Comparison Schools

Selection of schools: Schools were selected based on grade levels served, proximity, and availability of data.

- Grade levels served – schools serving grades in common with the selected school site were included.
  Example: If the selected school serves grades K-8, a K-3 and a 5-12 school would be listed. In the case of a K-12 school as the selected site, both elementary (K-8) schools and high schools (9-12) are included.

- Proximity – charter and district schools located within a two mile radius were included. If fewer than four school sites were located within a two mile radius, the distance was increased until at least four schools were located or a radius of 15 miles was reached. If the selected site is not an alternative school, alternative schools may be included in the list but do not count toward the four school minimum to be listed. If fewer than four schools were located within a 15 mile radius, the list consists only of schools within that 15 mile radius.

- Availability of data – Additional information regarding specific data elements is included below. Schools that did not have current academic data for proficiency and growth, but met the criteria of inclusion based on grade levels served and proximity, were not included in the list.

Number of Students: Enrollment information is based on the October 1, 2010 student count reported to the Arizona Department of Education.

Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible: Student eligibility percentages are provided by the school's enrollment information. Data is from the 2010-2011 school year.

Grades Served: Grade levels served are based on 2010-11 school year data as reported to the Arizona Department of Education.

AZ LEARNS Label: Legacy and letter grade labels are based on the Arizona Department of Education's Accountability System for the 2010-11 school year.

Math and Reading Proficiency on AIMS: Proficiency is determined by the percentage of students earning a score of "Meets" or "Exceeds" on the math or reading portion of Arizona's Instrument to Measure Standards (AIMS) tests in 2011 as reported by the Arizona Department of Education.

Math and Reading Median Growth Percentile: The median growth percentile is the median percentile of all students in the school with AIMS and Stanford 10 test data, and shows if a school has high, typical or low student growth. Growth percentiles are calculated for all third- through tenth-grade students who took the AIMS test and second and ninth-grade students who took the Stanford 10 test. This model looks at the student's progress over a number of years compared to their academic peers. Growth Percentile scores are calculated by the Association and are based on 2010-11 AIMS and Stanford 10 test scores.

School Comparison - Destiny School

School Name	Destiny School	Globe Education Center	Copper Rim Elementary School	High Desert Middle School
Address	798 E. Prickly Pear Dr. Globe	439 S. Fourth St. Globe	1600 Mesquite Globe	4000 High Desert Globe
School Type	Charter	District	District	District
Distance from Charter Holder	N/A	.5 mi	.9 mi	1.2 mi
Number of Students	285	57	678	547
Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	71%	0%	56%	53%
Grades Served	K-8	6-12	K-4	5-8
AZ Learns Label	Performing Plus	Underperforming	Performing	Performing
AZ Learns A-F	B	N/A	C	D
Math Proficiency	72.6	0	56.7	43.2
Reading Proficiency	82.2	33.3	70	73.1
Math Median Growth Percentile	56.5 Typical	13.0 Low	34.0 Typical	39.0 Typical
Reading Median Growth Percentile	53.0 Typical	16.0 Low	42.0 Typical	39.0 Typical