

District 97 Summer Program Updates

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This report highlights plans for the 2014 District 97 summer programs.

Math Enrichment

The math enrichment program will include classes that will help current fifth grade get a jump start on middle school math. There will also be classes offered for current sixth and seventh grade students who need additional support in math, as well as those who may be ready to move to another level of math.

Dates: June 12- July 3, M-F, 8:00-10:30 and 10:30-1:00

Location: Brooks Middle School

Tuition: \$180 (scholarships available)

Music Camp

This year, music camp will focus on large group ensembles: Band, Orchestra, Jazz Band, and Chorus. Students may sign up for one class, or for two consecutive classes. This program is open to students who are currently in 4th-8th grade.

Dates: July 28-August 9, 8:30-12:00 (3 different class offerings)

Location: Julian Middle School

Tuition: \$75 per session (scholarships available)

Prep for Success

The Prep for Success program is targeted to students who are struggling academically in order to provide them with support prior to the next school year. The Prep program will be very similar to last year's program where students were grouped for instruction based on the focus of reading, math or both reading/math. There was also an effort made to group students by their DIBELS and MAP data to help insure they were getting instruction targeted to their needs.

Dates: July 14-August 9, 8:00-12:00

Location: Beye Elementary (PK-3) and Julian Middle School (4-7) – current grades

Tuition: None

Initial Prep for Success Student Data

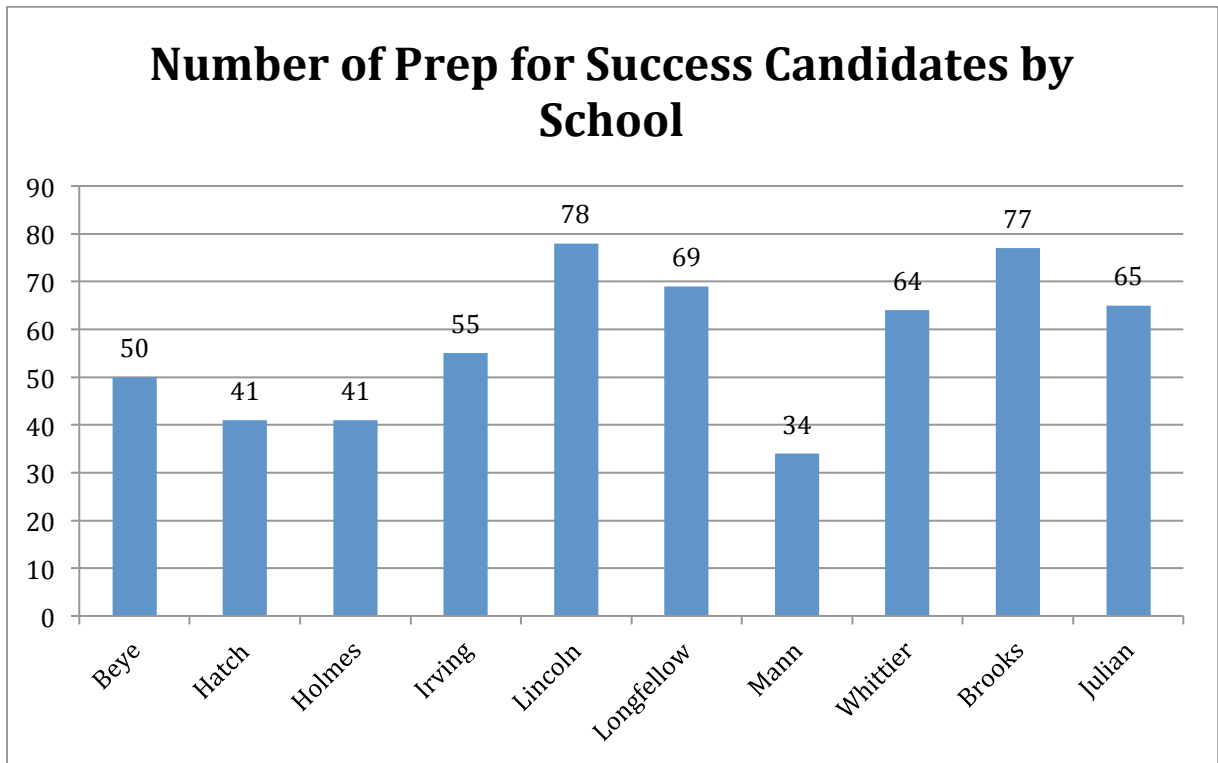
In an effort to communicate with parents earlier than we have in the past, we have reviewed current data to determine students who would most likely benefit from attending the Prep for Success program. This list of students will be shared with teachers for their review. Parents will be informed of the recommendations so that they can consider this option as they make summer plans. We heard from families last year that earlier notification is preferred since most summer camp registration is completed by the beginning of March.

