

ANNA MCDONALD SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Mr. Ryan McWilliams,

Principal Mrs. Debbie Jones,

Secretary

January 31, 2017

Emergency Closing Info

In addition to local radio, TV, and websites, you can access up-to-date school closing information by calling any of the school phone numbers or the district office at 815-478-6093 and press extension 5. Mr. Ragon will record a message informing parents about school closings.

If school is going to be closed prior to the start of the day, parents will receive an automated "Connect Ed" call. If you have had a change in contact phone numbers since filling out your child's registration form, it is important that you call school with these changes. These are the numbers that will be used to generate your automated call.

HOTLINE-If we have to close school once children are already in school, we will activate our Emergency Hotline. We will call Wilson Creek and Anna McDonald's youngest child in the family's emergency contact information to notify you if we have to close school early. At Manhattan Junior High we will only call those families that request a call.

No School

There will be no school on Friday, February 17th for Teacher Institute and on Monday, February 20th for Presidents' Day.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS – KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT

If your family or a family you know has a child that will be turning 5 on or before September 1, 2017, our annual Kindergarten Information Night will be held at Wilson Creek on Thursday, February 23rd at 7 pm. The purpose of the evening is to provide information about our full-day Kindergarten program as well as begin the registration process for students entering Kindergarten in the 2017-2018 school year. If you have any questions, please contact Michele Zmigrodski at (815) 478-4527.

Dressing for the Weather

For grades kindergarten thru five (5) the noon duty supervisors will decide whether or not the students will go outdoors depending upon weather conditions. Dress attire should be appropriate for the weather conditions. These decisions will be at the discretion and judgment of the recess supervisors. Verbal notification from recess supervisors, as well as written notification in newsletters, will be provided to the students and parents, of expectations for the good of the whole student body.

MAKE YOUR LUNCH PAYMENTS ONLINE

Please remember you are able to view and pay for your children's lunch and registration fees online with a credit card through Homelogic. You may continue to pay for lunches with cash or check by sending it to school with your student. Negative lunch balances will not be allowed. Lunch payments made online with a credit card must be a minimum of \$10.00.

If you should have any questions about your balance, please feel free to call.

PE Exemptions

If a student presents a note from their doctor exempting them from PE, this also includes recess & any other physical activity. Students exempt from PE will attend workroom during recess and not go outside. For the safety and liability of the students & district, this takes effect 10/6/16. Any questions can be directed to Mr. McWilliams

American Heart Association Information

Join the American Heart Association's ZOO CREW! You can collect all SIX Characters and Roary's Zoo Crew Badge.

Step 1: Go to www.heart.org/hoops

Step 2: In the "Find Your School" and "Sign up" area, click on your state or enter the city where your school is located. Click on the first letter of your school's name. Once you find your school, click on "Join Team."

Step 3: Create your Username, Password and answer a security question.

Click Continue (Be sure your Username and Password are easy to remember.)

Step 4: Fill out the registration form. Review the **Online Waiver** and click the box to accept it. Once you are done, click the **Continue** button.

Now send your e-cards:

Step 1: Once you're registered, log in to your Headquarters and click on the E-Card under Step 2.

Step 2: Choose your character, background and personalize your card with your own picture (optional)

Step 3: Take a challenge.

Step 4: Add a personalized message or use the one provided and send to as many friends and family as possible. You can also share on social media and have friends support you that way.

**Please make checks payable to American Heart Association.

**Ask your sponsors if they work for a company that matches the contributions of their employees. They can provide you with their company's matching gift form to include in your collection envelope.

**For the safety of our children, we ask that your child NOT go door-to-door or ask strangers for donations.

All on-line donation forms, envelopes and monetary donations are DUE by February 8, 2017.

Yearbook Orders

This year a yearbook can only be purchased for your child using the online website TreeRing. If you want to purchase one for your child, click on the link below, enter in the passcode, and purchase a yearbook for your child. The cost of the yearbook is \$12.00.

When purchasing a yearbook, please either download the TreeRing app or use your PC to complete the process. We have had parents incorrectly filling out the information and accidentally purchasing yearbooks under their name and not their child's.

