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Bentonville



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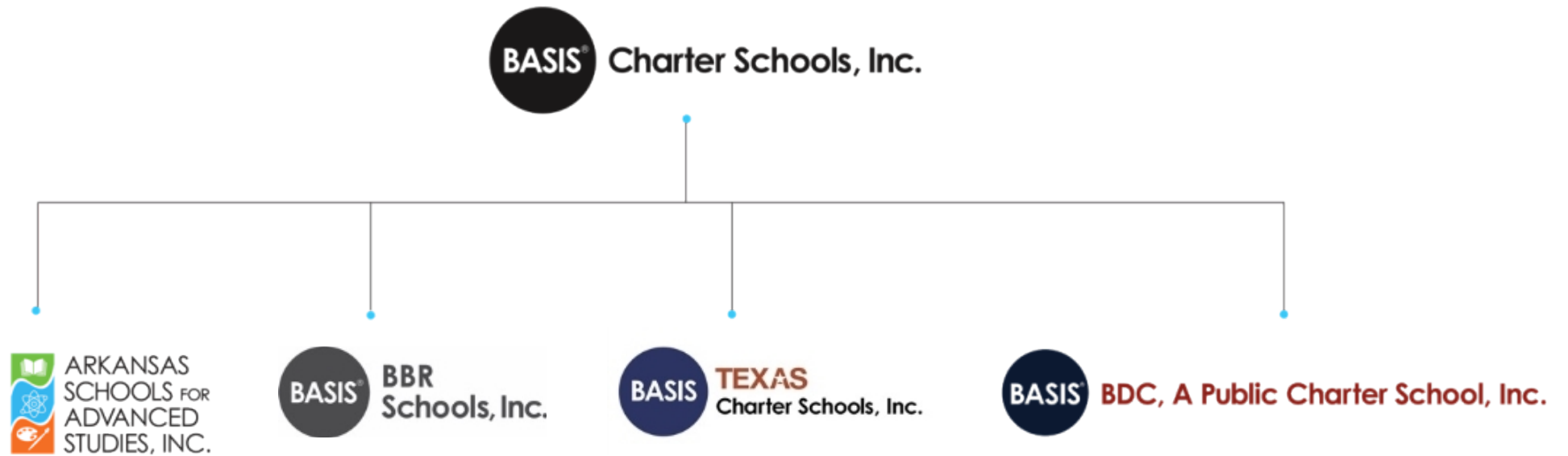
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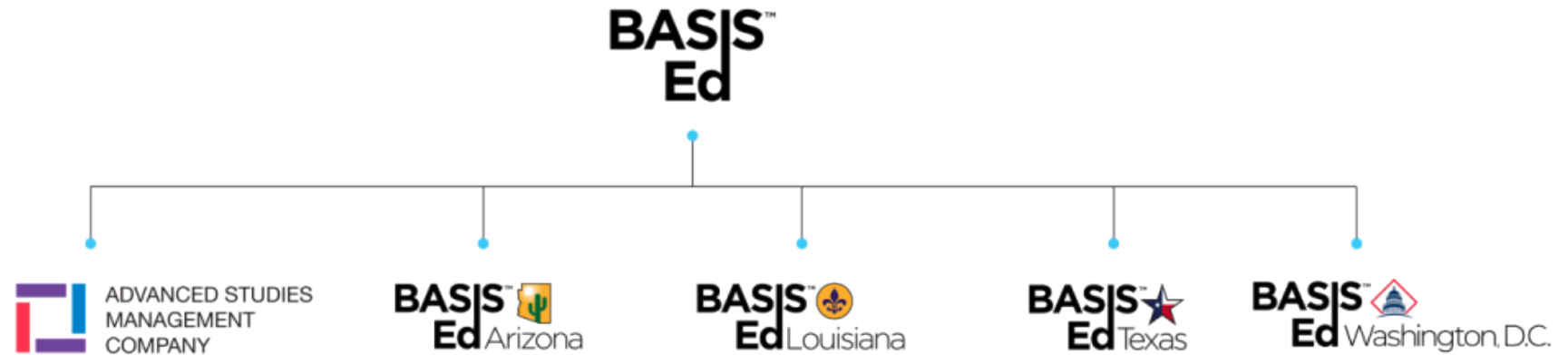


