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 - Vision Charter School

School Name	Vision Charter School	Southgate Academy	Math and Science Success Academy	S.T.A.R. Academic Center	Toltecali High School	Sunnyside High School
Address	5901 S. Calle Santa Cruz Tucson	850 W. Valencia Rd. Tucson	434 W. Lerdo Rd. Tucson	5093 S. Liberty Tucson	251 W. Irvinton Rd Tucson	1725 E Bilby Rd Tucson
School Type	Charter	Charter (Alternative)	Charter	District (Alternative)	Charter (Alternative)	District
Distance from Charter Holder	N/A	.81 mi	1.17 mi	1.4 mi	1.90 mi	2.53 mi
Number of Students	39	596	254	242	119	2259
Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	0%	92%	67%	72%	98%	79%
Grades Served	9-12	K-12	K-12	6-12	9-12	9-12
AZ Learns Label	Performing Plus	Performing	Performing Plus	Performing	Performing	Performing
AZ Learns A-F	N/A	N/A	B	N/A	N/A	C
Math Proficiency	66.7	34	75.2	0	25	35.7
Math Median Growth Percentile	26.0 Low	53.5 Typical	59.0 Typical	5.0 Low	41.5 Typical	45.0 Typical
Reading Proficiency	100	52.4	79.2	0	16.7	68.2
Reading Median Growth Percentile	94.0 High	44.5 Typical	48.0 Typical	49.5 Typical	59.0 Typical	50.0 Typical

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