

BUILDING OUR FUTURE



PASSAIC
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Presentation to Passaic City Council

March 21, 2017

OCTOBER 2013



MARCH 2017



PASSAIC PUBLIC SCHOOLS TODAY

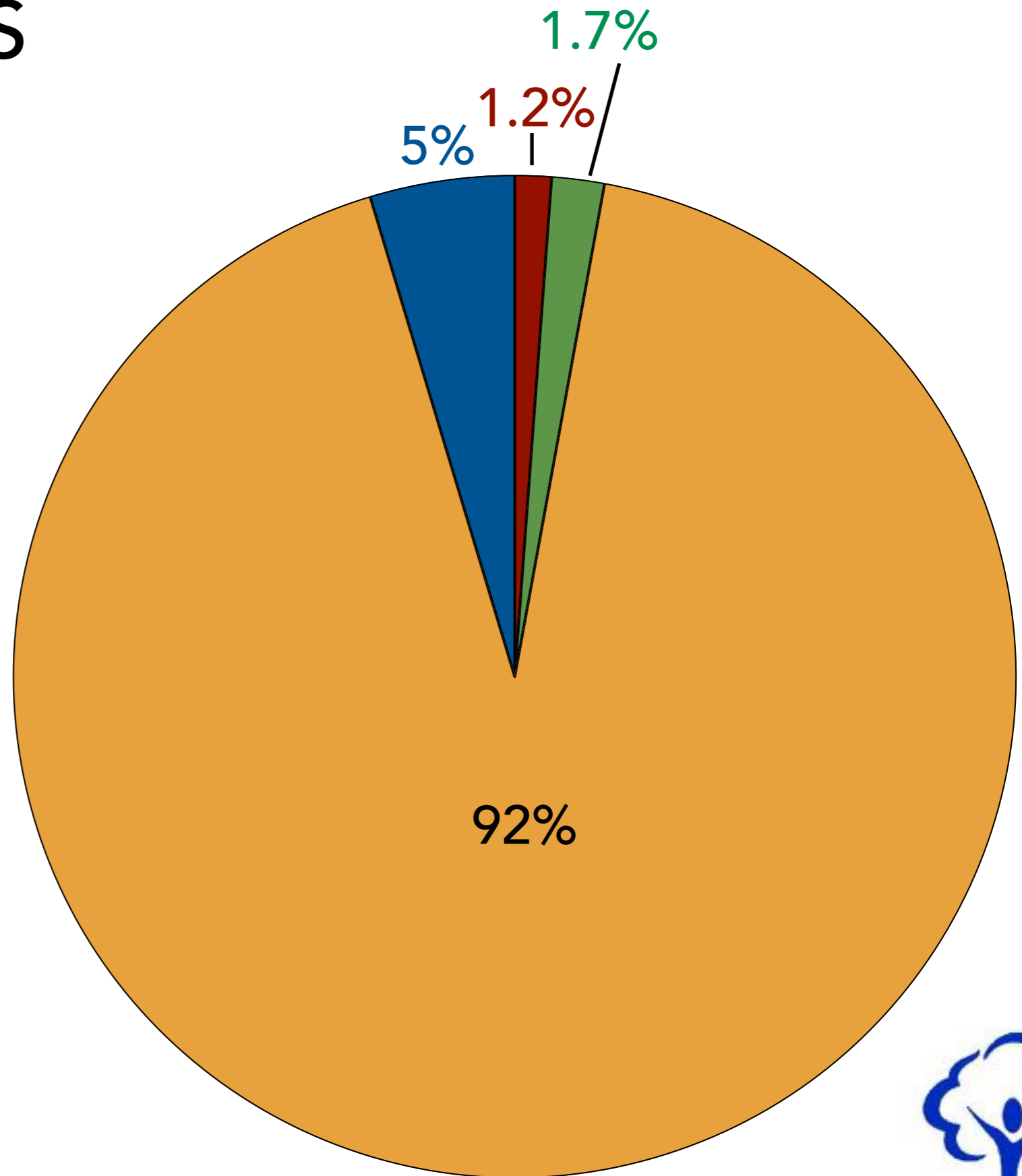
- Our Students
- Our Framework
- Teaching and Learning
- Academic Achievement
- Tax Dollars at Work
- Investing in Technology
- Investments in Infrastructure
- Champions



OUR STUDENTS

14,908 Students

- White
- Asian
- Hispanic
- Black



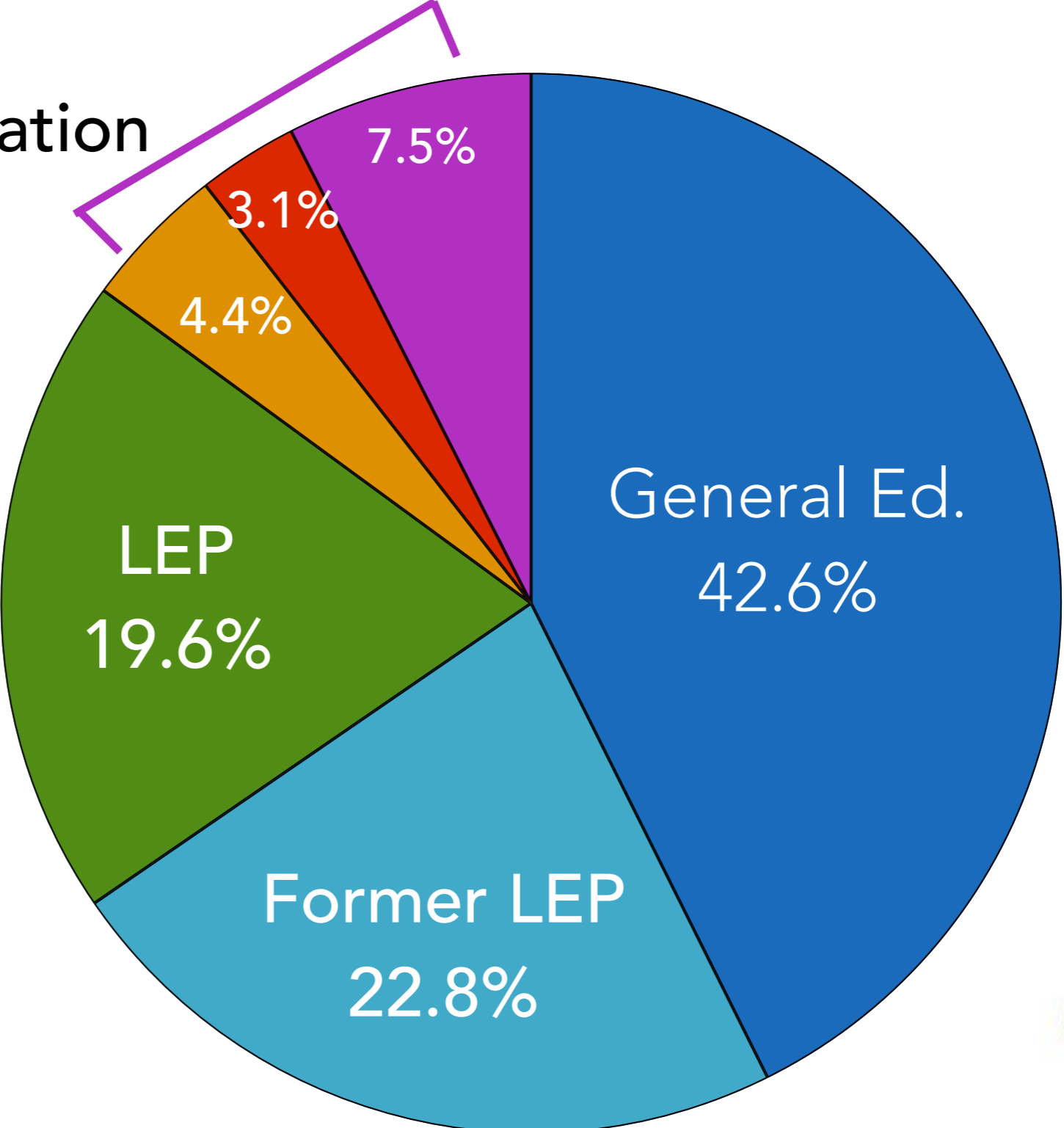
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OUR STUDENTS