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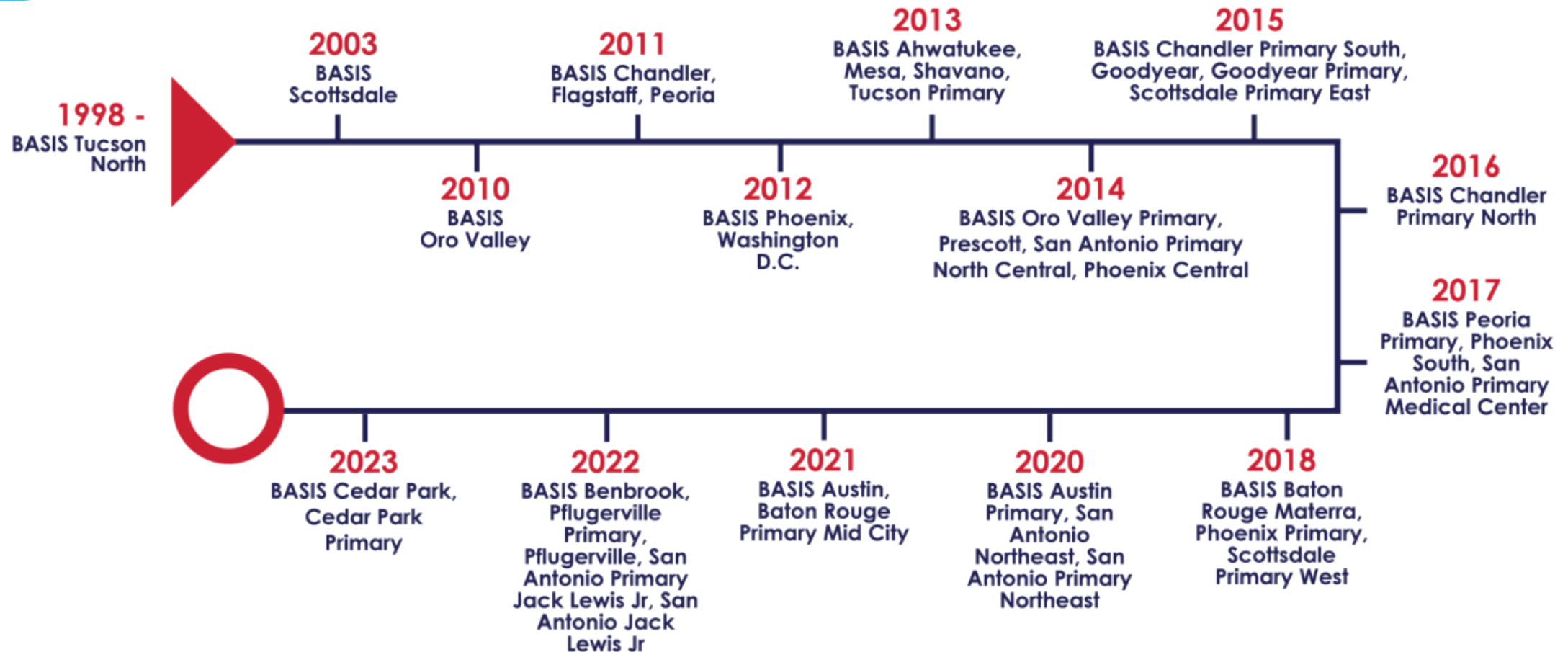
MANAGEMENT COMPANY



BASIS Ed will be engaged to perform comprehensive school management services for BSAS pursuant to a management services agreement that will be negotiated by the parties through which the charter holder maintains appropriate authority and oversight of its service provider. In general, the services to be provided will include the following:

1. Management services including curriculum and assessments, IT services, contracting and procurement assistance, coordinating facility maintenance and repair and capital equipment purchases, marketing and fundraising support;
2. Operational services including oversight of enrollment and registration processes, compliance, coordinating staff training and assistance with manuals and policies, and human resources and recruitment support;
3. Financial Services including preparation of school budget at the direction of the Board, preparation of financial reports for the Board's consideration, maintaining records, managing accounts payable and receivable, state reporting, and audit support.

