	Yellow

Fig. 17

### UNDERSTANDING STATE & FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY

Accountability Scorecards replaced Michigan's AYP report cards under a waiver Michigan received from the U.S. Department of Education in 2012 from certain requirements of the NCLB Act of 2001. Each school building and district receives an overall color (Green, Lime, Yellow, Orange or Red) based on the components within the scorecard.

The tables above shows the Academy's results on the 2012-2013 Top-to-Bottom list, as well as the Michigan School Accountability Scorecard. The information provided in this report was retrieved from the Michigan Department of Education and state's MI School Data website. To access this information, including detailed reports, please visit: http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-22709---,00.html and https://www.mischooldata.org.

For more information about the Michigan School Accountability Scorecards and how to read these reports, please visit: http://www.michigan.gov/ mde/0,1607,7-140-22709 25058---,00.html.

# OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE

**OVERVIEW** 

Operational Performance includes the governance and day-to-day management activities which serve to ensure the Academy is in compliance with the Charter Contract and applicable law. These areas include: school data management, document submission, legal and reporting requirements, board meeting activities and board policies.

### OVERSIGHT, COMPLIANCE & REPORTING AGREEMENT

Pursuant to the Oversight, Compliance & Reporting Agreement of the Charter Contract, the Academy will meet compliance and reporting standards, as outlined in Schedule 4, Article II, Section 2.2: Compliance and Reporting Duties.

### MASTER CALENDAR OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The Academy will comply with the reporting and document submission requirements set forth by applicable law and the Charter Contract including those detailed in the Master Calendar of Reporting Requirements issued annually by the Center. A copy of these requirements can be found at <a href="https://www.TheCenterForCharters.org">www.TheCenterForCharters.org</a> under Administrators.

### Master Calendar of Reporting Requirements

DOCUMENT SUBMISSION SUMMARY

	On-Time	Within 5 Days of Due Date	More than 5 Days After Due Date	Performance Status
2009-10	49%	26%	25%	
2010-11	84%	14%	1%	
2011-12	89%	9%	2%	
2012-13	90%	6%	4%	•

### **Document Submissions**

2012-2013

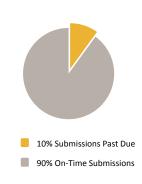
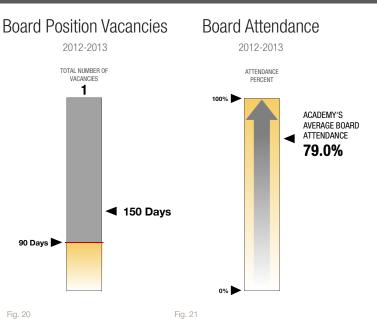


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Fig. 19

### **BOARD STATISTICS**



### **BOARD POLICIES & CHARTER CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION**

The charter contract states that the Academy Board shall "adopt and properly maintain governing board policies in accordance with Applicable Law." The Center provides a mechanism to all CMU-authorized schools which allows boards (at no cost) to draft and update policies with the National Charter Schools Institute. This service, if utilized, can assist boards in maintaining current policies. Additionally, the charter contract sets forth the process by which the charter contract can be amended, suspended, revoked or terminated. Below is a summary of these performance objectives.

Board Policies	Performance Status
Board adopted policies are current	
Charter Contract Administration	
Board has properly initiated Contract Amendments	
Notice of Intent to Revoke (NIR) issued within the past 5 years	No

Fig. 22

# FISCAL PERFORMANCE

REVENUE & EXPENDITURES

The area of Fiscal Performance includes information regarding the current financial health of the Academy which is tied to its ability to provide a quality educational program based on the resources available to the Academy. The Academy's sustainability is determined by how well it has planned and prepared for growth and future needs as well as unforeseen challenges.

### CHARTER CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Section 11.1. The Academy Budget: The Academy Board is responsible for establishing, approving, and amending an annual budget in accordance with the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, MCL 141.421, et seq. The Academy Board shall submit to the Center a copy of its annual budget for the upcoming fiscal year in accordance with the Master Calendar. The budget must detail budgeted expenditures at the object level as described in the Michigan Department of Education's Michigan School Accounting Manual. In addition, the Academy Board is responsible for approving all revisions and amendments to the annual budget. In accordance with the Master Calendar, revisions or amendments to the Academy's budget shall be submitted to the Center following Academy Board approval.

