

**Charter School Review Committee
Academic Progress Report
2013–14**

**For Steering and Rules Committee on
January 15, 2015**

Central City Cyberschool of Milwaukee
Darrell Lynn Hines College Preparatory Academy of Excellence
Downtown Montessori Academy
Escuela Verde
King's Academy
Milwaukee Academy of Science
Milwaukee Collegiate Academy
Milwaukee Math and Science Academy
North Point Lighthouse Charter School
Rocketship Southside Community Prep

Overview

- I. Basics of City of Milwaukee Charter Schools Accountability and Charter School Review Committee (CSRC)
- II. Charter School Profile and Scorecard Information
- III. Trend and Comparative Data

Outcomes Monitored by CSRC

- Standardized tests: Required for all students in first through twelfth grades
- Student year-to-year expectations for reading and math
- School calendar and attendance
- Student return and retention rates
- Parent/family involvement
- Teacher licensure, return, and retention
- Special education requirements
- Local measures in reading, math, writing, and special education

Charter School Profile and Scorecard Information

Summary Profile of 10 Schools

- Seven elementary schools: Four K4–8, one K4–4, one K4–5, one K4–7
- One K–12, one 7–12, one 9–12
- Free reduced lunch: 89% to 100%*
- Special education: 4% to 16%
- Race/Ethnicity: 92%–100% African American except for Downtown Montessori, Escuela Verde, and Rocketship Southside Community Prep
- Aldermanic districts with schools: 1, 4, 6, 7, 9, 12, 14, and 15

*Downtown Montessori's percentage of children eligible for free reduced lunch (28%) differed greatly from the other charter schools and is not included in the range above.

CSRC Academic Progress Report: 2013–14 Local Measures

Local Measures Results

- As required by CSRC, all schools maintained local measures in reading, math, writing, and special education in order to track the academic progress of students during the 2013–14 school year.
- Students demonstrated progress on these four measures during the school year. Student progress is reflected in each school's overall *scorecard score*.

City of Milwaukee Scorecard

The scorecard rates (by number of points earned) each school in the following areas.

- Student academic progress: Year to year
- Student annual academic achievement
- Postsecondary readiness (high schools only)
- Engagement indicators
 - » Attendance
 - » Student retention and return rate
 - » Teacher retention and return rate

Scorecard Rubric

K4–8TH GRADE

- STUDENT ACADEMIC PROGRESS: Total Possible Points: 45
- LOCAL MEASURES: Total Possible Points: 15
- STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT: (Point in Time: GRADES 3–8): 15
- ENGAGEMENT: (Attendance, Student & Teacher Return* and Retention): 25

HIGH SCHOOL

- STUDENT ACADEMIC PROGRESS: Total Possible Points: 30
- POST-SECONDARY READINESS: GRADES 11 and 12: Total Possible Points: 15
- LOCAL MEASURES: Total Possible Points: 15
- STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT: (Point in Time: GRADE 10): Total Possible Points: 15
- ENGAGEMENT(Attendance, Student and Teacher Return* and Retention): 25

*Teachers not offered continuing contracts are excluded when calculating this rate.

Note: If a school has less than 10 students in any cell on this scorecard, CRC does not report these data. This practice was adopted to protect student identity.

**City of Milwaukee
Educational Performance Rating Scale for Charter
Schools**

School Status	Scorecard Total % of Possible Points
	(Scale Adopted August 12, 2014)
High Performing/Exemplary	83.3–100% (B to A)
Promising/Good	70.0–83.2% (C- to B-)
Problematic/Struggling	60.0–69.9% (D- to D+)
Poor/Failing	0.0–59.9% (F)

CSRC Scorecard Education Performance Ratings for 2013–14 Calendar Year for City of Milwaukee Charter Schools

Charter School	Percentage of Scorecard Points/Letter Grade	School Status
Downtown Montessori	89.3%/B+	High Performing/ Exemplary
Central City Cyberschool	82.6%/B-	Promising/Good
Rocketship Southside Community Prep	73.9%/C	Promising/Good
Milwaukee Academy of Science	73.3%/C	Promising/Good
Darrell Lynn Hines College Preparatory Academy of Excellence	72.6%/C-	Promising/Good
Escuela Verde	70.5%/C-	Promising/Good
Milwaukee Collegiate Academy	68.2%/D+	Problematic/ Struggling
King’s Academy	67.0%/D+	Problematic/ Struggling
Milwaukee Math and Science Academy	66.4%/D	Problematic/ Struggling
North Point Lighthouse Charter School	58.1%/F	Poor/Failing

Scorecards for the Four Lowest-Rated City of Milwaukee Charter Schools

Milwaukee Collegiate Academy
CSRC School Scorecard Including Former WKCE Cut Scores*
2013–14 School Year

