

2015–2016 Programmatic Profile and Educational Performance

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Darrell Lynn Hines College Preparatory
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- Continue to work with Cambium Learning to improve all local measure results.
- Continue to reinforce the practices of differentiation with a focus on writing and math, especially with new teachers.
- Develop more culturally relevant practices throughout the school.
- Improve understanding and integration of Common Core State Standards to improve the fluidity of teaching.

V. CRC RECOMMENDATION FOR ONGOING MONITORING

Because the school met or substantially met all contract requirements, addressed all school improvement recommendations, and has a scorecard result of 84.0%, CRC recommends that DLH Academy continue regular, annual academic monitoring and reporting. Further, CRC recommends that DLH Academy be granted a new contract for an additional five years of operation as a City of Milwaukee charter school.

- Four rated the program of instruction as excellent, six as good and two as fair.

Of the five board members interviewed:

- Four agreed that the students were making significant academic progress;
- All five agreed that the school is making progress toward becoming a high-performing school; and
- On a scale of good to excellent, all five rated the school as excellent or good overall.

Of the 46 seventh and eighth graders surveyed, 41 indicated that their reading/writing skills have improved and 36 indicated that their math skills have improved.

IV. SUMMARY/RECOMMENDATIONS

This report covers the 14th year of DLH Academy's operation as a City of Milwaukee charter school. The school met or substantially met all of the educational provisions in its contract with the City of Milwaukee and subsequent CSRC requirements.³³ The school's multiple-measure scorecard score for the 2015–16 school year was 84.0% (B), placing the school in the promising/good category. Based on current and past contract compliance, the school's efforts toward meeting all school improvement recommendations, and scorecard results, CRC recommends that DLH Academy continue regular, annual academic monitoring and reporting. Further, CRC recommends that DLH Academy be granted a new contract for an additional five years of operation as a City of Milwaukee charter school.

³³ A middle school English teacher who was hired mid-year applied for and received a license that is effective July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2021, and was technically unlicensed during the 2015–16 school year.