15%
Special Education

- General Ed.
- Former LEP
- LEP
- Former LEP + SpEd
- LEP + SpEd
- SpEd



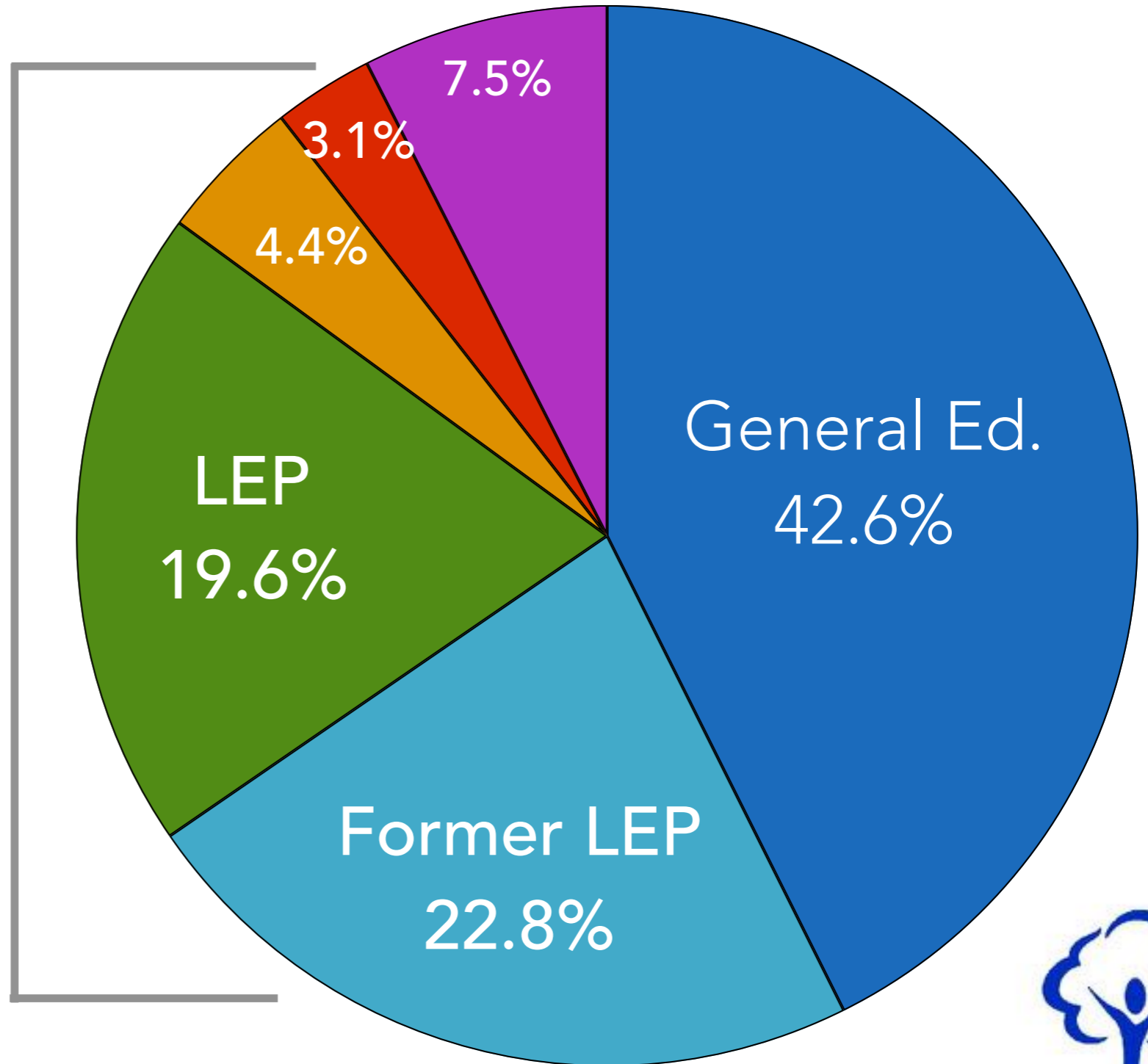
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OUR STUDENTS

49.9%
Current or Former
Limited English Proficient

- General Ed.
- Former LEP
- LEP
- Former LEP + SpEd
- LEP + SpEd
- SpEd



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OUR FRAMEWORK



VISION

PASSAIC PUBLIC SCHOOLS WILL BE
THE BEST URBAN SCHOOL SYSTEM IN
THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY.



MISSION

PASSAIC PUBLIC SCHOOLS WILL PROVIDE AN EXCELLENT EDUCATION THAT PREPARES OUR STUDENTS FOR COLLEGE AND TO EARN HIGH PAYING JOBS.



FOCUS

PASSAIC PUBLIC SCHOOLS WILL PROVIDE EVERY STUDENT THE OPPORTUNITY TO GRADUATE HIGH SCHOOL WITH A CAREER CERTIFICATION AND/OR 15 COLLEGE CREDITS.



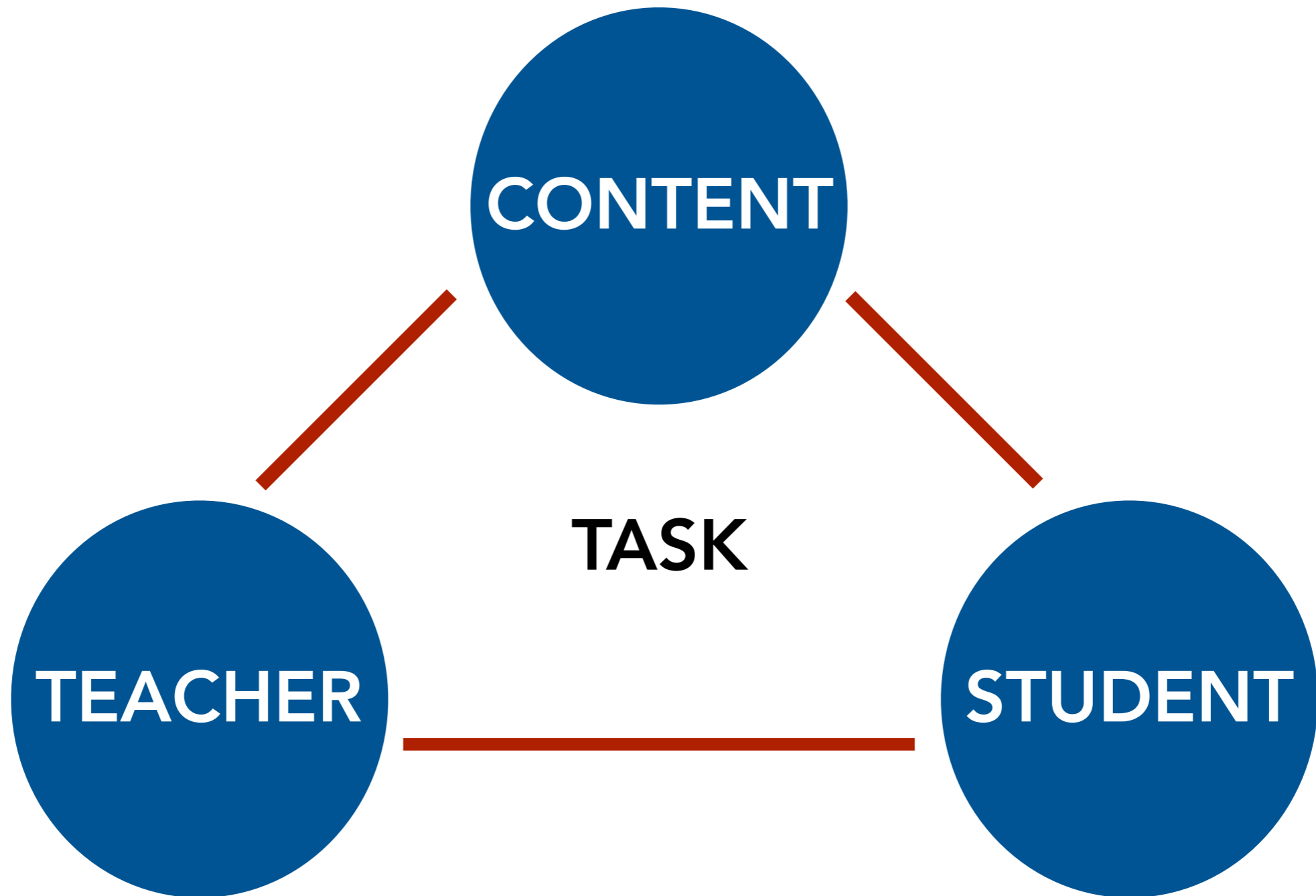
POLICY

OUR THEORY OF ACTION: AN ALIGNED INSTRUCTIONAL SYSTEM

- CURRICULUM
- INTERVENTIONS
- PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
- ASSESSMENTS
- HUMAN RESOURCES
- STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS



OUR CORE BUSINESS: THE INSTRUCTIONAL CORE



TEACHING & LEARNING



SAFE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

Added 27 Security Personnel Positions

+93% increase

56

29

2012-2013

2016-2017



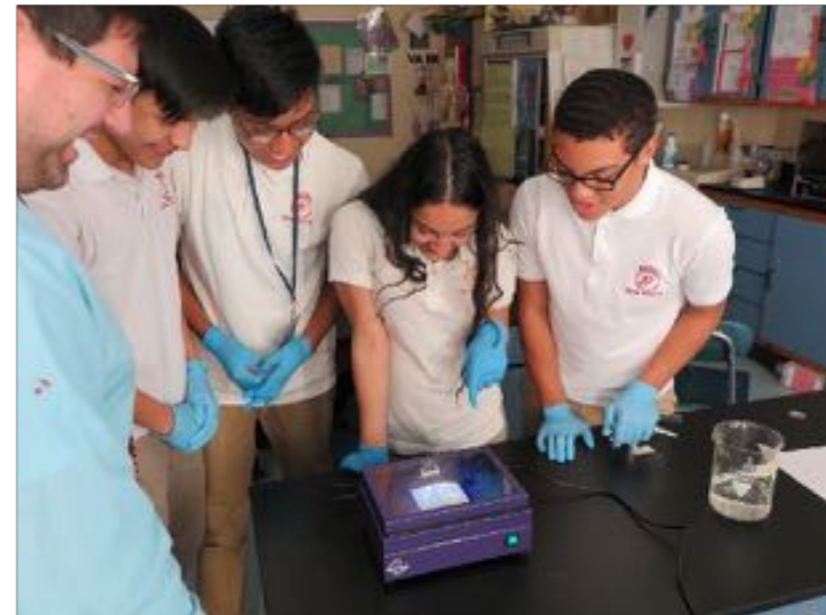
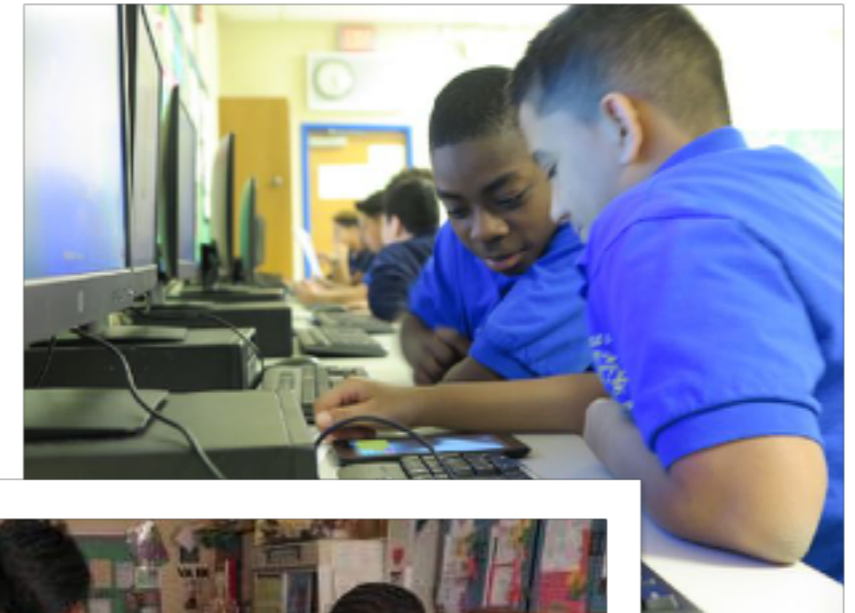
CHANGING POLICIES

