

**GreatHearts**<sup>®</sup>  
CLASSICAL EDUCATION. REVOLUTIONARY SCHOOLS.™



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“WE CAN, WHENEVER AND WHEREVER WE CHOOSE, SUCCESSFULLY  
TEACH ALL CHILDREN WHOSE SCHOOLING IS OF INTEREST TO US.”

- RON EDMONDS

# Who I Am & What We Believe

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- Christina Lucas-Sheffield- Headmaster
- Mission: Teleos prepares students to become great-hearted, responsible leaders and lifelong learners. Our scholars engage in an education that emphasizes Great Books, collaboration, creativity, independence, and core virtues. By conversing with peers and teachers who also seek the truth, our students come to understand more fully what it means to be a human being.

# Our Story

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## ■ History of TPA

- Established in 2009 for grades 3-8 grade in downtown Phoenix on the campus of Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church
- Converted to K-8 in 2011
- Instability during the first six years

## ■ School Demographics

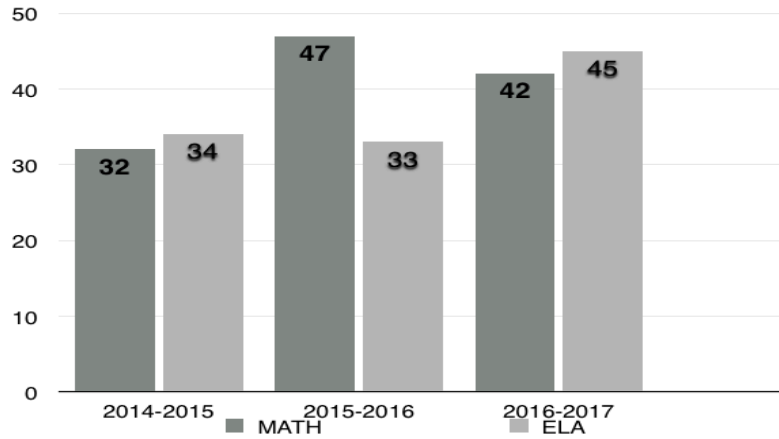
- Student ethnicities- 49% Black, 35% Hispanic, 8% Multi-Cultural, 6% White, 3% Asian
- 76% FRL

## ■ What Makes Us Different?

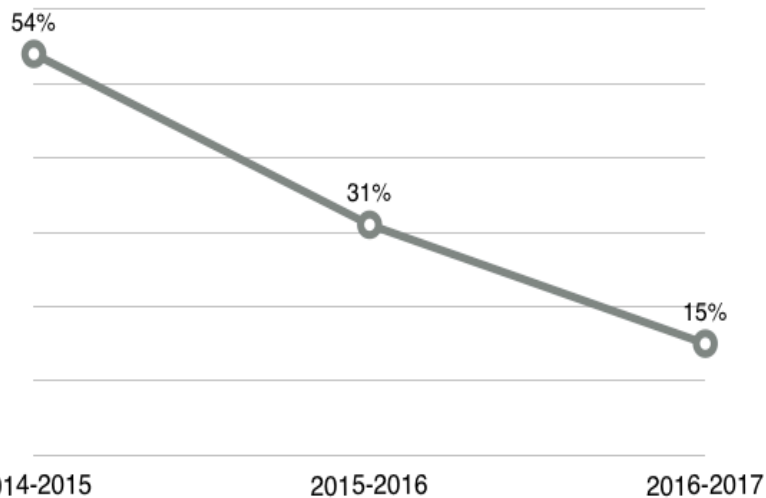
- Leading open enrollment school serving the downtown Phoenix area
- Classical Liberal Arts Education
- Small Class Sizes- student to teacher ratio of 12:1
- Transportation

# Rewriting Our Narrative

AzMERIT Achievement Outcomes



TPA Teacher Turnover



## Established a Culture of Success

### Student Achievement

- #1 Academic achievement versus the Phoenix Elementary School District
- Outperformed 18/18 schools in the surrounding Roosevelt Elementary School District in English Language Arts & 16/18 schools in Math
- Top 10% of FRL schools for the 15-16 school year and top 10.5% for the 16-17 school year

### Culture

- Improved Student Retention Rate
  - 58% in the 15-16 SY to 68% in the 16-17 SY
- Improved Faculty Turnover Rate
  - 31% in the 15-16 SY to 15% in the 16-17 SY

### Community Presence

- Invested PSO
- Partnerships
- Athenaeum

# How We Rewrite Our Narrative

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- Goal-Oriented, Results- Driven
- Strategic Academic Focus
- Positive Faculty Culture
- Active Parental Involvement
- Interventions & Real Time Feedback
- Celebrate!

# Looking Ahead

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- Recruitment of Highly Effective Teachers
- New Facility
- Marketing
- Expanding Community Partnerships

# Thank You!

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