



# School 14 Board of Education Presentation

October 22, 2025



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# Our Amazing School 14 Staff

opening Day 2025



# Troy

**Troy**  
30,000 Foot View



# School 14

10,000 Foot View

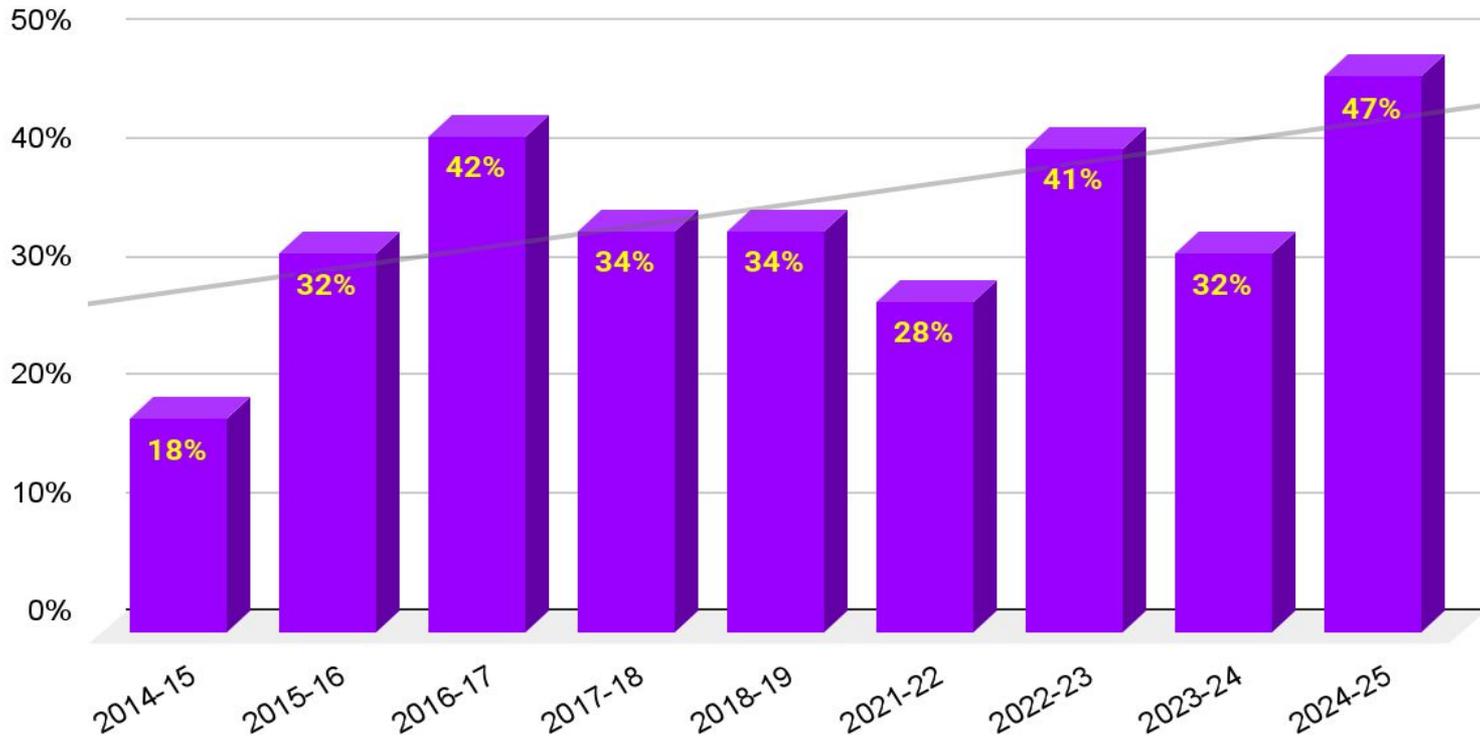
# NYS ELA Data

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## 3rd Grade

2021-22	30%
2022-23	28%
2023-24	39%
2024-25	42%

## 4th Grade

2021-22	42%
2022-23	42%
2023-24	22%
2024-25	61%

