

Application to Renew the Charter
for Natomas-Pacific Pathways Prep (NP³) Middle School
as a California Public Charter School

Student Data and Performance Results

Prepared by Inform 2 Inspire LLC

Summary of Student Performance

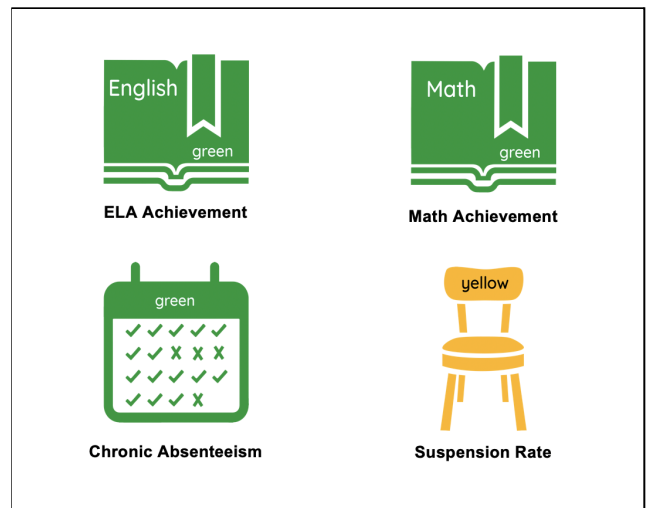
NP³ manages three high performing schools in a K12 continuum. Students matriculate from the elementary to the middle to the high school where nearly every student graduates (98%) and completes the requirements to enroll at a UC or CSU campus (92%). These high rates of high school completion and college access also translate into high readiness rates with 82% of the NP³ graduates “prepared” for college/career on the California School Dashboard and 85% going on to enroll in college.

There are many ways to measure school performance. Beginning with the California School Dashboard is important because “the Dashboard contains reports that display the performance of local educational agencies (LEAs), schools, and student groups on a set of state and local measures to assist in identifying strengths, challenges, and areas in need of improvement.”

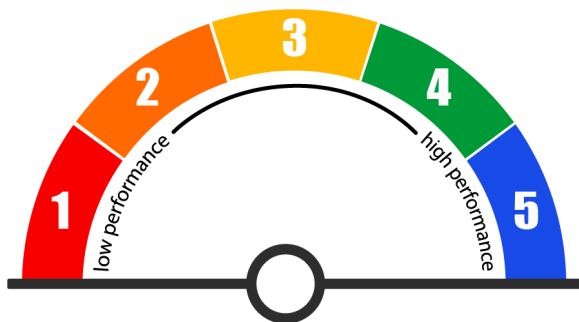
NP³ Middle School’s Performance on the California School Dashboard

In 2019, NP³ Middle School earned 3 GREEN and 1 YELLOW indicator on the 2019 California School Dashboard.

- in 2018 the school received 2 GREEN, 1 YELLOW, and 1 ORANGE indicator
- in 2017 the school received 1 BLUE and 3 GREEN indicators



The table below summarizes the performance of NP³ Middle School on each of the California School Dashboard indicators in comparison to Natomas Unified School District and the State of California. In each cell, the color indicator, most recent performance, and change values are displayed.



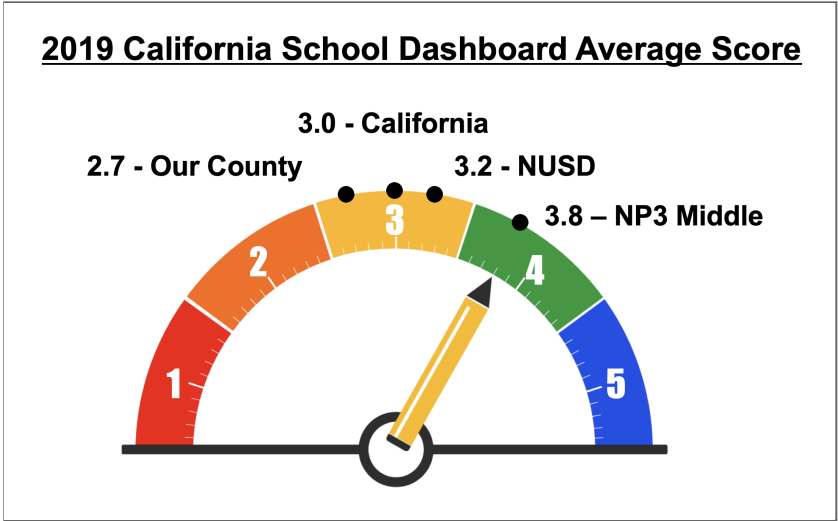
The top of the chart displays the average score for each Local Education Agency (LEA) using the state of California’s numeric system that assigns blue as 5, green as 4, yellow as 3, orange as 2, and red as 1.

