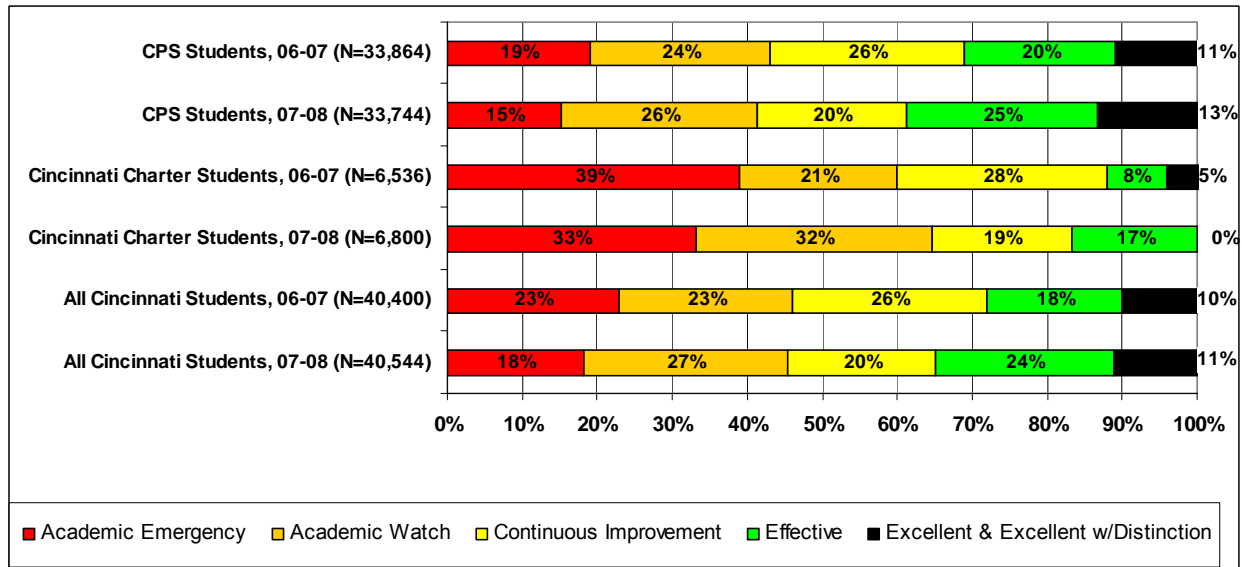


## Detailed Analysis of School Performance in Cincinnati (2007-08)

**Graph I: Percent of Cincinnati Students in Public Schools by State Designation (2006-07 & 2007-08)**



Source: Ohio Department of Education interactive Local Report Card

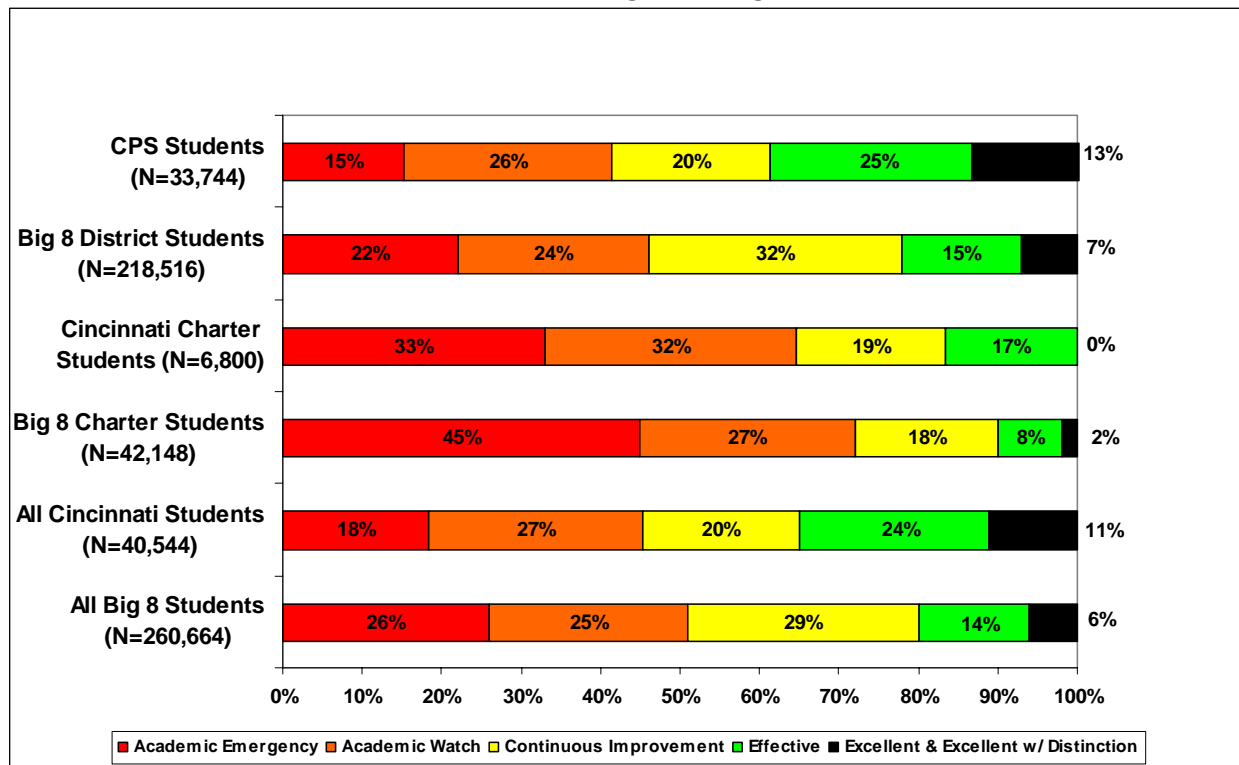
Note: This chart does not include students in schools that are unrated and students attending charter e-schools.

### **Percent of Cincinnati Students in Public Schools (District and Charter) by State Designation.**

Graph I shows the percent of Cincinnati students in district and charter schools by state designation for both the 2006-07 and 2007-08 school years. In 2007-08, 18 percent of students (district and charter) were attending schools the state rated academic emergency while 27 percent were attending schools graded academic watch (for a total of 45 percent of students in “D” or “F” schools). In contrast, in 2006-07, 23 percent of students (district and charter) were attending schools the state rated academic emergency while 23 percent were attending schools graded academic watch (for a total of 46 percent of students in “D” or “F” schools).

The Cincinnati Public Schools outperformed the area charter schools. In 2007-08, just 15 percent of students in the Cincinnati Public Schools attended a school rated academic emergency, while 33 percent of charter students were in schools rated academic emergency in 2007-08. In 2006-07, students in the Cincinnati Public Schools outperformed their charter peers with 19 percent of district students attending a school rated academic emergency while 39 percent of charter students were in “F” rated schools.

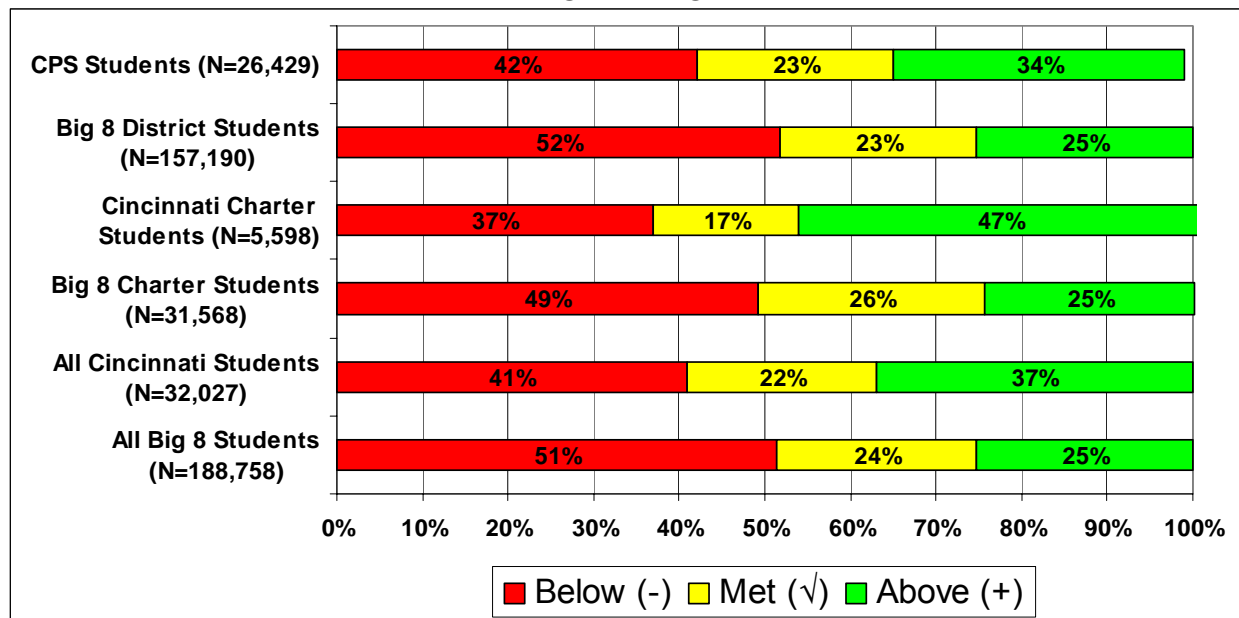
**Graph II: Percent of Cincinnati Students in Public Schools by State Designation versus the Big 8 Average\***