## 5th Grade

2021-22	14%
2022-23	55%
2023-24	36%
2024-25	35%

# NYS ELA Results by Grade Level

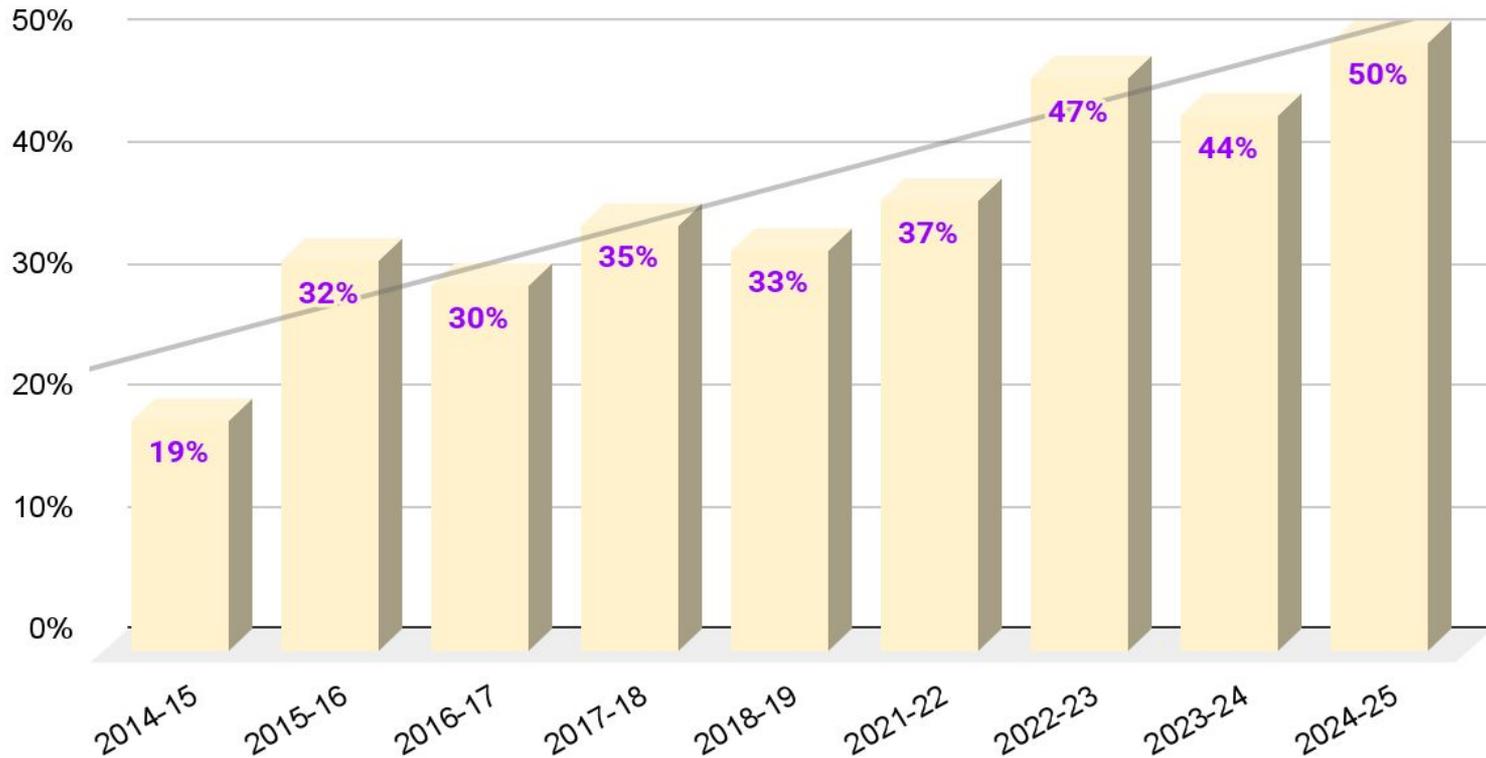
# NYS Math Data

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# NYS Math Proficiency Trends

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## 3rd Grade

2021-22	29%
2022-23	38%
2023-24	45%
2024-25	52%

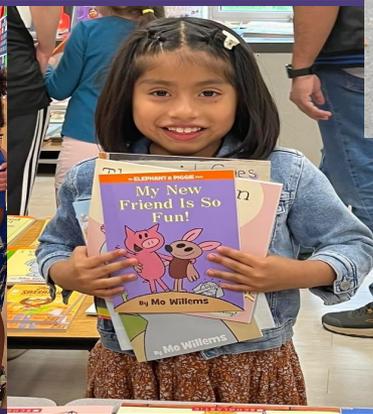
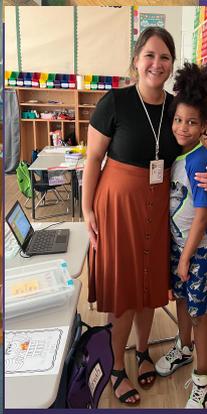
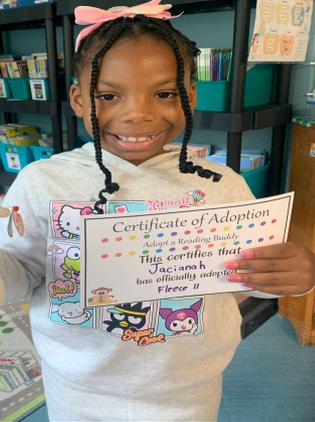
## 4th Grade