- High School Graduation
- Grading
- Promotion/Retention
- Code of Student Conduct
- Student Attendance



RIGOROUS CURRICULUM

- New Curricula and Instructional Materials
- Algebra I in Grade 8
- Project Lead the Way
- Advanced Placement
- Dual Enrollment
- Passaic Gifted and Talented Academy



DEVELOPING TEACHERS & LEADERS

- Instructional Rounds
- Leaders in Learning Cohorts
- Children's Literacy Initiative Training
- Summer Institutes
- AP, PLTW, AVID Intensive Summer Training Programs
- PD Days, Workshops, In-Class Coaching, Grade Level Meetings



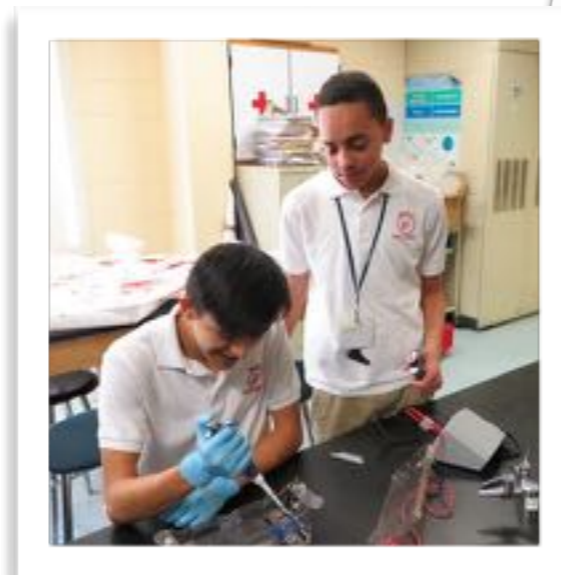
EXTENDING LEARNING

- Jump Into Summer Programs
- Before/After School Support Programs
- 21st Century ACCESS Program
- Saturday Enrichment Programs



PREPARING FOR COLLEGE AND CAREERS

- Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)
- Early College Initiative/ High School Pathways
- Advanced Placement & Dual Enrollment
- SAT & AccuPlacer



ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT



PARCC

THE PARTNERSHIP FOR ASSESSMENT OF
READINESS FOR COLLEGE AND CAREERS



ABOUT THE PARCC

The PARCC test was designed to:

- Measure student performance in relation to the New Jersey State Learning Standards
- Focus on student achievement related to college and career preparation
- Provide student achievement data that are more specific and targeted to the standards to better inform curriculum and instruction

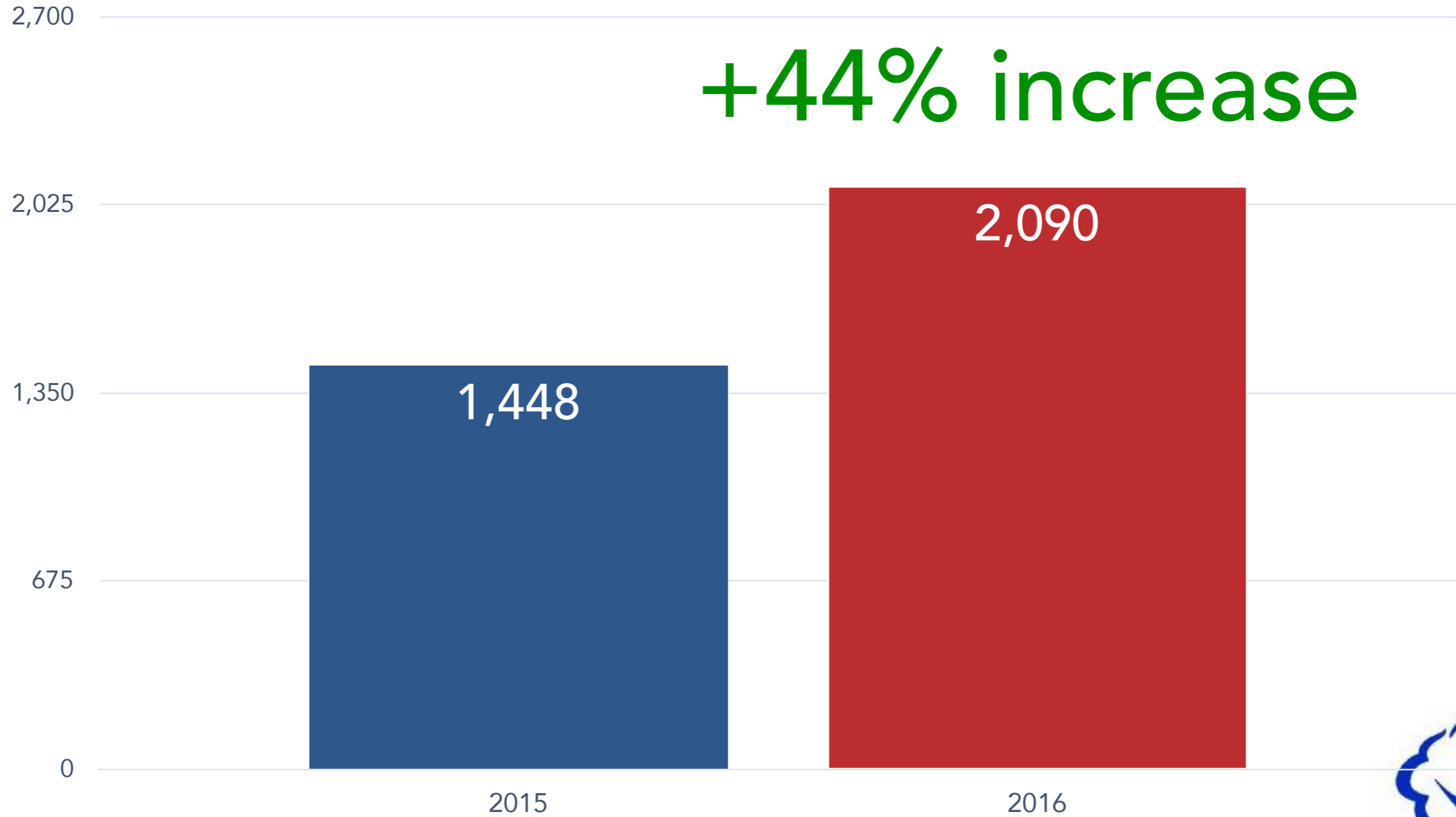


PARCC ELA FINDINGS: 2016

- Overall student achievement in English Language Arts increased.
- Increase in the percent of students meeting and exceeding expectations in all tested grades (3-11), ranging from 9% to 100%.



ELA Grades 3-11 Students Meeting/Exceeding



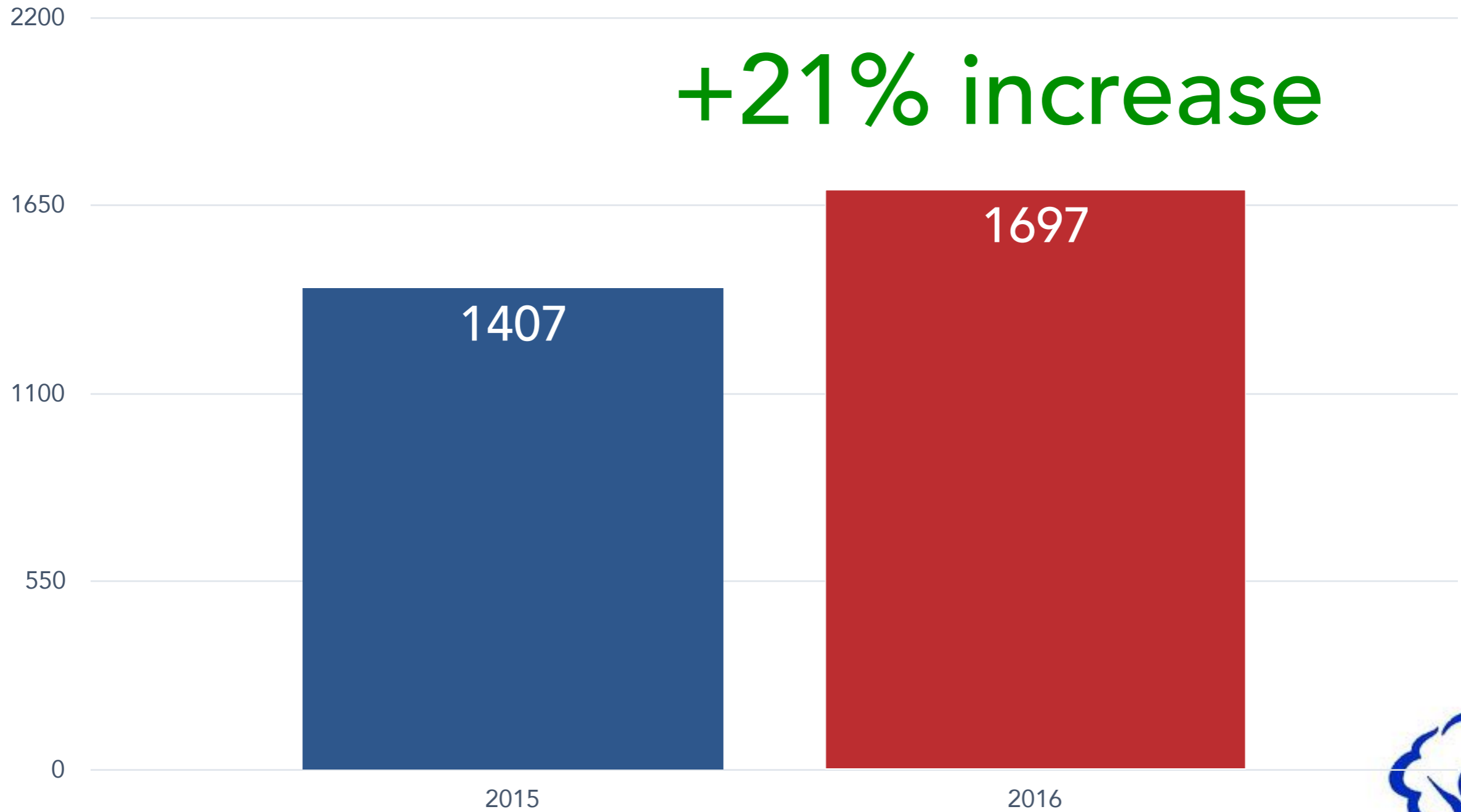
PARCC MATH FINDINGS: 2016

- Overall student achievement in Mathematics increased in grades 3, 4, 6, 7, Algebra 2, and Geometry.
- General education students achieved growth in all grade levels.
- Increase in the percent of students meeting and exceeding expectations ranges from 4% to 150%.