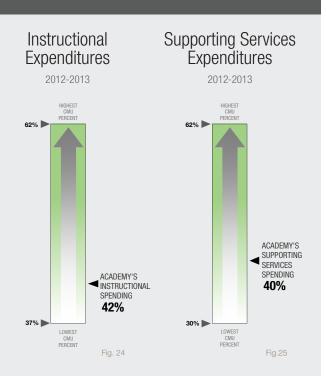
### Section 6.10. Accounting

Standards: The Academy shall at all times comply with generally accepted public sector accounting principles, and accounting system requirements that comply with the State School Aid Act of 1979, as amended, the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, MCL141.421, et seq., and applicable State Board and Michigan Department of Education rules.

Section 6.11. Annual Financial
Statement Audit: The Academy shall
conduct an annual financial statement audit
prepared and reviewed by an independent
certified public accountant. The Academy
shall submit the annual financial statement
audit and auditor's management letter to
the Center in accordance with the Master
Calendar. The Academy Board shall provide
to the Center a copy of any responses to the
auditor's management letter in accordance
with the Master Calendar.

### REVENUE & EXPENDITURES

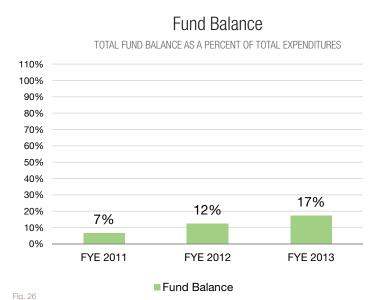
### Revenue & Expenditures Percent of 2010-2011 2011-2012 2012-2013 Expenditures **Total Revenue** \$3,905,363 \$3,642,022 \$3,401,484 Expenditures Instruction \$1,835,670 \$1,471,400 \$1,385,607 42% Supporting Services \$1,320,082 40% \$1,540,947 \$1,479,587 Other \$465,309 \$516,569 \$558,791 17% **Total Expenditures** \$3,841,926 \$3,467,556 \$3,264,480 Revenues over \$137,004 \$63,437 \$174,466 4% Expenditures **Ending Fund** \$255,943 \$430,409 \$567,414 17% Balance

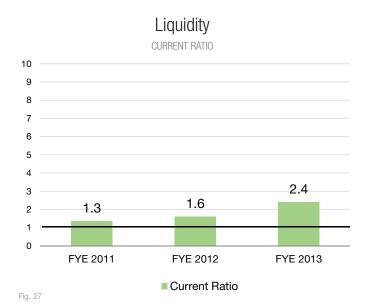


The majority of a school's revenue comes from the state in the form of state aid. Consistent with traditional public schools, charter public schools receive funding based upon a "blended student count." The 2012-2013 foundation allowance was calculated based upon a blended student count consisting of 90% of the Academy's current year fall headcount (October 2012) and 10% of the prior year's spring headcount (February 2012). During 2012-2013, the maximum foundation allowance a charter public school could receive was \$7,110 per student.

The Michigan Public School Accounting Manual requires that school expenditures be classified into various functions. One of the two broadest functions includes instructional expenditures which are those activities dealing directly with the teaching of students or the interaction between teacher and students. These are direct "in the classroom" expenditures. The other broad function is supporting services expenditures including those services that provide administrative, technical, and logistical support to facilitate and enhance instruction. These are non-classroom expenditures.

# FISCAL PERFORMANCE FUND BALANCE, LIQUIDITY, BORROWING HISTORY & FINANCIAL AUDIT





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	Academy Short-term Borrowing				CMU Average Short-term Borrowing		
	Borrowed Amount #1	Percentage Rate #1	Borrowed Amount #2	Percentage Rate #2	Borrowed Amount	Percentage Rate	Total Outstanding Long-term Debt
2010-2011	\$420,000	3.04%			\$957,884	3.43%	\$6,190,000
2011-2012	\$460,000	2.90%			\$877,018	3.39%	\$6,190,000
2012-2013	\$500,000	2.95%			\$922,556	3.68%	\$6,190,000

<sup>--</sup> No Data Available.

Fig. 28

### FINANCIAL AUDIT & MANAGEMENT LETTER

Section 11.1. The Academy Budget: The audit findings/recommendations and board-approved responses are outlined in the Academy's 2012-2013 annual audit, and highlighted in the Fiscal Performance Report (FPR) produced annual by the Center. Please see these documents for detailed information.