2021-22	56%
2022-23	47%
2023-24	55%
2024-25	60%

## 5th Grade

2021-22	36%
2022-23	58%
2023-24	33%
2024-25	36%

# NYS Math Results by Grade Level



# School 14

Ground View



# School Comprehensive Education Plan 2025-2026

School 14



## Key Strategy - Academics

**By June 2026, 25% of students who are intensive (well below grade level) will move to approaching grade level (strategic), on grade level (meeting), or above grade level (exceeding). By June 2026, 25% of students who are approaching grade level (strategic) will be on grade level (meeting) or above grade level (exceeding).**



# Why?

- Build from and expand upon momentum from 2024-25 School Year
- Ensure all students receive targeted support and high-quality instruction needed to grow
- Improve and enhance instructional practices that impact student achievement
  - Explicit instruction
  - Instructional Pacing
  - Refine and enhance Small Group Instruction
  - Accountable Talk
  - Gradual Release
  - Differentiated Instruction
- Ensure rigorous and responsive instruction
- Close achievement gaps and ensure equitable outcomes for all learners



# How Will We Do This?

- UFLI implemented as Tier 1 Instruction
- Data Conversations around NYS Standards
- Data-Feedback-Strategy Meetings
- Mini-Assessments for grades 3-5
- Word of the Week
- Goal setting with students using MMI data multiple times throughout the year
- Reach Books
- Students Reading at Home - completing Reading Log
- Shared Reading
- Professional Development - explicit instruction and pacing



# How will we measure this?

## EARLY

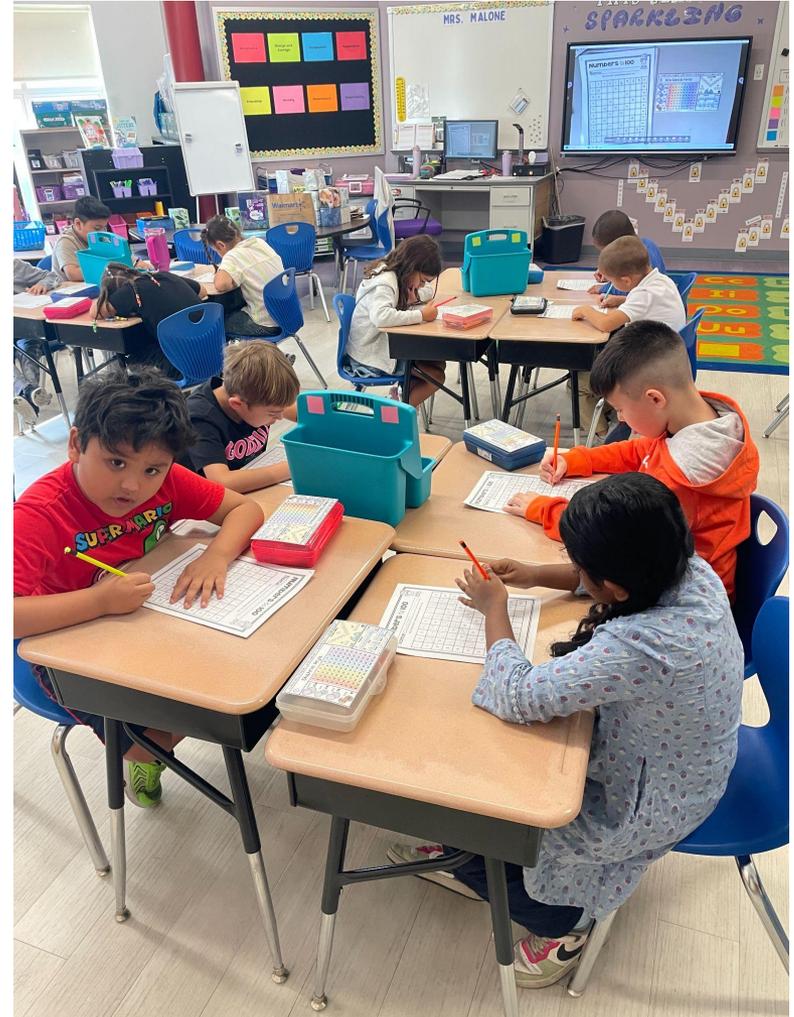
- Student Fountas and Pinnell
- iReady Benchmark Data

