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Mr. Juan Cruz
Superintendent

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Dear Franklin-McKinley Families,

In 2014, every district and charter school in the Franklin-McKinley School District agreed on an ambitious goal for our schools and for our students: **By 2020, at least 70% of all Franklin-McKinley students would be on track to college**, based on the new state test. **We called it our North Star goal**, and we knew it would take a lot of hard work to achieve this goal.

Since 2014, California has also adopted a new, more challenging set of Common Core standards that expect students to understand and apply their knowledge in new ways. Our teachers are working hard to change how they teach, so that students can master these new standards and be prepared for success in high school, college and career.

No other urban district in California has set a bar this high. We believe that it is the right goal – our students deserve it. Over the next five years, we believe that we can and will reach our goal in each of our schools.

We want to help families understand our progress toward the **North Star** goal. So, we have created a **School Progress Report for every Franklin-McKinley school, including district and charter schools located within our boundaries**. This report, which is available in English, Spanish and Vietnamese, **shows families what percent of students were on track for college at each school**, and how those percentages are for different student groups. The report also shows data about the school culture and climate.

This is our first year creating these School Progress Reports, so the data is a baseline for coming years. Next year, the report will show how much each school has grown toward the **North Star** goal. We hope you find them helpful, especially as families join conversations about our Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP), and how funding aligns to these goals.

If you have any questions or need clarification after you have reviewed this report, please contact your child's school. We would also appreciate any feedback or suggestions to improve the quality of these School Progress Reports.

Sincerely,

Juan Cruz, Superintendent

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