Several criteria were examined in developing a list of students who, based on data available to date, would be candidates for Prep for Success in Summer 2014:

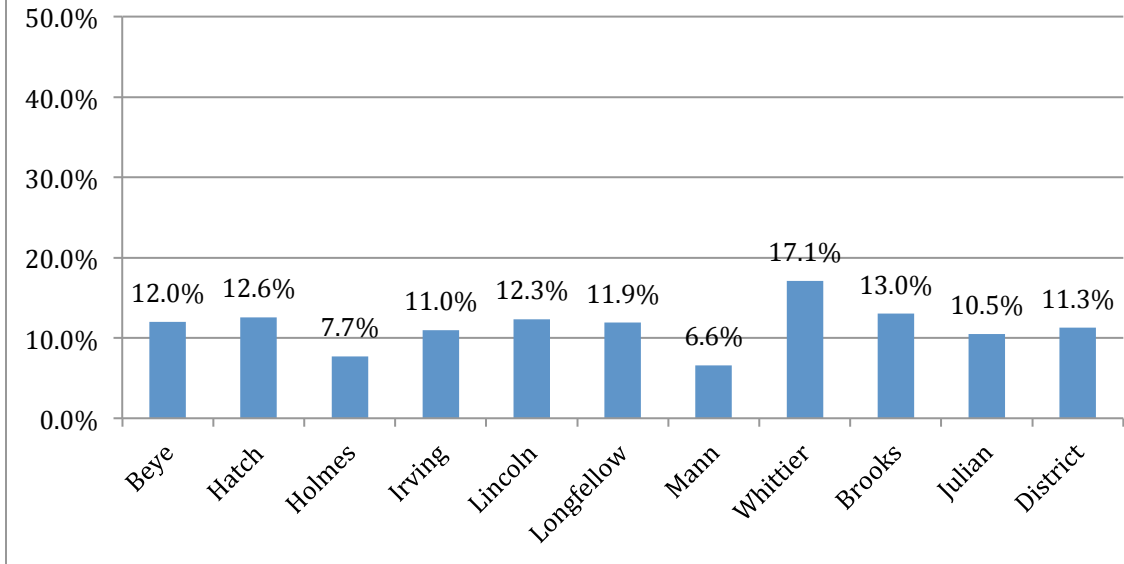
- MAP scores in reading and math: A student was flagged if half or more of his/her most recent three scores fell below the 20th percentile.
- DIBELS Instructional Recommendation: A student was flagged if his/her most recent DIBELS assessment resulted in an instructional recommendation of Intensive or Well Below Benchmark.

No distinction was made between students with and without IEPs at this stage. Some students with IEPs will be invited to attend the Extended School Year (ESY) program rather than Prep for Success. Last year approximately 125 students with IEPs attended the ESY program.

The charts below highlight the number of students and percentage of students by school who meet the criteria. Currently 574 students will be invited to Prep for Success.