### Findings/Recommendations Summary

Repeat Findings Υ

Recommendations: Segregation of Duties Significant Deficiencies: Purchase order approval process not being followed.

Υ Significant Deficiencies and Material Noncompliance: Payroll inconsistencies and Title I program noncompliance.

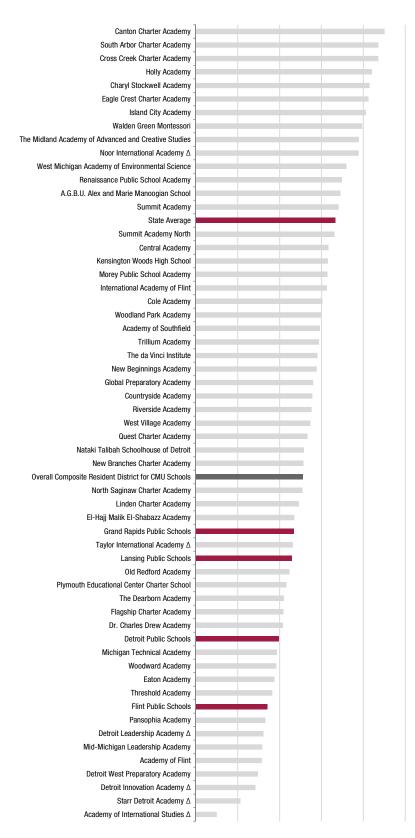
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# ACADEMY COMPARISON MEAP PROFICIENCY: READING

### **MEAP Proficiency**

2012-2013 MEAP RESULTS, AS COMPARED TO THE STATE, MAJOR DISTRICTS & COMPOSITE RESIDENT DISTRICT AVERAGES

### Reading



100%

20%

40%

60%

80%

0%

<sup>△</sup> Schools in their first 3 years of operation.

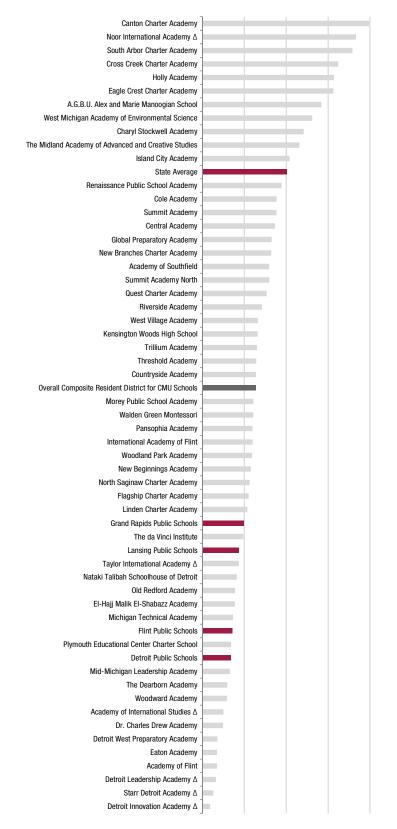
<sup>\*</sup>Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) - Federal law that prohibits student identifiable education data from being publicly disseminated. A group of 10 or less students is considered to contain student identifiable data.

# ACADEMY COMPARISON MEAP PROFICIENCY: MATH

### **MEAP Proficiency**

2012-2013 MEAP RESULTS, AS COMPARED TO THE STATE, MAJOR DISTRICTS & COMPOSITE RESIDENT DISTRICT AVERAGES

Math



△ Schools in their first 3 years of operation.

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0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100%

