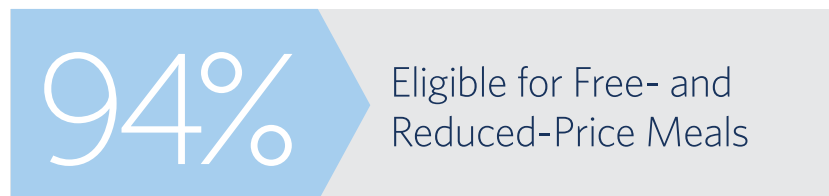
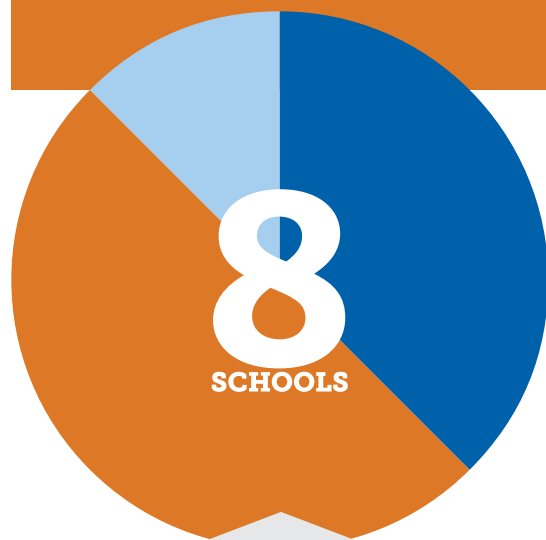


The **KIPP** Metro Atlanta Schools
Commitment



At KIPP Metro Atlanta Schools, our mission is to equip students with the academic skills, scholarly habits, and character traits necessary to be successful in top quality colleges and the competitive world beyond.

2016-17 Snapshot



\$12,000,000 Earned in Scholarships
by the KIPP Atlanta Collegiate Class of 2017

A Letter from the Executive Director

KIPP Friends & Family,

The 2016-17 school year marks KIPP Metro Atlanta Schools' 14th year. While we have come a long way since 2003, I am excited to say that in many ways we are just getting started. In the past 14 years, we have grown to eight schools educating 3,200 students throughout Atlanta and we support another xxx alumni in high school and college. We have grown in size and scope—we have added to our original middle schools, expanded to both elementary school and high school, and broadened our horizons and commitments all the way through college graduation.

All of this has been done to provide our students with the best possible foundation and preparation for success in college and in life.

While many things have changed in the past 14 years, our core commitments have not—our commitment to Atlanta and our commitment to providing an exceptional college-preparatory education to the students of Atlanta.

As I look forward, I have never been more optimistic. While we believe that we always have room to grow and improve, our progress to date has clearly demonstrated what is possible. Great education transforms lives and we are committed to providing Atlanta's students with the education, tools, and support to achieve their dreams. We continue to see great demand for our schools and are committed to continuing to grow to meet the needs of those students and families.

Thank you for your commitment to Atlanta, KIPP Metro Atlanta Schools, and our students and families. Our work would not be possible without your partnership.

With Gratitude,
Kinnari Patel-Smyth

Executive Director, KIPP Metro Atlanta Schools



The Atlanta Commitment

KIPP Metro Atlanta Schools was founded in Atlanta in 2003 and remains committed to the students and families of Metro Atlanta. At KIPP, students, families, teachers, and board members are all united around the same goal: college and a choice-filled life for Atlanta's students.

As a local Atlanta-based non-profit organization, KIPP Metro Atlanta Schools is governed by a local board of directors. Our board is made up of professionals and community leaders from across Atlanta who are passionate about ensuring that all students have access to a college-preparatory education.