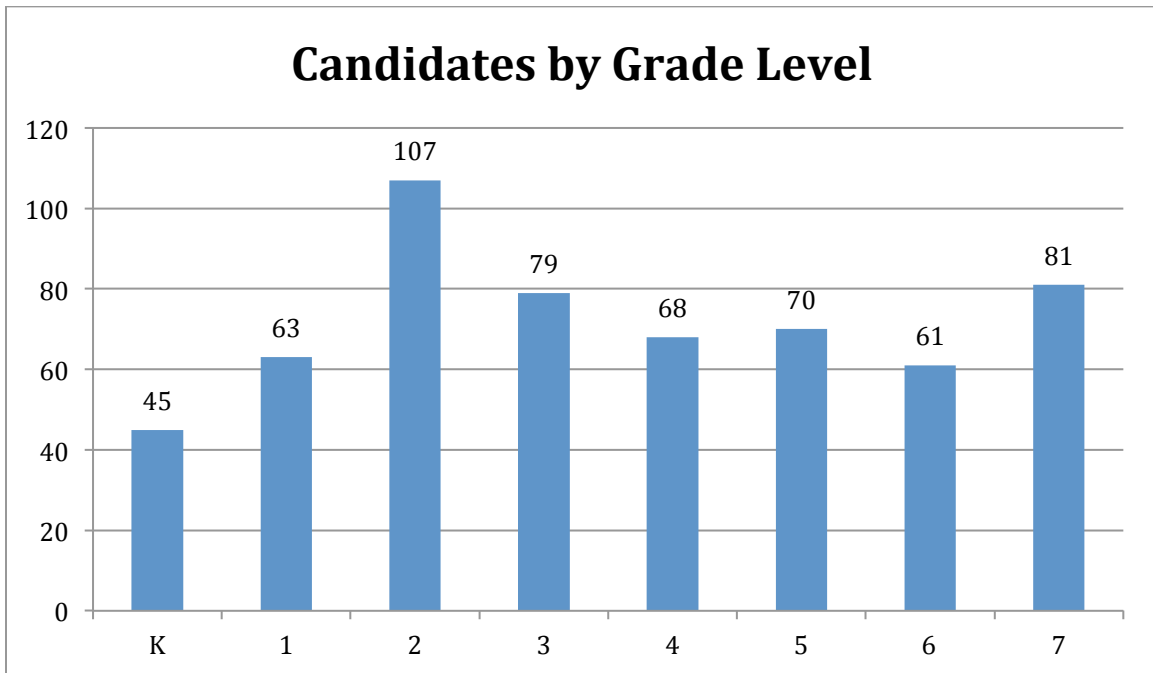


Candidates as Percent of Student Body

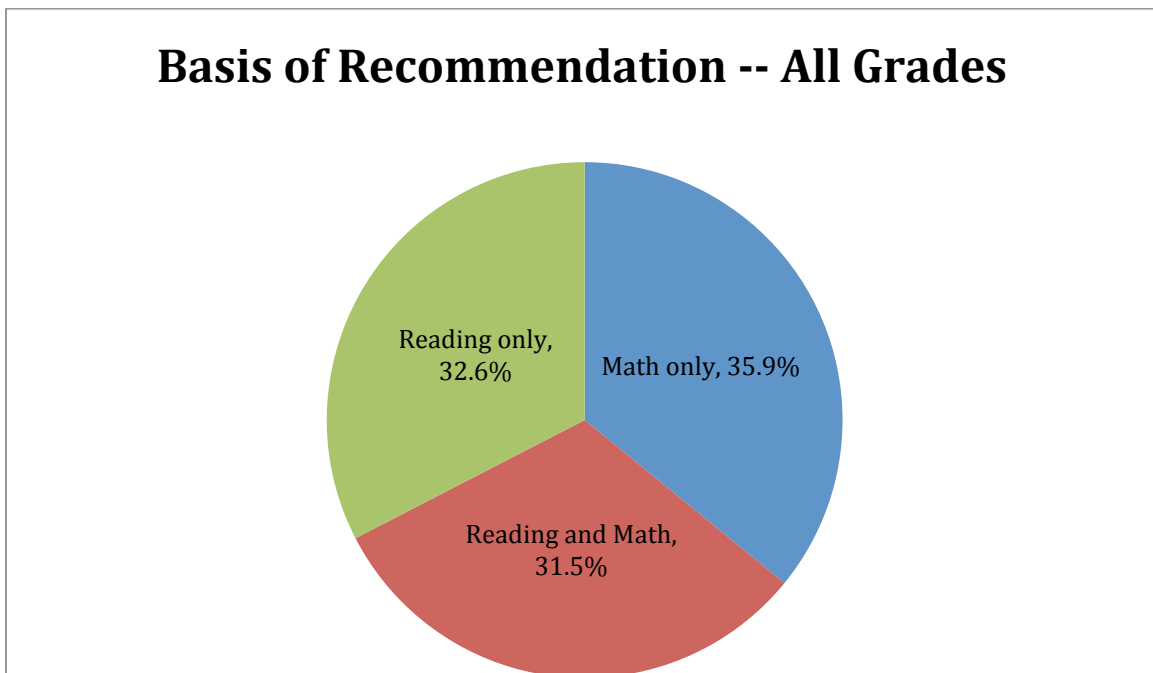
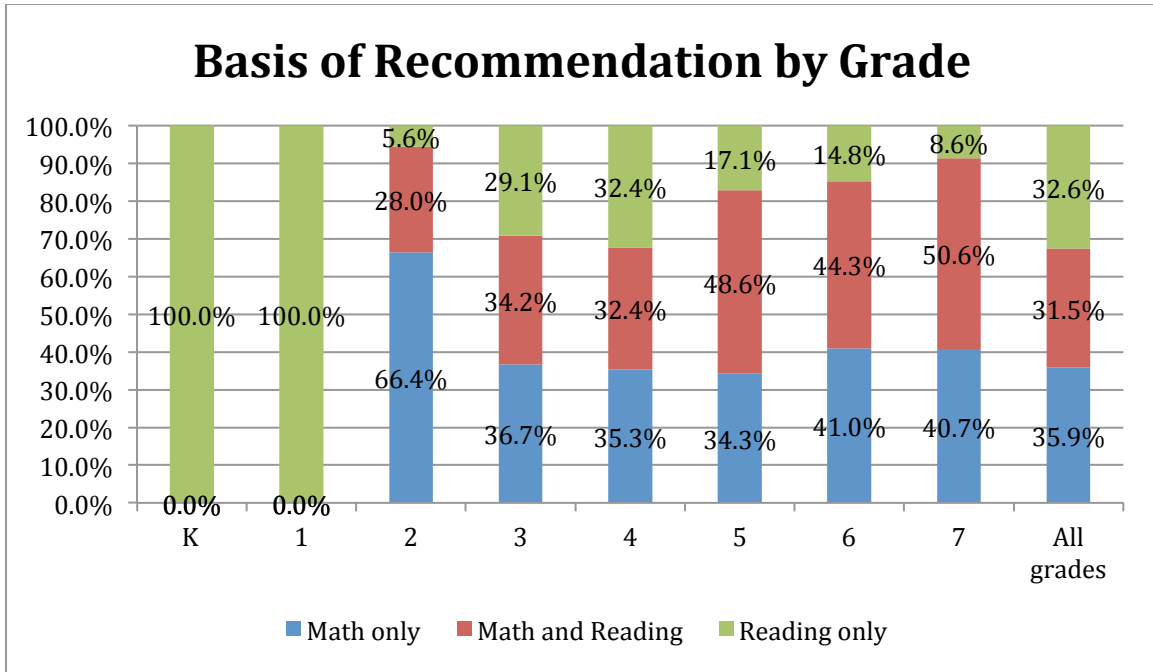


The below chart displays students by grade level who meet the criteria mentioned above, the only data point we have for kindergarten and first grade students is DIBELS.