**Percent of Cincinnati Students in Public Schools by State Designation versus the Big 8 Average.** Graph II shows how Cincinnati district and charter school students performed against the Big 8 averages for district and charter performance. This helps to put the performance of students in Cincinnati into a larger context (e.g., how do they perform against other urban students in Ohio?) Cincinnati students slightly outperform their Big 8 peers (45 percent of Cincinnati students are in a school rated academic emergency or academic watch while the Big 8 average is 51 percent).

\* The Big 8 districts are defined as Ohio's largest urban districts: Akron, Canton, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Toledo, and Youngstown.

**Graph III: Percent of Cincinnati Students in Public Schools by Value-added Composite Score versus the Big 8 Average (2007-08)**



**Percent of Cincinnati Students in Public Schools by Value-added Composite Score versus the Big 8 Average.** For the first time in 2007-08, Ohio’s local report cards include each school’s “value-added”—how much progress students made in reading and math over the course of one year compared to how much the state expected them to gain (for a detailed explanation go to: [http://www.edexcellence.net/detail/news.cfm?news\\_id=735&id=130](http://www.edexcellence.net/detail/news.cfm?news_id=735&id=130)). Using this information Ohio determined if each school made “Above Expected Growth,” “Expected Growth,” or “Below Expected Growth.”

In Cincinnati, 41 percent of all students in public schools (district and charter) made less than a year’s worth of expected growth in 2007-08. This contrasts with the Big 8 urban district average where 51 percent of all students made less than a year’s worth of expected growth in 2007-08. Charter students in Cincinnati made more growth than their CPS district peers with 64 percent of charter students meeting or exceeding growth targets. In contrast, 57 percent of Cincinnati Public School students met or exceeded the state’s growth targets. What this means in practice is that a slightly larger percentage of students in Cincinnati charter schools showed more growth in 2007-08 than did their peers in Cincinnati district schools. Across the Big 8 charters slightly outperformed the district average in 2007-08 (51 percent of charter students were at or above expected growth) than Big 8 district students (only 48 percent were at or above expected growth).

***Table I: Cincinnati Public Schools (District and Charter) Ranked by Performance Index Score***

The following pages list Cincinnati's public charter and district schools ranked by Performance Index (PI) score<sup>†</sup> for the 2007-08 school year. Numerous other performance indicators are also included, but the Performance Index score was selected for ranking the schools because it provides an overall indication of how well students perform on all tested subjects in grades 3 through 8 and the Ohio Graduation Test.

We strongly encourage readers to look closely at the number of standards met and the number of standards possible. A school with a large number of possible standards and possible standards met has gotten a large percentage of students to the state proficiency goals.

We also encourage readers to consider schools' value-added results. Where the Performance Index reflects student achievement at one point in time, value-added tells us how a school is doing at helping its students make progress from year to year. For more on value-added, see Fordham's value-added primer on our website:

[http://www.edexcellence.net/detail/news.cfm?news\\_id=735&id=130](http://www.edexcellence.net/detail/news.cfm?news_id=735&id=130).

