

# Imagine 2014

The School District of Philadelphia's 2008 strategic plan, *Imagine 2014*, received widespread national attention for its creative and comprehensive approach. Two years later, it's already getting results for students.



## ALREADY GETTING RESULTS

"The preliminary results are encouraging and worth applauding. They show that efforts to improve academic achievement in the city's public schools are slowly making a difference."

*The Philadelphia Inquirer* JUNE 19, 2010

### 2010 AYP RESULTS

**158** schools made adequate yearly progress (AYP) (59% of the District).

**33%** more schools made AYP than last year (119 in 2009)

**34%** of Empowerment Schools made AYP (up from 22% in 2009)



**50.7%**  
READING

**56.6%**  
MATH

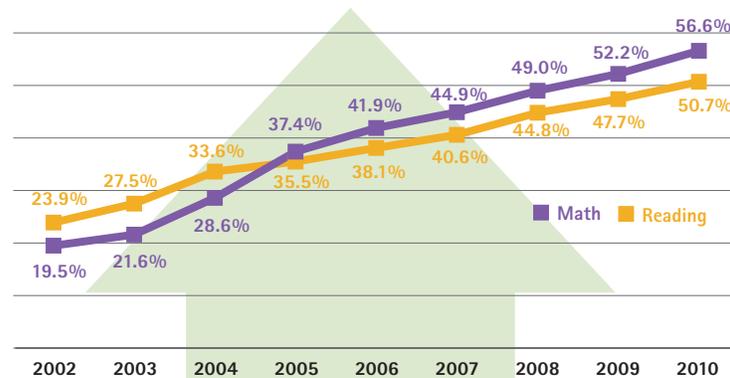
FIRST TIME EVER that more than half the city's students meet state standards



**9** point gains in math in Empowerment Schools since 2008

**7** point gains in reading in Empowerment Schools since 2008

**8** straight years of reading and math gains



Initially grades 5, 8, and 11. Grade 3 added in 2006; grades 4, 6, 7 added in 2007.





THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

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While many other urban school districts have been forced to cut services to students, Philadelphia has expanded the level of support for students, parents, and teachers.

## TAKING BOLD ACTIONS

**150  
MORE**

middle and  
high school  
counselors



**29%  
DROP**

in violent  
incidents  
over the past  
2 school years

**13** of city's  
lowest-  
performing schools  
will be totally  
turned around:  
**7 RENAISSANCE  
CHARTER  
SCHOOLS** and  
**6 PROMISE  
ACADEMIES**

**58,000**

students enrolled in  
expanded summer school

**12,000** parents enrolled in  
Parent University



**90%**

of vacancies can now  
be filled with teachers  
chosen by the school,  
thanks to new contract

**TIME**

*"Philadelphia Parent  
Academy's 'curriculum'  
runs the gamut from a  
10-week math-literacy  
course to a multipart  
social-etiquette class  
to a one-day session on  
attendance and truancy."*

NOV. 8, 2009

**LOWER  
CLASS SIZES**  
in Empowerment  
Schools

**20:1**  
in kindergarten

**21:1**  
in 1st, 2nd, and  
3rd grades

**63%**

of students graduated  
within 6-years

(up  
3%  
from last  
year)

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