A History of Success - Growth



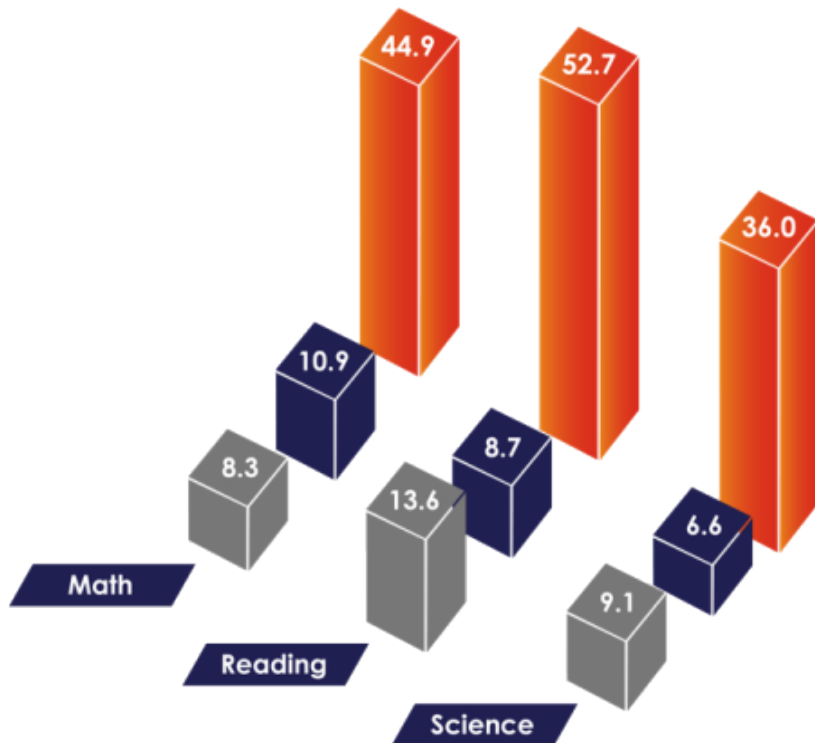
A History of Success – National Rankings



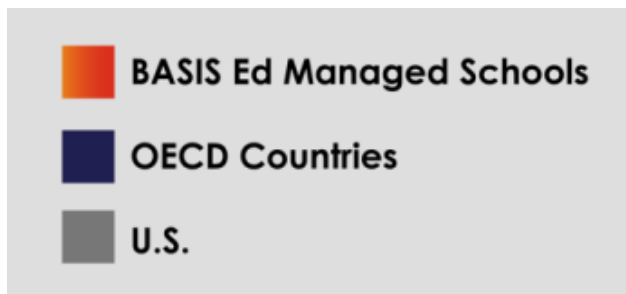
School	National Rankings	State Rankings	National Charter Schools
BASIS Chandler	#11	#1	#2
BASIS Oro Valley	#27	#2	#4
BASIS Scottsdale	#29	#4	#5
BASIS Peoria	#30	#5	#6
BASIS Flagstaff	#42	#7	#7
BASIS Tuscon North	#54	#8	#9
BASIS Ahwatukee	#56	#9	#10
BASIS Phoenix	#58	#10	#12
BASIS Mesa	#66	#11	#13
BASIS San Antonio Shavano	#77	#8	#17
BASIS Prescott	#81	#12	#19
BASIS Washington D.C.	#274	#3	#68

A History of Success – Test Scores

OECD Test for Schools (based on PISA)



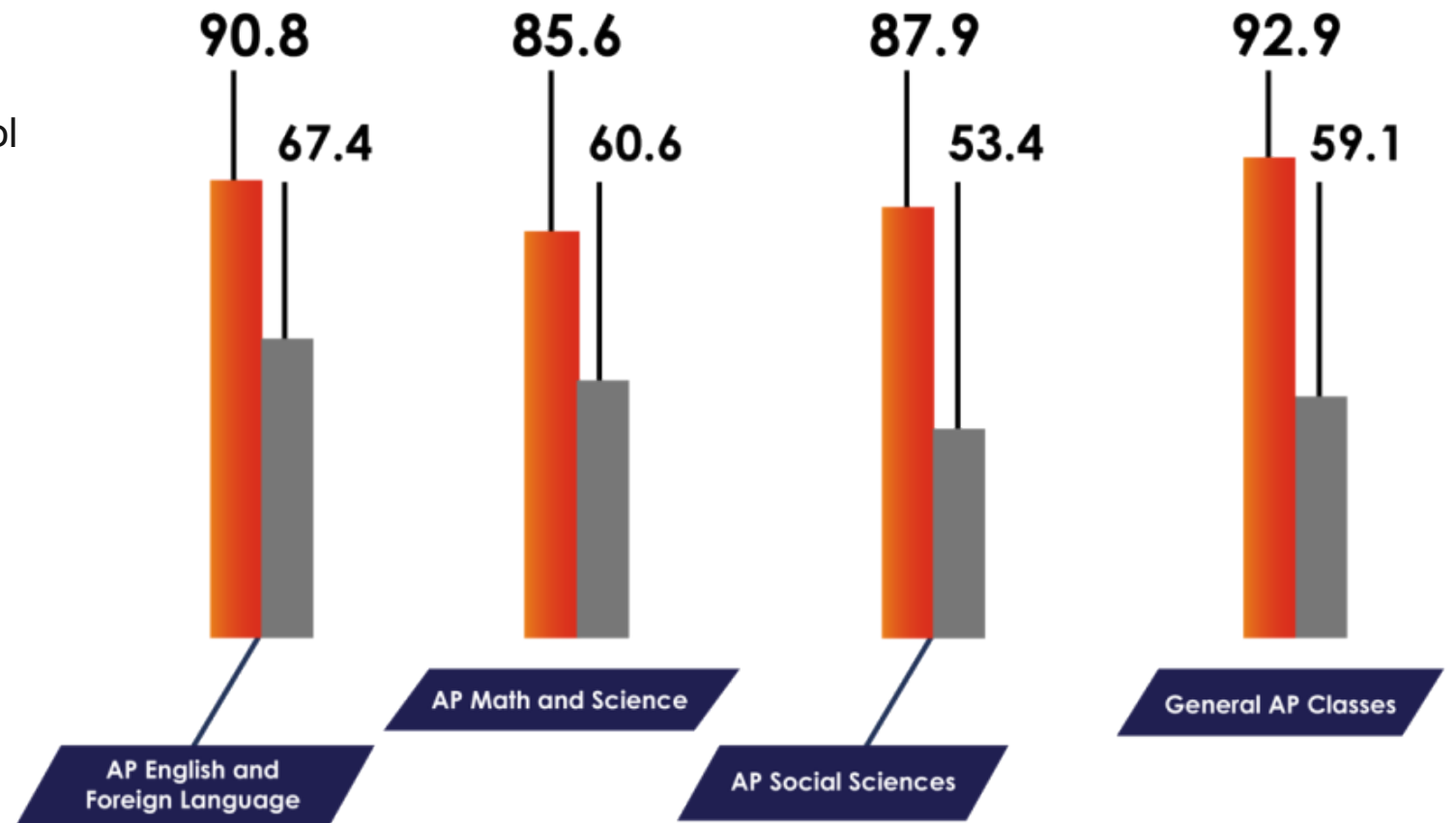
Percentage of students scoring in the highest proficiency levels in Math, Reading, and Science (levels 5 - 6)