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<sup>†</sup> The Performance Index score is calculated by multiplying the percentage of students that are untested, below basic/limited, basic, proficient, accelerated, or advanced by weights ranging from 0 for untested to 1.2 for advanced students. The totals are then summed up to obtain the school or district's PI score. PI scores range from 0 to 120, and the state has set the goal for all schools to achieve a PI score of 100 or better. For a complete description of how the Ohio Department of Education calculates the PI score see their website here: <http://www.ode.state.oh.us/GD/DocumentManagement/DocumentDownload.aspx?DocumentID=29878>.

**Table I: Cincinnati Public Schools (District and Charter) Ranked by Performance Index Score**

Rank	Building Name	Type	PI Score 07-08	PI Score 06-07	Designation 07-08	Overall AYP 07-08	# of standards met 07-08	# of standards possible 07-08	Value-added Composite 07-08	Enrollment	Grade Span
1	Walnut Hills High School	CPS Choice	111.1	108.5	Excellent	Met	19	19	Above	2024	7-12
2	Kilgour Elementary School	District	103.7	104.9	Excellent with Distinction	Met	10	12	Above	515	K-6
3	Fairview Elementary School	CPS Choice	101.6	100.1	Excellent	Met	10	12	Below	605	K-6
4	Covedale Elementary School	District	100.3	96.3	Excellent	Met	11	12	Above	467	K-6
5	Schiel Prim Schl Arts Enrichmnt Elementary School	CPS Choice	100.2	86.4	Excellent	Met	3	3	--	419	K-3
6	T.C.P. World Academy	Charter	97.4	100.9	Effective	Met	9	12	Below	292	K-6
7	Clark Montessori High School	CPS Choice	96.9	97.1	Effective	Met	15	19	Above	721	7-12
8	Sands Montessori Elementary School	CPS Choice	96.7	95.4	Effective	Not Met	9	12	Below	608	K-6,P
9	Western Hills University High School	CPS Choice	96.1	90.7	Effective	Met	6	12	--	713	9-12
10	Robert A. Taft Information Technology High School	CPS Choice	96	90.4	Effective	Met	10	12	--	619	9-12
11	School For Creat & Perf Arts High School	CPS Choice	95.7	96.3	Effective	Not Met	22	28	Met	988	4-12
12	Withrow University High School	CPS Choice	95.3	99.9	Effective	Met	10	12	--	744	9-12
13	North Avondale Montessori Elementary School	CPS Choice	94.5	93.8	Effective	Met	9	12	Met	529	K-6,P
14	Dater Montessori Elementary School	CPS Choice	93.4	92.7	Effective	Met	7	12	Below	639	K-6,P
15	Aiken College and Career High School	CPS Choice	92.8	78.2	Effective	Not Met	6	12	--	453	9-12
16	Cincinnati College Preparatory Academy	Charter	91	95.2	Effective	Met	12	19	Below	506	K-12
17	Mt. Washington Elementary School	District	90.3	87.7	Effective	Met	9	19	Below	447	P,K-8
18	Hughes Center High School	CPS Choice	90.1	93.3	Effective	Not Met	8	12	--	1297	9-12
19	College Hill Elementary School	CPS Choice	90	88.9	Excellent	Met	5	12	Above	480	K-6,P
20	Horizon Science Academy-Cincinnati	Charter	88.6	82.9	Effective	Not Met	8	19	Above	204	K-12
21	Dater High School	CPS Choice	88.4	91.9	Continuous Improvement	Not Met	10	19	Below	804	7-12
22	King Academy Community School	Charter	88.1	81.2	Effective	Met	8	12	Above	130	K-8
23	Hartwell Elementary School	District	87.3	84.3	Continuous Improvement	Met	9	19	Met	388	P,K-8
24	Carthage Paideia Academy Elementary School	District	86.2	84	Continuous Improvement	Met	7	12	Below	201	K-6
25	Aiken University High School	CPS Choice	85.5	79.4	Continuous Improvement	Not Met	2	12	--	417	9-12
26	Western Hills Design Tech High School	CPS Choice	83.2	83.7	Continuous Improvement	Not Met	1	12	--	705	9-12
27	Woodford Paideia Elementary School	CPS Choice	82.8	84.1	Effective	Not Met	5	12	Above	532	K-6,P
28	Shroder Paideia High School	CPS Choice	82.1	78.1	Continuous Improvement	Not Met	9	19	Met	681	7-12
29	West Side Montessori High School	CPS Choice	81.8	0	Continuous Improvement	Met	3	8	Below	157	7-9
30	Hoffman Elementary School	District	80.5	74.7	Effective	Met	7	19	Above	274	P,K-8
31	Phoenix Community Learning Ctr	Charter	80.4	81.3	Continuous Improvement	Met	8	19	Above	323	K-8
32	Roselawn Condon Elementary School	District	80.3	76.4	Continuous Improvement	Met	4	19	Above	441	P,K-8
33	Sayler Park Elementary School	District	80.2	76.1	Continuous Improvement	Met	1	19	Met	342	P,K-8
*34	Riverview East Academy	CPS Choice	80.1	75.4	Continuous Improvement	Met	9	29	Above	449	P,K,1-11
*34	Winton Hills Academy Elementary School	District	80.1	79.4	Continuous Improvement	Not Met	3	19	Met	472	P,K-8
36	Parham Elementary School	District	79.3	72.1	Continuous Improvement	Met	4	19	Above	270	P,K-8
37	Virtual High School	CPS Choice	79.2	80.5	Academic Watch	Not Met	5	12	--	223	9-12
*38	Hamilton Cnty Math & Science	Charter	78.6	83	Continuous Improvement	Met	2	12	Below	391	K-5
*38	Woodward Career Technical High School	CPS Choice	78.6	74.3	Academic Watch	Not Met	1	12	--	1146	9-12
40	Cheviot Elementary School	District	78.4	81.2	Academic Watch	Not Met	1	19	Above	610	K-8

