

Plato Learning Academy News!

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Plato Learning Academy

“Working Collaboratively, Thinking Critically, Achieving Academically”

The Results Are In

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CPS recently released the district’s SQRP scores and we are proud to announce that Plato Learning Academy experienced amazing growth.

Some of these impressive results include:

- Increasing from the 18th to the 42nd Percentile in Math Growth
- Increasing from the 3rd to the 63rd Percentile in Math Growth for our Diverse Learners
- Increasing from the 37th to the 95th Percentile in Math Growth for our 8th Graders
- Increasing from the 11th to the 85th Percentile in Reading for students in 4th Grade
- Improving our 5 Essentials

rating from Partially Organized to Organized (an increase of two ranks)

Way to go Plato staff and students!

Unfortunately, this growth only moved our raw score from a 2.1 to a 2.5 which means that we are still at a Level 2.

We are confident that we will be able to reach a raw score of 3.0, or a Level 2+, by the end of this year.



Upcoming Events

- ◆ 11.2 - Rhythmunity
- ◆ 11.2 - End of Q1
- ◆ 11.7 - CPS Visit
- ◆ 11.7 - Report Card Pick-up
- ◆ 11.8 to 11.12 - No School
- ◆ 11.13 to 11.20 - Book Fair
- ◆ 11.21 to 11.23 - No School
- ◆ 11.30 - Goal for all HS Applications

We Need Your Help!

Our most recent SQRP scores resulted in us receiving a Level 2 Rating for the 4th consecutive year. Because of this, CPS announced that we will be eligible for closure at the end of this year. This is why we need your help.

We believe that the remarkable improvements in our scores should convince CPS that we should be allowed to continue operating. But we cannot persuade them alone.

What can you do?

- Complete the petition found in the front office at the school or on our website.

- Share the petition with family, friends, and community members. If each student simply gets 10 signatures, we will have nearly 3000!
- Write a letter to the CPS School Board stating why you feel that the school should remain open.
- Attend the CPS Board Meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 5th

We would like to thank all of you in advance for your assistance with this.

Let's Talk About This



November 2nd marked the end of the first quarter which means that Wednesday, Nov. 7th will be this year's first Report Card Pick-Up.

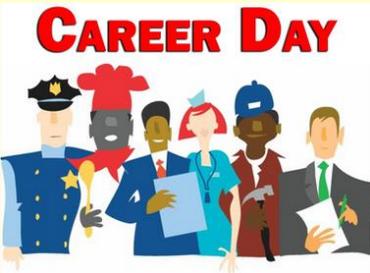
Conferences will begin at 2:30 PM and will run until 6:00 PM. Please note that there will be a SQRP meeting immediately after dismissal.

Conferences are intended for parents to retrieve their child's report card, see the classroom,

and chat briefly with the teacher. We ask that all meetings take no more than 10 minutes to accommodate all parents. Should you need a longer appointment, please schedule a meeting.

Any report cards not picked up will be available in the office starting Tuesday, Nov. 13th.

When I Grow Up...



Plato Learning Academy will host its first series of Career Days on Monday, Nov. 19th and Tuesday, Nov. 20th.

Both parents and community members have been asked to participate in these sessions so our students can better understand the importance education plays in future success. Additionally, we hope to

reinforce the message that people from their own communities can be successful.

If you would like to join us, or know someone who might, please contact the front office as soon as possible.

Goodbye Remind!



Since the beginning of school, we have been announcing that we will no longer use the Remind App but instead will move those communications to the Dojo App.

We want to ensure that our parents are not overwhelmed with various apps for various personnel in the building and

therefore plan to streamline our lines of communication. In addition, Dojo will allow you to track your student's performance in the classroom.

Remind will no longer be used effective Nov. 16th. If you need assistance, please contact a staff member.