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AP Exam Pass Rate

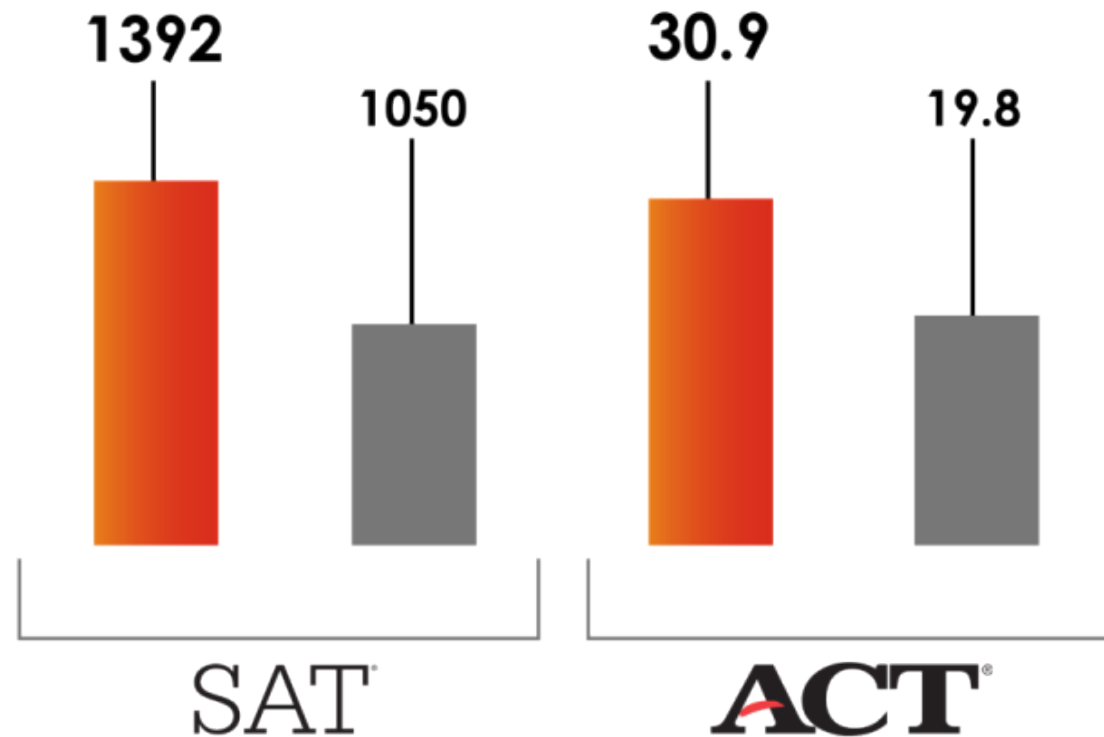
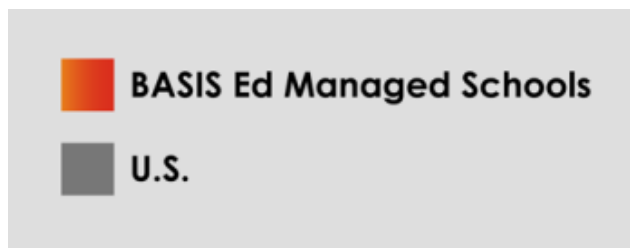
Percentage of BASIS Ed Managed School test takers earning a 3 or higher



