

SCHOOL PROFILE

Olson Elementary



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Olson Elementary is a diverse school located on the west side of Madison. We serve approximately 450 students from various neighborhoods and are committed to working together as a community in order to ensure that all of our students and families feel welcomed, valued and have full access to opportunities for learning.

Together we continue to fight for issues of equity and that all students receive a high-quality education that nurtures their academic, behavioral and social-emotional well-being. Olson is dedicated to building collective responsibility and a commitment to ongoing collaboration around the Great Teaching Framework: the plan, teach, reflect and adjust model. This means that teacher teams engage in collaborative instructional planning and the use of data to adjust teaching to better support student learning. We continue to strengthen our core literacy practices and supports for social-emotional learning and growth to ensure that Olson is a place where all children thrive.



School Principal: Deborah A. Lyons

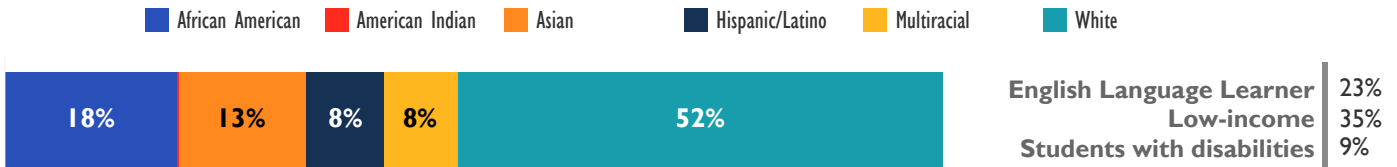
In the 2016-17 school year, we focused on supporting teacher team planning with the MMSD literacy scopes to ensure consistency in grade level academic expectations. We continued building our understanding of the Gradual Release of Responsibility model by engaging in intentional planning of focused instruction. Secondly, communication and making families feel welcomed at school is essential to our work. Throughout the school year, we improved upon and enhanced the methods of two-way communication between staff, teams and families. As a result, we have seen a significant increase of family participation at all of the Olson Family Events!

For the upcoming school year, Olson will be adopting the MMSD new math curriculum, Bridges. In addition to continuing our work on the focused instruction, we will focus on guided practice for targeted skill and strategy instruction and differentiation in both literacy and math. As Olson Otterly terrific Staff, we are a dedicated, hard-working teaching staff who provide a safe, fun-loving, learning environment! Be on the watch for the new Swimmy the Otter Mascot!

Vision Connection

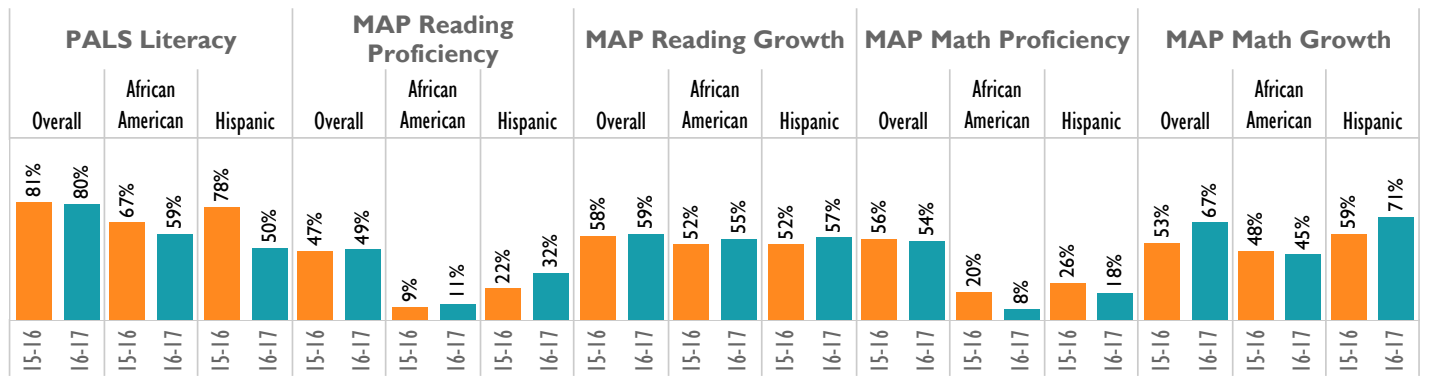
Our school supports MMSD's vision that all students acquire the skills and abilities needed to be successful, including a mastery of content areas, growth mindset, self-knowledge, creativity, wellness, interpersonal skills, confidence, cultural competence, and community connection. Through these skills and abilities, our students will graduate college, career, and community ready.

Demographics

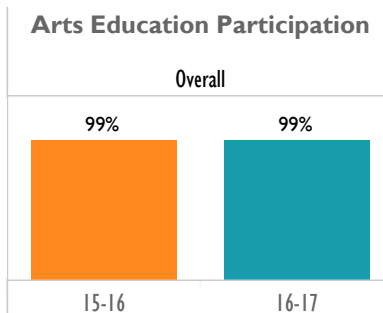


Strategic Framework Goal #1 Milestones: On-Track to Graduate

Each bar shows the percent of students meeting the relevant metric overall and for the focus group the school selected on their School Improvement Plan (SIP) when applicable.



Strategic Framework Goal #2 Milestones: Challenging and Well-Rounded Education



Participation rates are based on transcribed courses.

When no goal for the measure has been set "No Goal" will be displayed in the bar.

Strategic Framework Goal #3 Milestones: Positive Climate

Each bar shows the percent of responses within each dimension that were positive overall. When no goal for the measure has been set "No Goal" will be displayed in the bar.

