



International Baccalaureate



Proviso Mathematics & Science Academy

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Illinois School Report Card - 2018

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Dear Parents:

The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) released our annual School Report Card on Oct. 31. The Report Card shows how well our school is progressing on a wide range of educational goals. **Proviso Math and Science's** data show 100% graduation rate, 82% are proficient in English Language Arts, 86% proficient in Science and 72% proficient in math. In the last four years we have shown an upward bound trajectory, starting with Spring 2015 whereas 69% of our students met and exceeded in ELA and 46% met and exceeded in math. We have come a long way and wear our accolades with pride.

As part of the new support and accountability system that launched this year, ISBE has identified our school to receive the designation **Exemplary**. This is the highest designation a school can receive. We welcome this designation and are ready to build on the talent of our incredible teachers and staff and look forward to including parents, families, and community partners in the work ahead.

We will continue to collect data and evidence comparing our current organizational and instructional practices to our past indicators that have been the hallmarks of our successful school.

Here's where we need your help!

Our school is strongest when we all work together, so we encourage you to participate in our 5-Essentials Survey which is on our website. I invite you to complete this survey at your convenience, and join us at PTO meetings, and town hall/community meetings. Please share your vision for Proviso Math and Science Academy's future and give us your feedback on the gaps we should address to get to 100%. We want to continue to be rising stars.

Each school's Report Card also now includes a designation, a descriptor of how well our school is meeting the needs of all students, based on 10 measures of performance including growth. Our designation is a fact, not a judgment. Continual improvement begins with taking an honest and comprehensive look at where we are, where we are going and how we will get there. This way, we can chart the path to where we want to go together.

Our school's designation is **Exemplary**, which means we do not rest on our laurels but continue to strive to the next level by way of parental involvement, more partnerships with businesses and universities and more professional development for our teachers that will empower our continued success. We look forward to maximizing new opportunities for students and to fueling ongoing initiatives.

Illinois State Board of Education has developed the following designations for our state schools.

The four possible school designations are:

School Designations			
<i>Exemplary</i>	<i>Commendable</i>	<i>Underperforming</i>	<i>Lowest-Performing</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance in the top 10% of all schools • High schools with graduation rate higher than 67% • No underperforming student groups at or below the “all students” group in the lowest-performing 5% of all schools • Eligible to apply to serve as an IL-EMPOWER Learning Partner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance not in the top 10% of all schools • High schools with graduation rate higher than 67% • No underperforming student groups at or below the “all students” group in the lowest-performing 5% of all schools • Eligible to apply to serve as an IL-EMPOWER Learning Partner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One or more student groups underperforming at or below the “all students” group in the lowest-performing 5% of all schools; groups must have at least 20 students in at least three indicators • Completes a Work Plan for School Improvement and provided targeted support through IL-EMPOWER process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the lowest-performing 5% of Title I eligible schools statewide • High schools with graduation rate at or below 67% • Completes a Work Plan for School Improvement and provided comprehensive support through IL-EMPOWER process

We at Proviso Math and Science Academy and District 209 hold high expectations for all students, and we believe every student can meet our expectations with the appropriate supports. The state’s new support and accountability system is designed to provide each school the supports and resources we need to reach our goals. Thank you for your continued partnership to ensure every child at Proviso Math and Science Academy and Proviso Township District 209 is thriving. We are one Proviso; we are Proviso proud!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us by contacting Mr. Breisch at 708-338-4175 or Dr. Karvelas 338-4170. Go Pythons!

Sincerely,

Dr. Bessie Karvelas