A History of Success – Test Scores

College Entrance Exams 2022 Average Scores

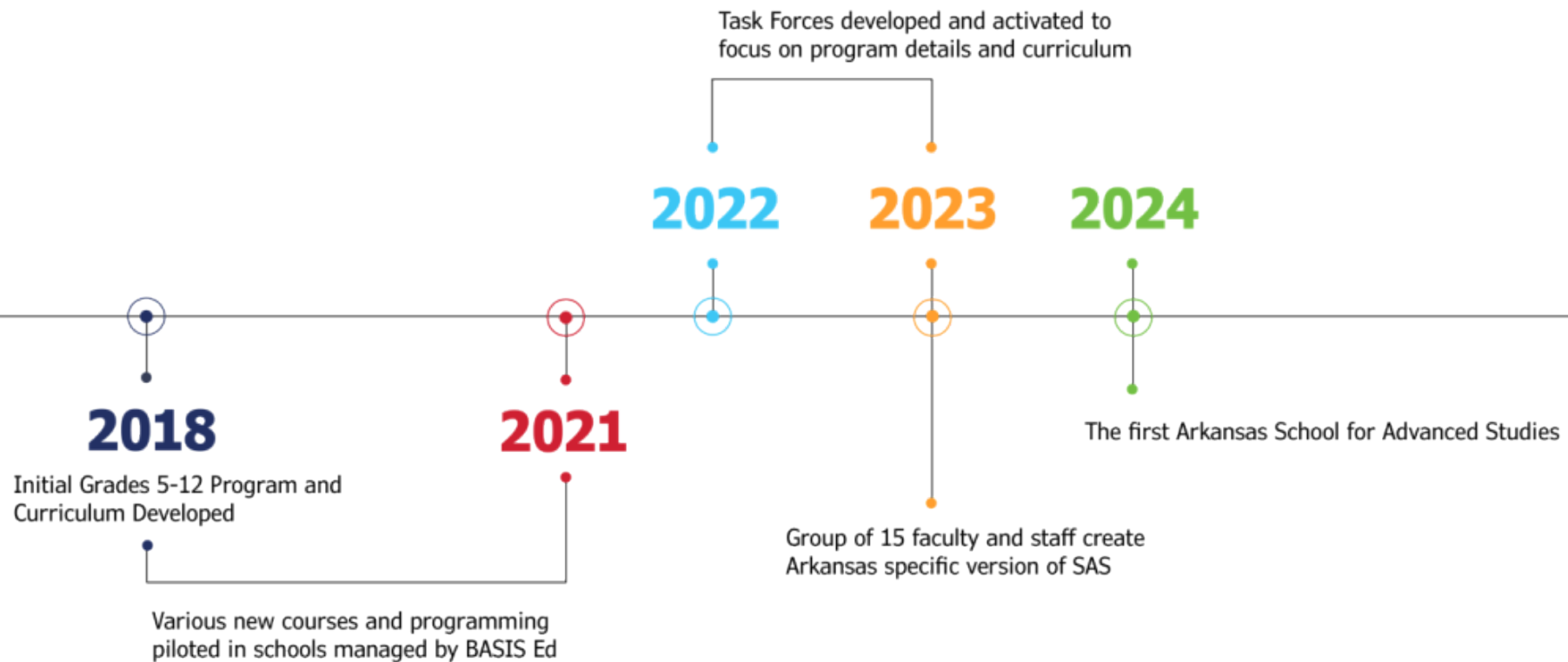
BASIS Ed Managed School students outperform other countries on the ACT® and SAT® exams.