41	Academy for Multilingual Immersion Studies	CPS Choice	77	78	Academic Watch	Not Met	1	19	Met	530	P,K-8
42	Winton Montessori Elementary School	CPS Choice	76.5	79.6	Academic Watch	Not Met	1	12	Met	387	K-6,P
43	Withrow International High School	CPS Choice	76.4	83.2	Academic Watch	Not Met	2	12	--	579	9-12
44	Riverside Academy	Charter	76.1	85.7	Academic Watch	Not Met	4	19	Below	529	K-9
*45	Academy Of World Languages Elementary School	CPS Choice	76	76.6	Continuous Improvement	Not Met	2	19	Above	552	P,K-8
*45	Silverton Paideia Elementary School	CPS Choice	76	79.1	Academic Watch	Not Met	1	12	Above	382	K-6,P
47	Orion Academy	Charter	75.7	64.7	Academic Watch	Not Met	1	19	Above	487	K-8
48	International College Preparatory Academy	Charter	74.8	70.6	Continuous Improvement	Not Met	3	24	Above	483	K-12
49	Quebec Heights Elementary School	District	74.5	73.7	Academic Watch	Not Met	0	19	Met	402	P,K-8
*50	Bond Hill Academy Elementary School	District	73.9	78.9	Academic Watch	Not Met	1	19	Below	364	K-8
*50	Rees E. Price Elementary School	District	73.9	0	Academic Watch	Not Met	1	19	Below	713	P,K-8
52	Midway Elementary School	District	73.8	82.1	Academic Watch	Not Met	2	19	Below	604	P,K-8
53	John P Parker Elementary School	District	71.4	67.6	Continuous Improvement	Met	1	19	Above	455	P,K-8
54	Westwood Elementary School	District	70.9	74.6	Academic Watch	Not Met	1	19	Below	469	P,K-8
55	Pleasant Ridge Elementary School	District	70.7	72.6	Academic Watch	Not Met	2	19	Below	336	P,K-8
56	Oyler Elementary School	CPS Choice	70.6	62.9	Academic Watch	Not Met	1	29	Below	870	K-12,P
57	Roberts Academy: A Paideia Learning Community	CPS Choice	70.4	72.5	Academic Watch	Not Met	2	19	Below	635	P,K-8
58	Pleasant Hill Elementary School	District	70.1	70.1	Academic Watch	Not Met	1	19	Below	548	P,K-8
59	Mount Healthy Preparatory and Fitness Academy	Charter	69.8	71.6	Continuous Improvement	Met	1	6	Below	79	K-8
60	Carson Elementary School	District	68.7	65.1	Academic Emergency	Not Met	1	19	Above	538	K-8
61	Mt. Airy Elementary School	District	67.8	67.5	Academic Emergency	Not Met	1	19	Below	506	P,K-8
62	Burton Elementary School	District	67.5	64.9	Academic Emergency	Not Met	2	19	Met	349	P,K-8
63	Alliance Academy of Cincinnati	Charter	66.7	63.6	Academic Watch	Not Met	1	19	Above	401	K-8
64	Roll Hill School	District	65.6	68.6	Academic Emergency	Not Met	2	19	Met	627	P,K-8
65	Frederick Douglass Elementary School	District	65.2	56.3	Continuous Improvement	Met	1	19	Above	389	P,K-8
66	Harmony Community School	Charter	64.7	62.2	Academic Emergency	Not Met	1	16	Met	508	6-12