Area	Measure	Max. Points	% Total Score	Performance	Points Earned
Student Academic Progress	EXPLORE to PLAN: Composite score at or above 17 on EXPLORE and at or above 18 on PLAN	5.0		N/A	--
	EXPLORE to PLAN: Composite score of less than 17 on EXPLORE but increased 1 or more on PLAN	10	30.0%	89.6%	9.0
9th to 10th Grade	Adequate credits to move from 9th to 10th grade	5.0		56.1%	2.8
10th to 11th Grade	Adequate credits to move from 10th to 11th grade	5.0	61.7%	3.1	
12th Grade	Graduation rate (DPI) ¹	5.0	88.2%	4.4	
Postsecondary Readiness: 11th to 12th Grade	Postsecondary acceptance for graduates (college, university, technical school, military)	10.0	15.0%	100.0%	10.0
	% of 11th/12th graders tested	2.5		97.8%	2.4
	% of graduates with ACT composite score of 21.25 or more	2.5		7.1%	0.2
Local Measures	% met reading	3.75	15.0%	85.1%	3.2
	% met math	3.75		65.2%	2.4
	% met writing	3.75		24.2%	0.9
	% met special education	3.75		53.8%	2.0
Student Academic Achievement: 10th Grade	WKCE reading: % proficient and advanced*	7.5	15.0%	36.4%	2.7
	WKCE math: % proficient and advanced*	7.5		18.2%	1.4
Engagement	Student attendance	5.0	25.0%	87.2%	4.4
	Student reenrollment	5.0		88.4%	4.4
	Student retention	5.0		72.1%	3.6
	Teacher retention rate	5.0		100.0%	5.0
	Teacher return rate	5.0		57.1%	2.9
TOTAL		95.0 ²			64.8 (68.2%)

*WKCE scores in this report card were based on the former proficiency-level cut scores used up until the 2012–13 school year.

^[1] Based on the 2012–13 DPI four-year rate; the scorecard percent in last year's report was based on the school's graduation rate as the DPI rate was not available.

^[2] There were too few students at or above the EXPLORE composite benchmark to include results in this report. The possible points for that measure were subtracted from the total possible points. The scorecard percentage was calculated using the modified denominator, or 95.0 points.

King's Academy
Charter School Review Committee Scorecard
WKCE Scores Based on Former Proficiency-Level Cut Scores
2013–14 School Year

Area	Measure	Max. Points	% Total Score	Performance	Points Earned
Student Academic Progress 1st – 3rd Grades	SDRT: % remained at or above GLE	4.0	10.0%	N/A	--
	SDRT: % below GLE who improved more than 1 GLE	6.0		N/A	--
Student Academic Progress 3rd –8th Grades	WKCE reading: % maintained proficient and advanced	7.5	35.0%	87.2%	6.5
	WKCE math: % maintained proficient and advanced	7.5		96.3%	7.2
	WKCE reading: % below proficient who progressed	10.0		43.5%	4.4
	WKCE math: % below proficient who progressed	10.0		62.9%	6.3
Local Measures	% met reading	3.75	15.0%	63.4%	2.4
	% met math	3.75		69.7%	2.6
	% met writing	3.75		50.0%	1.9
	% met special education	3.75		64.7%	2.4
Student Achievement 3rd –8th Grades	WKCE reading: % proficient or advanced	7.5	15.0%	54.5%	4.1
	WKCE math: % proficient or advanced	7.5		46.4%	3.5
Engagement	Student attendance	5.0	25.0%	94.4%	4.7
	Student reenrollment	5.0		72.5%	3.6
	Student retention	5.0		94.2%	4.7
	Teacher retention	5.0		77.8%	3.9
	Teacher return	5.0		42.9%	2.1
TOTAL		90			60.3 (67.0%)

[\[1\]](#) The SDRT was discontinued prior to the 2013–14 school year; therefore, results were not available. The points available for student progress on the SDRT measures were subtracted from the 100 possible total points. The scorecard percent was calculated by dividing the total points scored by the modified denominator.

**Milwaukee Math and Science Academy
Charter School Review Committee
WKCE Scores Based on Former Cut Scores
2013–14 School Year**

Area	Measure	Max. Points	% Total Score	Performance	Points Earned
Student Academic Progress 1st Through 3rd Grades	SDRT: % remained at or above grade level (GL)	4.0	10.0%	N/A	--
	SDRT: % below GL who improved more than 1 GL	6.0		N/A	--
Student Academic Progress 3rd Through 7th Grades	WKCE reading: % maintained proficient and advanced	7.5	35.0%	92.3%	6.9
	WKCE math: % maintained proficient and advanced	7.5		64.7%	4.9
	WKCE reading: % below proficient who progressed	10.0		59.0%	5.9
	WKCE math: % below proficient who progressed	10.0		50.0%	5.0
Local Measures	% met reading*	3.75	15.0%	65.2%	2.4
	% met math*	3.75		78.3%	2.9
	% met writing**	3.75		85.2%	3.2
	% met special education	3.75		84.2%	3.2
Student Achievement 3rd Through 8th Grades	WKCE reading: % proficient or advanced	7.5	15.0%	50.0%	3.8
	WKCE math: % proficient or advanced	7.5		53.3%	4.0
Engagement	Student attendance	5.0	25.0%	88.6%	4.4
	Student reenrollment	5.0		71.6%	3.6
	Student retention	5.0		78.5%	3.9
	Teacher retention rate	5.0		82.6%	4.1
	Teacher return rate	5.0		31.6%	1.6
TOTAL		90.0			59.8 (66.4%)

*Reading and math local measures were calculated by adding the number of students who scored above their national average who met their goal as well those students who had scored below the national average and met their goal divided by the total number of students who took both the fall and spring tests.

