Downtown College Prep

Fall 2005

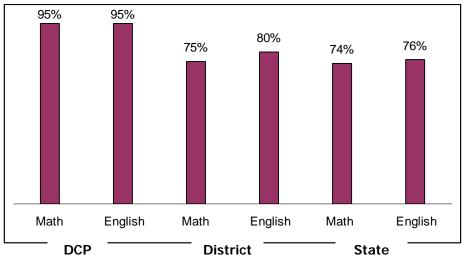


We are proud to share our accomplishments with you.

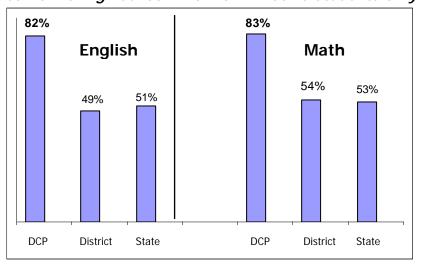
DCP Defies the Odds

DCP students are beating the odds across the state as well as in San Jose Unified School District on the California High School Exit Exam. The California High School Exit Exam is now mandatory for all high school seniors. The test focuses on proficiencies in English and math.

California High School Exit Exam – All Students



California High School Exit Exam - Latino Students Only



In The News

August 16, 2005

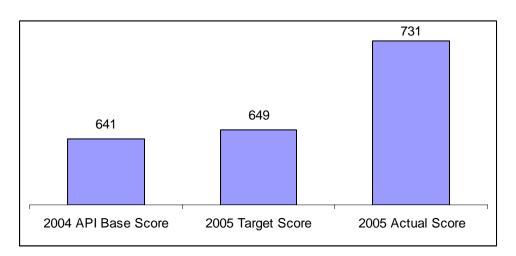
San Jose Mercury News

"The gaps are reflected throughout the valley, in comparing Palo Alto High (99 percent passage in math) and Oak Grove in East San Jose (78 percent). But some schools defied the odds: At Downtown College Prep, a charter school serving low-income Latinos, 95 percent of juniors passed both tests."

How Does DCP Stack Up

The Academic Performance Index (API) measures the academic performance and growth of schools across a variety of academic measures. For 2005, DCP was expected to grow its overall score by 8 points. Instead, we exceeded our target and achieved a 90 point jump—the highest high school growth in the county!

API Scores and Growth



| <u>School</u> | 2004 API | 2005 API | Growth |
|-------------------|----------|----------|---------------|
| Cupertino High | 795 | 814 | 19 |
| Santa Teresa High | 735 | 741 | 6 |
| DCP | 649 | 731 | 90 |
| Wilcox High | 721 | 727 | 6 |
| Prospect High | 679 | 715 | 36 |
| Willow Glen High | 652 | 669 | 17 |
| James Lick High | 587 | 597 | 10 |

In The News

September 1, 2005

San Jose Mercury News

"The big standout was Downtown College Prep the ambitious San Jose charter school that raised its API score by 90 points."

DCP On Track

DCP graduated its second class of students in June! We have now graduated 94 students— **97%** of whom are on track to earning a four-year degree!

Colleges where you will find DCP alumni are: Chico, Monterey Bay, San Jose State, Fresno, Stanislaus, Mt. Holyoke, UC Riverside, UC Santa Cruz, Cal Poly, Northridge, Sonoma, Santa Clara, Sonoma and San Jose City.