The website to order is: <http://www.TreeRing.com/validate>

The passcode is: 1014417497762779

The cost of the yearbook is \$12.00

If you have any questions, please contact the yearbook coordinator for Anna McDonald, Tracy Lamont, at tlamont@manhattan114.org

Six Flags Read to Succeed

The Six Flags Read to succeed Program has begun at Anna McDonald School! All students received a Reading Log. Between now and February 16th, students should keep track of time spent Reading. Those who read for six hours or more will earn a free ticket to Six Flags. Completed Reading Logs must be signed by a parent and returned to the student's classroom teacher no later than February 16th. No late submissions will be accepted. Thank you and happy reading!

Manhattan Foundation for Educational Excellence

Support the Foundation While Doing Your Regular Holiday Shopping

Use the link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-1751490> to do all your holiday shopping and Amazon will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to the Manhattan Foundation. This is an excellent way to benefit the Manhattan 114 schools using money you would be spending anyway! This program runs all year long and you can use your existing Amazon account. Please spread the word to your friends and family - anyone can participate!

Do you own a business? Advertise in the School Calendar

This program is a win-win! Your business wins when your name and contact information appear in our school calendar which is seen by all the families in our district and our students and schools benefit from your support. We offer a \$50 special listing for home-based businesses, as well as full business ad packages. Contact Kelly Honan at KHonan@aol.com or 815-478-7782 for more information.

7th Grade Families - Watch for Graduation Ad Forms in January

Send your Class of 2018 student off with a special note of congratulations in the school calendar! Your child's name and your message will be listed in their 8th Grade calendar as a keepsake from this special time in your child's life. Graduation ads are \$25 and forms will be available in January, 2017.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING
THE MANHATTAN FOUNDATION!

Nurse News

With registration fast approaching, please remember all the appropriate health forms that your school nurse will need. To print the necessary forms please go to: <http://www.manhattan114.org> then select the registration/handbook tab on the right side of the screen. All forms can be found in that location.

Communicable Diseases

If your child has been diagnosed with a communicable disease, we ask that you call and/or write to the school and inform us. Manhattan School District 114 follows the instructions set forth by the Health Department. The Illinois Department of Public Health recommends that your child stay home when the following conditions occur:

1. Fever Temperature of one hundred (100) degrees F or above. Children are required to stay home for at least twenty four (24) hours after the fever has gone down.

2. Nausea, Vomiting or Diarrhea

All body fluids are considered contagious. Children are required to stay home at least twenty four (24) hours after the last episode.

3. Pink Eye: This may be viral or bacterial. Any child with symptoms such as swelling, redness, itching, or drainage should be seen by a physician. Antibiotics must be administered at least twenty-four (24) hours before returning to school.

4. Rash A rash is assumed contagious and must be diagnosed by a doctor. A doctor's note should accompany the child when returning to school that identifies the rash.

5. Antibiotic administration

Any child that has been diagnosed with a communicable disease that requires an antibiotic is required to stay home until he/she has taken the antibiotic for at least 24 hours.

Please remember if you think your child will be needing any medication at school that the Medication authorization form needs to be filled out by parent and physician and returned to school. This includes cough drops, Tylenol, Motrin etc. Please remember this is a district policy! Any medication is to be brought in to the nurse's office and picked up by a parent.

Physical Education News

On December 20, 2016 Anna McDonald received a 2-hour hockey clinic from the Chicago Blackhawks youth hockey staff. The students in the morning PE classes were taught some basic hockey skills. The school was also able to keep the equipment used in the clinic, which included 30 Blackhawks street hockey sticks, 30 hockey balls and two nets. All the students in the building were able to use this equipment in the hockey unit that followed.

Save the Date

Prime Time Family Reading Night: Friday, April 21
“Choose Kind” – Wonder by R.J. Palacio