## MID-YEAR

- Standards Mastery
- Tri-Weekly Assessments
- iReady Benchmark data

## END OF THE YEAR

- MMI Data
- iReady Benchmark Data
- NYS Assessments





# Key Strategy - Attendance

**By June 2026, we will reduce the number of chronically absent students at School 14 by 10%, based on end-of-year attendance data, using the 2024–2025 school year as the baseline.**



# Why?

- When students are consistently present they engage in meaningful, multidimensional learning experiences
  - Students miss 390 minutes of learning everyday they are not in school
- Chronic absenteeism disproportionately affects the most vulnerable students
- Equity opportunity - ensuring every child has full access to quality education





## How Will We Do This?

- Proactively identify and remove barriers that prevent students from attending schools
- Phone calls to families when students are absent
- Family Buy-in:
  - PTO, Back to School BBQ, Fall Family Fest, Lego Masters, Multicultural Night, and more
- Student Attendance Calendars
- School Wide Attendance Incentives
- Stronger Connections
- Family Monthly Newsletter from administrators



# How Will We Measure This?

## EARLY

Student attendance data - Decrease in chronic absenteeism from 2024-25

## MID-YEAR

Student attendance data - Continued decrease in chronic absenteeism from 2024-25

## END OF THE YEAR

Student attendance data - 10% decrease in chronic absenteeism from June 2025

### Barriers

- Chronic and acute illness
- Family responsibilities or home situation
- Poor transportation
- Housing and food insecurity
- Lack of access to needed services
- System involvement
- Unpredictable schedules for learning
- Lack of access to tech
- Impact of trauma
- Violence in the community

### Aversion

- Struggling academically and/or behaviorally
- Unwelcoming school climate
- Social and peer challenges
- Anxiety
- Unfair disciplinary and suspension practices
- Undiagnosed disability and/or disability accommodations
- Caregivers had negative educational experiences

### Disengagement

- Lack of challenging, engaging instruction
- Bored
- No meaningful relationships to adults or peers in school
- Lack of enrichment opportunities
- Lack of academic and behavioral support
- Failure to earn credits
- Need to work conflicts with being in high school

### Misconceptions

- Absences are only a problem if they are unexcused
- Missing two days per month doesn't affect learning
- Lose track and underestimate TOTAL absences
- Assume students must stay home for any symptom of illness
- Attendance only matters in the older grades
- Suspensions don't count as absence



# Key Strategy - Equity in Science Education

**By June 2026, we will increase science vocabulary proficiency among African-American female students in grades K-5 at School 14 by 50%, as measured by monthly science vocabulary progress monitoring assessments, using September 2025 scores as the baseline.**



# Why?

- Science Vocabulary is foundational to understanding and engaging with scientific concepts across all grade levels
- Research shows that African American female students underperform in science compared to peers
- Anecdotal information from teachers suggests science vocabulary is a barrier for many students on the NYS Science Assessment
- Intervene early, build confidence and foster long-term success
- Equity, academic growth, and closing achievement gaps



# How Will We Do This?

- Summer work to build a bank of science articles for each grade level
- Summer work to build monthly vocabulary monitoring tools
- Word of the week
- Cross-Content Lessons
  - Incorporate at least 5 science lessons into ELA or Math instruction in first half of the year and an additional 5 or more in the second half of the year
- Science Read Alouds/Shared Reading
  - At least 3 read alouds/shared readings will be science based in the first half of the year and an additional 3 or more in the second half of the year



# How Will We Measure This?

## **EARLY**

Monthly Progress Monitoring Tool - Baseline

## **MID-YEAR**

Monthly Progress Monitoring Tool - Increase from baseline

## **END OF THE YEAR**

Monthly Progress Monitoring Tool - 50% Increase in proficiency from African American females

Increase proficiency on NYS Science Assessment



## Expected Outcomes by June 2026

- **Increased Proficiency in 25% of students**
  - Intensive → Approaching, Meeting or Exceeding
  - Approaching → Meeting or Exceeding
- **10% Decrease in Chronic Absenteeism**
- **50% increase in science vocabulary proficiency among African-American females**



**We Can.  
We Will.  
End of Story.**