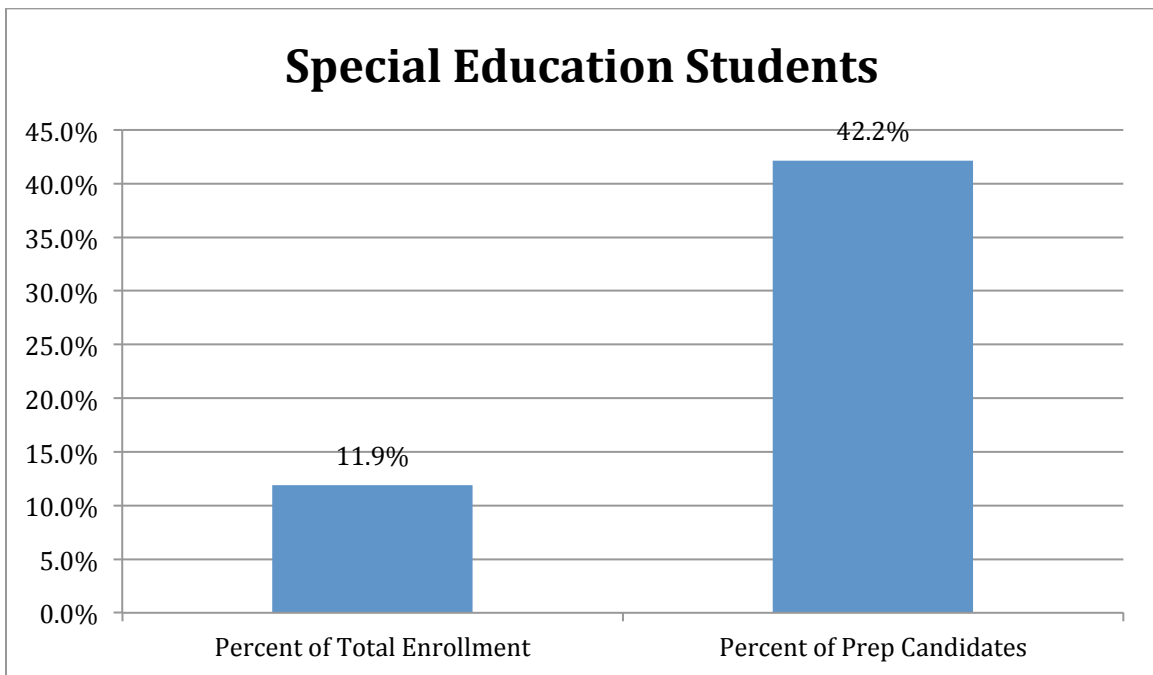
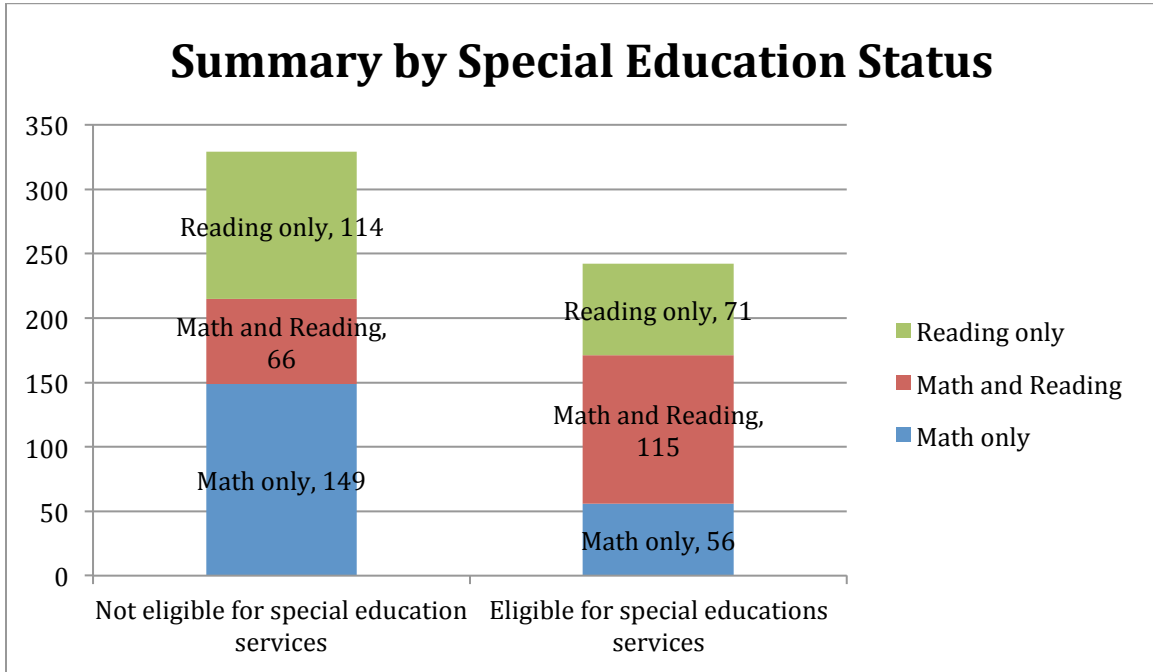
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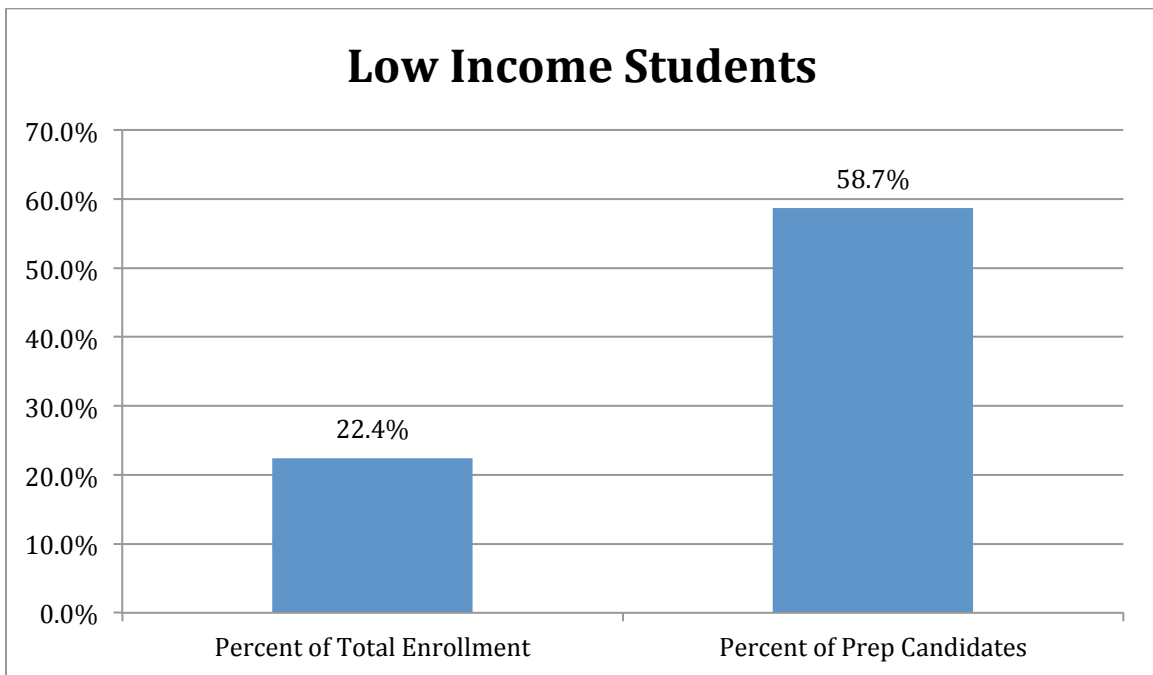