More information to come

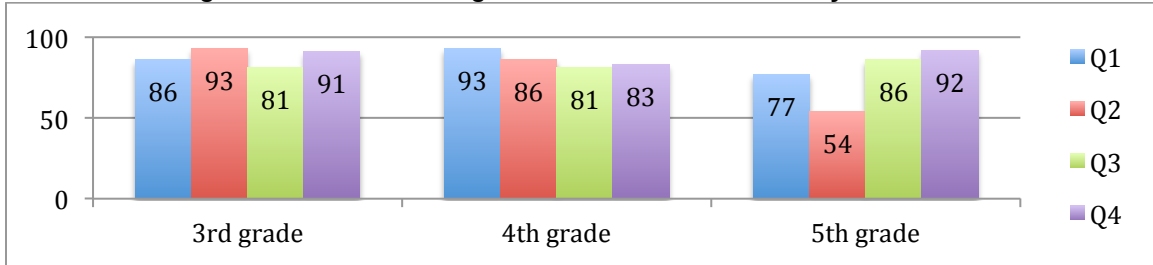
February 2017

- 1st NAEP 4TH Gr writing assessment
- 4th Band Education Day @ MJHS
- 7th Student Council 3:15pm
- 8th BOE Mtg 6pm at WC
- 10th PTO Valentine’s Dance 6:30pm
- 11th IGSMA Solo Contest @ Liberty JHS
- 14th Valentine’s Day
- 17th Teacher Institute
Progress Reports on Home Logic
- 20th Presidents Day-No School
- 21st 3rd Gr Writing Expository Assessment
Student Council 3:15pm
- 24th Character Lunch during lunch times

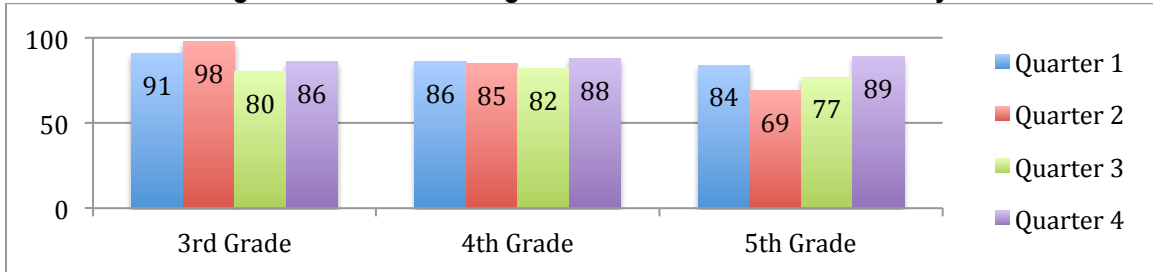
District Goals:

Becoming One..We are 114! - Literacy for ALL - Professional Learning for ALL - Data for All

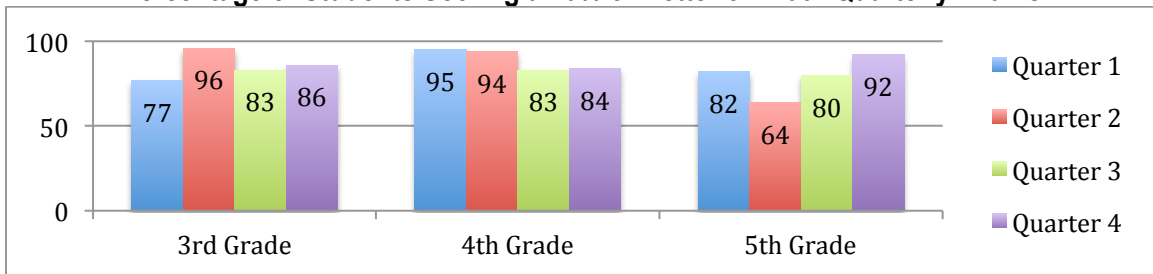
2012-13
Percentage of Students Scoring a 70% or better on Quarterly Math Assessment



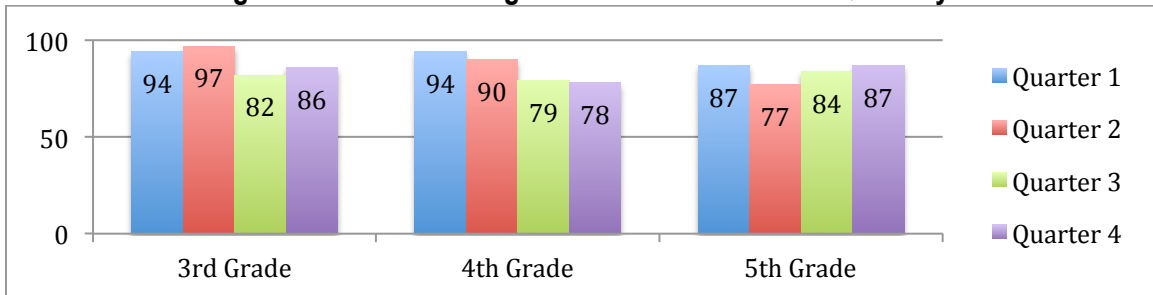
2013-14
Percentage of Students Scoring a 70% or Better on Math Quarterly Exams