Our schools are part of the free public school system and enrollment is open to all students in the district. We operate in collaboration with Atlanta Public Schools for seven of our schools and with Fulton County Schools for KIPP South Fulton Academy, one of our original middle schools. Our public charter schools are given more academic and budgetary flexibility than traditional public schools, and in exchange commit to deliver high-quality academic results for students. This flexibility also allows us the opportunity to focus heavily on character development and initiatives such as KIPP Through College.

From our initial 5th grade classes, KIPP Metro Atlanta Schools responded to increasing demand from our Atlanta communities to grow. KIPP Metro Atlanta has grown to eight schools—three elementary schools, four middle schools, and a high school. KIPP STRIVE Primary School added a 4th grade at the beginning of the 2016-17 school year, completing their growth. KIPP WAYS Primary School adds 4th grade in the 2017-18 school year, with KIPP Vision Primary School only one year behind. As these elementary schools reach scale, their 4th grade students will matriculate to 5th grade at their corresponding middle school—the completion of our initial growth plan.

And yet, demand for seats at KIPP schools continues across Atlanta. For the 2017-18 lottery, KIPP received more than 6,700 applications for 731 available seats. In response to this demand, we are committed to doubling our size in the coming years.

At the completion of this next phase of growth, KIPP Metro Atlanta Schools will educate more than 7,000 students in 15 schools within Atlanta.



The Kindergarten Through College Commitment

K-12

Although KIPP Metro Atlanta began in 2003 with a focus on middle school, we have grown over time to provide students with an excellent college-preparatory education from Kindergarten through high school. We believe that an excellent college-preparatory education will set students up for success in whatever life path they choose. Every grade—from Kindergarten to 12th grade—is crucial in preparing students for success.

Elementary school provides the foundation for students in both academics and character. In addition to cultivating a love of literacy and mathematical thinking, students also learn key lessons about zest, grit, self-control, and social intelligence in the classroom and on the playground.

Middle school is an important time for students to continue to learn, grow, and develop their character. Rigor increases and students are challenged to dig deeper into subjects such as science and social studies, deepening and demonstrating their understanding. Students become increasingly independent throughout middle school and these years are an important time to continue to develop and demonstrate character strengths.

Throughout high school, students have the opportunity to demonstrate increasing responsibility and ownership of their education. The academic rigor continues to increase, as do the opportunities to discover and demonstrate interests and passions within the classroom and through extracurricular activities. Advance Placement (AP) classes provide students with exposure to a college-level curriculum prior to entering college.

TO AND THROUGH COLLEGE

KIPP Metro Atlanta's commitment to our scholars continues all the way through college graduation. In today's global economy, we know that college is a key stepping stone in opening doors of opportunity for our students as they pursue choice-filled lives. From day one, KIPP students begin learning about and preparing for college.

A crucial part of preparation is KIPP Metro Atlanta's dedicated KIPP Through College (KTC) team that supports students and families as they plan for college. The KIPP Through College team increases their involvement over the years and, by the time students reach high school, the KTC team is walking step by step with them through the college admissions, choice, and financial aid processes to ensure access to a college that is a good fit.

After high school, we help KIPP Metro Atlanta alumni navigate the social, academic, and financial challenges they might encounter while in college. We walk step-by-step with our graduates all the way through college to make sure they have the support they need to persist to graduation.