**Based on the percentage of students who increased their writing score on the spring test. No goal was established.

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**North Point Lighthouse Charter School
Charter School Review Committee
WKCE Scores Based on Former Proficiency-Level Cut Scores
Scorecard
2013–14 School Year**

Area	Measure	Max. Points	% Total Score	Performance	Points Earned
Student Academic Progress: 1st Through 3rd Grades	SDRT: % remained at or above grade level (GL)	4.0	10.0%	N/A**	--
	SDRT: % below GL who improved more than 1 GL	6.0		N/A**	--
Student Academic Progress: 3rd Through 8th Grades	WKCE reading: % maintained proficient and advanced	7.5	35.0%	90.0%	6.8
	WKCE math: % maintained proficient and advanced	7.5		Cannot report due to n size**	--
	WKCE reading: % below proficient who progressed	10.0		47.1%	4.7
	WKCE math: % below proficient who progressed	10.0		54.5%	5.5
Local Measures	% met reading	3.75	15.0%	37.1%	1.4
	% met math	3.75		46.5%	1.7
	% met writing	3.75		26.2%	1.0
	% met special education	3.75		52.9%	2.0
Student Achievement: 3rd Through 8th Grades	WKCE reading: % proficient or advanced	7.5	15.0%	42.4%	3.2
	WKCE math: % proficient or advanced	7.5		18.5%	1.4
Engagement	Student attendance	5.0	25.0%	87.2%	4.4
	Student reenrollment	5.0		77.7%	3.9
	Student retention	5.0		87.0%	4.4
	Teacher retention rate	5.0*		50.0%	2.5
	Teacher return rate	5.0*		100.0%	5.0
TOTAL		82.5**			47.9 (58.1%)

*Teacher retention and return rates reflect teachers plus additional instructional staff.

**The SDRT was discontinued prior to the 2012–13 school year; therefore, year-to-year results were not available this year. There were too few students at or above proficient in math in 2012–13 to report results. The number of points for those measures was subtracted from the total 100 points possible and the scorecard percentage is based on the modified denominator.

CSRC Scorecard and DPI Report Card Comparisons

- Both used WKCE* reading and math proficiency for student achievement for 2013–14
- Both used WKCE for progress or growth, but used different analytics: CSRC reports progress from one year to the next; DPI reports a computation of growth for the last three years.
- For High School the CSRC use the EXPLORE to PLAN and high school credits earned each year to show academic growth.
- CSRC requires the use of local measures in reading, math, writing and annual IEP goal achievement.
- Both indicate post-secondary readiness (graduation rates, ACT participation and performance) but use different analytics on these measures.
- Engagement measures used by DPI are absenteeism and dropout rates; CSRC uses attendance, teacher/student return and retention rates.
- DPI report card includes analytics on closing the gap. CSRC scorecard does not.

* The WKCE has been replaced by the Smarter Balanced assessment to be given in spring of 2015 instead of fall.

CSRC vs. DPI Rating Scores

CSRC Scorecard Rating Scores (four categories)

- High Performing/Exemplary 100%–83.3%
- Promising/Good 83.2–70%
- Problematic/Struggling 69%–60%
- Poor/Failing 0–59.9%

DPI Report Card Rating Scores (five categories)

- Significantly Exceeds Expectations 100–83
- Exceeds Expectations 82.9–73
- Meets Expectations 72.9–63
- Meets Few Expectations 62.9–53.0
- Fails to Meet Expectations 52.9–0

Wisconsin DPI Report Card Information for City of Milwaukee Charter Schools

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Report Card Information

Priority Areas Rated

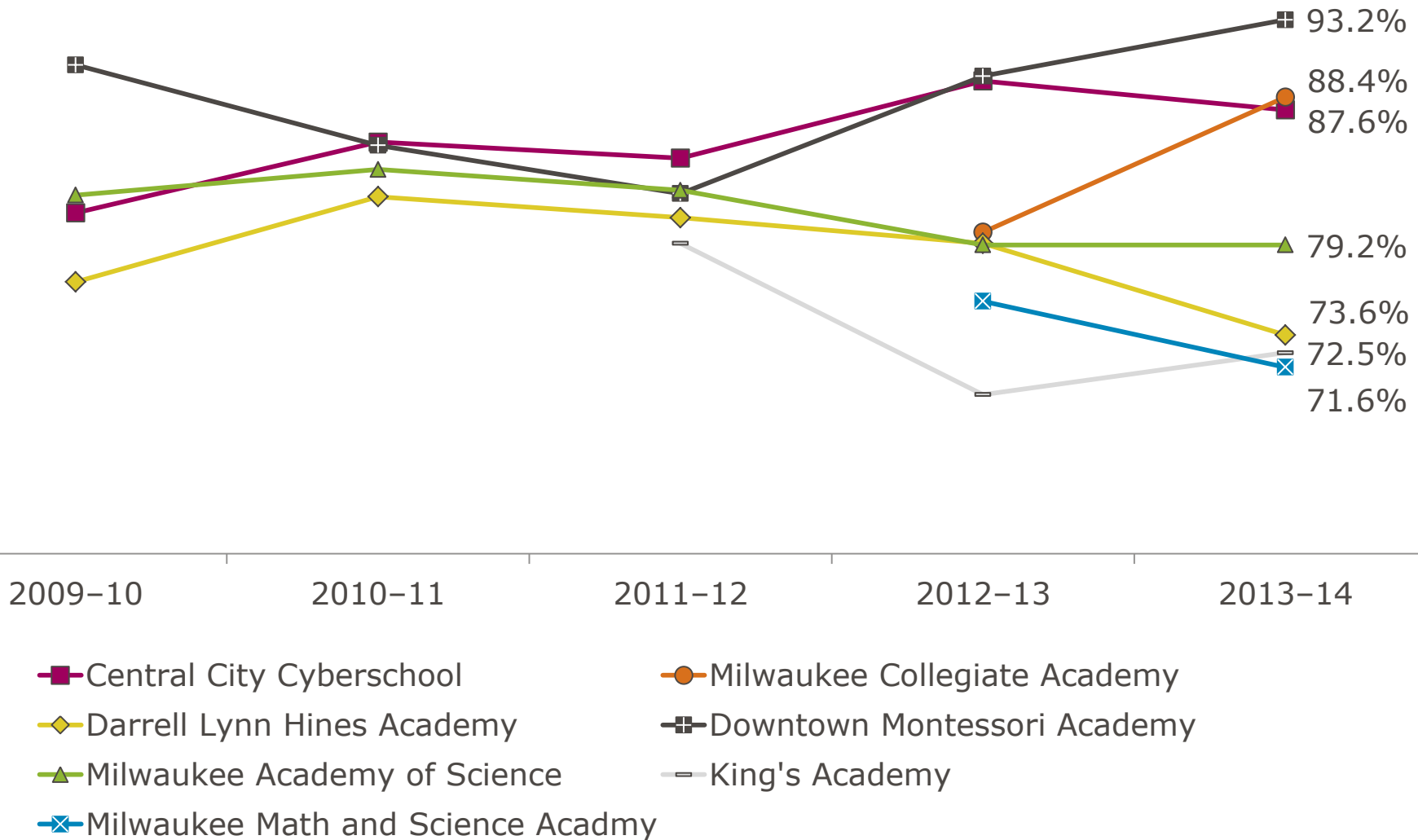
- Student achievement in reading and math
- Student growth in reading and math
- Closing gaps in reading, math, and graduation rate
- On-track and postsecondary readiness
- Student engagement indicators