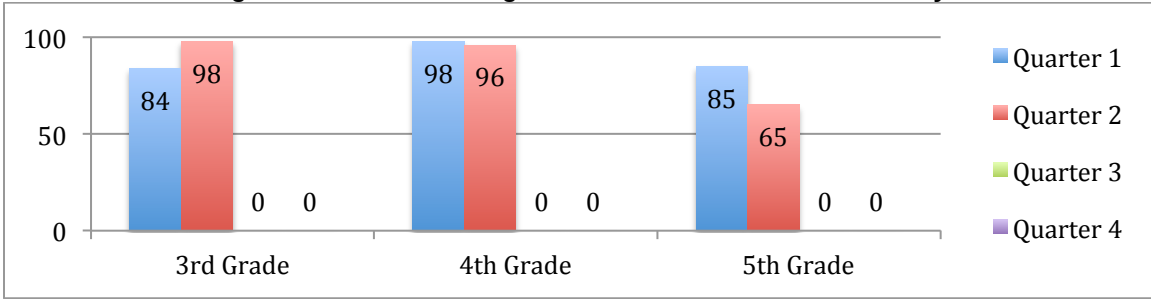
2014-15
Percentage of Students Scoring a 70% or Better on Math Quarterly Exams



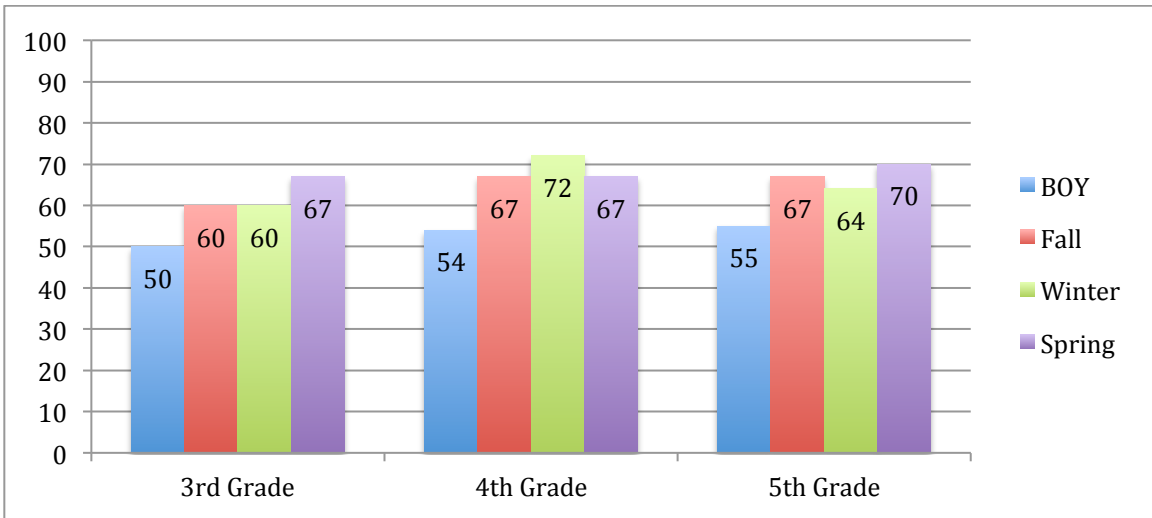
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