67	W.E.B. Dubois	Charter	64.2	81.1	Academic Emergency	Not Met	1	17	Met	153	4-8
68	Chase Elementary School	District	63	63.5	Academic Emergency	Not Met	1	19	Met	456	P,K-8
69	Schwab Elementary School	District	62.4	65.5	Academic Emergency	Not Met	1	19	Below	327	P,K-8
70	Cincinnati Speech & Reading Intervention Center	Charter	62.3	60.8	Academic Watch	Not Met	1	3	--	135	K-3
71	Ethel M. Taylor Academy	CPS Choice	61.1	66.1	Academic Emergency	Not Met	1	19	Below	462	K-8
72	Summit Academy Cincinnati	Charter	60.6	60.8	Academic Emergency	Not Met	1	4	Met	59	1-8,UNG
*73	South Avondale Elementary School	District	60	64.8	Academic Emergency	Not Met	1	19	Below	343	P,K-8
*73	V L T Academy	Charter	60	55.3	Academic Watch	Not Met	1	24	Above	587	K-12
75	Rockdale Academy Elementary School	District	59.5	63.5	Academic Emergency	Not Met	1	19	Below	477	P,K-8
76	Rothenberg Preparatory Academy	District	58.6	60.9	Academic Emergency	Not Met	1	19	Below	386	P,K-8
*77	Life Skills Center Of Hamilton County	Charter	58.3	47.7	Academic Emergency	Not Met	0	12	--	253	9-12
*77	P.A.C.E. High School	Charter	58.3	51.9	Academic Emergency	Not Met	0	12	--	362	9-12
*79	Cincinnati Academy of Excellence	Charter	57.5	71.9	Academic Emergency	Not Met	0	19	Below	257	K-8
*79	George Hays - Jennie Porter	District	57.5	57.1	Academic Emergency	Not Met	0	19	Below	431	P,K-8
81	William H Taft Elementary School	District	56.5	60.1	Academic Emergency	Not Met	1	19	Below	247	P,K-8
82	Lighthouse Community Sch Inc	Charter	55.7	33.5	Academic Emergency	Not Met	0	6	--	54	6-12
83	East End Comm Heritage School	Charter	53.9	58.9	Academic Emergency	Not Met	1	7	Met	100	K-12
84	NIA University Community School	Charter	50.5	52.8	Academic Emergency	Not Met	0	18	Met	109	7-12
85	Dohn Community	Charter	47.1	72	Academic Emergency	Not Met	0	12	--	97	9-12
86	Life Skills Ctr Of Cincinnati	Charter	39	53.5	Academic Emergency	Not Met	0	7	--	301	9-12

*Source: Ohio Department of Education*

Notes: 1) Rankings are based on Performance Index score for the 2007-08 school year. 2) Schools without a Performance Index score or building Designation were removed. 3) Cincinnati students in kindergarten through eighth grade are assigned to a neighborhood school but may opt to attend one of the district's magnet schools. High school students are not automatically assigned to a school and must choose which school they will attend. For the purposes of this analysis, a "CPS Choice" school is defined as a) a K-8 school that offers a magnet program or special curriculum and is marketed as such by the district or b) an CPS high school.

\* These schools tied for the same ranking number.