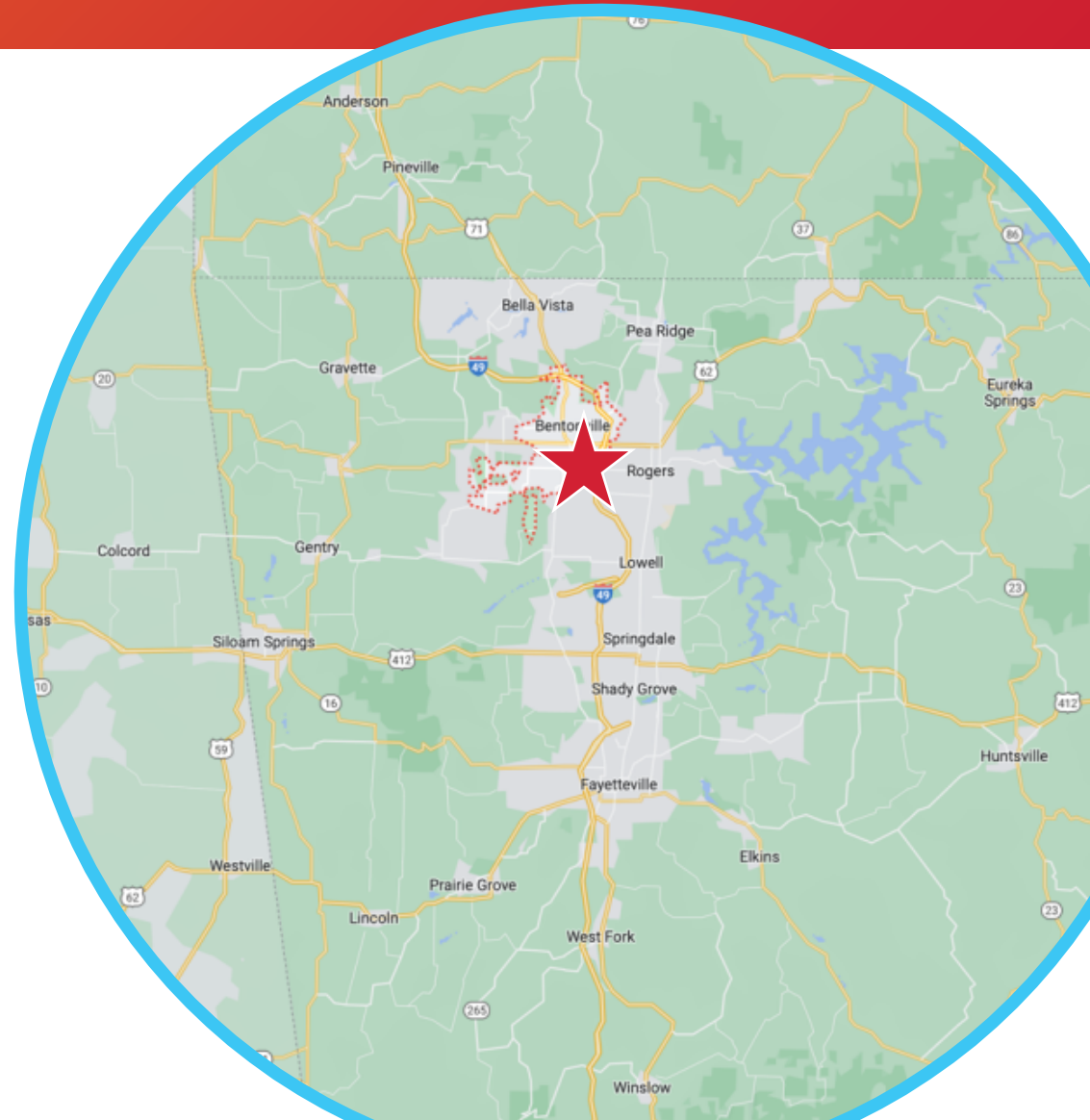
School for Advanced Studies – The Birth and Refinement of An Idea...

The Idea – A new, adaptable, school model, managed by BASIS Ed, that is centered on energetic civil discourse, seminar-style discussion classes, and engagement in authentic creative processes across disciplines, all guided by passionate teachers with deep content knowledge and broad interests.



Bentonville: The first School for Advanced Studies

- Proposed Opening in fall 2024 for students in grades 5-9
- Growing to serve students in grades 5-12 by fall 2027



CORE PILLARS

1. World Liberal Arts
2. Beyond Teacher Quality
3. Student Scholarship
4. Engaged and Authentic Student Culture

CORE
PILLAR

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World Liberal Arts

- The New American Conversation – Discussion and debate, encouraging students to take an active and responsible role in the ongoing conversation about what it means to be an American.
- Our Global Intellectual Inheritance - We provide a true liberal arts experience with deep study of seminal and foundational readings across all core academic disciplines, including math and science.
- Core Reading Lists - Books and texts from across time and geography that illustrate the inherent value of varied lived human experience.