Math Grades 3-11 Students Meeting/Exceeding

+21% increase

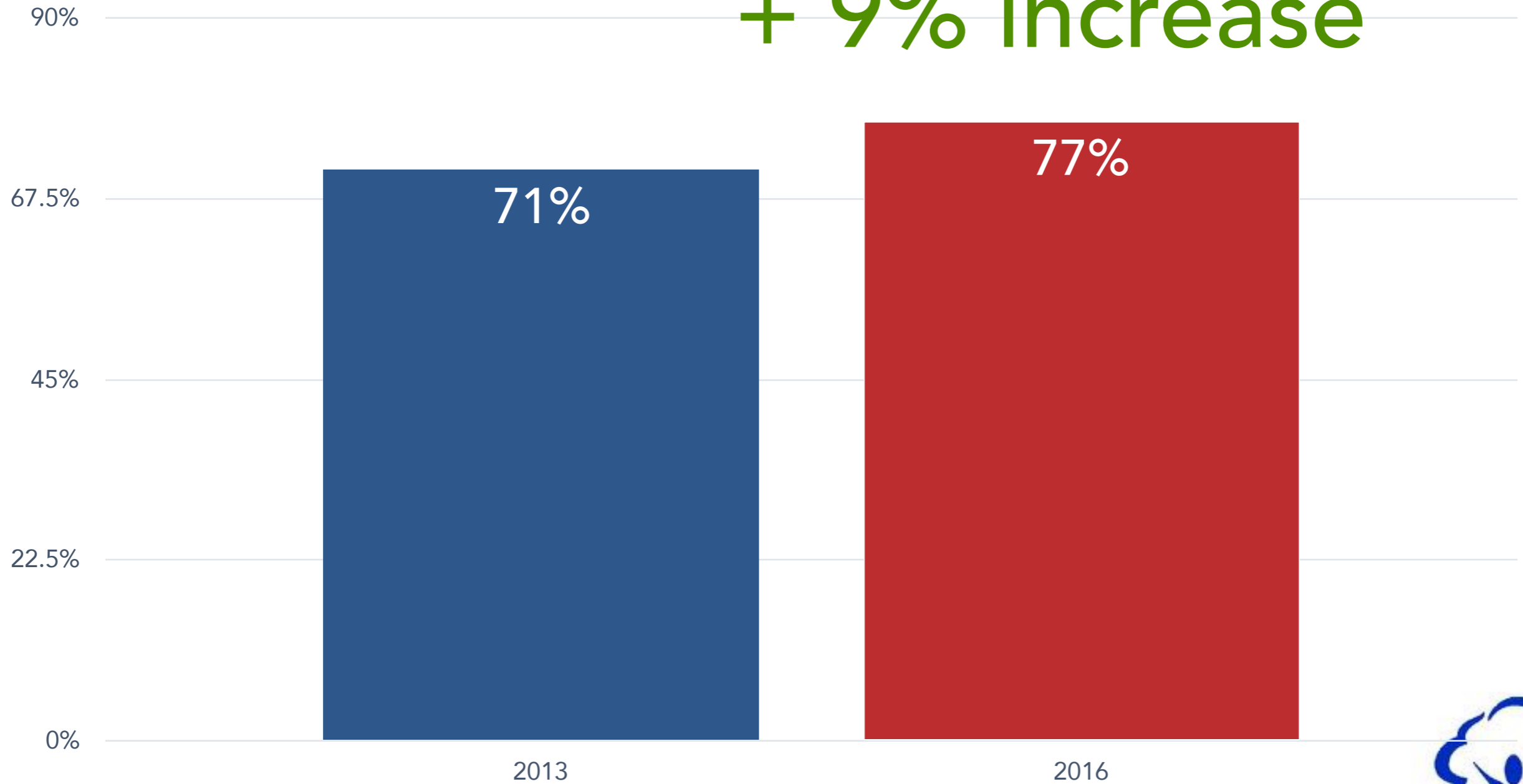


HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION



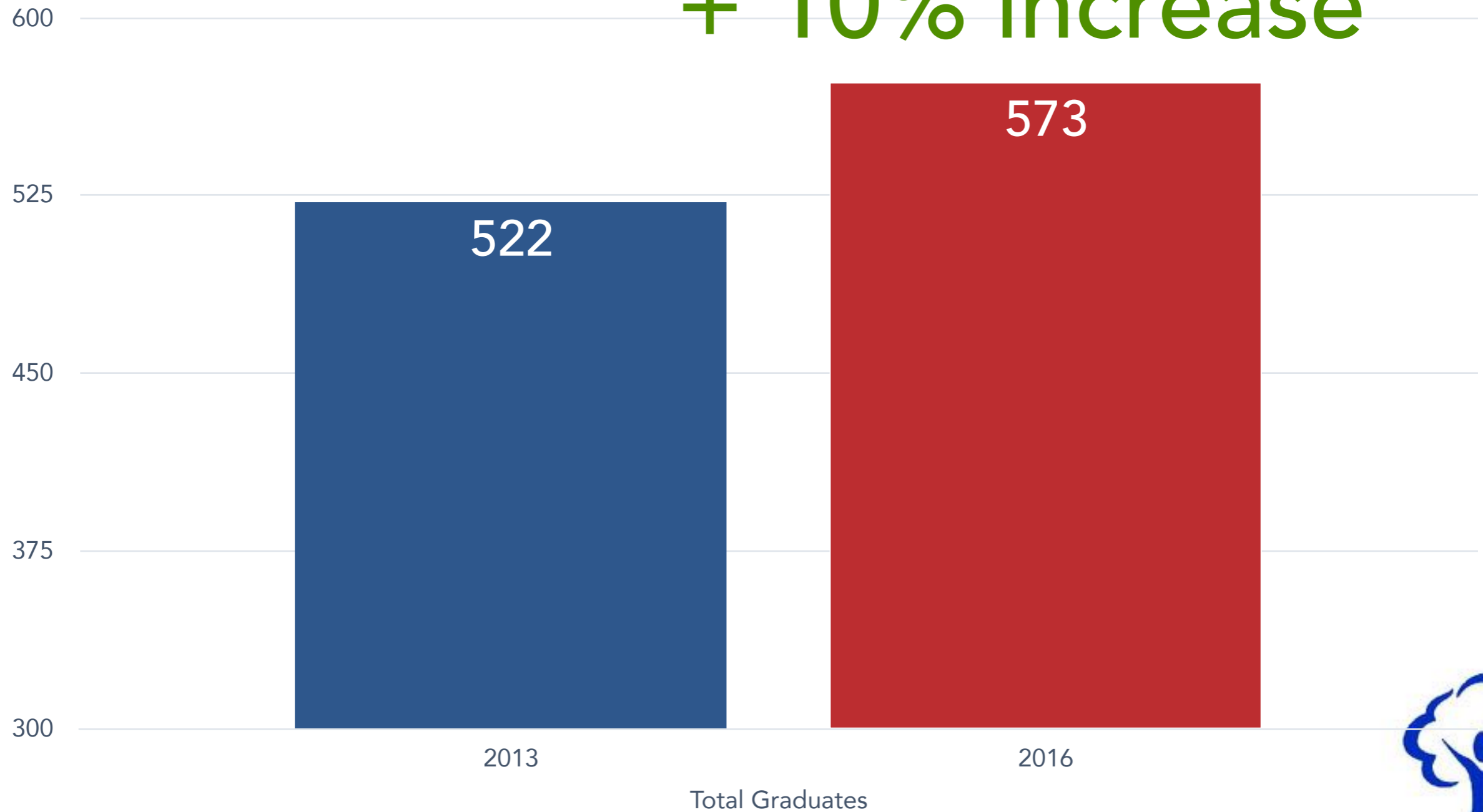
Passaic High School 4-Year Graduation Rate

