**Academic Growth**

To measure the amount of academic growth a school’s students demonstrate, Illinois compares students’ performance on the ISAT from one year to the next. Scores over 100 indicate that students are improving relative to their grade level, for example by moving from Below Standards to Meets Standards.

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**Academic Success**

The percentage of students who meet or exceed standards on the Illinois Standards Achievement Test (ISAT).

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**Student Characteristics**

- White: 57%
- Black: 23%
- Hispanic: 5%
- Asian: 3%
- American Indian: 0%
- Two or More Races: 11%
- Pacific Islander: 0%
- Low Income: 26%
- English Learners: 2%
- With Disabilities: 20%
- Homeless: 4%

**School Environment**

The 5Essentials Survey allows students in grades 6-12 and all teachers to share their perspectives on essential conditions for learning. The anonymous survey consists of 5 components:

- **Effective Leaders**
  - Do principals and teachers implement a shared vision for success?
- **Ambitious Instruction**
  - Are the classes challenging and engaging?
- **Supportive Environment**
  - Is the school safe, demanding, and supportive?
- **Involved Families**
  - Does the entire staff build strong external relationships?

**Student Attendance and Mobility**

- **Attendance Rate**
  - Rate at which students are present, not including excused or unexcused absences
  - 2013-14: 97%

- **Chronic Truancy Rate**
  - Percentage of students who have been absent without valid reasons for 5% or more of regular school days
  - 2013-14: 96%

- **Student Mobility**
  - Percentage of students who transfer in or out of the school during the school year, not including graduates
  - 2013-14: 95%
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School Highlights

Academic Courses
Band, Choir, Gifted and Talented Programs, Math, grades 3-5, Recorder Club, 4th-5th, Spanish 90 minutes for K-2nd, 30 minutes for 3rd-5th, Summer School, Theater, Title 1 Programs, WISE/BRAVO classes, WISE/Junior Engineers, K-3rd, WISE/Kids Clay, K-5th, WISE/Shake it up Dance, 1st-5th, WISE/Ukes! 1st-3rd, WISE/Video Gaming

Career Development Courses and Programs
Physical Education, Heath and Wellness
Early PE for 4th and 5th graders, WISE Floor Hockey/Dodgeball, 3rd-5th, WISE Legacy Sports, 3rd-5th, WISE Multi-Sport Madness, K-2nd, WISE Yoga Kids, K-5th

Athletics

Educator Measures
In the last six years, 1 principal(s) have led this school. In the last three years, an average of 91% of teachers return to this school from one year to the next.

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District Finance

Instructional Spending per Pupil includes only the activities directly dealing with the teaching of students or the interaction between teachers and students.

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Operational Spending per Pupil includes all costs for overall operations in this school's district, including Instructional Spending, but excluding summer school, adult education, capital expenditures, and long-term debt payments.

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School Personnel Resources
Bilingual Education Teacher, School Psychologist, School Social Worker, Special Education Teacher, Speech Language Pathologist-non teaching

Facilities

Other Programs and Activities
After School Care, Chess Club, Environmental Club, Hephzibah on-site program, Odyssey of the Mind, Parent Associations, Reading Clubs, WISE Kitchen Wizards, K-5th

School Awards

School Personnel Resources

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