2019 CA School Dashboard Results

	NP ³ MS	NUSD	California
Average score for all indicators	3.8	3.2	3.0
English Language Arts	GREEN 27.2 above standard decreased 3.6	YELLOW 20.9 below standard increased 15.3	GREEN 3 below standard increased 3.1
Math	GREEN 6.8 above increased 3.7	YELLOW 59.3 below increased 11.3	ORANGE 33.5 below increased 2.9
Chronic Absenteeism	GREEN 3.5% decreased 2.6%	ORANGE 13.3% increased 0.3%	ORANGE 10.1% increased 1.1%
Suspension Rate	YELLOW 1.3% increased 0.6%	YELLOW 6.1% decreased 1.3%	YELLOW 3.4% decreased 0.1%
English Learner Progress	LOW	LOW	MEDIUM

There is one yellow indicator for NP³ Middle School, for the Suspension rate which is just above 1%. Though the rate is low and much lower than the suspension rate for the State, the color is the same because the rate increased slightly from the year before.

NP³ Middle School's average score in 2019 is 3.8, above the county average of 2.7, State average of 3.0, and NUSD's average of 3.2. (Note that the County of Sacramento average is calculated based on the collective average of the school district's within Sacramento County.)



Along with reviewing the overall results for NP³ Middle School, it is important to consider the results for each of the student groups. The table below displays the results for the eight student groups at NP³ Middle School which had enough enrolled students to be reported on the 2019 CA School Dashboard. There is an achievement gap present where White students have a higher average score on the Dashboard than African American students.

African American	Filipino	Hispanic/Latino	English Learners	Socio-economically Disadvantaged	All Students	Asian	Two or More Races	White
3	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.8	3.8	3.8	4.5

Using the same color values, NP³ Middle School can be compared to other middle schools in California. There are about 10,000 schools in California, 100 middle schools have an enrollment within 165 students of NP³ Middle and an unduplicated rate within 20% of NP³ Middle. The following table highlights NP³'s rank within that list of 100 schools on each of the 5 State Indicators used for middle schools.

	ELA	Math	Chronic Absenteeism	Suspension Rate	English Learner Progress
Rank among 100 similar schools	11	5	5	47	44

College Readiness with 2019 CAASPP Results

The CAASPP test measures student academic achievement in grades 3 through 8 and 11. Each spring, students across California take this exam. NP³ Middle School students perform well on both the ELA and Math exams with consistently high scores. The tables below compare results with Natomas Unified, Sacramento County and California.

To maintain appropriate comparisons, the CAASPP results in following tables below display results for 6th, 7th, and 8th graders at NP³ Middle School in comparison to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders in the State, County, and NUSD. The results DO NOT include results for students in grades 3, 4, 5 or 11.

Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding ELA Standards on the CAASPP Test				
	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019
NP ³ Middle	64%	67%	66%	63%
NUSD (with charters)	46%	46%	43%	45%
Sacramento County	46%	46%	47%	48%
California	48%	48%	49%	50%

Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding Math Standards on the CAASPP Test				
	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019
NP ³ Middle	54%	55%	56%	54%
NUSD (with charters)	34%	33%	31%	32%
Sacramento County	36%	37%	37%	37%
California	36%	37%	37%	38%

Additionally, when looking at student group results on the CAASPP exams, NP³ students also perform well. The first table below displays CAASPP ELA results for students by ethnicity.

Three-year Average CAASPP - Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding ELA Standards					
	African American	Asian	Hispanic/Latino	Two or More Races	White
NP ³ Middle	52%	69%	61%	57%	74%
NUSD	25%	59%	38%	49%	59%

Sacramento County	27%	60%	36%	52%	55%
California	30%	76%	37%	63%	63%

The table below displays CAASPP ELA results by student groups. Note that other student groups, such as Foster Youth, are not displayed because there are not significant numbers of students to be counted for NP³ schools.

Three-year Average CAASPP - Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding ELA Standards			
ALL STUDENTS	English Learners	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	Students with Disabilities
NP ³ Middle	23%	58%	22%
NUSD	9%	32%	10%
Sacramento County	9%	34%	11%
California	9%	35%	12%

The table below displays CAASPP math results for students by ethnicity.

Three-year Average CAASPP - Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding Math Standards					
ALL STUDENTS	African American	Asian	Hispanic/Latino	Two or More Races	White
NP ³ Middle	35%	62%	43%	47%	67%
NUSD	16%	52%	26%	37%	48%
Sacramento County	17%	53%	26%	41%	47%
California	20%	73%	26%	54%	54%

The table below displays CAASPP Math results by student groups. Note that other student groups, such as Foster Youth, are not displayed because there are not significant numbers of students to be counted for NP³ schools.

Three-year Average CAASPP - Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding Math Standards			
ALL STUDENTS	English Learners	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	Students with Disabilities
NP ³ Middle	23%	46%	16%
NUSD	13%	23%	10%

Sacramento County	12%	26%	10%
California	13%	25%	12%

English Learner Progress

An important measure of student achievement for any school or district is the progress made by English Learner students. About 11% of the students at NP³ Middle School are EL students, with the total count fluctuating between 50 and 70 students per year. These students bring the same academic needs and skills as their peers, along with the need for additional English Language Development (ELD) support.

