

Top Bay Area Public Schools for Underserved Students 2019

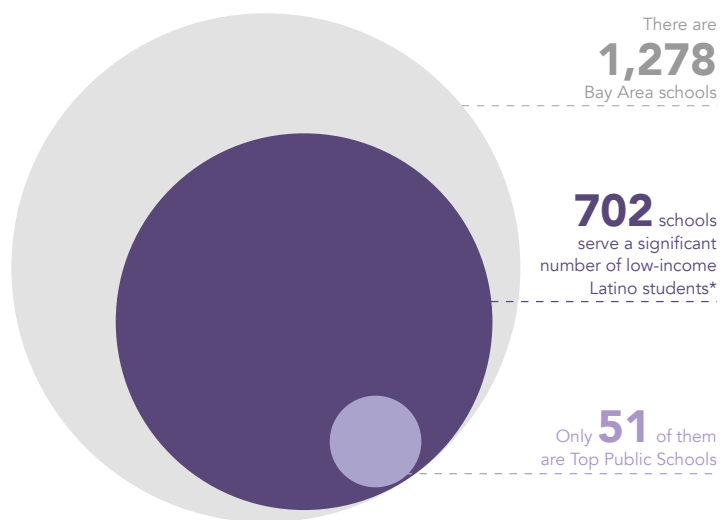


Each year, Innovate Public Schools celebrates the Bay Area public schools achieving excellent results for low-income Latino and low-income African American students. These schools are preparing students for the futures they choose. To qualify, schools must beat the statewide average in one or more factors including math and reading scores, and college eligibility rates, while maintaining low suspension rates.

In the Bay Area, the odds are low that low-income Latino and African American students get to attend a school that truly unlocks their potential. That must change. Our list highlights the schools that are showing what's possible.

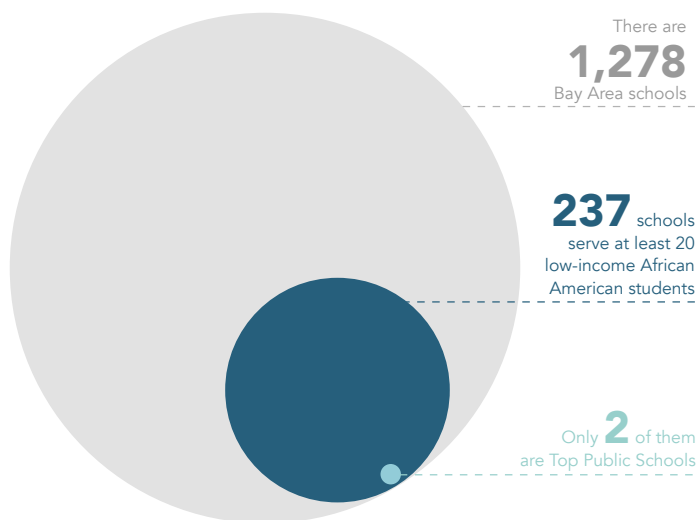
Few schools in the Bay Area are closing the gap for low-income African American and Latino students.

Low-income Latino



Source: California Department of Education, 2017-18 Enrollment files
*Schools were considered in this analysis if they had at least 20 low-income Latino students and this sub-group comprises 14% or more of the school's overall enrollment.

Low-income African American



Source: California Department of Education, 2017-18 Enrollment files

19 out of 20[🎓] students see college in their future*



* Source: TNTP, "The Opportunity Myth," 2018

Most students, regardless of race, want to go to college, but in the Bay Area too few get the chance

There's no question that every student deserves a high quality education that prepares them for college. In fact, 94% of students see college in their future.*

But only half of students across the state graduate meeting the entrance requirements for a public state university. The gap between students' dreams and the reality they face is even wider for low-income students of color. Only six out of 20 low-income African American or Latino students in the Bay Area graduate UC/CSU eligible.

Though we're far from delivering on the promise of an excellent education for all students, this list highlights the schools that are leading the way when it comes to preparing students for college.

But only 6 out of 20 low-income African American or Latino students are graduating eligible to attend a public university in California*



*Source: California Department of Education, University of California/California State University (UC/CSU) eligibility requirements, 2017-18