+ 9% increase



Passaic High School Number of 4-Year Graduates

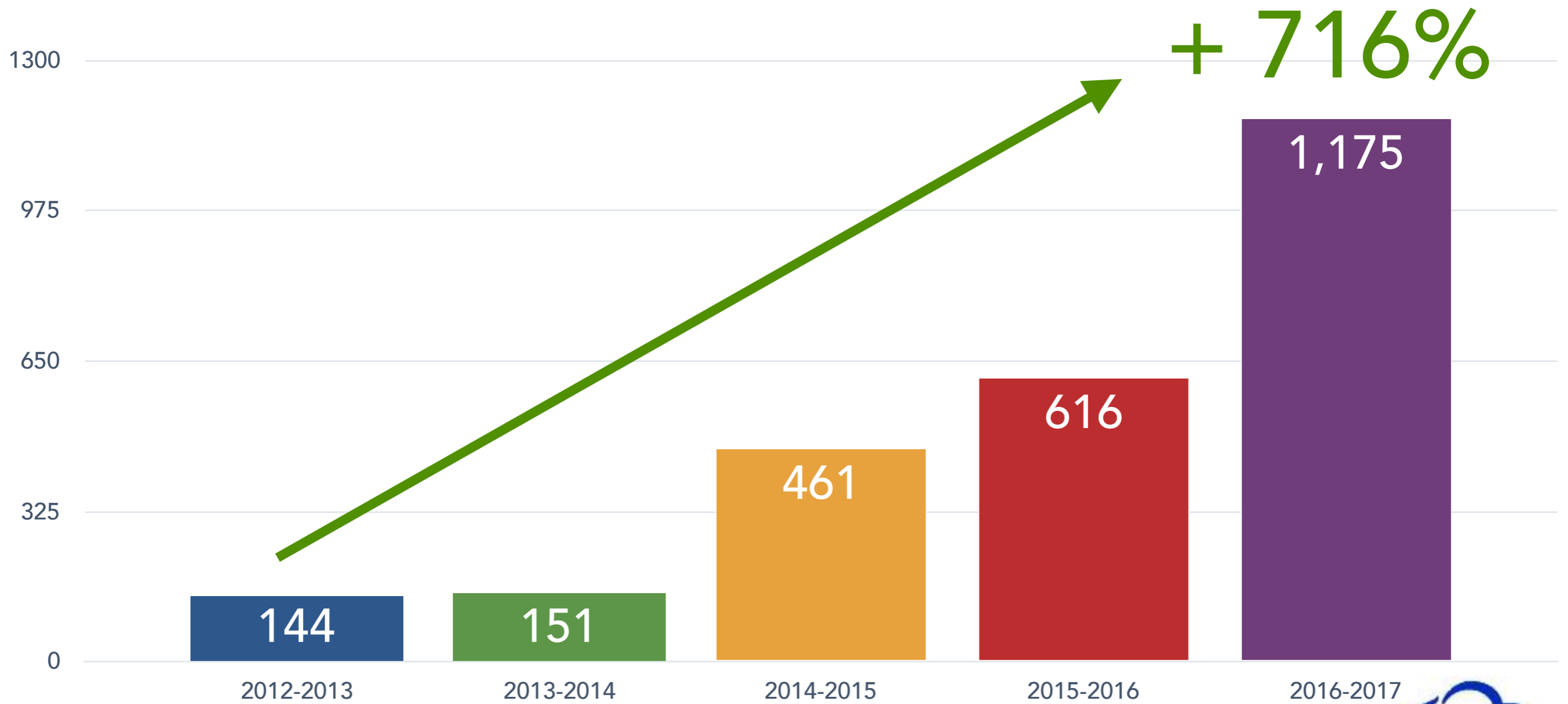
+ 10% increase



CHALLENGING OUR STUDENTS

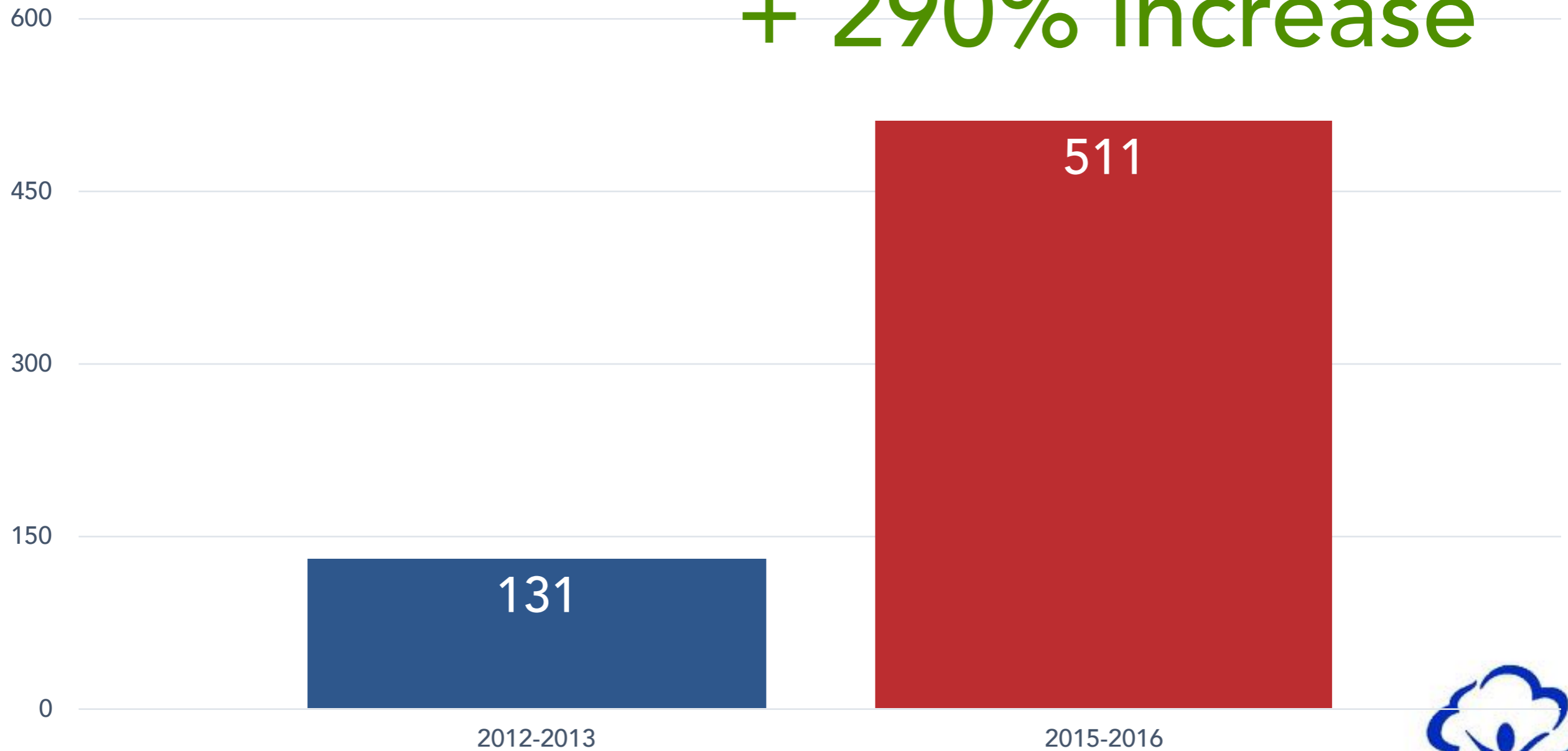


Passaic High School Total AP Course Enrollment



Passaic High School Total AP Exams

+ 290% increase



Passaic High School Advanced Placement Participation

+ 276% increase

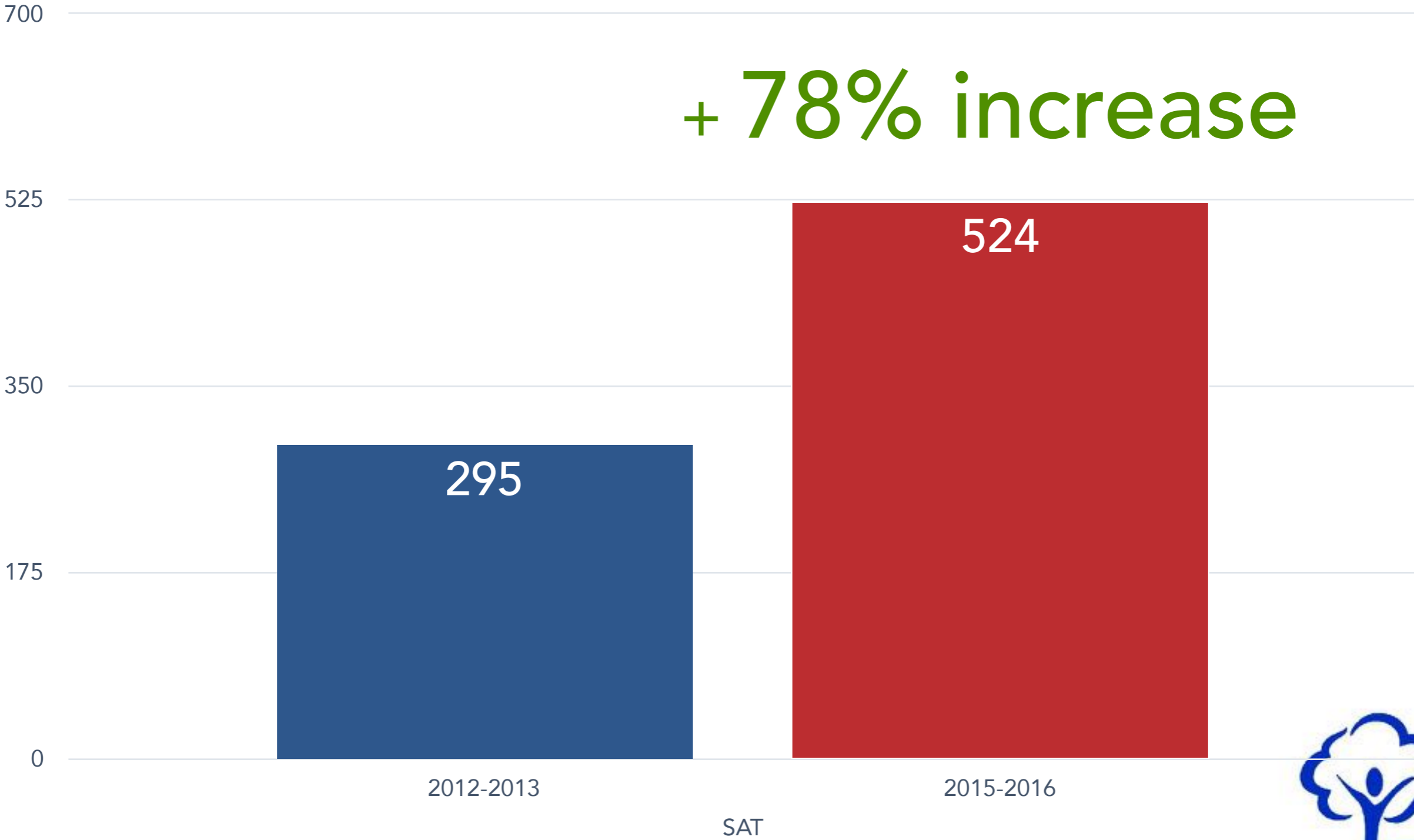


Total Scores of 3, 4, or 5

Students Tested



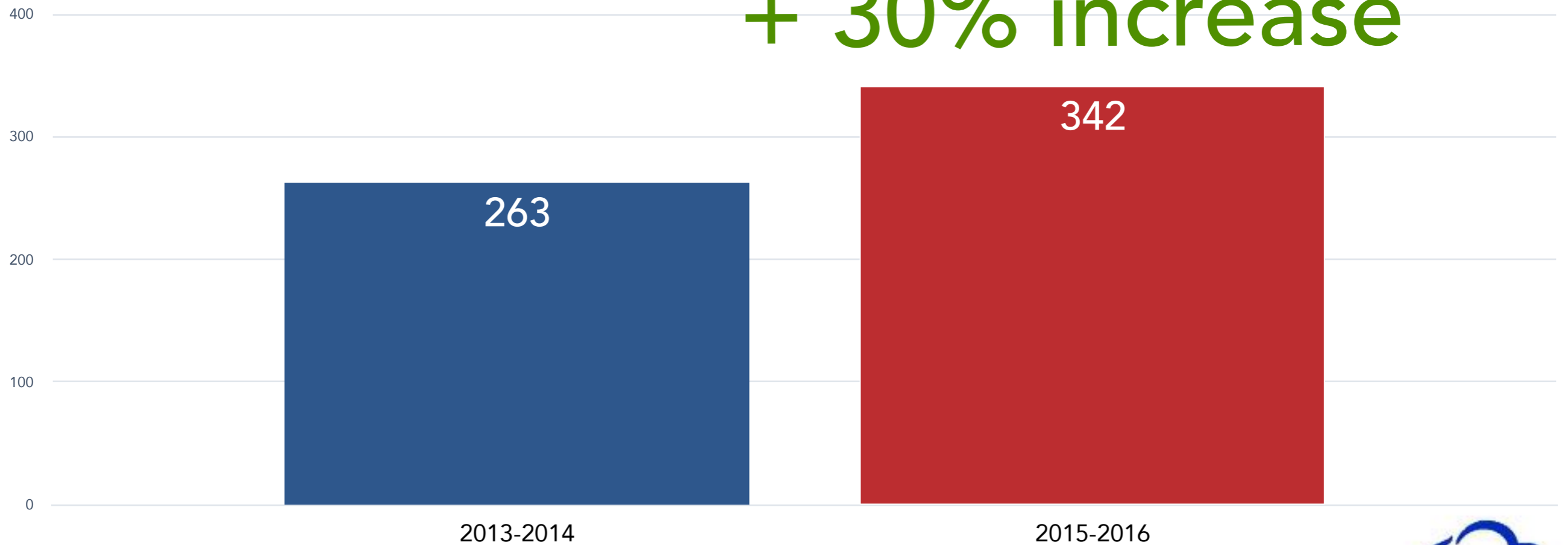
Passaic High School SAT Participation



DUAL ENROLLMENT

IN 2015-2016 PHS STUDENTS EARNED
1,155 COLLEGE CREDITS

+ 30% increase



TAX DOLLARS AT WORK



2015-2016 AUDIT UNMODIFIED OPINION



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Honorable President and Members
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Passaic Public Schools
Passaic, New Jersey

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Passaic Public Schools as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board of Education's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of

“Great”



LOCAL TAX LEVY- REMAINS FLAT

FISCAL YEAR	AMOUNT	+/- \$	+/- %
2012-13	\$16,818,577	\$0	0%
2013-14	\$16,818,577	\$0	0%
2014-15	\$16,818,577	\$0	0%