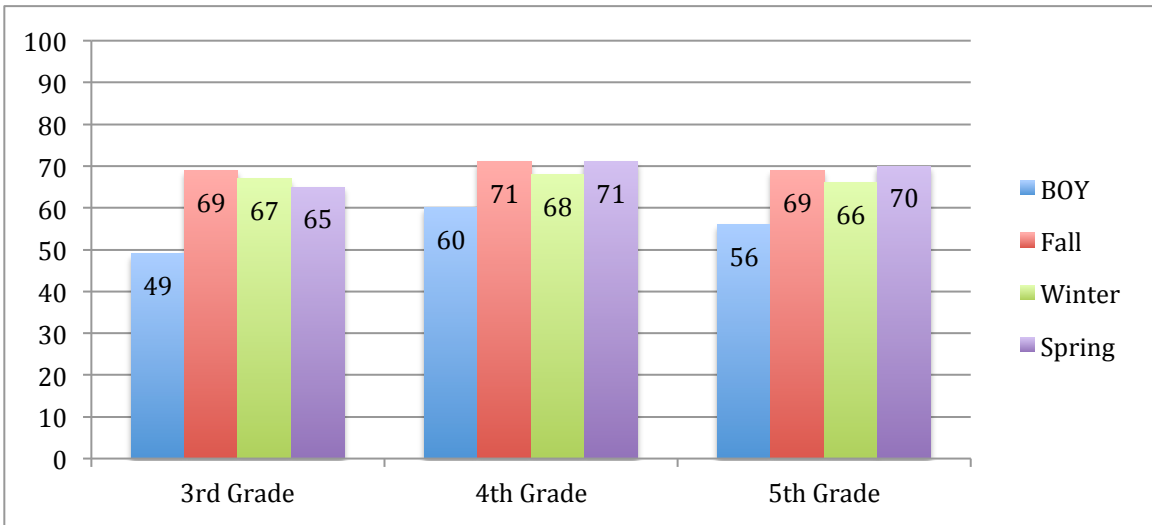
2016-17
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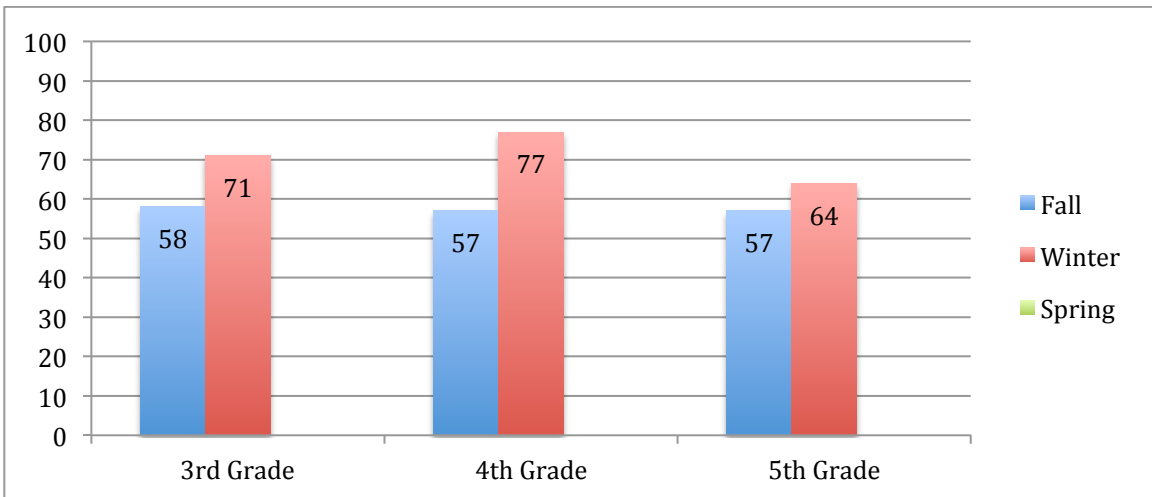
2014-15 Percentage of Students At or Above Grade Level Target on STAR Reading