Beyond Teacher Quality

- Every Teacher is a Student; Every Employee is a Teacher - our educators are students of their subject, of knowledge and skills more broadly, of teaching, and of their own students.
- Highest Quality Professional Development - RISE, AP, Curriculum Training, Pre-Service, Compliance, Special Programs, Bi-weekly teacher coaching meetings
- Polymaths and Autodidacts - We find teachers who are intellectually voracious, highly qualified experts in more than one field, and curious about the world.



Student Scholars

- Meeting Students Where They Are - With patience and perseverance from students, parents, and educators, any child can reach their potential, and we provide support and clear, consistent goals to achieve it, without short-cuts.
- Hands-on and Minds-on Intellectual Engagement - We believe in the immense intellectual capacities of young people.
- High School Concentrations - modeled on university-level liberal arts programs exposing students to a variety of content across disciplines. Our students choose from three concentrations:
Fine Arts, Humanities, or Math and Science.
- Transformative Senior Experience - daily college counseling, advanced coursework in their concentration, a semester-long service-learning project, and a Senior Oral Defense.



Engaged & Authentic School Culture

- Authentic Student Voices - Students explore their developing beliefs in a safe and supportive atmosphere where critical thinking is balanced with civility and acceptance of differences.
- Self-Expression – We do not have school uniforms, but have a basic dress code, while encouraging students to express their unique identities.
- Service Learning - Students engage with their campus and community through regular and frequent service projects.



Highest Quality Instructional Material

- All core IM is vetted using tools and/or evaluations from EdReports
- Aligned to AR state standards and Seminar based approach
- ELA Grades 5-8: Wit & Wisdom
- Science Grades 5-8: Amplify Science
- Full Library Media Center



Course Overview

An Arkansas-specific set of courses, promotion and graduation requirements, electives, and areas of concentration that have been curated to:

- Set graduates up for success in the finest colleges and universities in the world
- Mold character and change lives
- Meet or exceed all the Arkansas state requirements.



Typical High School Course Progression

Grade Level	History	English (Choose 1)	Math	Science (Choose 1)	Foreign Language	Elective #1	Elective #2 (min. 0.5 credit)
9	<i>US History Seminar</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-AP English 1 AP English Language 	<i>Pre-AP Geometry & Statistics</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Pre-AP Biology</i> Chemistry 	<i>Foreign Language I</i>	Concentration Electives	Any Elective or Study Hall
10	<i>World History Seminar</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-AP English 2 AP English Language AP English Literature 	<i>Pre-AP Algebra 2</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Pre-AP Biology</i> Chemistry Physics Any Science elective 	<i>Foreign Language II</i>	Concentration Electives	Any Elective or Study Hall
11	<i>AP US Government & Civics</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English 11 AP English Literature AP English Language ELA Drama & Film as Literature 	AP Pre-Calculus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Pre-AP Biology</i> Chemistry Physics Any Science elective 	<i>Pre-AP level Foreign Language</i>	Concentration Electives	Any Elective or Study Hall
12	<i>Economics & Personal Finance (0.5) and Community Service-Learning Project (0.5)</i>	Senior Seminar (Cross Cultural and Comparative Literature)	AP Calculus AB or AP Stats	Any Elective, none required	AP Foreign Language or Elective	Concentration Electives	<i>College Counseling & Senior Oral</i>

- Students must take 1 full credit each year in each subject area listed (unless otherwise notated)
- *Classes in italics are specific courses required for graduation*

Grades 5-8 Curriculum

Grade Level	History/SS	English	Math (either)	Science	Foreign Language	Fine Arts	Computer Science / CTE	PE & Health
5	World Geography	English 5	<i>Intermediate Pre-Algebra</i>	Integrated Science 5	Ancient Languages	Music, Visual Arts, and Drama	Keyboarding	P.E.
			Foundations of Pre-Algebra					
6	World History to 1500 + Arkansas History	English 6	Advanced Pre-Algebra	Advanced Integrated Science 6	Ancient Languages	Music, Visual Arts, and Drama	Technology Essentials	P.E.
			Intermediate Pre-Algebra					
7	US History to 1850 + Arkansas History	English 7	<i>Pre-AP Algebra 1*</i>	Advanced Integrated Science 7	Ancient Languages	Music, Visual Arts, OR Drama	KeyCode	P.E.
			Advanced Pre-Algebra					
8	US History 1850 to 1930	English 8	<i>Pre-AP Algebra 2*</i>	<i>Advanced Integrated Physical Science*</i>	Ancient Languages	Music, Visual Arts, OR Drama	Computer Science	P.E.
			<i>Pre- AP Algebra 1*</i>				Career Development	