DPI Accountability Score Ratings for 2013–14 Calendar Year

Charter School	Overall Accountability Score	Overall Accountability Rating
Downtown Montessori	84.7	Significantly Exceeds Expectations
Central City Cyberschool	66.2	Meets Expectations
Darrell Lynn Hines College Preparatory Academy of Excellence	64.4	Meets Expectations
King’s Academy	67.3	Meets Expectations
Milwaukee Academy of Science	64.3	Meets Expectations
Milwaukee Math and Science Academy	48.1	Fails to Meet Expectations
Milwaukee Collegiate Academy	32.7	Fails to Meet Expectations
North Point Lighthouse Charter School	29.4	Fails to Meet Expectations
Alternate Ratings		
Escuela Verde	N/A	Alternate Rating—Satisfactory Progress
Rocketship Southside Community Prep	N/A	Alternate Rating—Satisfactory Progress

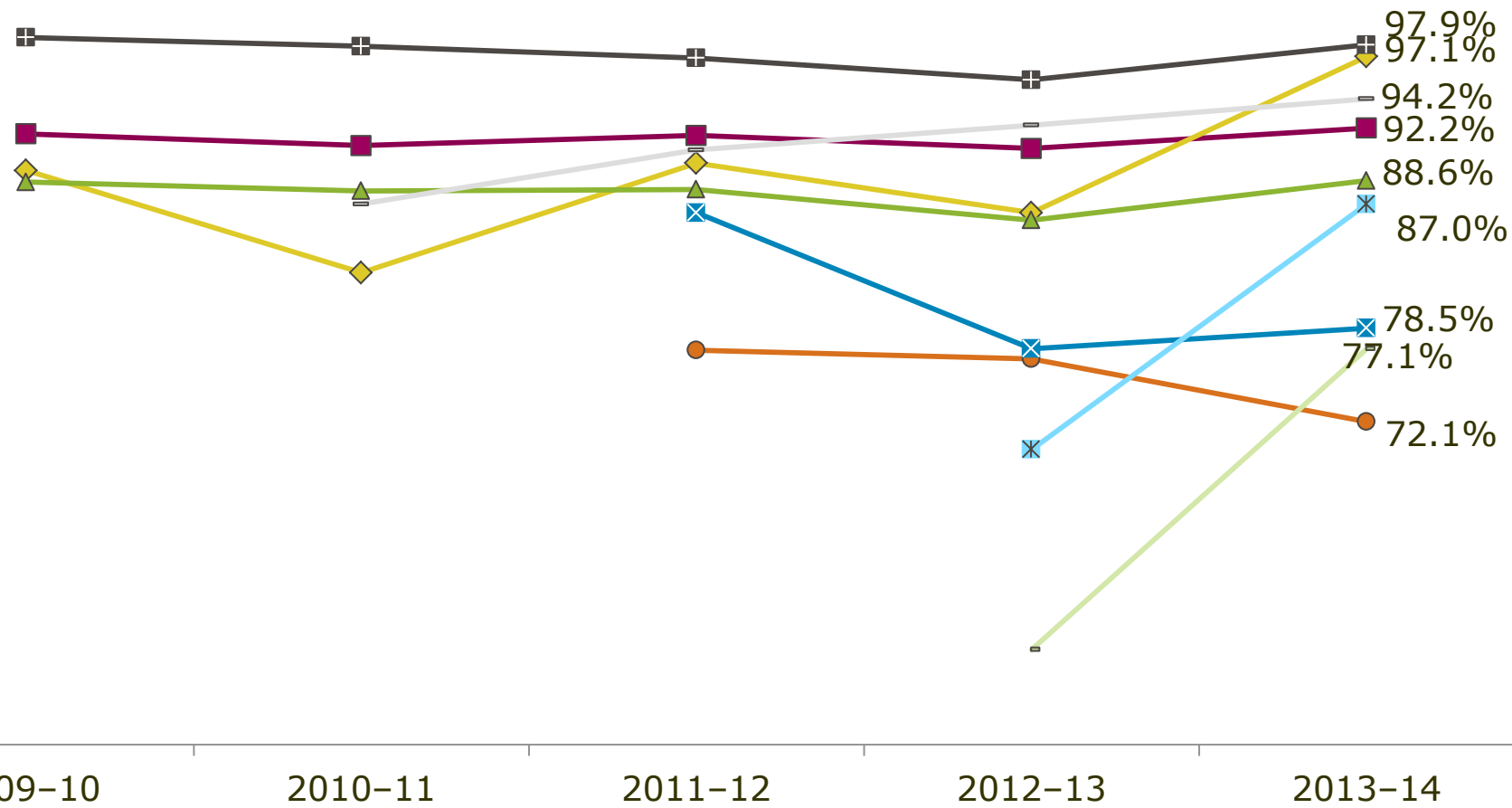
Trend Information

Student Return Rates



Note: Rocketship Southside Community Prep has only been operating for one year and therefore has no student return rate for the 2013-14 school year. Student return rates were 77.7% and 73.9% for North Point Lighthouse Charter School and Escuela Verde, respectively. These schools are not on the chart because so far there is no "trend" information.

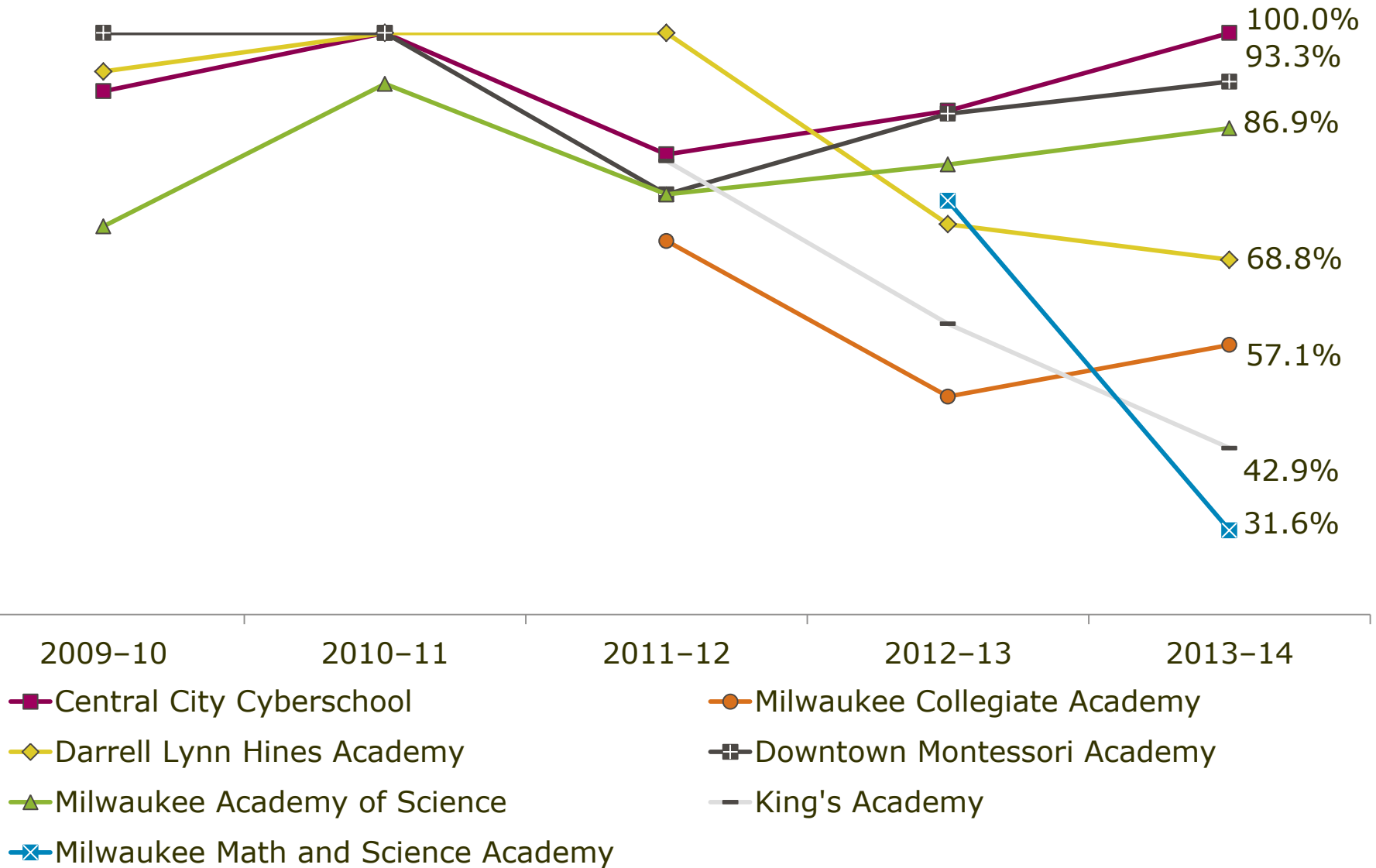
Student Retention Rates: Percentage Enrolled the Entire School Year



- Central City Cyberschool
- Milwaukee Collegiate Academy
- ◆ Darrell Lynn Hines Academy
- Downtown Montessori Academy
- ▲ Milwaukee Academy of Science
- King's Academy
- ✕ Milwaukee Math and Science Academy
- ✕ North Point Lighthouse
- Esuela Verde