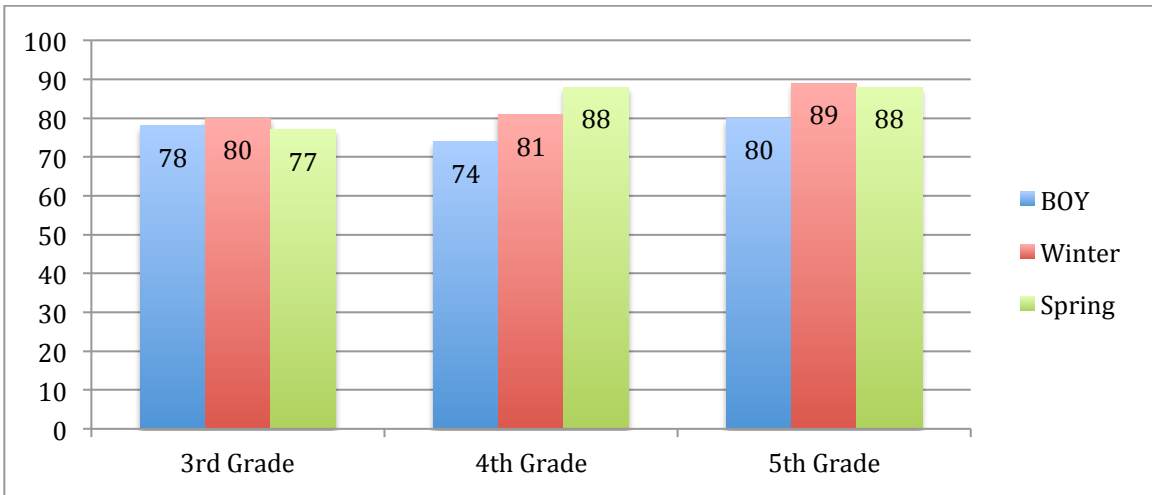
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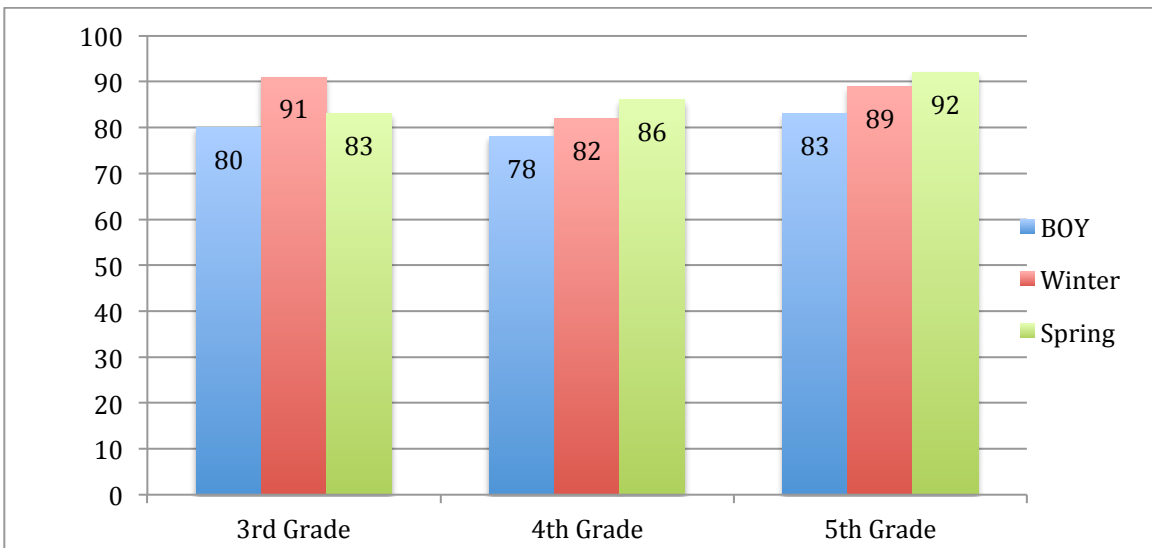
2016-17 Percentage of Students At or Above Grade Level Target on STAR Reading



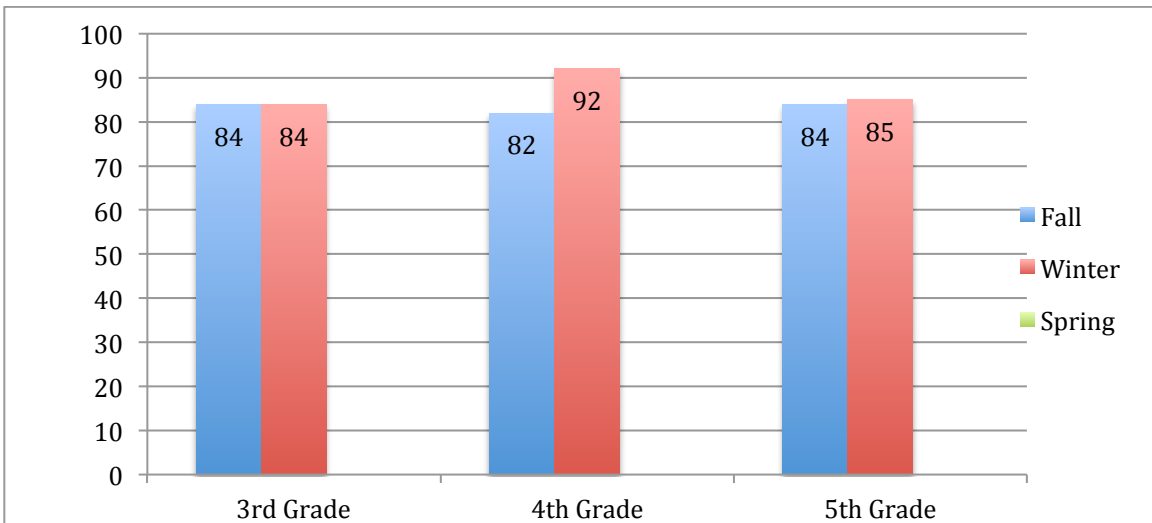
2014-15 Percentage of Students At or Above Grade Level Target on STAR Math