2015-16	\$16,818,577	\$0	0%
2016-17	\$16,818,577	\$0	0%



TOTAL
DEBT
SERVICE
SINCE
2014-2015

\$0



GRANTS— \$3,956,519

- Blended Early Learning Grant
- 21st Century Community Learning Centers
- NJDOE College and Career Readiness Partnership
- NJDOE Building Capacity for Career Pathways
- Verizon/Project Lead the Way
- Arts, Field Trips, School Safety Programs



INVESTING IN TECHNOLOGY



TECHNOLOGY 2013-2017

**Total Investment:
\$16,977,519**

- Wireless Infrastructure
- Upgrade Connection/ Fiber WAN
- Chromebooks



INVESTMENTS IN INFRASTRUCTURE



FACILITIES 2013-2017

Total Investment:

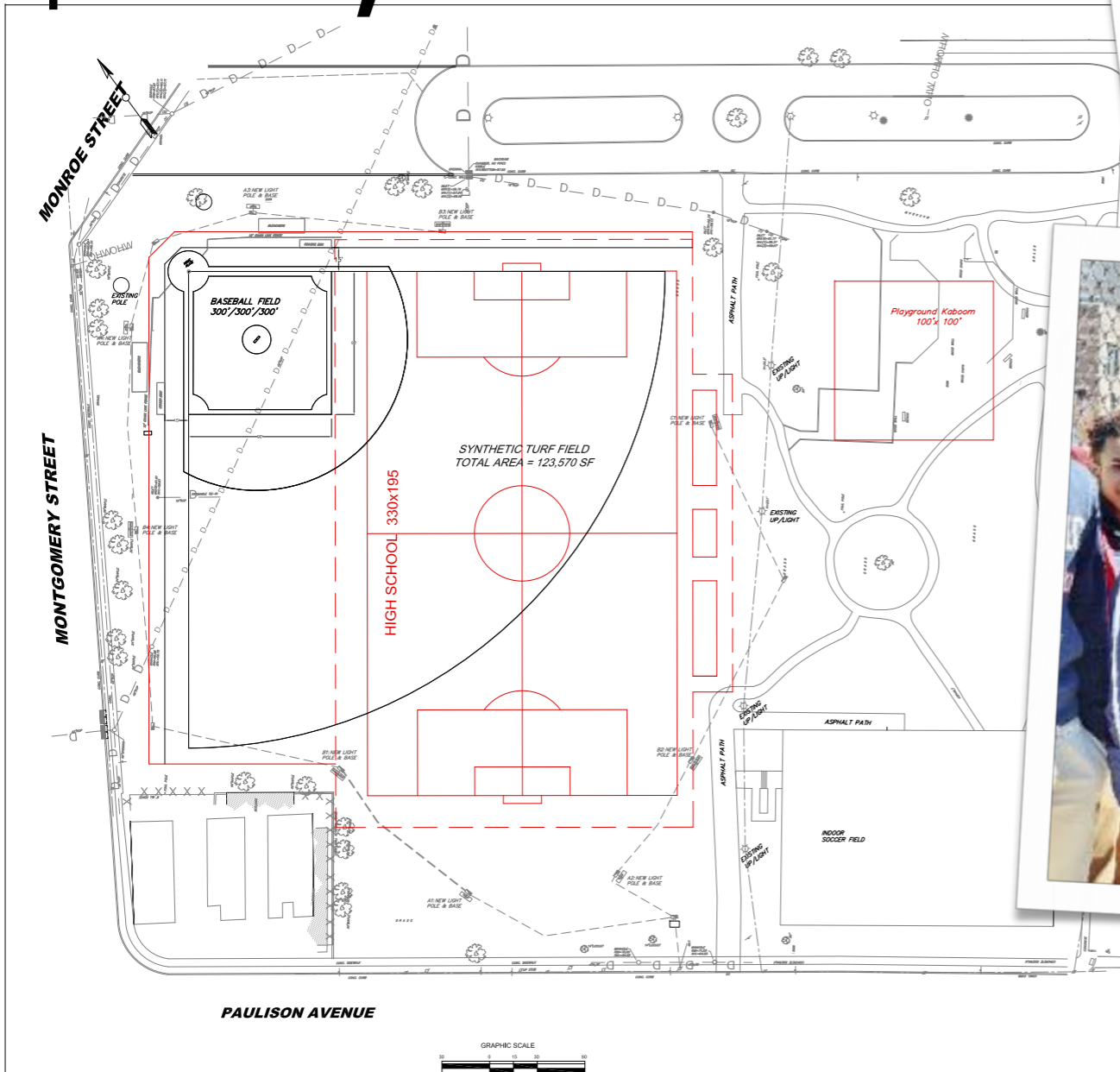
\$80,093,993

- HVAC
- LIGHTING
- PLAYGROUNDS
- BATHROOMS
- FLOORS
- PHS LOCKER ROOM
- LMS AUDITORIUM
- MAINTENANCE



COLUMBUS PARK ATHLETICS & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Total Investment: \$500,000



REVISIONS	
No.	Description

DIVISION OF PLANNING CITY OF PASSAIC NJ CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS PARK SYNTHETIC TURF 90' BASEBALL FIELD 300'/300'/300' HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER FIELD 330' x 195' CITY OF PASSAIC, PASSAIC COUNTY, NJ	
LAYOUT PLAN No. 1	
OLGA GARCIA	DATE: _____



SCHOOL ANNEXES: 5, 10, 15

Total Investment:

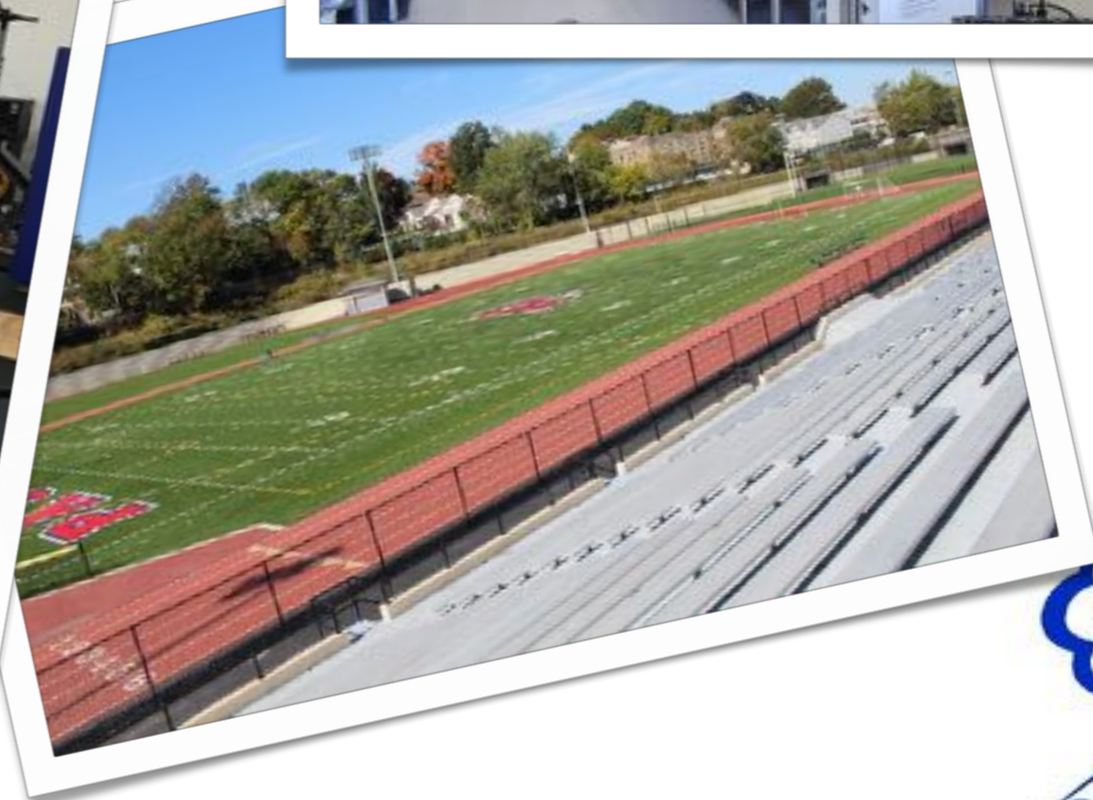
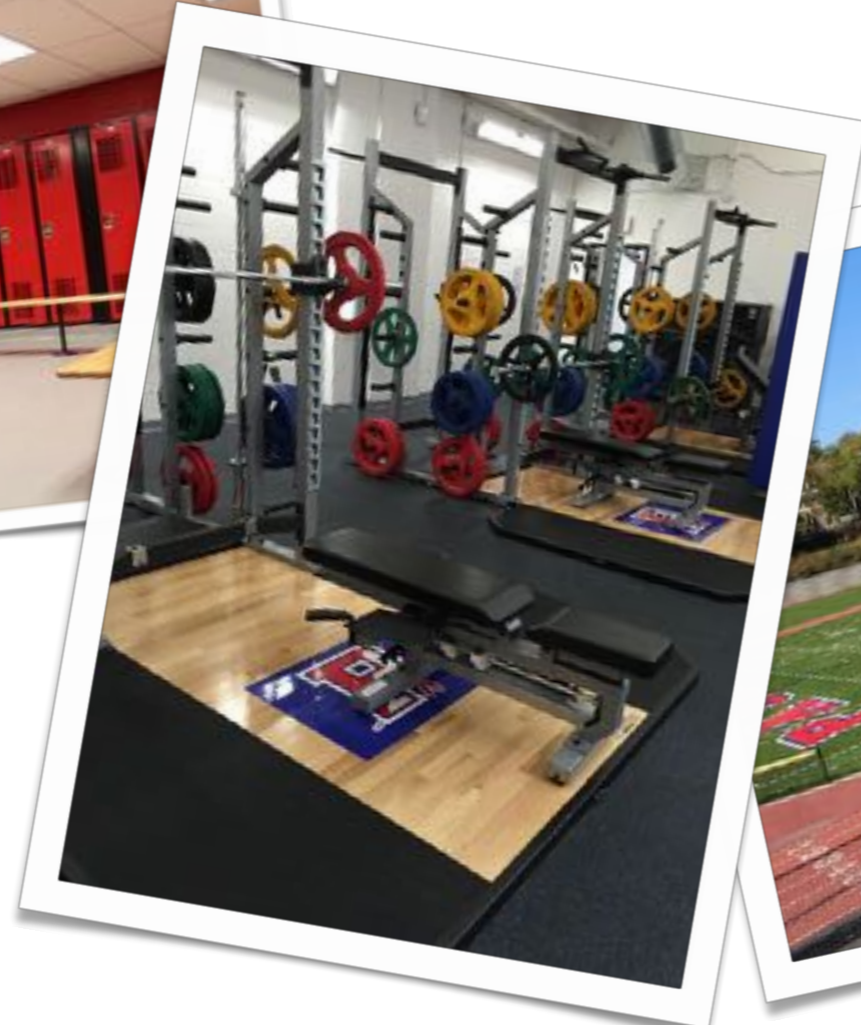
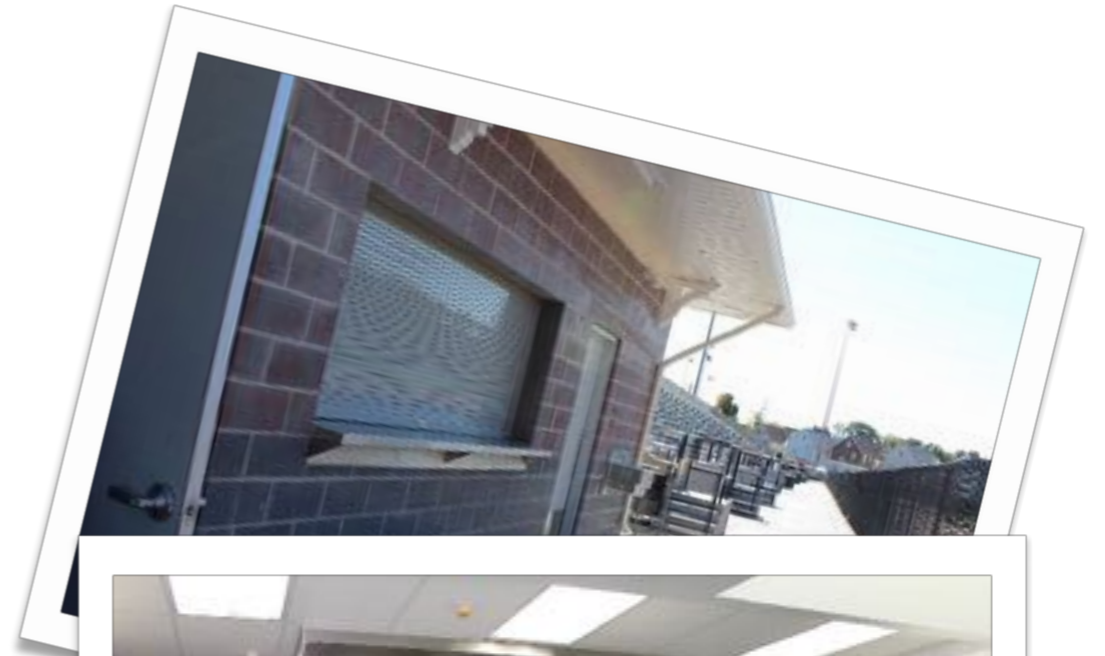
\$4,757,776



BOVERINI STADIUM

Total Investment:

\$3,429,598



PREPARING FOR HIGH SCHOOL EXPANSION

Total Investment: \$4,140,000

Passaic Board of Education
will be among the newest
tenants of the historic
663 Main Avenue building.