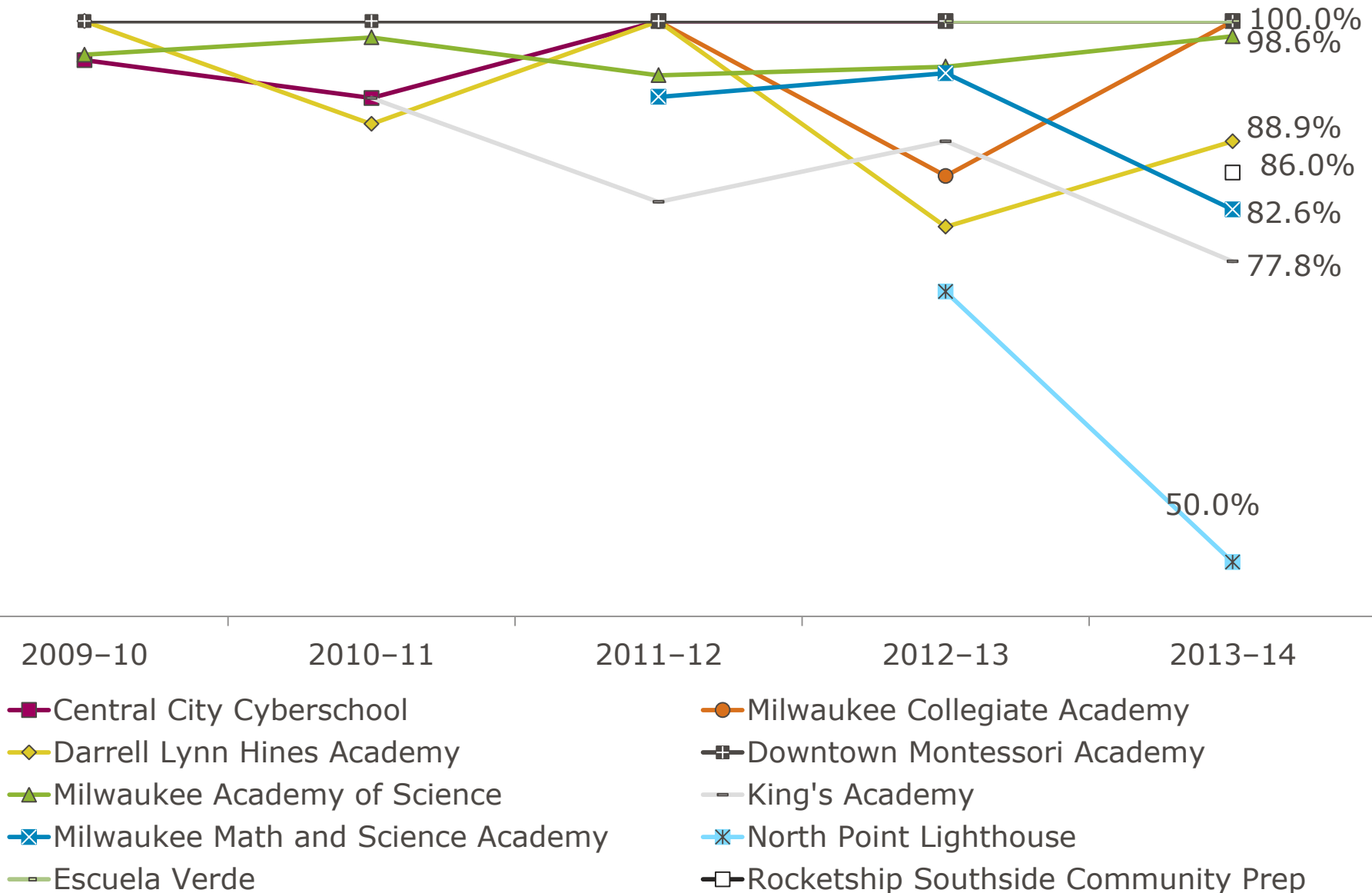
Note: Rocketship Southside Community Prep had a student retention rate of 81.3% for the 2013-14 school year and so far does not demonstrate a "trend"

All Instruction Staff Return Rates



Note: Both North Point Lighthouse Charter School and Escuela Verde have a staff return rate of 100.0% for the 2013-14 school year and so far do not have "trend" information. Rocketship Southside Community Prep has operated for only one year and therefore does not have a 2013-14 staff return rate.