# ACADEMY COMPARISON

MDE TOP-TO-BOTTOM & ACT RANKINGS

### Top-to-Bottom Ranking of All CMU Schools

2013 Michigan Department of Education

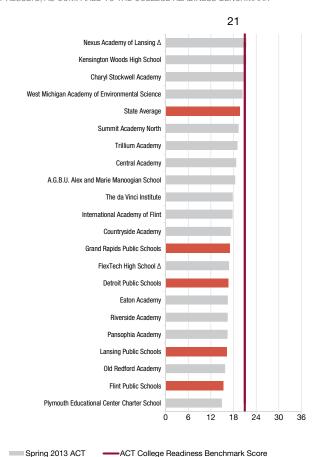
75th Percentile and Above	Statewide Percentile Ranking	Charter School Ranking
Canton Charter Academy	98	2
South Arbor Charter Academy	95	4
Holly Academy	94	5
Charyl Stockwell Academy	93	8
Eagle Crest Charter Academy	91	9
Cross Creek Charter Academy	90	10
Charyl Stockwell Academy - High School	89	11
Midland Academy of Advanced and Creative Studies	85	14
Summit Academy North High School	84	16
West MI Academy of Environmental Science	81	18
Island City Academy Walden Green Montessori	79 75	21 27
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50th - 74th Percentile		
Morey Public School Academy	70	34
Summit Academy	69	36
Central Academy	68	38
Summit Academy North Middle School	66	41
Summit Academy North Elementary School	65	42
Global Preparatory Academy	65	43
Trillium Academy	63	44
Cole Academy	59	47
New Beginnings Academy	53	54
West Village Academy International Academy of Flint (K-12)	52	59
AGBU Alex-Marie Manoogian School	51 50	60 62
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25th - 49th Percentile		
Da Vinci Institute (K-8)	49	66
Old Redford Academy - Middle	45	71
Renaissance Public School Academy	44	73
Riverside Academy - West Campus	43	76
Nataki Talibah Schoolhouse of Detroit	41	79
Woodland Park Academy	39	85
New Branches Charter Academy	36	92
Riverside Academy	35 31	96 108
Countryside Academy-Middle/High School	30	111
Countryside Academy-Elementary The Dearborn Academy	30	115
Michigan Technical Academy Middle School	28	118
Old Redford Academy - High	28	119
Flagship Charter Academy	28	121
Linden Charter Academy	27	123
Plymouth Educational Center	26	126
Plymouth Educational Center Preparatory High School	25	131
Below the 25th Percentile		
Quest Charter Academy	20	143
North Saginaw Charter Academy	20	147
Dr. Charles Drew Academy	18	154
Taylor International Academy	14	166
Old Redford Academy - Elementary	14	168
Detroit West Preparatory Academy	13	171
Academy of Southfield	12	176
El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz Academy	11	181
Threshold Academy	10	185
Woodward Academy	9	189
Eaton Academy	9	191
Detroit Leadership Academy	8	194
Pansophia Academy	6	205
Academy of Flint	4	216
Michigan Technical Academy Elementary	3	219
Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy	0	236

On January 4, 2010, the State passed a seminal education reform law requiring the Michigan Department of Education to annually publish a list of "persistently low-achieving" schools. In response to this new law, on August 16, 2010, the Michigan Department of Education published a Topto-Bottom List ranking all public schools by proficiency and growth on the MEAP and MME.

The table to the left shows the state-wide percentile ranking for each school chartered by CMU during 2012-2013, the latest year in which information is available. The highest performing public school in the state received a ranking of 100 while the lowest performing school received a ranking of 0. The Charter School Ranking is the school's rank out of 220 charter schools in Michigan that received a statewide percentile ranking. For more information on the State's Top-to-Bottom Ranking, please visit: http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,1607,7-140-37818\_56562---,00.html.

### **ACT Composite Results**

2013 ACT RESULTS, AS COMPARED TO THE COLLEGE READINESS BENCHMARK



NOTE: Nexus Academy of Grand Rapids and The Midland Academy of Advanced and Creative Studies were not included in the above chart due to the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) – Federal law that prohibits student identifiable education data from being publicly disseminated. A group of 10 or less students is considered to contain student identifiable data.

 $\triangle\,$  Schools in their first 3 years of operation

Fig. 32

Fig. 33

# INDICATORS

## PERFORMANCE AREAS & INDICATORS

The Scorecard is a comprehensive summary of the three performance reports from the prior year; the Academic Performance Report, the Fiscal Performance Report, and the Operational Performance Report.

### PERFORMANCE AREAS

### ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

**Student Achievement:** Assesses whether or not students at the Academy are meeting or demonstrating measurable progress toward meeting achievement targets as measured by the Performance Series® test by Scantron® or the MAP® test by NWEA® in grades 2 through 8. In grades 8 through 11, the achievement targets measure student preparedness with the EXPLORE® PLAN® and ACT® tests by ACT, Inc.

**Student Growth:** Assesses whether or not students at the Academy are making academic progress over time and demonstrating measurable growth toward the achievement targets.

State & Federal Accountability: The Michigan School Accountability Scorecards are Michigan's new system of measuring school performance. The scorecards replaced Michigan's Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) report cards that were required under No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB).

### OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE

**Compliance & Reporting:** Assesses the governance and day-to-day management activities which serve to ensure the Academy is in compliance with the charter contract and applicable law. These include: governance, legal requirements, reporting requirements and school data management.

### FISCAL PERFORMANCE

Fiscal Performance & Accountability: Provides an overview of the current financial health of the organization and its ability to provide a quality educational program. The Academy's sustainability is determined by how well it has planned and prepared for growth, future needs and unforeseen challenges. This section consists of financial data (including board-approved budgets, interim financial statements, internal controls at the Academy, and annual audits that must comply with financial reporting requirements and the charter contract) as submitted to the academy board, authorizer and other required authorities.

### **INDICATORS**

### ACADEMIC INDICATORS

The academic performance indicators display the Academy's overall performance in the area of student achievement. The achievement indicators are determined by the following criteria:

### Grades 2-8 Achievement

Students who were enrolled in the Academy for three or more years, on average, have met or exceeded the achievement targets in reading and math

### Grades 8-11 Achievement

Students who were enrolled in the Academy for three or more years, on average, have met or exceeded the achievement targets in reading, math, science and English.

### OPERATIONAL INDICATORS

The operational performance indicators display the Academy's overall performance in certain areas. These indicators are displayed in the following three levels:

### Meeting Expectations

Signifies that there is clear evidence demonstrating the Academy is performing at or above the required expectations or performance targets, as outlined in the charter contract.

### Not Meeting Expectations

Signifies that there is no/not enough evidence to demonstrate the Academy is performing at the required expectations, as outlined in the charter contract.

### No Data Available

There is currently no data available for this area.

### FISCAL INDICATORS

The Center acknowledges that there are differing models of management approaches utilized by academies and accounts for these differences through various reviews and analysis of the Academy's fiscal performance. Those reviews include all aspects of the Academy's financial reporting from budgets (original and amended) to the audited financial statements and associated management letter. Given the differences in models, performance indicators are not presented within this section.

# END NOTES

ACT, Inc. - the service provider for the EXPLORE®, PLAN® and ACT® tests.

ACT® - a test that assesses high school students' general educational development and their ability to complete college-level work.

AYP - Adequate Yearly Progress

**Blended Student Count** - Public schools receive funding based upon a "blended student count." The 2012-2013 foundation allowance was calculated based upon a blended student count consisting of 90% of the Academy's current year fall headcount (October 2012) and 10% of the Academy's prior year's spring headcount (February 2012).

Center - The Governor John Engler Center for Charter Schools

**Charter Contract** - The document that establishes the relationship between Central Michigan University Board of Trustees and the Academy Board of Directors. As a performance agreement, the Charter Contract helps define roles and responsibilities and guides how the Academy's performance will be measured.

CMU - Central Michigan University

Composite Resident District (CRD) - a breakdown of which traditional public school districts students would be assigned to if they were not enrolled in your school.

DST - AOIS Document Submission Tool

ESP - Educational Service Provider or Management Company

EXPLORE® - a test given in grades 8 and 9 provided by ACT, Inc. and utilized by the Academy and the Center in gauging their students' performance.

**Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)** - Federal law that prohibits student identifiable education data from being publicly disseminated. A group of 10 or less students are considered to contain student identifiable data (Represented by a \* on charts).

Financial Information Database (FID) - For purposes of this report, all source references to the Academy's FID are related to the FID data files for the General Fund only.

**Fund Balance** - Term used for governmental funds representing the difference between assets and liabilities. Fund balance must be classified as non-spendable, restricted, committed, assigned or unassigned.

**Instructional Expenditures** - Include teachers, teacher assistants, textbooks, classroom supplies and resources directly dealing with the instructional program. These are direct classroom expenditures.

**Liquidity** - The ability to convert short-term assets into cash.

Measures of Academic Progress® (MAP®) - a computer adaptive test provided by Northwest Evaluation Association.

**Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP)** - a test created to evaluate what Michigan educators believe all students should know in the core academic areas in specific grade levels.

Michigan Merit Exam (MME) - a test taken in the 11th grade which consists of three parts the ACT® test, the WorkKeys® by Act, Inc. and any additional tests necessary to ensure Michigan High School Content Expectations (HSCE) are met. This is the final test to assess whether a student is on track for success in college, work and life prior to their high school graduation.

Northwest Evaluation Association™ (NWEA™) - the service provider for the Measures of Academic Progress computer adaptive test.