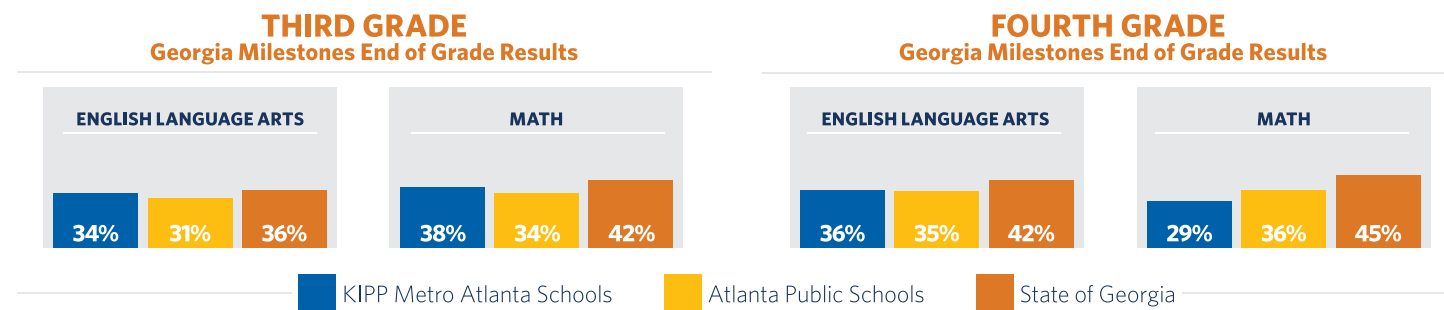
Our KIPP Through College commitment and support is for all KIPP Metro Atlanta alumni. We believe that the commitments we make to our students are sacred and we will be with them every step of the way.



Commitment to Results

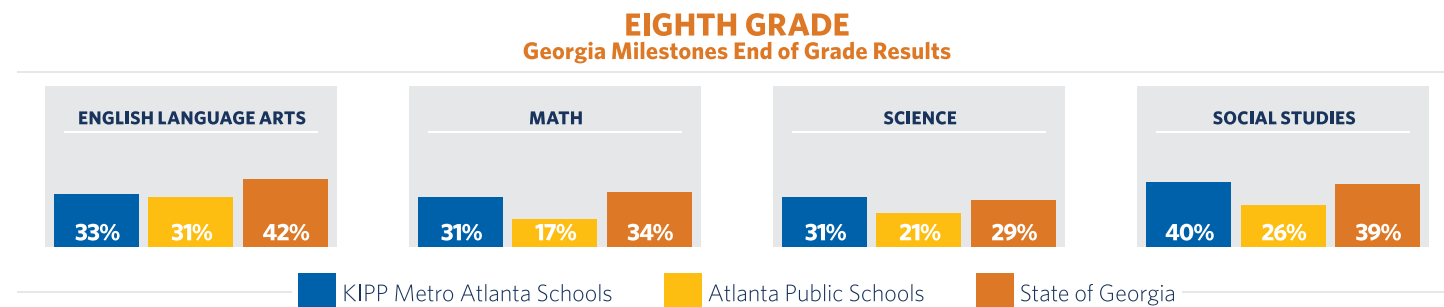
Third and Fourth Grade Georgia Milestones End of Grade Results

The 2016-17 school year was only the second year that KIPP Metro Atlanta elementary school students took the third grade Georgia Milestones tests. In 2016-17, two of our three elementary schools had a third grade and one school had a fourth grade. Students outperformed their peers at Atlanta Public Schools in third grade and had mixed results in fourth grade. We look forward to future years when the results will reflect even more of our students and schools.



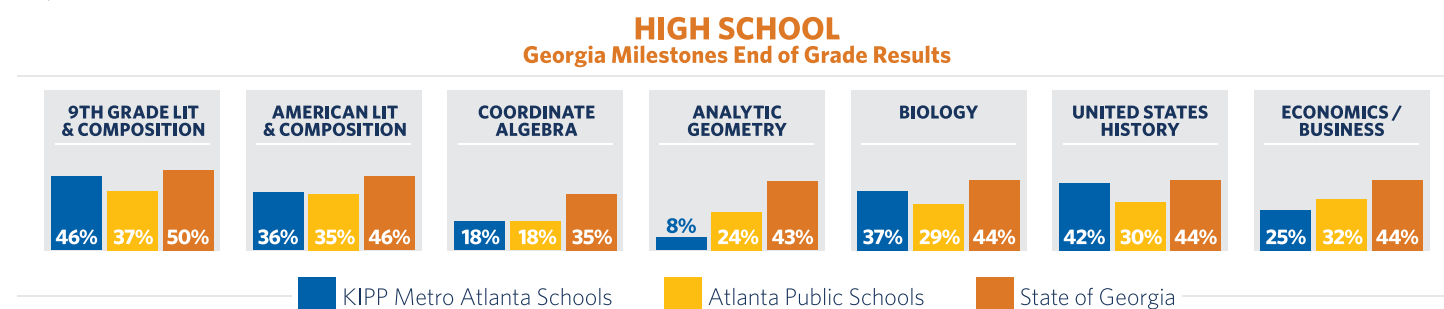
Eighth Grade Georgia Milestones End of Grade Results

