

Special Education Parent Advisory Committee Meeting

2024 - 2025

March 13, 2025



Presented by

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Purpose of Special Education Parent Advisory Committee

- Nurture and expand Special Education parent involvement
- Increase input and decision-making at the school and district levels to improve achievement among students with Disabilities.

Special Education Meeting Agenda

- School Dashboard - Brandee Meyer
- Helpful Tips for High Stakes Tests -Margaretha Jennings
- Next District Meeting Dates

California Dashboard

Student Population

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Enrollment

17,944

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Socioeconomically
Disadvantaged

88%

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English Learners

28%

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Foster Youth

0.5%

Student Population

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Enrollment

729

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Socioeconomically
Disadvantaged

72.6%

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English Learners

12.1%

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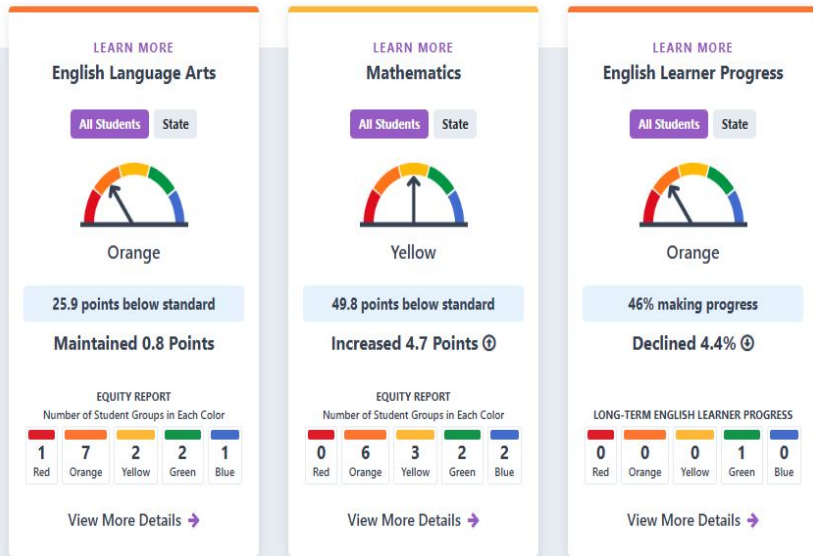
Foster Youth

0.5%

ONTARIO-MONTCLAIR

Academic Performance

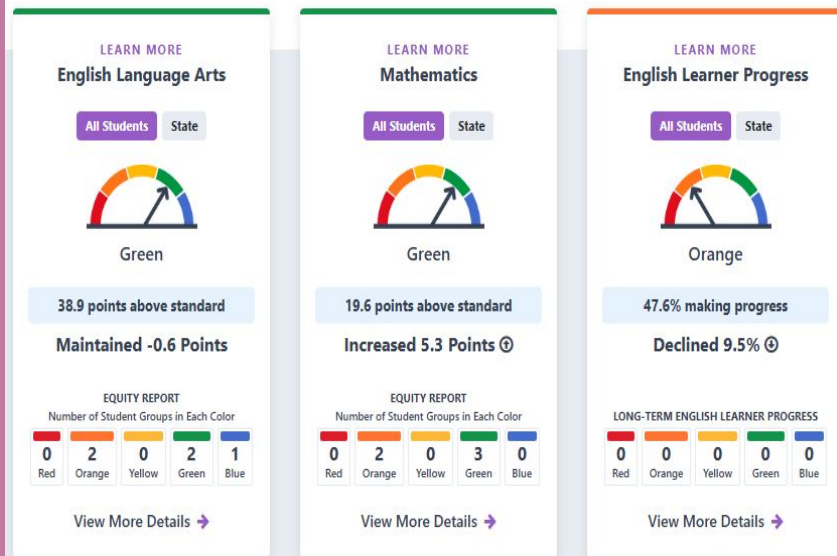
View Student Assessment Results and other aspects of school performance.



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Academic Performance

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Academic Engagement

See information that shows how well schools are engaging students in their learning.

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Chronic Absenteeism

All Students

State



Yellow

16.3% chronically absent

Declined 6.9% ☹️

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Number of Student Groups in Each Color



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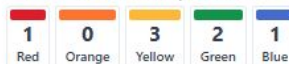
Yellow