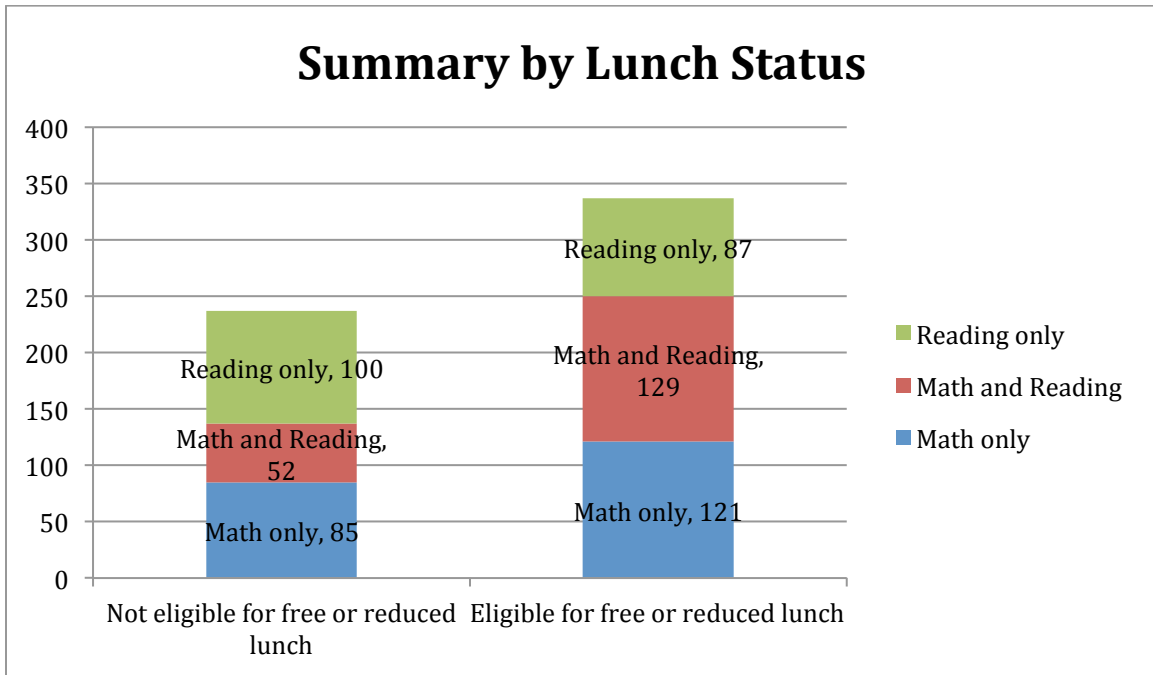
This chart highlights students referred for Prep by subject area. This data, in addition to detailed DIBELS and MAP data will be used to group students and make curriculum decisions. Teachers will also be able to recommend students in the areas of reading and math.