2015-16 Percentage of Students At or Above Grade Level Target on STAR Math



2016-17 Percentage of Students At or Above Grade Level Target on STAR Math



MATH

Top 10 Performers on STAR

*No particular order

| Fall 2016 | Winter 2017 | Spring 2017 |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| 3 rd Grade | 3 rd Grade | |
| Eli Nelson | Luke Bergen | |
| Zach Nelson | Ethan Cherry | |
| Anthony Lusciatti | Dominic Tous | |
| Aidan Casey | Ryan Hayden | |
| Blake Hennings | James Talley | |
| Ryan Hayden | Casey Knize | |
| Lauren Orris | Cohen Cox | |
| Peyton Globke | Eli Nelson | |
| Cohen Cox | Anthgony Lusciatti | |
| Elle Prium | Gabriella Gentle | |
| | Tenley Oliver | |
| 4 th Grade | 4 th Grade | |
| Delany Ketelaar | Lucas Acevedo | |
| Lucas Srebro | Jackson Ethridge | |
| Lucas Acevedo | Delaney Ketelaar | |
| Jackson Ethridge | John Kennedy | |
| Gabriel Salisbury | Ellyana Decker | |
| Ian Huskins | Lucas Srebro | |
| Ellyana Decker | Clara Bernhard | |
| Clara Bernhard | Ian Huskins | |
| Luke Steffen | Gabriel Salisbury | |
| Jonah Zolecki | Andrew Flores | |
| 5 th Grade | 5 th Grade | |
| Mikey Sestak | Mason LaMarche | |
| Mason LeMarche | Dylan Bethman | |
| Aidan O'Neill | Aidan O'Neill | |
| Chase Cysper | Leah Black | |
| John Martin | Chase Cypser | |
| Nora Cosgrove | Ashlynn Dahl | |
| Sean Urbanciz | Lucas Lunde | |
| Dillon Lenihan | John Martin | |
| Ashley Davisson | Daniel Hodel | |
| Rayanne Kukowski | Ashley Davisson | |

READING

Top 10 Performers on STAR

*No particular order

| Fall 2016 | Winter 2017 | Spring 2017 |
|--|---|-------------|
| <p>3rd Grade</p> <p>Dominic Tous Blake Hennings Eli Nelson Collin Ryan Ethan Ferrucci Luke Bergen Tenley Oliver Eileen Zheng Quinn Humbrecht Ryan Hayden</p> <p>4th Grade</p> <p>Luke Fromer Delaney Ketelaar Lucas Acevedo Alexander Roberts Carter Kinize Jackson Ethridge Gabriel Salisbury Riley Jeslis Jacob McCormack Clara Bernhard</p> <p>5th Grade</p> <p>Alexander Vernon Ashley Davisson Haiyden Parisi Ava Murphy Joshua Boeringa Deven Burklow Trevor Johnson Alison Jachymiak Madelyn OConnell Kaitlyn Weir</p> | <p>3rd Grade</p> <p>Morgan Krolik Ethan Ferrucci Eileen Zheng Tenley Oliver Blake Hennings Luke Bergen Collin Ryan Vincent Villa Eli Nelson Ryan Hayden</p> <p>4th Grade</p> <p>Jackson Ethridge Delaney Ketelaar Luke Fromer Alexander Roberts Jacob McCormack Megan Baran Riley Jeslis Lucas Acevedo Christian Frost Ava Gentry</p> <p>5th Grade</p> <p>Sean Urbanicz Alex Vernon Noah Konopack Josha Boeringa Emma Mandalke Mason LaMarche Lucas Lunde Amber Graves Brayden Beckes Ava Murphy Deven Burklow</p> | |