



Public Hearing on Charter Renewal: Growth Public School (GPS)

Board Meeting
August 8, 2024
Agenda Item No. 10.1

Presented by:

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Public Hearing to Consider Support for Renewal Petition

On June 27th, 2024, Growth Public Schools submitted a petition to renew its charter. It is requesting to renew the term of its charter, which expires on June 30, 2025. Today's public hearing is the first public hearing on the Growth Public Schools renewal petition, as required by Education Code. The purpose of the public hearing is to consider the support for the charter petition from the district's teachers, other employees, and parents.

Staff are currently reviewing the submitted petition. Following the review of the petition and this public hearing, the governing board of the school district shall either grant or deny the charter within 90 days of receipt of the petition. That decision is scheduled to occur at the September 5, 2024, board meeting. The governing board of the school district shall publish all staff recommendations, including the recommended findings, at least 15 days before the public hearing at which the governing board of the school district will either grant or deny the charter. Staff is scheduled to publish this report by August 21, 2024.

The school leader will be given the remainder of this agenda item to present to the Board, with public comment and Board discussion to follow.

Please allow me to introduce, Audria Johnson, Executive Director of Growth Public Schools

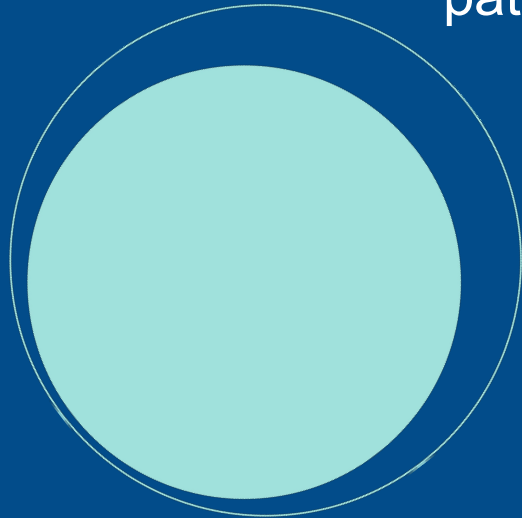
Introduction

GPS' Mission is to be a diverse, connected, learner-driven community that prepares students emotionally, socially, and academically to blaze their own paths in a changing world.



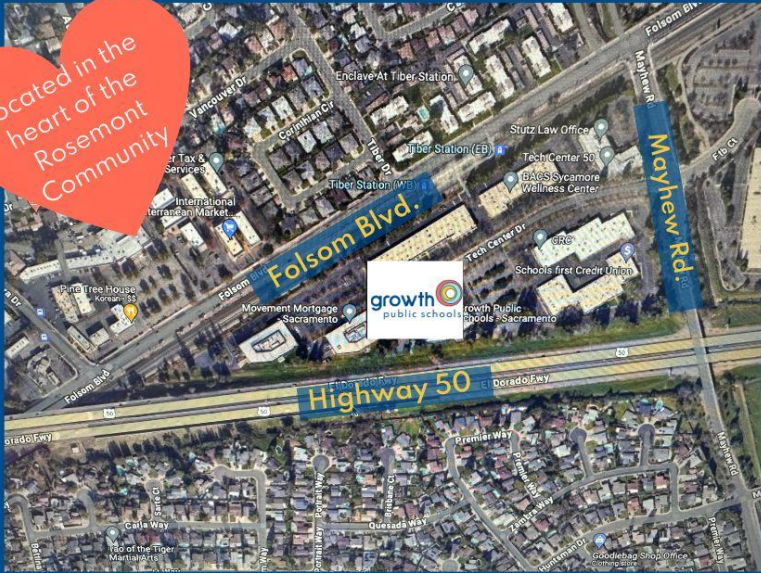
Our Educational Philosophy:

**Strong Balance of
Rigorous Academics and
Personal Development through
Social-Emotional Learning**





Located in the heart of the Rosemont Community

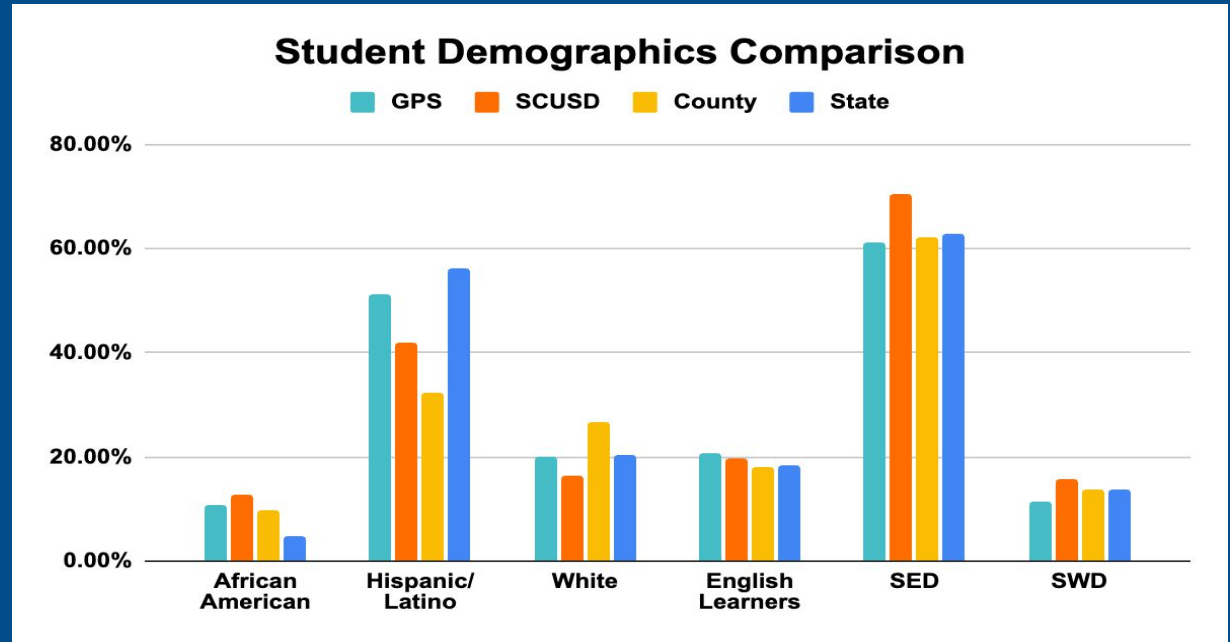
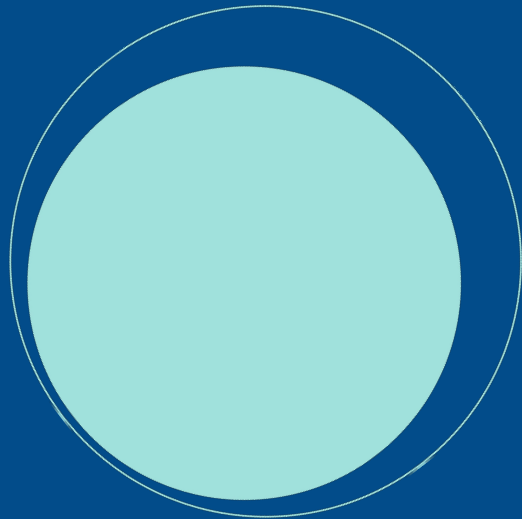


9320 Tech Center Drive
(between Watt and Bradshaw off of Highway 50)



Diverse Student Population

GPS' student population reflects the diversity of culture, language, ethnicity, and ability found in Sacramento.



Key Program Elements

Project-Based Learning
Foundational Skills

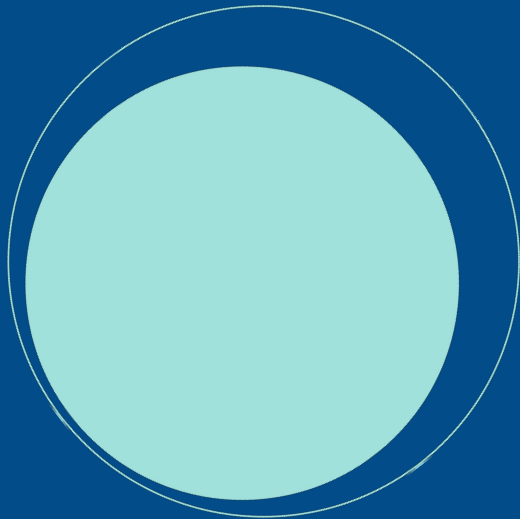
**GPS teachers receive
extensive professional
development and support
throughout the year**

 **Education**

 **Illustrative
Mathematics**

Social Emotional Learning

In April 2021, GPS became the first elementary school in the nation to become a certified Powered by Compass (“PBC”) School.



Exemplary Performance in Measurable Outcomes, such as:

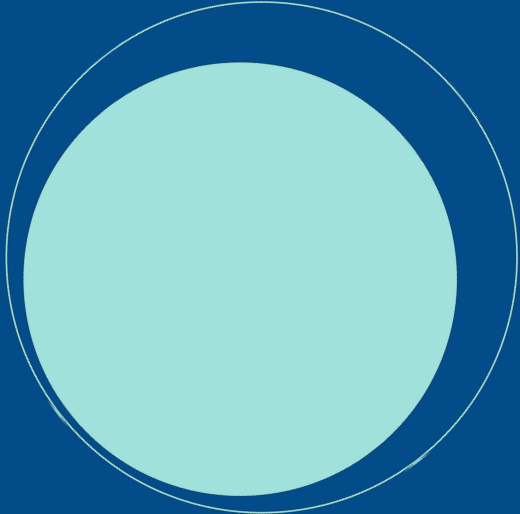
- **Staff Investment:** GPS has had multiple years of 100% of staff investment in the PBC model, as measured by annual survey.
- **Trust in School Leader:** Trust levels at GPS are higher than 84% of schools across the country.



