### 2016-2017 School Progress Report

**Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School**

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<th>School Code</th>
<th>W36</th>
<th>Report Type</th>
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<td>Charter</td>
<td>Grades in Report</td>
<td>9-12</td>
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<tr>
<td>Address</td>
<td>2600 S Broad St, 19145</td>
<td>Enrollment</td>
<td>799</td>
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<tr>
<td>Phone/Fax</td>
<td>215-551-4000 / 215-551-1113</td>
<td>Admissions Category</td>
<td>Citywide With Criteria</td>
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<td>Website</td>
<td><a href="http://www.stringtheoryschools.org">www.stringtheoryschools.org</a></td>
<td>Turnaround Model</td>
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**Performance Tiers**

- INTERVENE (0-24%)
- WATCH (25-49%)
- REINFORCE (50-74%)
- MODEL (75-100%)

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<tr>
<th>Performance Domains</th>
<th>2014-15</th>
<th>2015-16</th>
<th>2016-17</th>
<th>3 YEAR AVG</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>OVERALL: REINFORCE (52%)</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Achievement</td>
<td>12%</td>
<td>14%</td>
<td>23%</td>
<td>16.3%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Progress</td>
<td>25%</td>
<td>32%</td>
<td>60%</td>
<td>39.0%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Climate</td>
<td>88%</td>
<td>84%</td>
<td>74%</td>
<td>82.0%</td>
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<tr>
<td>College &amp; Career</td>
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<td>55%</td>
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A school's overall score represents its combined performance on the Achievement, Progress, Climate, and College & Career (for high schools only) domains.

The Achievement domain measures performance on standardized assessments, including PSSA, Keystone Exams, ACCESS for ELLs, and reading assessments.

The Progress domain measures growth on standardized assessments and progress towards graduation (for high schools only).

The Climate domain measures school climate and student and parent/guardian engagement.

The College & Career domain measures college and career readiness and post-secondary outcomes.
## Achievement

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<tr>
<th>METRIC</th>
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<th>POINTS EARNED</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Keystone Exam - Algebra I</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>% Proficient or Advanced</td>
<td>26%</td>
<td>0.61 out of 8.00</td>
<td>INTERVENE</td>
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<tr>
<td>(268 students)</td>
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<td>(8%)</td>
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<td>% Advanced</td>
<td>4%</td>
<td>0.22 out of 1.50</td>
<td>INTERVENE</td>
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<td>(268 students)</td>
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<td>(15%)</td>
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<td><strong>Keystone Exam - Biology</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>% Proficient or Advanced</td>
<td>39%</td>
<td>1.94 out of 8.00</td>
<td>INTERVENE</td>
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<tr>
<td>(292 students)</td>
<td></td>
<td>(24%)</td>
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<tr>
<td>% Advanced</td>
<td>10%</td>
<td>0.62 out of 1.50</td>
<td>WATCH</td>
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<tr>
<td>(292 students)</td>
<td></td>
<td>(41%)</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Keystone Exam - Literature</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>% Proficient or Advanced</td>
<td>52%</td>
<td>3.18 out of 8.00</td>
<td>WATCH</td>
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<tr>
<td>(168 students)</td>
<td></td>
<td>(40%)</td>
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<tr>
<td>% Advanced</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>0.11 out of 1.50</td>
<td>INTERVENE</td>
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<tr>
<td>(168 students)</td>
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<td>(7%)</td>
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<td><strong>Access for ELLs:</strong></td>
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<td>% 4.5 or Above</td>
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<td>INSUFFICIENT SAMPLE</td>
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### Achievement Total:

| % of Points Earned | 23% | 6.68 out of 28.50 | INTERVENE |
## Progress

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<tr>
<td>Keystone Exam - Algebra I: Average Growth Index (AGI)</td>
<td>-1.57</td>
<td>0.00 out of 6.50 (0%)</td>
<td>INTERVENE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Keystone Exam - Biology: Average Growth Index (AGI)</td>
<td>3.11</td>
<td>6.50 out of 6.50 (100%)</td>
<td>MODEL</td>
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<tr>
<td>Keystone Exam - Literature: Average Growth Index (AGI)</td>
<td>0.96</td>
<td>4.25 out of 6.50 (65%)</td>
<td>REINFORCE</td>
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| % of On-Track Students Earning Credits Required For Promotion | 94%          | 6.42 out of 8.00 (80%) | MODEL    |
| % of Off-Track Students Earning Credits Required for Promotion | 75%          | 4.14 out of 6.00 (69%) | REINFORCE |

### ACCESS for ELLs:

- % Growth in 60th Percentile or Above: SEE NOTE FOR SY 2016-2017

## Progress, On Equity

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<tr>
<td>Keystone Exam - Algebra I: AGI for Lowest-Performing 20% of Students</td>
<td>-2.60</td>
<td>0.00 out of 1.50 (0%)</td>
<td>INTERVENE</td>
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<tr>
<td>Keystone Exam - Biology: AGI for Lowest-Performing 20% of Students</td>
<td>1.04</td>
<td>1.02 out of 1.50 (68%)</td>
<td>REINFORCE</td>
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<tr>
<td>Keystone Exam - Literature: AGI for Lowest-Performing 20% of Students</td>
<td>0.32</td>
<td>0.66 out of 1.50 (44%)</td>
<td>WATCH</td>
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### Progress Total:

- % of Points Earned: 60% 22.99 out of 38.00 REINFORCE

Starting in School Year 2016-2017, the standards on the ACCESS assessment were revised. Consequently, growth estimates are not available, so this metric is suppressed for School Year 2016-2017.
## Climate

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<tr>
<td>% of Students Attending 95% or More of Instructional Days</td>
<td>42%</td>
<td>3.56 out of 8.00</td>
<td>WATCH</td>
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<tr>
<td>% Attending 90% to 95% of days</td>
<td>33%</td>
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<td>% Attending 85% to 90% of days</td>
<td>15%</td>
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<td>% Attending 80% to 85% of days</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<td>% Attending less than 80% of days</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Annual Retention Rate</td>
<td>94%</td>
<td>6.00 out of 6.00</td>
<td>MODEL</td>
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<tr>
<td>% of Students with Zero In-School Suspensions</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td>0.50 out of 0.50</td>
<td>MODEL</td>
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<tr>
<td>% of Students with Zero Out-of-School Suspensions</td>
<td>99%</td>
<td>2.39 out of 2.50</td>
<td>MODEL</td>
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<tr>
<td>Student Survey: School Climate Rating (% most positive responses)</td>
<td>65%</td>
<td>0.65 out of 1.00</td>
<td>REINFORCE</td>
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<tr>
<td>Parent Survey: School Climate Rating (% most positive responses)</td>
<td>90%</td>
<td>0.90 out of 1.00</td>
<td>MODEL</td>
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<tr>
<td>Parent/Guardian Survey: Participation Rate</td>
<td>39%</td>
<td>0.72 out of 1.00</td>
<td>REINFORCE</td>
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**Climate Total:** 74% of Points Earned 14.72 out of 20.00 REINFORCE
## College & Career

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<td>Four-Year Cohort Graduation Rate</td>
<td>91% (207 students)</td>
<td>2.93 out of 4.50</td>
<td>REINFORCE</td>
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<td>First-Fall College Matriculation Rate</td>
<td>67% (189 students)</td>
<td>1.15 out of 1.50</td>
<td>MODEL</td>
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<td>AP, IB, &amp; NOCTI Exams Participation &amp; Performance</td>
<td>6% (189 students)</td>
<td>0.00 out of 1.00</td>
<td>INTERVENE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SAT &amp; ACT Exams Participation &amp; Performance</td>
<td>15% (189 students)</td>
<td>0.12 out of 1.00</td>
<td>INTERVENE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FAFSA Completion Rate</td>
<td>75% (189 students)</td>
<td>0.99 out of 1.00</td>
<td>MODEL</td>
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<tr>
<td>Student Survey: College &amp; Career Readiness Rating (% most positive responses)</td>
<td>27%</td>
<td>0.27 out of 1.00</td>
<td>WATCH</td>
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### College and Career Total:

| % of Points Earned | 55% | 5.47 out of 10.00 | REINFORCE |
Educator Effectiveness

Teacher effectiveness measures are being described in the School Progress Report, but not included in the SPR rating, to share data we are gathering to monitor and support teacher practice. This information is also used to develop responsive and customized professional learning for teachers to ensure that all students have access to great teachers. Here are some important details to contextualize the teacher effectiveness data reported in the SPR.

- Teachers in a formal observation year who fail to receive a required observation receive a default observation score of 2 (Proficient) for any missing observation data, which may inflate the overall scores.
- Until district-wide, inter-rater reliability norming is held for all principals, observation scores may vary significantly across schools and observers. As a result, comparisons of scores between schools may not be meaningful.
- The district’s observation tool evaluates 10 components of the Danielson Framework for Teaching. Therefore, comparing SDP’s observation scores to scores evaluated against all 22 components of the Danielson Framework may not be meaningful.

EDUCATOR EFFECTIVENESS INDICATORS

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<tr>
<td>Percentage of Teachers Receiving an Overall Observation Score of Distinguished</td>
<td>DATA NOT AVAILABLE</td>
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<td>Percentage of Teachers Receiving an Observation Score of Distinguished in Instruction</td>
<td>DATA NOT AVAILABLE</td>
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<td>Percentage of Teachers Attending 95% or More of Days</td>
<td>DATA NOT AVAILABLE</td>
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<tr>
<td>Student Survey: Student Perception of Quality of Teacher Practice (% most positive responses)</td>
<td>51%</td>
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FOR MORE INFORMATION

More information about the School Progress Reports, including the User Guide, Public Business Rules, and FAQ, is available at philasd.org/spr.

NOTES ABOUT ROUNDING

All calculated values in the SPR (metric scores, percent of points earned, and points earned) are calculated using unrounded values; however, displayed values may differ slightly due to rounding for publication purposes.

UNDERSTANDING DUAL REPORTS

Schools that serve multiple grade spans receive separate SPRs for each grade span (for example, a school serving grades 6-12 receives a Middle School Report and a High School report). The grades included in a particular report are displayed on the top right of the cover page.