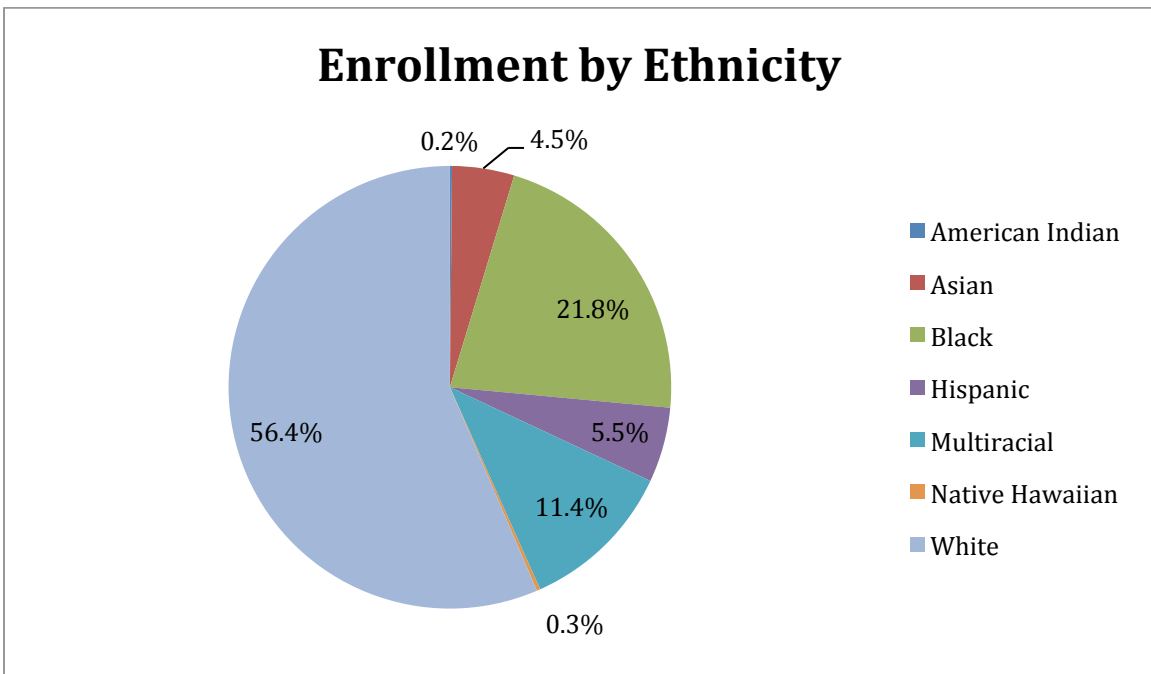
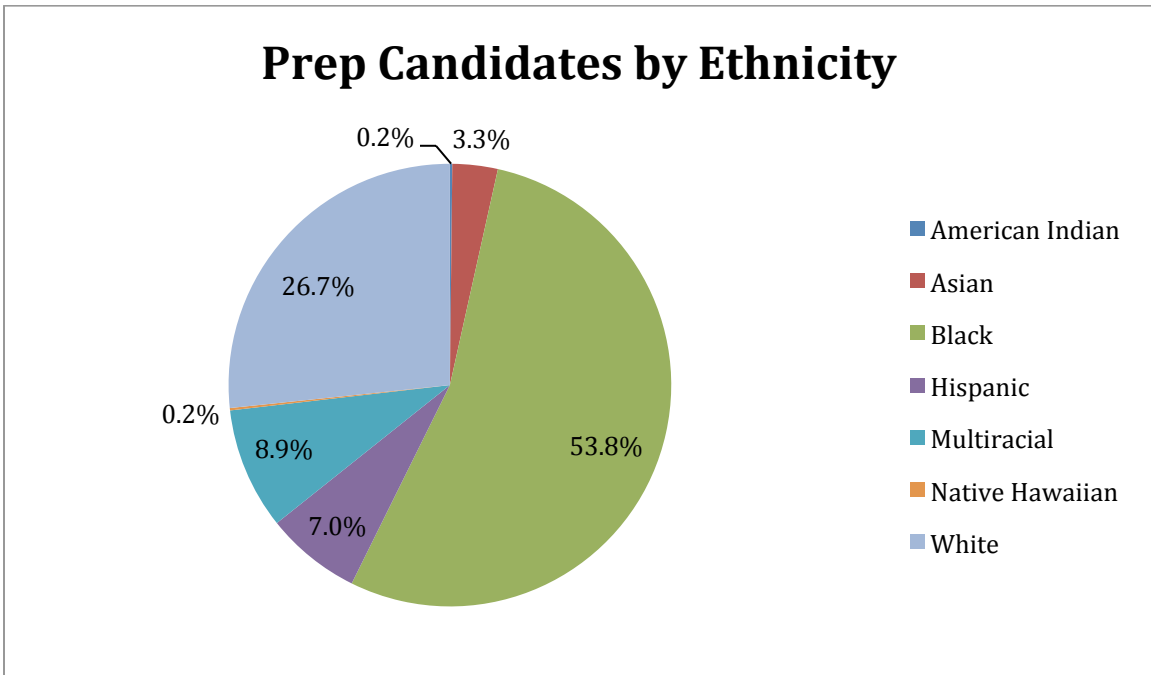
About 40% of the current Prep candidates are students who have IEPs, although they represent 11.9% of our total student population.



A little over half (58.7%) of the current Prep candidates are students who qualify for free or reduced lunch. Low income students represent about one quarter of our total student population.



A little over half of the candidates for the Prep program are African-American, however, they represent just about one-quarter of the total student population. Hispanic students are disproportionately likely to be candidates, although to a much lower degree.



Next Steps

We are creating a District 97 Summer Program website where parents can go to find information and register for the tuition-based summer programs we offer. We will also include information for CAST and BRAVO summer camps as well as links to other community organizations that offer summer programs.

Prep for Success invitations are planned to go out the week of March 3. Teachers will also have the option to recommend students for participation via a form created. Applications for teachers to apply to teach for the Prep for Success program will be available the beginning of March.