KIPP Metro Atlanta eighth grade students consistently outperformed their peers at Atlanta Public Schools and had mixed results compared to the state. We are proud of our students' accomplishments and remain committed to continuing to raise the bar for all students.



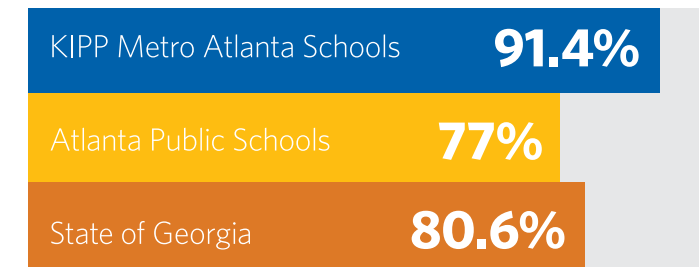
High School Georgia Milestones End of Course Results

KIPP Atlanta Collegiate students had mixed results compared to their peers at Atlanta Public Schools and the state. We are committed to raising the rigor for all students and believe that the ongoing transition to AP For All is one factor that will help improve outcomes.



High School Graduation Rate Results

Georgia's high school graduation rates rose for the sixth straight year in 2017 and KIPP Atlanta Collegiate continued to significantly outperform both the district and state graduation rates.



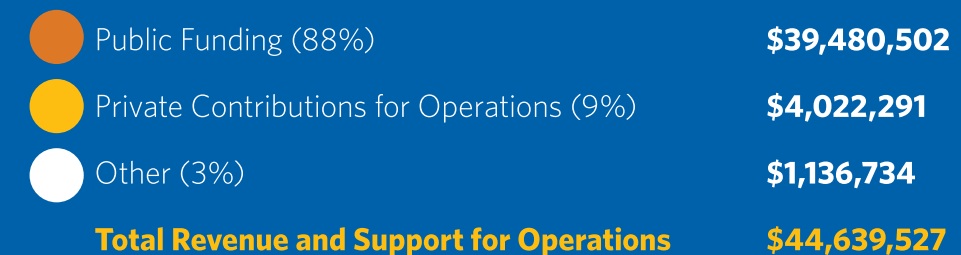
High School AP Participation Rates

As KIPP Atlanta Collegiate continues to implement their AP For All initiative, the AP participation rate for the graduating class rose 43% during the 2016-17 school year alone. The AP For All initiative is part of our commitment to expose all students to a rigorous, college-ready curriculum as they prepare for college.

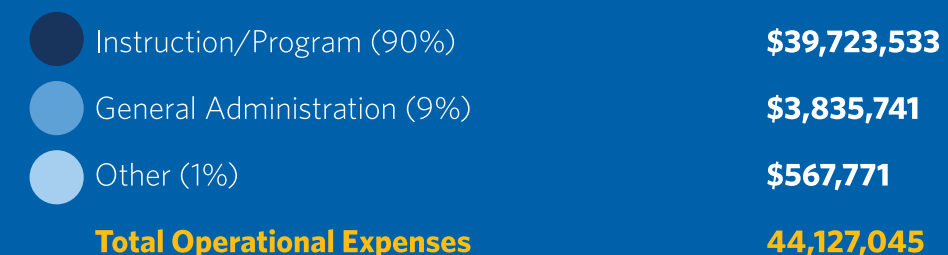


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