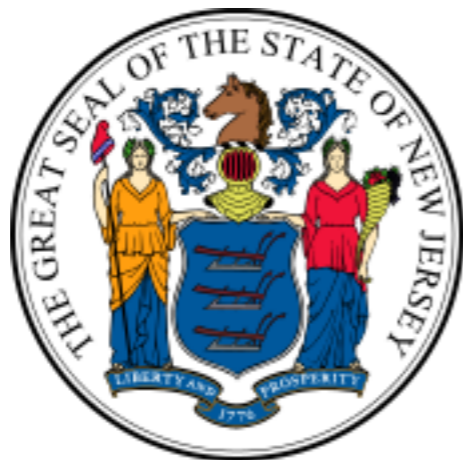
**Expanding
Passaic High School**

**16 Additional Classrooms
Supporting 320 Students**



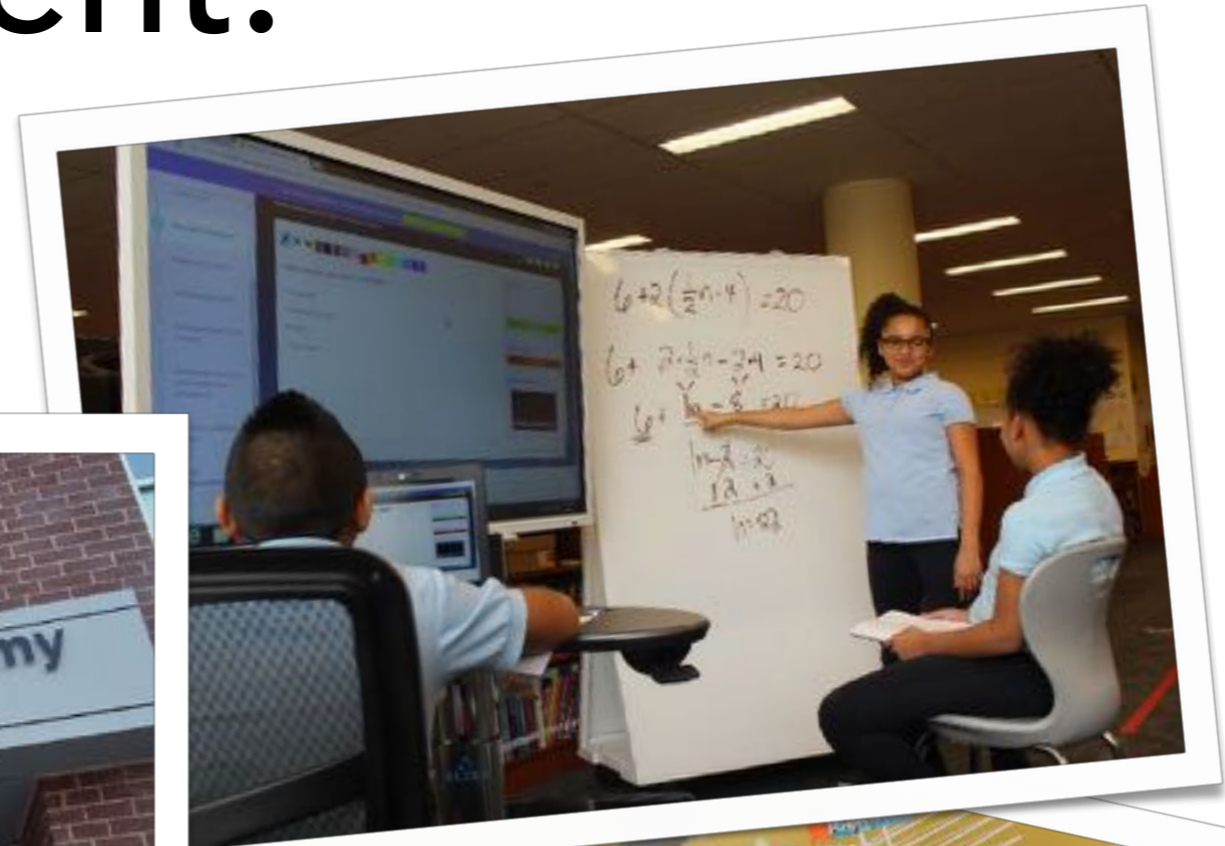
PARTNERSHIP

NEW JERSEY SCHOOLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
NEW JERSEY LEGISLATURE



PASSAIC GIFTED & TALENTED ACADEMY

Total Investment: \$55 Million



LEONARD PLACE SCHOOL

**Total Investment:
\$56 Million**

- 625 Students
- 37 New Classrooms



DAYTON AVENUE EDUCATIONAL COMPLEX

Total Investment: \$210 Million

- 4 Schools
- 2,739 Students
- 135 New Classrooms



CHAMPIONS



BUILDING WINNING TEAMS



PHS CHEERLEADING TEAM

Big North
Conference Champions

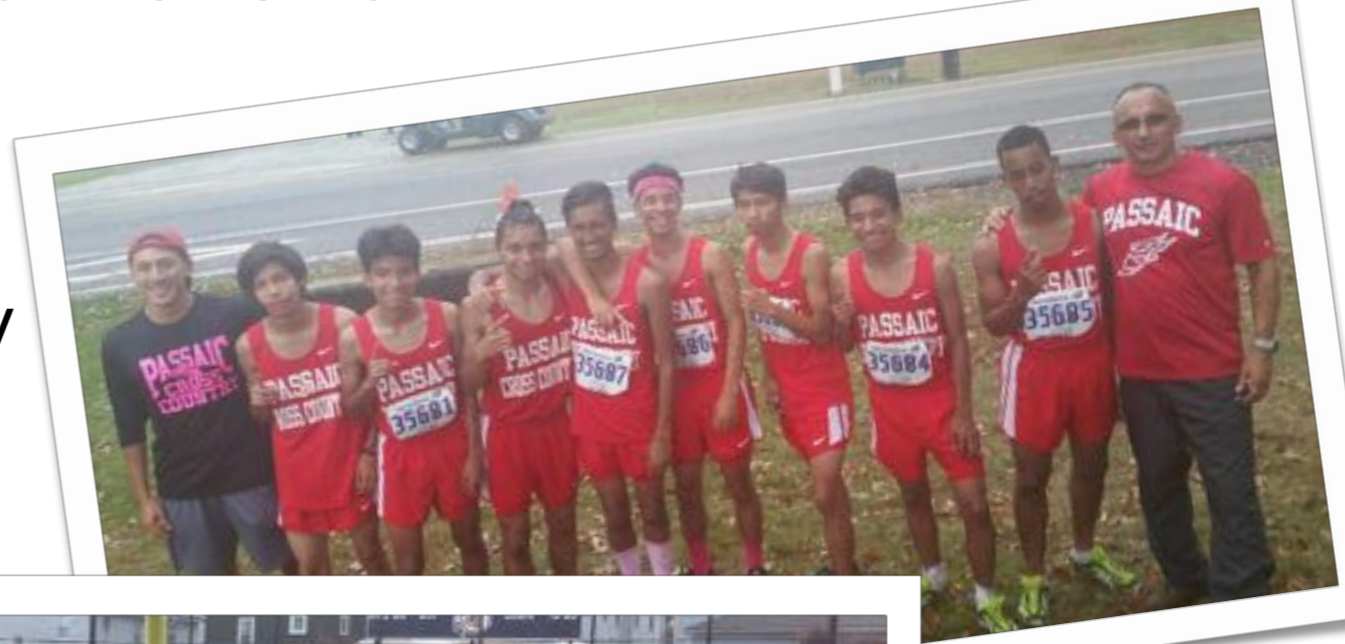


Coach Merced
Recognized as
Big North
Conference
Coach of the Year



PHS BOYS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Passaic County Boys
High School Cross Country
Racing Champions!

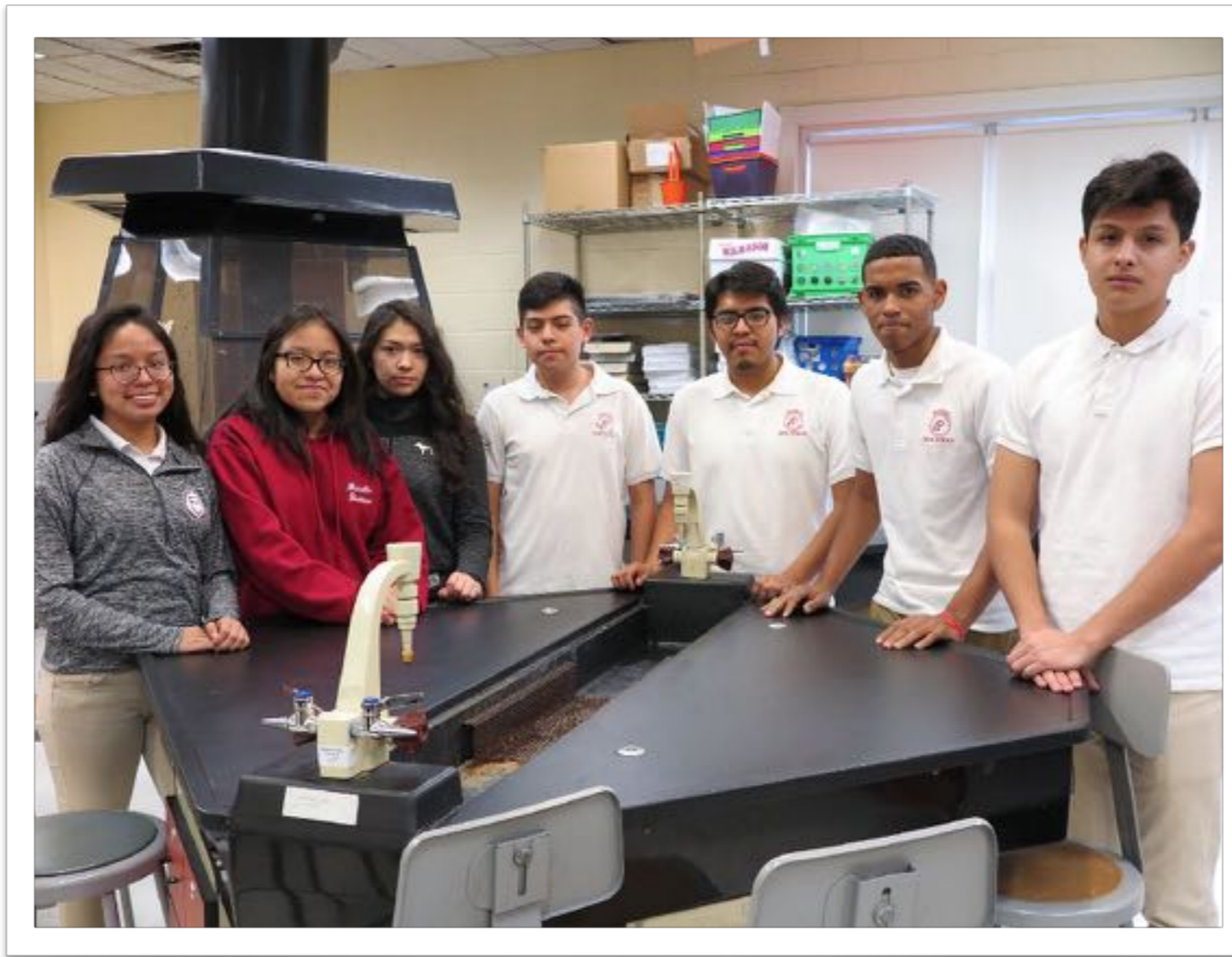


Coach Falcon Awarded
Passaic County Cross Country
Coach of the Year!



PHS JUNIOR CHAPTER SOCIETY OF HISPANIC PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

First & Second Place at
NJIT Sustainability by Definition Competition



NJROTC CYBERPATRIOTS

National Qualifiers in
Jr. ROTC Competition



PHS MARCHING BAND



1st Place Group 5
State Championship

Best Overall Visual in
National Championships!



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