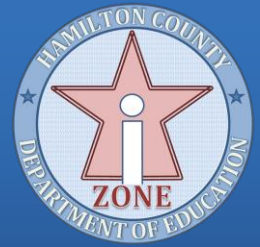


Hamilton County Department of Education Innovation Zone



2016-2017 Fact Sheet

ABOUT US

The Innovation Zone (iZone) is a designation by the Tennessee Department of Education that provides priority schools with the support and flexibility to collaboratively implement innovation to enhance student learning. We are a specialized branch of the Hamilton County Department of Education (HCDE) that is committed to providing support to the county's priority schools. By meeting the needs, motivations, and strengths of each individual child, students in the iZone will be better prepared for success in K-12, college, and career.



OUR LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS

2 Elementary Schools

Orchard Knob Elementary and Woodmore Elementary
LaFrederick Thirkill, Principal Brenda Cothran, Principal

2 Middle Schools

Dalewood Middle and Orchard Knob Middle
Arielle Hayes, Principal Tiffany Earvin, Principal

1 High School

Brainerd High
Uras Agee, Principal

BY THE NUMBERS

- 5 schools
- 2288 students
- 12 admin, 2 admin trainees
- 229 teachers/professional staff
- 33 support staff
- 284 total staff members
- 43.4% of classroom teachers are Level of Effectiveness 3 or higher
- 46.4% of classroom teachers have advanced degrees

COMMUNITIES SERVED

Avondale	Brainerd
East Chattanooga	Eastdale
East Lake	Glenwood
Highland Park	Hixson
Orchard Knob	Westside

FOUR YEAR HIGHLIGHTS OF THE IZONE

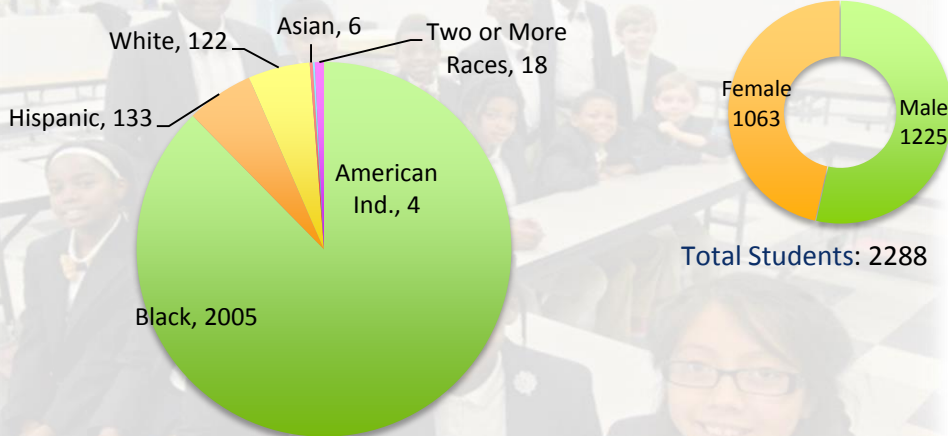
- ★ Graduation rate increased from 69% to 80.1%.
- ★ All schools experienced an increase ranging from 5 to 22 percentage points in math.
- ★ Three of five schools experienced a range of 4 to 16 percentage point increase in reading.
- ★ School mobility rates decreased a minimum of 14 percentage points in all five schools.
- ★ More than 500 Chromebooks have been acquired through community donors and partnerships for student use.

The mission and purpose of the HCDE iZone is to transform our lowest performing schools so that every student is well prepared to excel and succeed academically and socially.



*"Promoting a learning community that radiates trust, respect, teamwork, and integrity"
-adapted from the 2015-2016 iZone Code of Excellence*

STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS



Exceptional Ed: 383
Limited English Proficiency: 75 Economically Disadvantaged: 1895

WE OFFER EXCELLENT CHOICES FOR OUR STUDENTS AND PARENTS!

Early Learning

- 4-Year-Old Parent-Child-Oriented Classroom (P-COC)
- Research-based Educational Curriculum, "Opening the World of Learning"

Elementary School

- Reading Plus, Reading Eggs and Study Island
- Arts and Music
- Virtual Learning/Edgenuity
- Family Partnership Specialist
- National Honor Society
- After-school Tutoring
- Parent Resource Centers
- Community Partnership/Mentoring Programs
- Foster Grandparents
- Parent-Teacher-Student Association (PTSA)
- Vision Day (partnership with BHS Senior Class)

Middle School

- Bilingual Education
- Reading Plus
- Arts, Music and Athletics
- Virtual Learning/Edgenuity
- Family Partnership Specialist
- Parent Resource Centers
- Community Partnership/Mentoring Programs
- After-school Tutoring
- National Honor Society
- Parent-Teacher-Student Association (PTSA)

High School

- Honors Courses
- Career and Technical Education
- JROTC
- Dual Enrollment through CSCC
- Student Leadership Academy
- Music and Band
- Athletics
- Family Partnership Specialist
- Virtual Learning/Edgenuity
- College Access Advisor
- Brainerd W.A.A.Y

INNOVATION ZONE DIRECTOR



Sheryl Randolph

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Sparka Perry
Project Manager

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Federal Programs Coordinator (provides iZone data support)



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