

KIPP Excelencia Community Preparatory School



Charter Renewal Public Hearing
October 14, 2026



Agenda



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School Overview

Our program: Academic Rigor & Joy

Our Results

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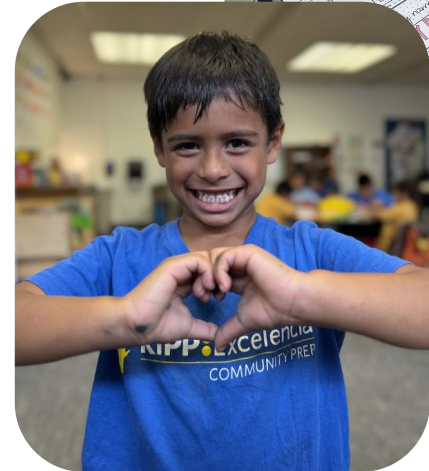
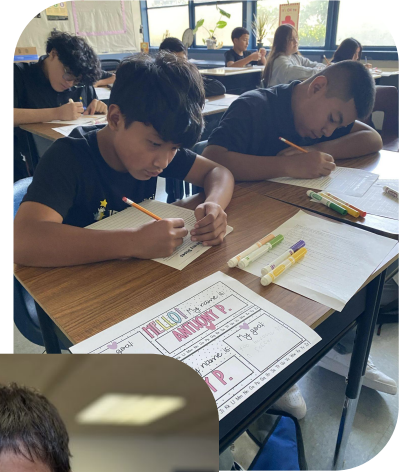
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Our Mission

Our mission is to **inspire** and **empower** all **children** to **thrive through college and beyond**, creating **positive change** in their **communities**.

From elementary through middle school, we **support students** in **growing both academically and socially**.

Through a **rigorous**, deeply **conceptual** academic program and a **collaborative learning environment**, students develop essential character strengths such as **love, gratitude, grit, zest, and curiosity**.



Our School Community

KIPP Excelencia reflects the North Fair Oaks community.
In 2025-26, our student population was:



89.2%

Socio-economically
disadvantaged



56.3%

English learners



14.5%

Students with IEPs



95.7%

Latinx

Our Leadership Team



Liz Coughenour



Ashley Zamora



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Principals



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Our Program: Academic Rigor & Joy

Reaching Potential: Academic Rigor



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- Robust, research-based curricula - Fishtank, CKLA, Eureka2 Math, Amplify Science and Creative Curriculum (TK)
- Electives - PE, Arts: Theatre (TK-4); Music (5-8)
- Data-driven instruction
- Clear and high expectations for students
- Investment in teacher development - regular PD and coaching



Reaching Potential: Joy



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- After-school programming
- Range of sports e.g. futsal
- Clubs e.g. Yearbook
- Monthly Zest Fests
- Restorative practices
- Explicit socio-emotional learning curriculum
- Coordination of Services Team (COST) meetings
- Mental Health Clinician and School Psychologist on site



Partnering with the Community



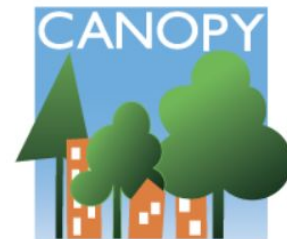
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Helping us to provide:

- Socio-emotional education and mental health support
- Additional educational support
- Environmental and community awareness
- Learning and employment opportunities for families



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Partnering with Families



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KIPP Family Council

Monthly meetings to receive parent input, collaborate on decisions, and plan events

Parent/Teacher Conferences

2x/year families and staff meet to align and co-create student goals and discuss progress

Family Engagement

Monthly cafecitos with the Principals, Fall Festival, Neurodiversity Carnival



Supporting our Multilingual Learners



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Assets-based approach to English Language development, ensuring that all students access curriculum, including:

- Structured English immersion program
- Integrated and Designated ELD instruction
- EL Achieve Curriculum for all MLs K-8
- Tailored support for newcomers
- Walkthroughs by leadership to support implementation



54.3% of KIPP Excelencia English Learners made **progress towards English Language Proficiency (ELPI)** in 2024-25 vs 46.4% across the State.

Supporting students with IEPs



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The 14.5% of our students with IEPs receive a continuum of services:

- Specialized teaching program serving students with moderate-to-severe disabilities
- Behavior support
- Mental health counseling
- Occupational therapy
- Speech language pathologist
- Adaptive Physical Education



Over 90% of our Kinder and 1st grade students with IEPs made growth in reading last year.



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Our Results

Thriving School Culture



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- **Chronic Absenteeism**

Reduced by over 40 percentage points
between 2021 and 2025

20.9% in 2024-25

- **Suspensions**

Reduced by 1.7 percentage points between
2021 and 2025, bringing us in line with the
State average

3.1% in 2024-25

- **Student Retention**

Consistently ~90% for the past five years

91.7% in 2024-25



Robust academics: Early Literacy

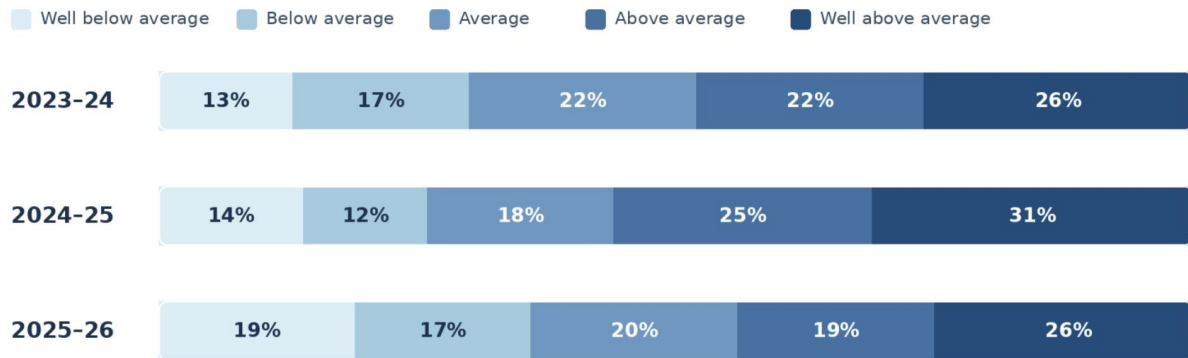


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We believe literacy is the foundation of all learning. That is why we deliver:

- Rigorous curricula grounded in the science of reading (Fishtank & CKLA)
- Systematic phonics instruction
- Progress monitoring and small-group interventions
- Assessment through DIBELS 3x a year

Reading Growth Distribution



For each of the last three years, at least 65% **of K-4 grade students made at least average reading growth**, or higher.

Robust academics: English Language Arts



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	SBAC ELA Distance from Standard			Increase from 2023 to 2025
	2022–23	2023–24	2024–25	Overall increase
All Students	–48.8	–47.5	–40.8	+8
Latinx	–50.4	–48.4	–41.4	+9
SED	–52.1	–52.4	–44.5	+7.6

Since 2022-23, **ELA distance from standard has improved across the board**, with Latinx students closing the gap by **9 DFS points**.

Robust academics: Math



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We advance equity and increase rigor in our math classrooms through:

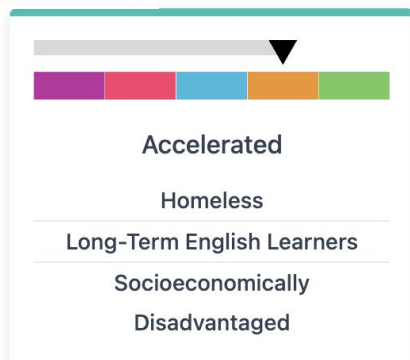
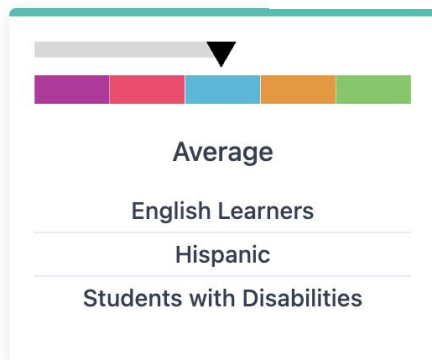
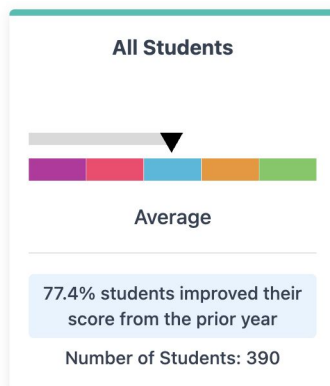
- Delivery of the Eureka2 curriculum
- Implementation of iReady
- Focus on strong teacher internalization

	SBAC Math Distance from Standard			Increase from 2023 to 2025
	2022–23	2023–24	2024–25	Overall increase
All Students	–69	–74	–63	+6
Latinx	–71	–74	–64	+7
SED	–71	–77	–67	+4

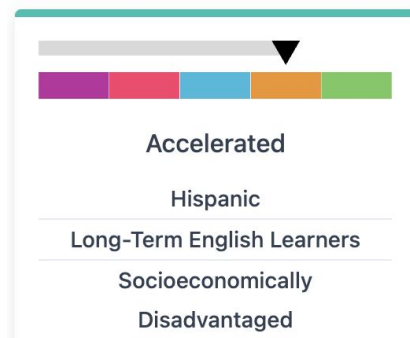
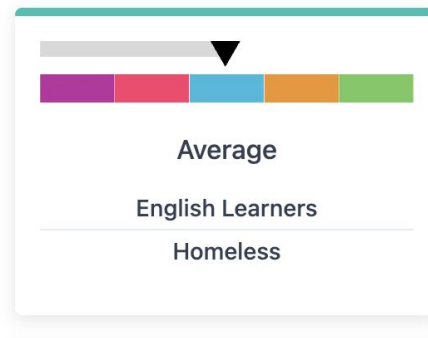
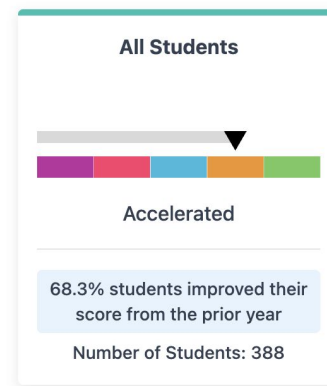
Since 2022-23, the **distance from standard for SBAC Math has improved by +6 DFS points for all students**, including for Latinx and socio-economically disadvantaged subgroups.

Growth Across Subgroups

2025 CA Dashboard Growth Measurement: ELA



2025 CA Dashboard Growth Measurement: Math



KIPP Excelencia is...



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A school rooted in the community

Representative of North Fair Oaks: high proportions of Latinx, English learner, disadvantaged and IEP students.



A community where every student and family belongs

Chronic absenteeism now a third of what it was in 2021-22

91.7% retention rate last year



A place where students thrive and grow

Roughly two thirds of K-4 made average or higher growth in reading

Accelerated growth in Math for all students





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**THANK YOU Redwood City School District
for your continued partnership and support!**