*Source: TNTP, "The Opportunity Myth," 2018

Top Public Schools for Low-income Latino Students

	% PROFICIENT IN MATH	CHANGE IN % PROFICIENT FROM LAST YEAR	DISTRICT / AUTHORIZER	CHARTER NETWORK	% LOW- INCOME LATINO IN SCHOOL
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MATH					
The Mission Preparatory School (Charter)	84%	↑ 20	San Francisco Unified		72%
Rocketship Rising Stars (Charter)	64%	↑ 28	Santa Clara County Office of Education	Rocketship Public Schools	58%
Rocketship Mateo Sheedy Elementary (Charter)	60%	↑ 3	Santa Clara County Office of Education	Rocketship Public Schools	79%
Gilroy Prep (Charter)	58%	↓ 8	Gilroy Unified	Navigator Public Schools	43%
Voices College-Bound Language Academy at Mt. Pleasant (Charter)	57%	–	Santa Clara County Office of Education	Voices College-Bound Language Academies	77%
Richmond College Preparatory (Charter)	57%	↑ 8	West Contra Costa Unified		60%
Rocketship Spark Academy (Charter)	56%	↓ 1	Franklin-McKinley Elementary	Rocketship Public Schools	48%
Rocketship Mosaic Elementary (Charter)	55%	↑ 8	Franklin-McKinley Elementary	Rocketship Public Schools	48%
Voices College-Bound Language Academy at Morgan Hill (Charter)	54%	–	Santa Clara County Office of Education	Voices College-Bound Language Academies	83%
Rocketship Fuerza Community Prep (Charter)	52%	↑ 10	Santa Clara County Office of Education	Rocketship Public Schools	71%
Westwood Elementary	51%	↑ 18	Santa Clara Unified		25%
Rocketship Sí Se Puede Academy (Charter)	49%	↑ 5	Santa Clara County Office of Education	Rocketship Public Schools	79%
Rod Kelley Elementary	48%	↓ 3	Gilroy Unified		55%
Rocketship Discovery Prep (Charter)	48%	↑ 4	Santa Clara County Office of Education	Rocketship Public Schools	72%
KIPP Excelencia Community Preparatory (Charter)	48%	↓ 11	Redwood City Elementary	KIPP Bay Area Schools	83%
Briarwood Elementary	47%	↑ 17	Santa Clara Unified		42%
John Muir Elementary	45%	↑ 11	Martinez Unified		18%
Aspire Monarch Academy (Charter)	45%	↑ 9	Oakland Unified	Aspire Public Schools	91%
Bracher Elementary	43%	↑ 6	Santa Clara Unified		37%
Vinci Park Elementary	43%	↑ 21	Berryessa Union Elementary		17%
Leroy Anderson Elementary	43%	↑ 17	Moreland		73%
Madison Elementary	43%	↑ 3	San Leandro Unified		15%
Aspire Richmond Technology Academy (Charter)	43%	–	West Contra Costa Unified	Aspire Public Schools	64%
Gabriela Mistral Elementary	42%	↑ 13	Mountain View Whisman		40%
Ponderosa Elementary	42%	↑ 7	South San Francisco Unified		20%
Capri Elementary (Charter)	42%	↑ 4	Campbell Union		21%
Southgate Elementary	42%	↑ 4	Hayward Unified		30%
MIDDLE SCHOOL MATH					
Gilroy Prep (Charter)	60%	↓ 13	Gilroy Unified	Navigator Public Schools	43%
KIPP Heartwood Academy (Charter)	58%	↓ 1	Alum Rock Union Elementary	KIPP Bay Area Schools	69%
Richmond College Preparatory (Charter)	47%	–	West Contra Costa Unified		60%
Aspire Berkley Maynard Academy (Charter)	43%	↑ 15	Oakland Unified	Aspire Public Schools	28%
Adelante Dual Language Academy	43%	↑ 1	Alum Rock Union Elementary		60%
Renaissance at Mathson	42%	–	Alum Rock Union Elementary		70%
Alpha: Blanca Alvarado Middle (Charter)	42%	↑ 13	Alum Rock Union Elementary	Alpha Public Schools	85%
Selby Lane Elementary	40%	↑ 11	Redwood City Elementary		74%

Top Public Schools for Low-income Latino Students

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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ENGLISH					
The Mission Preparatory School (Charter)	85%	↑ 14	San Francisco Unified		72%
Gilroy Prep (Charter)	74%	–	Gilroy Unified	Navigator Public Schools	43%
Westwood Elementary	55%	↑ 22	Santa Clara Unified		25%
Aspire Berkley Maynard Academy (Charter)	54%	↑ 9	Oakland Unified	Aspire Public Schools	28%
Silverwood Elementary	51%	↑ 11	Mt. Diablo Unified		17%
Durham Elementary	50%	↓ 2	Fremont Unified		14%
Lincoln Elementary	50%	↑ 9	Newark Unified		32%
Briarwood Elementary	50%	↑ 25	Santa Clara Unified		42%
E. M. Grimmer Elementary	50%	↑ 12	Fremont Unified		40%
Rocketship Fuerza Community Prep (Charter)	49%	↑ 16	Santa Clara County Office of Education	Rocketship Public Schools	71%

