# **Eden Prairie School District 272 Ends Policy Monitoring Report**

**Ends 1.6** Each student has the knowledge that citizens and residents of the United States need to contribute positively to society.

Monitoring Timeline: July 2024 to June 2025

**Policy Quadrant:** Ends Policy

**Date of School Board Monitoring:** 

OI: June 2024

Evidence: October 2025

# **Operational Interpretation:**

- 1. I interpret *each student* as every student enrolled in the Eden Prairie Schools and for whom data exists. *Each* also indicates that achievement disparities will not be predictable *between* racial groups and *within* service student groups.
- 2. I interpret the knowledge that citizens and residents need as an understanding of civics as defined by the Minnesota Learning Law and Democracy Foundation in partnership with the United States citizenship and immigration services.
- 3. I interpret *to contribute positively to society* to mean demonstrating safe, kind, responsible, and respectful behavior and digital citizenship.

# **Justification:**

Eden Prairie's strategic mission is to inspire each student to learn continuously so they are empowered to reach personal fulfillment and contribute purposefully to our ever-changing world. Our focus on each learner shows a commitment to the success of each individual student; that each learner's needs are met so they may achieve personal and district expectations and these expectations are not impacted by racial, socio-economic, or service groups defined by the Minnesota Department of Education.

#### Each Student Is a Knowledgeable Citizen and Resident

To contribute purposely to society, students must engage in the study of citizenship to develop the content, concepts, skills, and dispositions necessary to be informed and engaged citizens in the contemporary world. These skills are taught throughout our social studies curriculum aligned with Minnesota state standards. Eden Prairie students will be measured on their understanding of these outcomes by completing a comprehensive assessment based upon the naturalization test administered by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

Additionally, in our 21st century society, students must develop and model citizenship. Developing the attributes of a good citizen are essential for all students to create a productive and effective local, national, and global community. Citizenship is learned and experienced in various formats, including in-person and in digital platforms. Specific to digital citizenship development, students gain the knowledge to ethically and responsibly use technology and digital tools. In alignment with the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE), we support students in their knowledge development in the rights, responsibilities and opportunities of living, learning and working in an interconnected digital world.

Learning to become a safe, kind, responsible, and respectful citizen of a school community will contribute towards each student becoming a citizen who contributes positively in their local, national, and global community. Daily interactions among students should be characterized as respectful of one another regardless of ethnicity, race, gender, political beliefs, social philosophies, or other characteristics and opinions.

As with academic achievement, student and staff feedback around citizenship are key metrics. By gathering and acting on student feedback, we foster a sense of ownership, motivation, and responsibility for students' own learning. Student voice also helps us gain valuable insights into students' needs, interests, and aspirations, leading to more personalized and relevant educational experiences.

Ultimately, student engagement feedback cultivates a positive and inclusive learning environment where students feel heard, respected, and valued as active contributors to their own education. Similarly, staff perceptions on the respectful and responsible behavior of students provide an essential perspective of respectful and responsible behavior throughout a school.

#### Citations:

- Minnesota Learning Law and Democracy Foundation http://www.legacy.leg.mn/MN-Civics-Questions.pdf.
- U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services <a href="https://www.uscis.gov/">https://www.uscis.gov/</a>.
- ISTE Areas of Focus (n.d.). "ISTE Standards: Students." *ISTE*. https://www.iste.org/standards/iste-standards-for-students.

### **Measurement Plan:**

Results will include the demographic breakdown by federal race/ethnicity within special service student groups. Three-year trend data will be included when available.

#### Civics Assessed by the MN Civics Test and Civics/Government Coursework

In 2016, the Minnesota Legislature passed a law requiring Minnesota students in public schools to pass a civics test. The test consists of 50 out of the 100 questions in the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Naturalization Test. The 50 questions were selected by the Learning Law and Democracy Foundation, in consultation with civics teachers (MDE Social Studies, 2021).

In addition to passing a civics test, All students must take coursework in civics/government coursework which is taught throughout our social studies curriculum and aligned with Minnesota state standards. Students receiving credit bearing grades in these courses will be measured.

#### Responsible and Respectful Behavior Assessed through Report Card Standards

Students in grades K-5 will be assessed on responsibility and respectful behavior under the personal management report card standards.

#### Safe, Kind, Responsible, and Respectful Behavior Assessed through Student Self-Assessment

Students in grades K-12 will respond to grade-banded surveys created by Eden Prairie Schools students, teachers, and administrators that capture student feedback on whether they perceive their classrooms to be safe, kind, and responsible.

#### Safe, Kind, Responsible, and Respectful Behavior Assessed through Staff Assessment

Staff will use a custom survey created by Eden Prairie Schools that aligns with the student self-assessment survey to evaluate staff perceptions of student safe, kind, responsible, and respectful behavior.

#### **Digital Citizenship Assessed by Proficiency Scales**

Student proficiency of digital citizenship is measured through performance assessments embedded into content area assessments. Proficiency scales assess students' knowledge of the rights, responsibilities, and opportunities of living, learning, and working in an interconnected digital world. Topics for teaching,

learning, and assessment include: digital identity management, safe online behaviors, rights and responsibilities in using and sharing intellectual property, and management and security of personal data.

Eden Prairie's Proficiency Scales:

- Level 1: Describes student performance that requires significant support in reaching basic proficiency.
- Level 2: Describes student performance that is approaching proficiency.
- Level 3: Describes student performance that is proficient.
- Level 4: Describes student performance that is exemplary and exceeds proficiency.

# Targets:

#### Civics: Targets for <del>2023-2024</del> 2024-2025

- 95% of 12th graders will receive a passing grade (at least 60%) on the Minnesota Civics test.
- 95% of 12th graders will receive a credit bearing grade in US Government & Politics or Advanced Placement US Government.

#### Responsible and Respectful Behavior Assessed through Report Card Standards: Targets for 2023-2024

- 75% of elementary students will receive a Proficient score on the end of the year report card for respectful behavior
- 75% of elementary students will receive a Proficient score on the end of the year report card for responsible behavior

# Safe, Kind, Responsible, and Respectful Behavior Assessed through Student Self-Assessment: Targets for <del>2023-2024</del> 2024-2025

- Baseline data will be collected for student self-assessment on respectful and responsible behavior
- Favorable responses of students' self-assessment on safe, kind, and responsible behavior will increase by 5 percentage points from the beginning of the year to the end of the year

# Safe, Kind, Responsible, and Respectful Behavior Assessed through Staff Assessment: Targets for 2023-2024 2024-2025

- Baseline data will be collected for staff assessment on respectful and responsible behavior
- Favorable responses of staff assessment on students' safe, kind, and responsible behavior will increase by 5 percentage points from the beginning of the year to the end of the year

#### Digital Citizenship: Target for <del>2023-2024</del> 2024-2025

• 80% of students will be proficient in the area of digital citizenship

#### Attendance Rate: Target for 2023-2024 2024-2025

- The attendance rate will be 95% or above for all schools.
- The percentage of chronically absent students will be 15% or less

## **Evidence:**

## **Policy Monitoring FOR BOARD USE ONLY**

Board policy monitoring motions:

- Operational Interpretation is/is not reasonable.
- Evidence does/does not support the Operational Interpretation or the evidence supports the Operational Interpretation with exception.
- Accept/do not accept the Superintendent's assertion that the evidence demonstrates expected progress.

**Statement of Assertion** 

**Board Member's Summarizing Notes/Comments**