Performance Series® (PS®) - a computer adaptive test provided by Scantron.

Per-pupil Foundation Allowance - This amount is established by the legislature each year and accounts for the majority of the Academy's state revenue.

PLAN® - a test given in grade 10 provided by ACT, Inc. and utilized by the Academy and the Center in gauging their students' performance.

**Scantron®** - the service provider for the Performance Series computer adaptive test.

Students' Observed Scores/Scaled Score - a conversion of a student's raw score on a test to a common scale that allows for numerical comparison between students.

**Supporting Services Expenditures** - Services that provide administrative, technical and logistical support to facilitate and enhance instruction. This classification of expenditures includes non-classroom expenditures.

# END NOTES SOURCES & CITATIONS

Fig. 1	Source: The Charter Contract and Educational Service Provider Agreement
Fig. 2	Source: Michigan Department of Education, CEPI Public Data
Fig. 3	Source: Michigan Department of Education, CEPI Public Data
Fig. 4	Source: Michigan Department of Education, Michigan Student Data System fall - Unaudited
Fig. 5	Source: Michigan Department of Education, CEPI Public Data
Fig. 6	Source: Michigan Department of Education, MEAP and MME
Fig. 7	Source: Michigan Department of Education, CEPI Public Data
Fig. 8	Source: Michigan Department of Education, Michigan Student Data System fall - Unaudited
Fig. 9	Source: Michigan Department of Education, Michigan Student Data System fall - Unaudited
Fig. 10	Source: Michigan Department of Education, Michigan Student Data System fall - Unaudited
Fig. 11 & 12	Source: Scantron's Performance Series or NWEA's MAP: spring reading and math
	NOTE: To be "on-track" the average achievement scores for students enrolled for three or more years must be equal to or greater than the achievement targets identified in the charter contract. If the cohort of students enrolled for three or more years is not sufficient in size to conduct a valid analysis, the cohort of students enrolled for two or more years will be used.
Fig. 13	Source: ACT, Inc. EXPLORE, PLAN and MME ACT
Fig. 14 & 15	Source: Scantron's Performance Series or NWEA's MAP: spring reading and math
Fig. 16	Source: ACT, Inc. EXPLORE, PLAN and MME ACT
Fig. 17	Source: Michigan Department of Education; Michigan Accountability Scorecards downloaded February 1, 2014
Fig. 18	Source: Document Submissions
	NOTE: The percent of Master Calendar of Reporting Requirements documents received on-time by the Center for the 2012-2013 fiscal year, as of June 30, 2013, must be greater than or equal to 90% of documents in by the due date, AND 100% within 5 days.
Fig. 19	Source: Document Submissions
Fig. 20	Source: Resignation Letters, Board Meeting Minutes, Board Appointment Materials and Oaths of Public Office
Fig. 21	Source: Board Meeting Minutes
Fig. 22	Source: Board Policies - The National Charter Schools Institute or the Academy's Board Meeting Minutes; Charter Contract Administration Academy's Requests for Contract Amendments; Notice of Intent to Revoke - notice documents as issued by the Center; Staff Reviews and Site & Facility Reviews - the school year when the Academy will next undergo a review (may be in conjunction with reauthorization).
	NOTE: In accordance with the Charter Contract, specifically, Schedule 4 (Oversight, Compliance and Reporting Agreement), Section 2.02 (a), the Academy Board shall adopt and properly maintain governing board policies in accordance with Applicable Law. This indicator is based on the status of the Academy's legally required (state and federal) policies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011.
Fig. 23	Source: Audited Financial Statements and FID
Fig. 24	Source: FID
Fig. 25	Source: FID
Fig. 26	Source: FID
Fig. 27	Source: FID
Fig. 28	Source: Academy's Short-term borrowing documents; Audited Financial Statements 2009-2010, 2010-2011 and 2012-2013. One basis point equals one hundredth of one percent. Variable rates have been excluded from the CMU average.
Fig. 29	Source: Audited Financial Statements and letters issued by the auditor.
Fig. 30	Source: Michigan Department of Education, MEAP reading
Fig. 31	Source: Michigan Department of Education, MEAP math
Fig. 32	Source: Michigan Department of Education. This chart has been updated since the release of the 2012-2013 APR.
Fig. 33	Source: MME ACT; Benchmark established by ACT, Inc.

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