10.4% chronically absent

Declined 4.7% ☹️

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Suspension Rate

All Students State



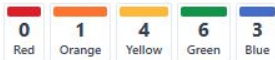
Green

1.2% suspended at least one day

Declined 0.4% ↻

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Suspension Rate

All Students State



Green

0.7% suspended at least one day

Maintained 0.1%

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iReady ELA

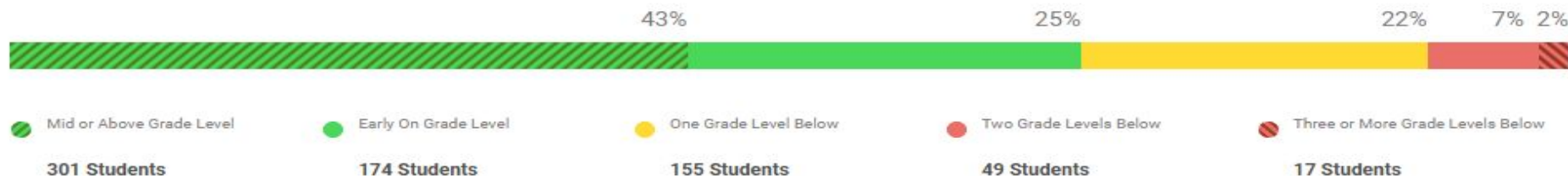
Artes lingüísticas del inglés

Results pending

Edison

Overall Placement

Students Assessed/Total: 696/725



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iReady Math
Matematicas

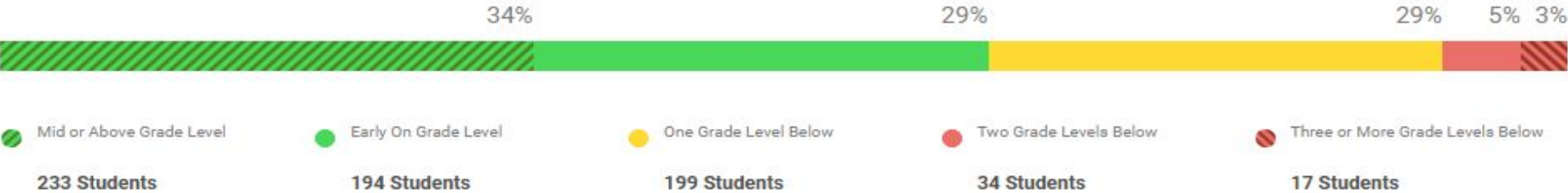
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Results pending

Edison

Overall Placement

Students Assessed/Total: 677/725



Helpful Tips for High-stakes Tests

1. Prioritize Attendance and Homework

Do what you can to ensure that your child is fully engaged with his or her classwork throughout the year.

- a. Set aside dedicated homework time each night.
- b. Periodically reflect on your family routine, and make sure your schedule helps to get them to class on time every day.
- c. If your student is absent for a day, or has to miss a class period, check in with them to make sure they can make up what they missed. (Teacher/Dojo / Parent Square)

2. Communicate with Teachers

- a. Make a point of Meeting or talking with your child's teacher on an ongoing basis.
- b. Your child's teacher is also a great resource for test-preparation practice or strategies you can use with your child at home.
- c. Plus, they can keep you up to date on group study sessions or other opportunities for additional review that your child may benefit from.

3. Talk to your child about Test Taking

- a. Have open, ongoing conversations with your child to explain the benefits of testing.
- b. Ask your students how they feel about testing, and offer reassurance or perspective if they have any anxiety around exams.

4. Offer positive reinforcement

- a. A little encouragement can go a long way! Praise your child for the work that he or she does to prepare for testing.
- b. Share in his or her excitement when he or she has success with a new concept or skill.
- c. When he or she is struggling with a topic, point out the progress made and encourage him or her to continue working.

5. Support healthy habits

- a. Sleep and nutrition can have a huge impact on your child's ability to focus and retain information.
- b. Well-rounded meals and a regular sleep schedule will help your child succeed in the classroom on a day-to-day basis.
- c. On testing days, it's especially important to make sure that your child gets a good night's sleep, starts the day with a filling breakfast, and goes to school with a water bottle to help stay hydrated.

6. Give your child a Study Space

- a. A comfortable, dedicated space for homework and studying can work wonders for your child's productivity.
- b. Make sure that your child's space is quiet, well lit, and stocked with the right materials, like a writing surface, pens, pencils, highlighters, scratch paper, a calculator, and any other tools that he or she might need.

7. Keep Testing in Perspective

- a. No single test is *that* important. Avoid putting too much emphasis on your child's test scores
- b. It's also important to not be upset by a single test score. Low test scores can occur for any number of reasons; it may have just been an off day for your child.

8. Debrief After the test

- a. After testing day has come and gone, talk with your child about his or her results and how he or she felt about the test.

- a. Talking about testing can also help your child process the experience and overcome any anxiety that he or she might have had.

A word cloud consisting of the word "Questions" repeated many times. The words are in various sizes, colors (black, red, blue, grey), and orientations (horizontal, vertical, diagonal). The largest word is in the center, and smaller words are scattered around it, creating a dense, textured effect.

Special Education Parent Advisory Committee (SEPAC) District Meetings

Meetings will offer parents an opportunity for input and provide updates regarding Special Education initiatives in OMSD.

March 18, 2025 @ 10 AM

Zoom Meeting Link <https://omsd.zoom.us/j/8934268943>

This is our Last Meeting of the Year

