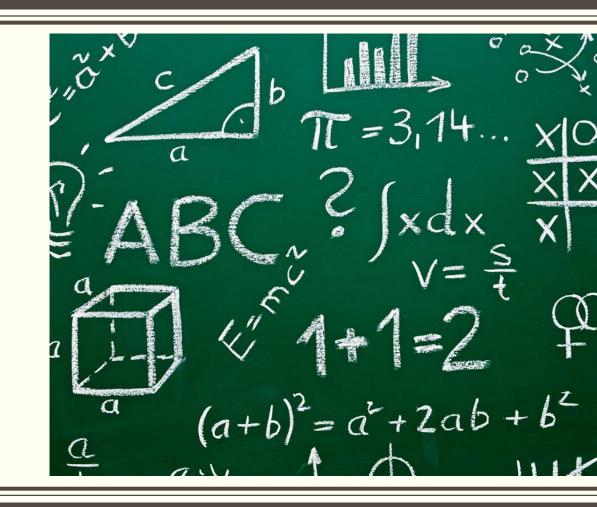


# MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT UPDATE

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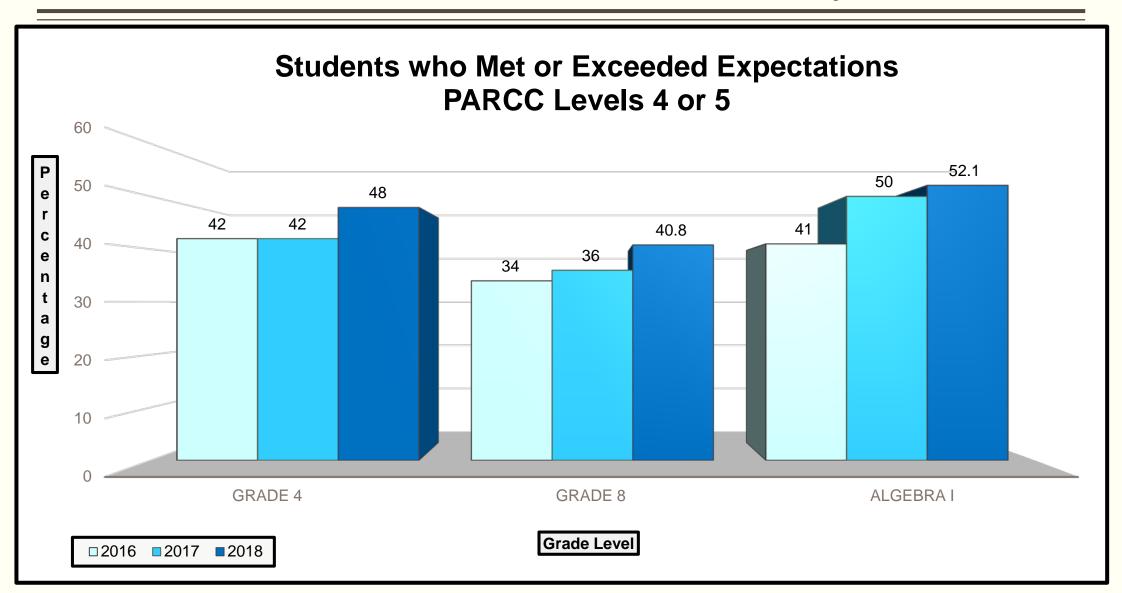