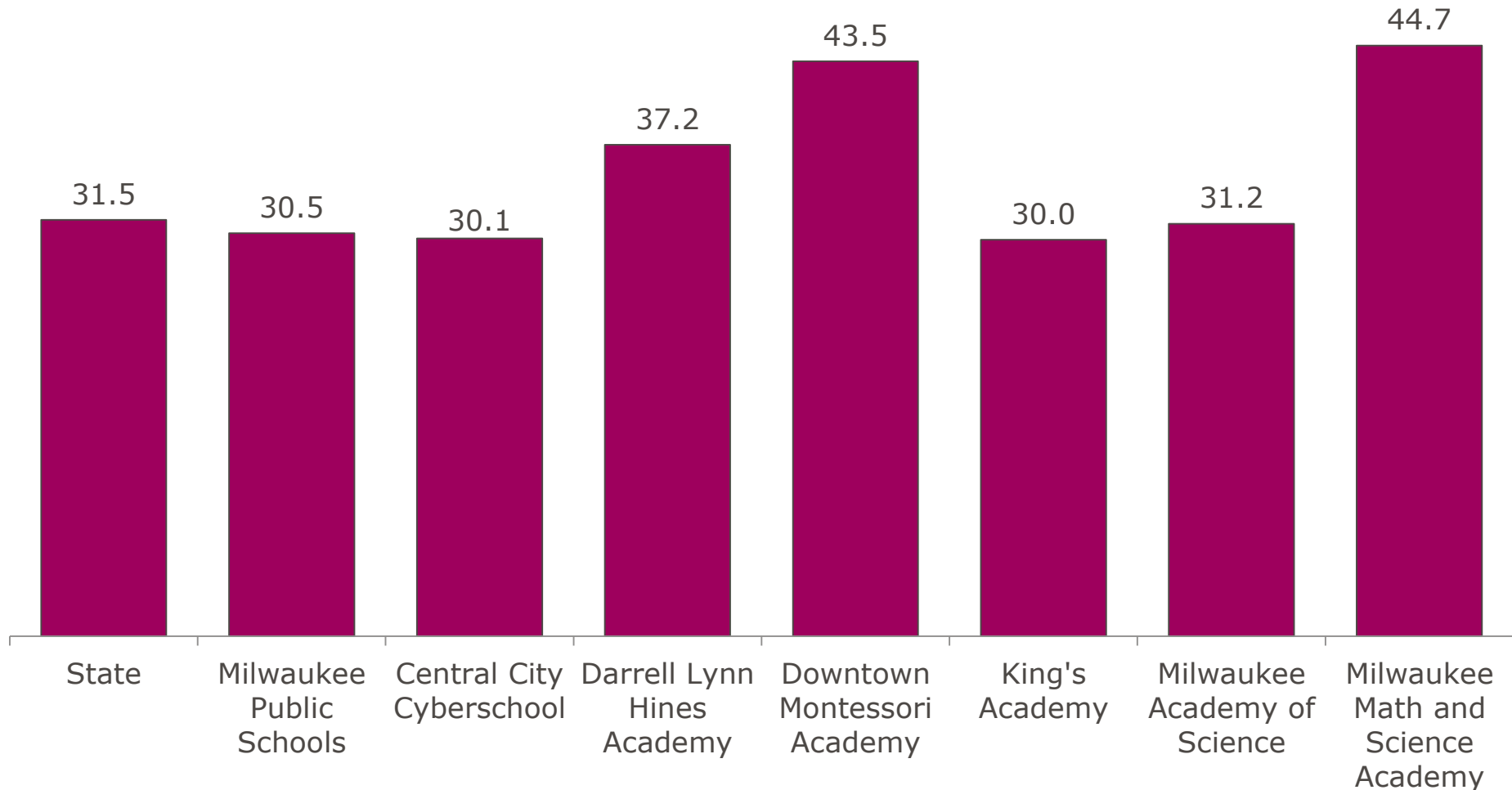
All Instruction Staff Retention Rates



Note: Instructional staff retention rates were 100.0% for Central City Cyberschool, Downtown Montessori, Milwaukee Collegiate Academy, and Escuela Verde. Retention rates for Rocketship for 2013-14 were 86.0%.

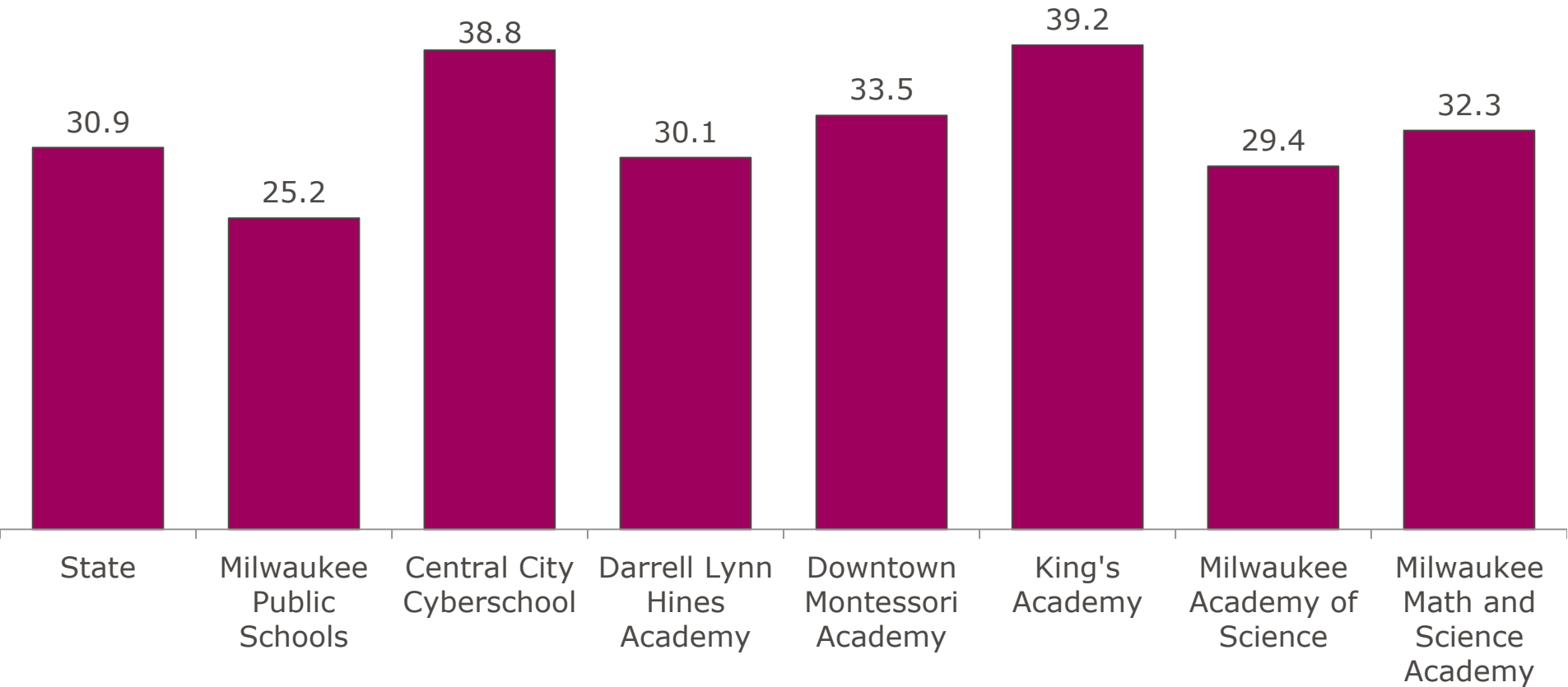
**Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction
Report Card Growth Scores
for Elementary Schools**

