

Raytown Quality Schools

Quality or Not?

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71.8%



What Does This Tell Us?

- Spring 2014 Test Scores Down In Most Areas
 - State Mirrored Our Results
 - 4th Grade ELA (Slide 10)
- Spring 2014 Test Scores Increased In Other Areas
 - State Mirrored Our Results
 - Government (Slide 30)
- Some Spring 2014 Test Results Did Not Compare
 - American History (Slide 29)
 - 5th Grade ELA (Slide 11)
- Explanation????

Explanations

- We Have To Get Better
 - Literacy
 - Science
 - Test Taking Skills
 - Accountability
- GLE's To Missouri Learning Standards (CC)
 - 2014 Test
 - 2011 APR/Standardization
 - 2015 Predictions
 - CC Committees
 - New Commissioner

RQS Action

- K-8 Smarter Balanced Curriculum
- District and Building Achievement Goals
 - By Individual Student In Individual Classrooms
 - Monthly Monitoring By Board Of Education
- Considerations By Board Of Education
 - Middle School Focus
 - After School Tutoring Program
 - Transportation
 - Mandatory Summer School
 - Reading, Math, Science
 - Retention Policy

Inaccurate Comparisons

- Kansas City
- Hickman Mills
 - We cannot get growth points like KCMO and Hickman can because our kids are already past that
 - We cannot get status points like Blue Springs and Park Hill because of the transient nature of our population
 - We have maintained status and have not dropped, however, we have not risen toward the moving target
 - We are still making progress and our two year averages show that, but we need to make greater progress

Inaccurate Comparisons

District		RQS	HM	KCPS
ELA		41	30.8	29
Math		37.3	27.3	29.4
Science		42	30.8	24.5
Government		46.9	44.3	32.4
Attendance		86.6	81.1	77.4
Graduation Rate		85.17	81.47	73.68
ACT		19.8	16.6	16.7

Inaccurate Comparisons

- Annual Performance Reports
 - HM and KCPS are Scoring at Higher Levels Than R
- How Can RQS Scores Be Lower?
 - Below Basic 1
 - Basic 3
 - Proficient 4
 - Advanced 5
- Growth And Status
 - Moving Target (Slide 4)

Challenges/Uncertainty

- New Test 2015
- New Standards 2016?
- Finances
 - \$90 Million Loss of Assessed Valuation
 - \$2 Million Loss of Formula Money Each Year
- DESE
 - New Commissioner
 - KC Star Article 9/21/2014
 - Current CC On Life Support (Yet Implemented)

Facts

- Over the last three years we have maintained approximately 95% attendance, higher than HM, KCPS, Independence, Center, and Grandview. We found that some students were embarrassed to come to school because they only had three sets of clothes. WE found them clothes.

Facts

- Our graduation rate has steadily increased over the past three years and we have one of the highest graduation rates of minority students in the state when compared to schools of similar size/socioeconomic make-up.

Facts

- We had two students graduate last year with associates degrees of 80 hours plus and the trailblazer program will have () students graduate with associate degrees this year.

Facts

- Over the last five years we have qualified almost 500 seniors for the A+ program that pays for the first two years of college.

Facts

- Over the last three years our seniors have secured \$8.8 million dollars in scholarships.

Facts

- Eastwood Hills and Westridge gained over 20% in the Performance Report last year and we have expanded the programs that made that possible (SWAS) to all elementary buildings.

Facts

- 71.8%
- We need/will get better
- There is more to the story than just a number!
- Questions?