**POWERED BY
COMPASS**

Community Satisfaction

GPS annually surveys its **teachers, staff and families** to gather data on perceptions of school culture, as well as overall satisfaction, and continuously receives high levels of positive feedback and responses on these measures.



Based on % agree or strongly agree

96% of staff
feel connected
to the mission
and vision of
GPS

93% of staff
would rate the
team culture as
positive.

**100% of
staff**
enjoy working at
GPS

**93% of
families**
would rate the
culture of GPS
as positive.

Over 90% of families
are satisfied with GPS, and would
recommend GPS to their
like-minded friends and families.

Student Academic Growth



For the 2023-24 School Year:

GPS students met the threshold required to show one year of growth in Reading, and exceeded this threshold in Math.

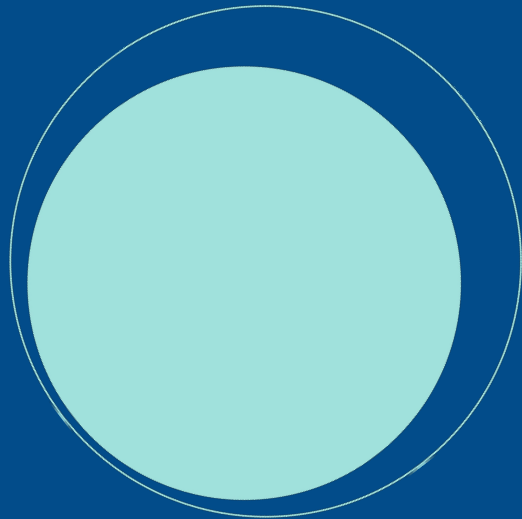
From Spring 2023 to Spring 2024:

Growth for continuously enrolled GPS students met the required threshold to show one year of growth in both Reading and again exceeded the growth goal in Math.

Student Growth Schoolwide		
	Reading	Math
Fall 2023-Spring 2024	Met	Exceeded
Spring 2023-Spring 2024	Met	Exceeded

Other Highlights & Successes

In the 2023-24 school year, GPS successfully met the standard for every performance area within SCUSD's annual oversight report.



Growth Public Schools

Independent - Grades Served: TK-8 - Renewal By June 30, 2025 - [Link to Full Staff Report](#)

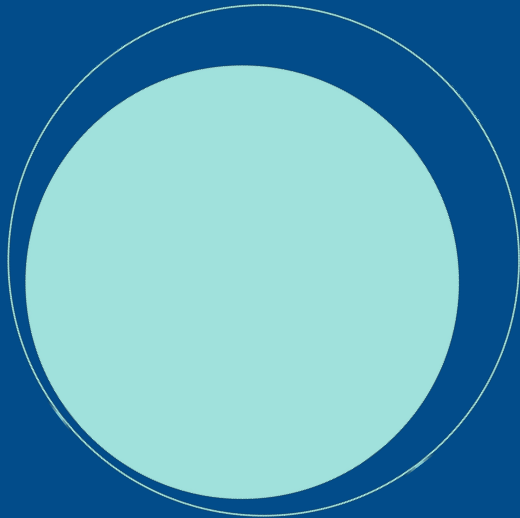
Performance Area	Performance Level	Notes or Required Actions
CDE Renewal Level	Middle Level	Presumed on track for 5-year renewal; in Differentiated Assistance
Governance and Reporting	MEETS STANDARD	No Action Required
Financial Responsibility	MEETS STANDARD	No Action Required
Educational Program	MEETS STANDARD	No Action Required; However GPS will need to continue their current trajectory of improving academic outcomes on par with their SEL focus.
Serving the Public Equitably	MEETS STANDARD	No Action Required

Thank You

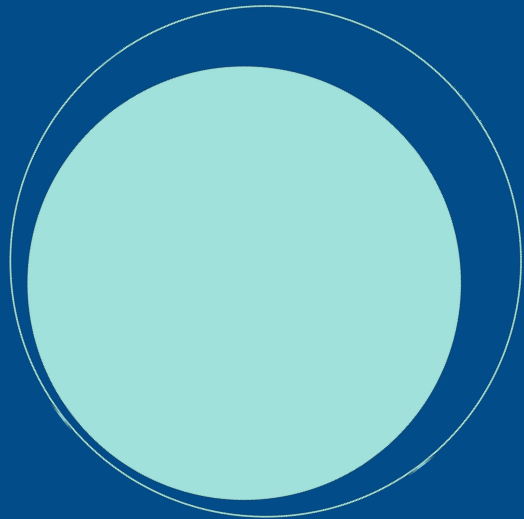
Thank you for giving us space in your meeting to present GPS. We are excited to continue to serve students and families with a high quality option in partnership with SCUSD and the District Board.

We will be back at in September for a Board vote to approve our renewal.

All Board members are invited to visit GPS to learn more about our school first-hand.



Public Comment and Board Questions



We know there may be some comments regarding GPS and our renewal, and we are happy to hear from members of the public.

We also look forward to any questions and comments the Board may have.