MIDDLE SCHOOL ENGLISH					
Gilroy Prep (Charter)	87%	↑ 8	Gilroy Unified	Navigator Public Schools	43%
Aspire Berkley Maynard Academy (Charter)	67%	↑ 26	Oakland Unified	Aspire Public Schools	28%
Richmond College Preparatory (Charter)	65%	–	West Contra Costa Unified		60%
KIPP Summit Academy (Charter)	61%	↑ 2	San Lorenzo Unified	KIPP Bay Area Schools	48%
Renaissance Academy	57%	↑ 3	Alum Rock Union Elementary		68%
KIPP Heartwood Academy (Charter)	56%	↓ 1	Alum Rock Union Elementary	KIPP Bay Area Schools	69%
KIPP San Francisco Bay Academy (Charter)	53%	↑ 9	San Francisco Unified	KIPP Bay Area Schools	62%
Gateway Middle (Charter)	52%	↑ 8	San Francisco Unified	Gateway Public Charter Schools	28%
River Glen	51%	↓ 1	San Jose Unified		43%
Greenleaf Elementary	49%	↓ 3	Oakland Unified		79%

	% GRADUATING ELIGIBLE FOR COLLEGE	% PROFICIENT IN MATH	% PROFICIENT IN ENGLISH	DISTRICT / AUTHORIZER	CHARTER NETWORK	% LOW- INCOME LATINO IN SCHOOL
HIGH SCHOOL						
Impact Academy of Arts & Technology (Charter)	100%	27%	58%	Hayward Unified	Envision Education	52%
KIPP King Collegiate High (Charter)	96%	40%	87%	San Lorenzo Unified	KIPP Bay Area Schools	38%
Making Waves Academy (Charter)	95%	33%	66%	Contra Costa County Office of Education		81%
Aspire Golden State College Preparatory Academy (Charter)	92%	33%	62%	Oakland Unified	Aspire Public Schools	78%
Leadership Public Schools - Hayward (Charter)	91%	41%	74%	Hayward Unified	Leadership Public Schools	55%
Leadership Public Schools - Richmond (Charter)	89%	26%	62%	West Contra Costa Unified	Leadership Public Schools	86%
KIPP San Francisco College Preparatory (Charter)	85%	33%	73%	San Francisco Unified	KIPP Bay Area Schools	58%
LIFE Academy	64%	29%	62%	Oakland Unified		78%

Top Public Schools for Low-income African American Students

	% PROFICIENT IN MATH	CHANGE IN % PROFICIENT FROM LAST YEAR	DISTRICT / AUTHORIZER	CHARTER NETWORK	% LOW-INCOME AFRICAN AMERICAN IN SCHOOL
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MATH					
Rocketship Mateo Sheedy Elementary (Charter)	70%	↑ 7	Santa Clara County Office of Education	Rocketship Public Schools	5%

	% PROFICIENT IN ENGLISH	CHANGE IN % PROFICIENT FROM LAST YEAR	DISTRICT / AUTHORIZER	CHARTER NETWORK	% LOW-INCOME AFRICAN AMERICAN IN SCHOOL
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ENGLISH					
Rocketship Mateo Sheedy Elementary (Charter)	52%	↓ 24	Santa Clara County Office of Education	Rocketship Public Schools	5%
Southgate Elementary	50%	↑ 8	Hayward Unified		6%

Students in the Bay Area are graduating, but too few of them are ready for college

The Bay Area has long been known as a center of progressive politics and innovation with a thriving economy. But despite its relative wealth and prosperity, the region is not preparing many low-income African American and Latino students for success in college. In fact, these students are half as likely to attend a Top Public School than their peers in other parts of California.

The Bay Area is lagging behind other parts of the state--especially at the high school level. To qualify as a Top Public School, high schools had to close the achievement gap for low-income Latino or African American students on three measures of college readiness: graduation rates, college eligibility rates, and academic performance (in either math or English).

Out of over 200 high schools in the Bay Area, only eight met this rigorous Top Public School criteria for low-income Latino students. No schools met this bar for low-income African American students.



These results reveal a shameful truth about Bay Area high schools: While graduation rates are on an upward trend for low-income African American and Latino students, college eligibility and academic performance lag behind. High graduation rates mean very little if students aren't graduating "college ready." By unjustly denying these students the opportunity they need to compete in the Bay Area's economy our school system is widening social divides.

This is most shocking for low-income African American students. None of the nearly 9,000 low-income African American high school students in the Bay Area attend a school that is successfully closing the achievement gap for them. Statewide, only 2% of low-income African American high school students in California attend a Top Public School. Only seven of the 1,400 California high schools qualified as Top Public Schools for low-income African Americans. Three of those schools are recognized in our 2019 Los Angeles Top Public Schools report.

These results show that the Bay Area can and must do more for low-income students, especially African American students.