



OUR STAKEHOLDER COMMITMENTS

To the children of DC, we promise that our top priority is ensuring that you have the opportunity to attend a great school — one that you love and that prepares you for success in life.

To DCPS teachers and staff, we promise to respect you as professionals and invest in your success by providing you and your students with the environment, resources, and tools you need.

To DCPS school leaders, we promise to respect you as professionals; give you the support to lead; and provide the environment, resources, and tools that you, your staff, and your students need to succeed.

To parents, we promise to partner with you to ensure your children's success.

To members of the DC community, we promise to provide opportunities for you to contribute to the success of our schools and school district.

To potential employers, we promise to provide you with a steady supply of well-educated young adults who will make positive contributions to the success of your organizations.

To the city (and state) of Washington, DC, we promise to make our school system one that all citizens are proud of — a school system that can be the anchor for thriving, productive, and growing communities.



A CAPITAL COMMITMENT

YEAR ONE IN REVIEW



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Strategic Plan 2017



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Better Schools for All Students by 2017



A *Capital Commitment* is the five-year strategic plan that sets ambitious targets for the future of DC Public Schools. In School Year 2012–13, the first year guided by this plan, student performance hit an historic high. Students across the city are doing better than ever in reading and math, more students are graduating on time, students are enjoying school, and enrollment is increasing. DCPS made targeted investments to ensure that all students receive high-quality instruction, that academic content is challenging, and that students and their families are welcome and engaged in the school experience. The groundbreaking progress made in year one is promising.

OUR PURPOSE is to ensure that every DCPS school provides a world-class education that prepares ALL of our students, regardless of background or circumstance, for success in college, career, and life.

2017 Strategic Plan

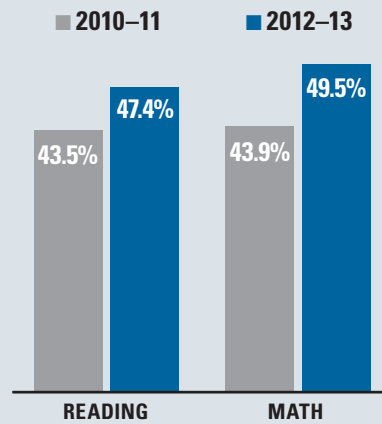
OUR GOALS

are ambitious. Based on the hopes and dreams of DCPS stakeholders, these goals help us align our resources and measure our success.

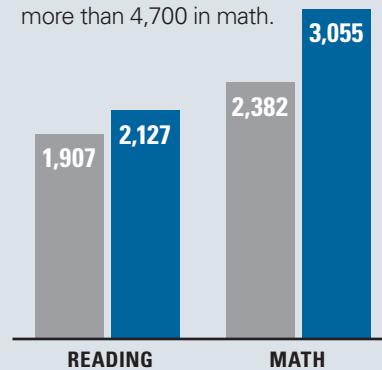


GOAL 1 IMPROVE ACHIEVEMENT RATES

At least **70%** of our students will be **proficient in reading and math** by 2016–17.

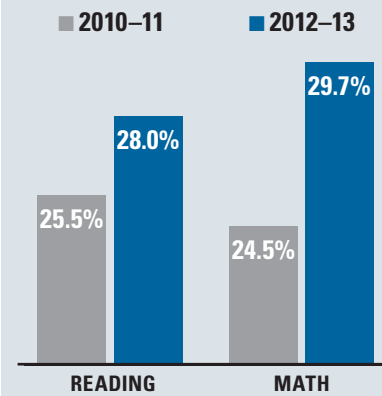


By 2016–17, we will **double the number of advanced students** to more than 3,800 in reading and more than 4,700 in math.



GOAL 2 INVEST IN STRUGGLING SCHOOLS

Our 40 lowest-performing schools will **increase proficiency rates by 40 percentage points** by 2016–17.*

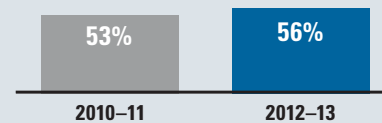


*Average of 40 lowest-performing schools



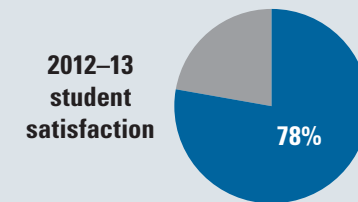
GOAL 3 INCREASE GRADUATION RATE

By 2016–17, at least **75% of entering 9th graders will graduate** from high school in four years.



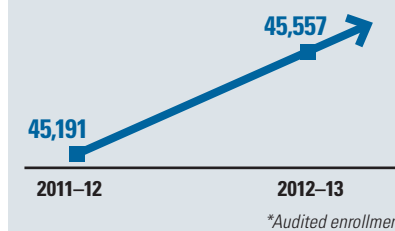
GOAL 4 IMPROVE SATISFACTION

By 2016–17, **90%** of students will say they **like their school**.



GOAL 5 INCREASE ENROLLMENT

DCPS will **increase its enrollment** by 2016–17.*



*Audited enrollment



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WHERE WE'RE GOING

DCPS is on the right track. In School Year 2013–14, we will build on this success and will target resources where they are needed most. We have aligned our work to the rigorous Common Core State Standards, the national set of learning standards that will prepare our students for college and careers. Building on our investments in human capital, we are ensuring that teachers and families are equipped to help students meet these standards. We have set the bar high and are focusing on two urgent priorities in School Year 2013–14: ensuring that students read proficiently and that they graduate from high school on time. We are making unprecedented investments in literacy instruction and the new 9th grade academies by focusing on teacher training, academic programs, and rigorous materials that establish the foundation for success across all subjects and in life.

DCPS is committed to providing students with an engaging educational experience and is proud to partner with families in this effort. We are DCPS and we can do this.



Learn more: dcps.dc.gov/2017