
AGENDA ITEM: Replication Application – Happy Valley Schools, Inc.

**Happy Valley Schools, Inc. – Happy Valley School East
Replication Application Summary Report**

Happy Valley Schools, Inc., a non-profit corporation, submitted a complete replication application for the 2011-2012 replication cycle to seek a charter to replicate Happy Valley School, a K-6 grade charter school in Peoria. The school will be named Happy Valley School East and will be located in San Tan Valley. In addition to the Happy Valley School, Inc., the charter representative, Glen Gaddie, serves as a member of the corporate board of American Basic Schools, LLC, with a charter sponsored by the Board to operate Burke Basic School, located in Mesa and serving grades K-6.

Replication Model – HAPPY VALLEY SCHOOL

Academics:

Happy Valley School has experienced the following success as measured by the Arizona Department of Education’s achievement profiles (AZ LEARNS) and the requirements of No Child Left Behind (Adequate Yearly Progress):

Happy Valley School		
School Year	AZ LEARNS	Adequate Yearly Progress
2009-2010	Excelling	Met
2008-2009	Excelling	Met
2007-2008	Excelling	Met

Happy Valley School uses a back-to-basics curriculum developed by the founders with a focus on phonemic reading, coupled with comprehension techniques, basic math facts and operations with advanced math concepts and problem solving techniques, and a language program that includes spelling, grammar and writing. The curriculum also includes science and social studies, health and nutrition, character education, music, physical education, penmanship and technology. Methods of instruction include the following components:

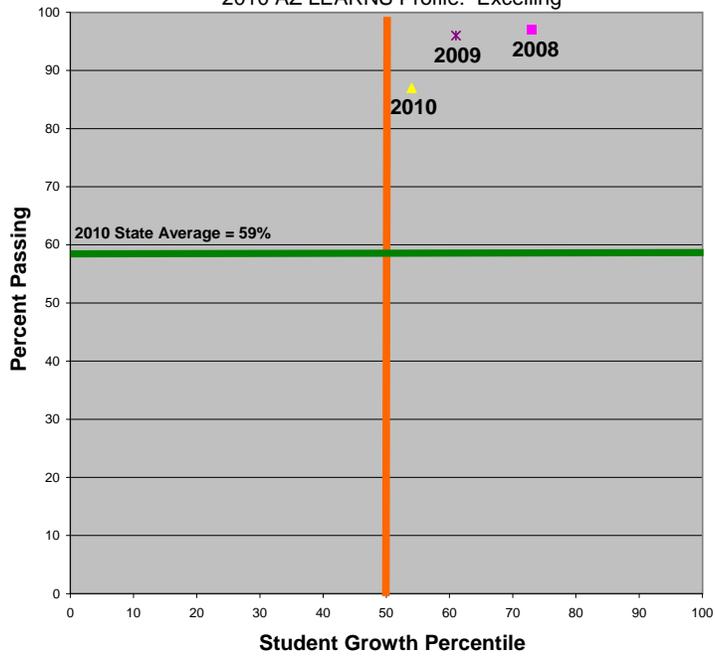
- Ability Grouping
- Intensive Phonics-First Instruction
- Direct Instruction
- Mastery Based Instruction
- The Arizona State Standards

Happy Valley School has identified a School Assessment Program includes the applicant states includes a variety of relevant, authentic and criterion-based assessments that measure the school’s actual classroom effectiveness to reach identified goals. The assessment program includes full participation and planning for student success in Arizona’s mandated testing plan. The types of assessments Happy Valley School incorporates are:

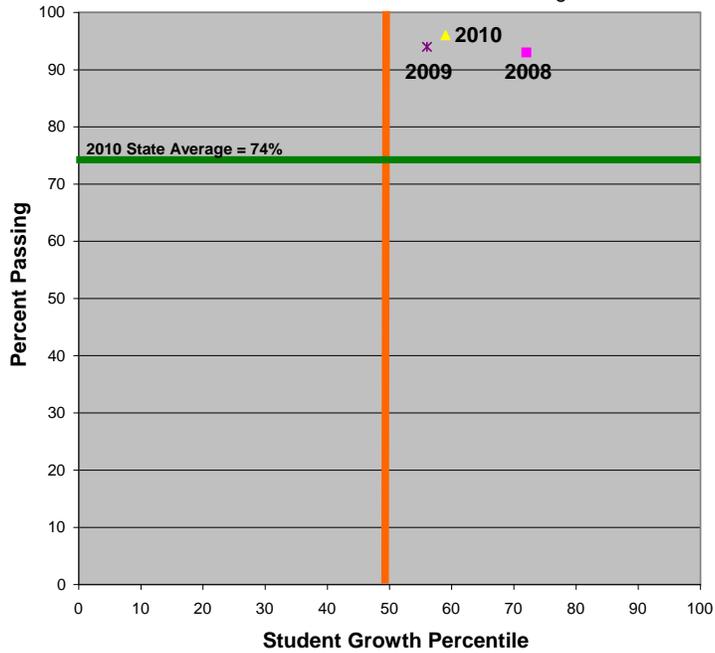
- Initial Assessment with Wide Range Achievement Test (WRAT)
- Teacher-generated Assessments
- Publisher-generated Assessments
- AIMS
- Stanford 10

The school monitors student progress by a monthly review of student test results, sample student work and completed student projects to ensure alignment to the state standards and that curriculum goals and objectives are being met.

Happy Valley School #79095
 Academic Achievement - AIMS ES Math
 2010 AZ LEARNS Profile: Excelling



Happy Valley School #79095
 Academic Achievement - AIMS ES Reading
 2010 AZ LEARNS Profile: Excelling



Replication School – HAPPY VALLEY SCHOOL EAST

School Mission Statement:

The mission of Happy Valley School East is to provide a learning environment that will improve student achievement in the basic skills aligned to state academic standards. Our commitment is to have a teacher in every classroom who cares that every student, every day learns and grows, and is successful. We take responsibility and are accountable for the progress of each student. In addition, we believe that the education of the child is not complete without the teaching of good character and leadership skills. We provide the motivation for children to obtain these goals.

Market Analysis:

Happy Valley School, Inc. will locate Happy Valley School East in San Tan Valley. The community has approximately 79,000 people and was formerly part of Queen Creek. The applicant is in the process of securing a facility or land to build upon or near the crossroads of Ironwood and Ocotillo. In order to reach enrollment of 450 students, Happy Valley School East will need to attract 1.6% of the approximately 43,862 students ages 5-14 within Pinal County.

Governance Structure:

The Board of Directors shall designate three individuals to serve on the executive committee of the Corporation that shall be recognized as the Governing Board of the charter school, Happy Valley School and, separately, Happy Valley School East. Each member of the Governing Board shall serve a term of three years, unless removed earlier by a majority vote of the Board of Directors or by resignation. The Board of Directors shall replace any vacancy that may exist on the Governing Board as soon as reasonably possible.

	Happy Valley School	Happy Valley School East
Instructional Program		
Grade Levels	K-6	K-6
Special Emphasis	Phonemic Reading, Basic Math Facts, and Operations with Advanced Math Concepts	Phonemic Reading, Basic Math Facts, and Operations with Advanced Math Concepts
Methodology	Back-to-Basics Curriculum	Back-to-Basics Curriculum
Demographics		
Location	7140 West Happy Valley Road Peoria, AZ 85383	San Tan Valley and Queen Creek
Enrollment	Up to 900 students	Up to 450 students
Ethnicity	White 55% African American 1% Hispanic 31% Native American 1% Asian 1% Other 11%	White 77% African American 1% Hispanic 16% Native American .10% Asian 2% Other 4%
Organizational Structure		
Authorized Representative(s)	Glen Gaddie	Glen Gaddie
Corporate Principals	Glen Gaddie Ernest Gaddie Delite Gaddie	Glen Gaddie Ernest Gaddie Delite Gaddie
Governing Board	Glen Gaddie Clyde Jensen	Glen Gaddie 2 TBD

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Suggested Motion: Accept the application package and grant the replication charter for Happy Valley School East.