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Report Card Student Reading Growth Scores



Note: Growth scores were not available for Rocketship Southside Community Prep, Milwaukee Collegiate Academy, Escuela Verde, or North Point Lighthouse Charter School for 2013-14.

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Report Card Student Math Growth Scores



Note: Growth scores were not available for Rocketship Southside Community Prep, Milwaukee Collegiate Academy, Escuela Verde, or North Point Lighthouse Charter School for 2013–14.

**Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction
Report Card for 2013–14
ACT Participation and Performance**

School	Score
State	5.8
Milwaukee Public Schools (MPS)	2.8
Milwaukee Academy of Science (MAS)	2.5

Note: ACT participation and performance scores were not applicable for Escuela Verde (EV) and Milwaukee Colligate Academy (MCA).

**Postsecondary Enrollment From WISEdash
2012–13 School Year**

	First Fall	Second Fall	Two-Year Institution	Four-Year Institution	In-State Institution	Out-of-State Institution
State	59.5%	2.7%	33.2%	64.8%	82.9%	16.3%
MPS	37.8%	6.0%	34.2%	63.6%	80.8%	18.3%
MAS	45.0%	10.0%	36.4%	59.1%	68.2%	22.7%
MCA	83.3%	5.6%	25.0%	75.0%	87.5%	12.5%
EV	No data available for 2012–13					

Note: WISEdash uses National Student Clearinghouse data.

School DPI Accountability Rating by MPS/City of Milwaukee Charter Schools

Accountability Rating	Milwaukee Public Schools (N = 161)		City of Milwaukee Charter Schools (N = 10)	
	N	%	N	%
Significantly exceeds expectations	0	0.0%	1	10.0%
Exceeds expectations	8	5.0%	0	0.0%
Meets expectations	22	13.7%	4	40.0%
Meets few expectations	49	30.4%	0	0.0%
Fails to meet expectations	55	34.2%	3	30.0%
Not rated*	27	16.8%	2	20.0%

* Some schools did not receive a standard rating this year. For example, first-year schools are not rated because they do not have year-to-year measures. Other reasons may apply to other schools.

**Accountability Rating by Milwaukee Public Schools/City of Milwaukee Charter Schools With Similar Characteristics
Elementary 2013–14**

Characteristic of School According to DPI	Milwaukee Public Schools (N = 36*)		City of Milwaukee Charter Schools (N = 5)	
	N	%	N	%
Significantly exceeds expectations	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Exceeds expectations	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Meets expectations	3	8.3%	3	60.0%
Meets few expectations	9	25.0%	0	0.0%
Fails to meet expectations	23	63.9%	2	40.0%

*One MPS school had an alternate rating/satisfactory progress.

**Graduation and ACT Participation and Performance Scores
For High Schools With Similar Characteristics
2013–14 DPI Report Cards***

School	School Type	Aldermanic District	DPI Graduation Rate Score/ Possible Points	ACT Participation and Performance Score/ Possible Points
Milwaukee Academy of Science	City charter	4	76.7/80	2.5/10
Milwaukee Collegiate Academy	City charter	1	N/A**	N/A**
Achievement Center	MPS	4	N/A**	N/A**
Banner Preparatory School	MPS	2	N/A**	N/A**
Bay View Middle and High School	MPS	14	55.0/80	2.2/10
Carmen High School of Science and Technology–South Campus	MPS charter	8	67.1/80	7.3/20
Carmen High School of Science and Technology–Northwest Campus	MPS charter	2	N/A**	N/A**
NOVA School	MPS	7	N/A**	N/A**
Universal Academy for the College Bound	MPS charter	9	N/A**	N/A**
Wisconsin Conservatory of Lifelong Learning	MPS	4	60.4/80	2.3/10

*Graduation and ACT participation and performance scores on the 2013–14 DPI report cards are based on data from the 2012–13 school year.

**Fewer than 20 students in cohort; data not provided.

CSRC Recommendations

- Accept the 2013–14 city charter school reports.
- Continue annual monitoring for all city charter schools.
- Place King's Academy and Milwaukee Math and Science Academy on probation.

Questions or Comments