Typical High School Course Progression, slide 2 of 2

Concentration	Humanities	Math & Science	Fine Arts
AP Requirements (Course and Exam are required) or Advanced Coursework	1 AP English Course 1 Social Science AP Course	AP Pre-Calculus AP Calculus or AP Statistics	1 advanced fine arts course focused on the creation and presentation of an original work or collection
Other Requirements	4 additional credits in English and Social Studies	4 additional credits in math, science, or computer science	4 additional credits in Fine Arts
Concentration Electives to include:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · English 11/12: Film as Literature · English 11/12: ELA Drama · Journalism · AP Psychology · AP Comparative Government & Politics · Science Fiction & Fantasy · Studies in Rhetoric · World Mythology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · AP Computer Science A · AP Computer Science Principles · Robotics · Accounting · AP Chemistry · AP Biology · AP Physics (1,2&C) · Microbiology · Anatomy · Geology of Arkansas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Visual Arts · Vocal Ensemble · Orchestra 1 · Theatre- Performance · Theatre Tech · Photography · English 11/12: Film as Literature · English 11/12: ELA Drama · Art History

Additional High School Courses and Electives

CTE Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Survey of Business• Accounting I• Accounting II• Robotics AP Computer Science Principles• AP Computer Science A• JROTC I• JROTC II• JROTC III
PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Outdoor Pursuits• Personal Fitness for Life
Additional Courses and Electives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Algebra 3• Quantitative Literacy• AP Calculus BC

Example High School Planning Document: Humanities track

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							Study Hall
11	<i>AP US Government & Civics</i>	AP English Language	AP Pre-Calculus	Anatomy & Microbiology	<i>Latin III</i>	AP African American History	Pre- AP Theatre
12	<i>Economics & Personal Finance (0.5)</i>	Senior Seminar (Cross Cultural and Comparative Literature)	AP Calculus AB	AP Biology	JROTC II	English 11/12: Film as Literature	<i>College Counseling</i>
	<i>Community Service-Learning Project (0.5)</i>						English 11/12: ELA Drama

But it's not all academics

- Student Support – Career, College, Counseling
- Tutoring and After School Support
- Athletic and Non-Athletic Extracurriculars
- Building Deep Community Roots and Engagement through Service
- Family Engagement
- Junior ROTC



The Crux



**Accelerated
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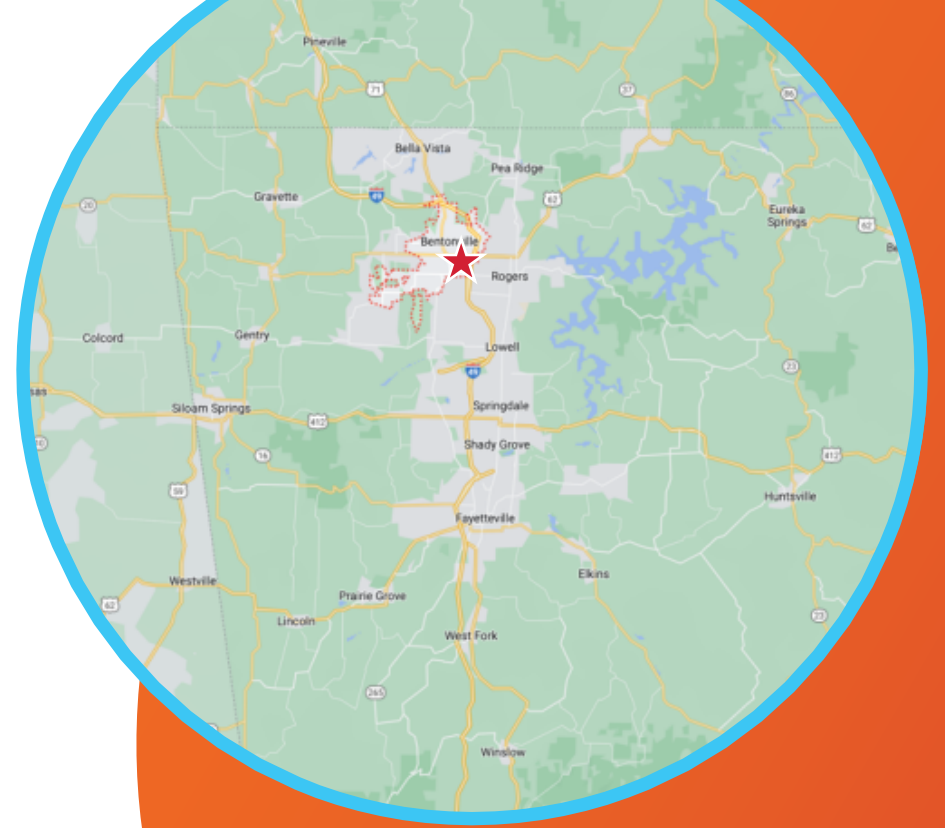
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