The State of California uses the English Learner Progress Indicator on the California School Dashboard to measure student progress from year to year. In 2019, 64.7% of EL students at NP³ Middle School made progress toward English Language Proficiency. This corresponds to a “high” rating on the Dashboard, however there was a testing discrepancy and one student’s score was not recorded properly, bringing the test participation rate below 95% leading to the State rating NP³ Middle School as “low” on this indicator. Although the rating is low, more than 2/3 of the EL students at NP³ made progress which is much higher than the State where 48.3% of EL students made progress.

English Learners scored at the yellow level on the ELA and Math indicators on the CA School Dashboard, green on the Chronic Absentee indicator, and green on the Suspension Rate indicator. In total, EL students at NP³ had an average score of 3.5 on the State indicators which is higher than the average for all EL students in California where the average score was 2.5.

Analysis of Charter Renewal Criteria

NP³ Middle School is performing highly as measured by the California School Dashboard and other measures of student performance.

- NP³ Middle School’s performance on the California School Dashboard exceeds the District, the County, and the State averages
- NP³ Middle School is also outperforming most similar schools on all five state indicators with exceptional performance on three of the five indicators
- NP³ Middle School students perform well on the CAASPP test
- English Learners are performing better at NP³ than EL students in California, with low chronic absentee and suspension rates, and an opportunity for improvement in academic achievement

Students to Be Served

Natomas Unified School District serves a diverse population of students, more diverse than Sacramento County or the State of California. NP³ targets a diverse group of students in grades 9-12 who are representative of the demographics of the Natomas community and the State. The table below summarizes the diversity of students in NP³ schools in comparison to Natomas Unified School District, Sacramento County and the State of California using 2018-2019 CBEDS data which is the most recent publicly available data.

In some instances, NP³ schools are underrepresented or overrepresented in comparison to NUSD, the County and California. When students are underrepresented at an NP³ school in comparison to NUSD by more than 5%, the cell is bolded and underlined, and when students are overrepresented by more than 5%, the cell is italicized. Three student groups are underrepresented at all three NP³ schools: African American students, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged students, and Students with Disabilities.

Student Enrollment Summary

	NP ³ Middle	Natomas Unified	Sacramento County	California
Total Students in 2018-2019	514	15,290	246,663	6,186,278
African American Students	<u>7.2%</u>	16.6%	11.4%	5.4%
American Indian/ Native Alaskan Students	*	0.6%	0.6%	0.5%
Asian Students	<i>31.5%</i>	16.5%	14.8%	9.3%
Filipino Students	7.0%	4.9%	2.7%	2.4%
Hispanic/Latino Students	<u>25.5%</u>	31.7%	31.8%	54.6%
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander Students	2.9%	1.6%	1.4%	0.5%
Students with Two or More Races	8.8%	10.0%	7.1%	3.6%
White Students	16.5%	17.4%	29.6%	22.9%
English Learners	11.1%	12.4%	17.0%	19.3%
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students	<u>46.5%</u>	56.7%	60.9%	60.9%
Foster Youth	*	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%

Homeless Youth	*	2.5%	3.0%	3.4%
Students with Disabilities	4.9%	11.2%	12.3%	10.7%

The table above highlights the diversity of the NP³ schools as well as some cases where the student population is less representative of the total Natomas community.

Along with looking at students enrolled more recently at NP³ schools and how those student demographics compare to the Natomas Unified School District, another way to look at student enrollments is how those demographics have changed over time.

The table below displays changes in enrollment between the 2016-2017 and 2018-2019 school years. When a student groups' enrollment increased as a percent of the total enrollment, it is designated with an arrow pointing up. When a student groups' enrollment decreased as a percent of the total enrollment, it is designated with an arrow pointing down. When there was little or no change (plus or minus 0.5%), the cell is empty.

Student Enrollment Changes 2016-2017 to 2018-2019 as Percent of Total Population

	NP ³ Middle	Natomas Unified	Sacramento County	California
Total Students in 2018-2019	514	15,290	246,663	6,186,278
African American Students	↓	↓	↓	
American Indian/ Native Alaskan Students				
Asian Students	↑	↑	↑	
Filipino Students				
Hispanic/Latino Students		↓	↑	
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander Students	↓			
Students with Two or More Races	↑	↑	↑	
White Students	↓	↓	↓	↓
English Learners	↑	↓		↓
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Students	↑	↑	↑	↑

Foster Youth				
Homeless Youth	↓	↓		
Students with Disabilities		↑		

Analysis of NP³ Middle School Student Enrollment

NP³ Middle School has a diverse student population, similar to the Natomas Unified School District community. There are some differences however. Whereas Hispanic/Latino students make up the largest student group for Natomas Unified School District, the County, and State at NP³ Middle School the largest student group is Asian students, making up nearly 1/3 of the entire school. Similar to NUSD and the County, the percent of Asian students has increased at NP³ Middle School over the past 3 years.

At NP³ Middle School there is a similar percent of White students (17%) as there are in Natomas Unified (17%), both lower than the County and State. Although the percent of African American students at NP³ is similar to the State, it is much lower than Natomas Unified School District and the County. Similar to the District and County, the total percent of African American students is decreasing over the past 3 years.