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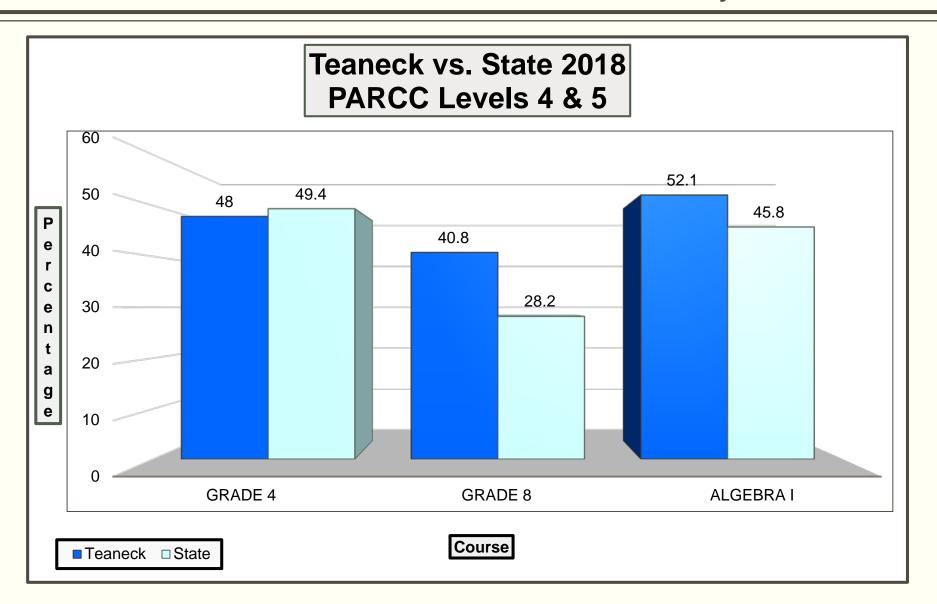
- Three (3) Year PARCC Trend Analysis
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- **□**Q & A



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### What Has Been Accomplished K-12?



- Instructional focus on differentiation strategies and student-centered learning
- On-going analysis of student data and curriculum/pacing adjustments
- Focus on student performance expectations and common language
- Strategic integration of technology
- ✓ Transition from CCSS 2010 to NJSLS 2016
- ✓ Fusion of 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills and Standards for Mathematical Practice

## What Has Been Accomplished K-12?

High School

- Algebra I everyday
- On-going development of tiered lessons
- Intentional technology integration
- Hiring of talented, creative and technologically savvy new math teachers

Middle School

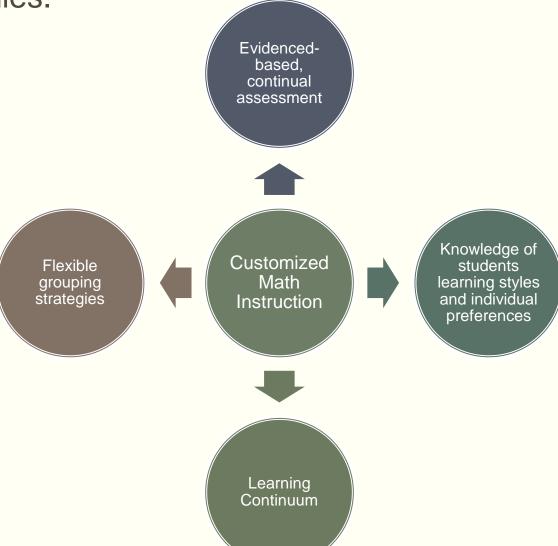
- Flexible grouping strategies and student-centered learning
- NWEA "Mappers" linked to Khan Academy
- MobyMax personalized learning paths

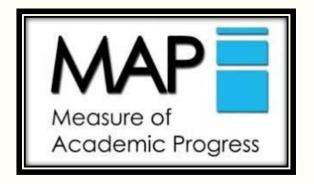
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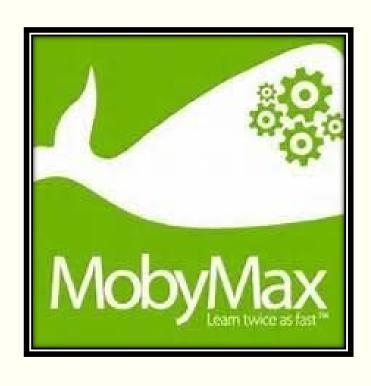
- Implementation of Go Math NJSLS Edition K-5
- Go Math Personal Trainer adaptive software with personalized learning paths

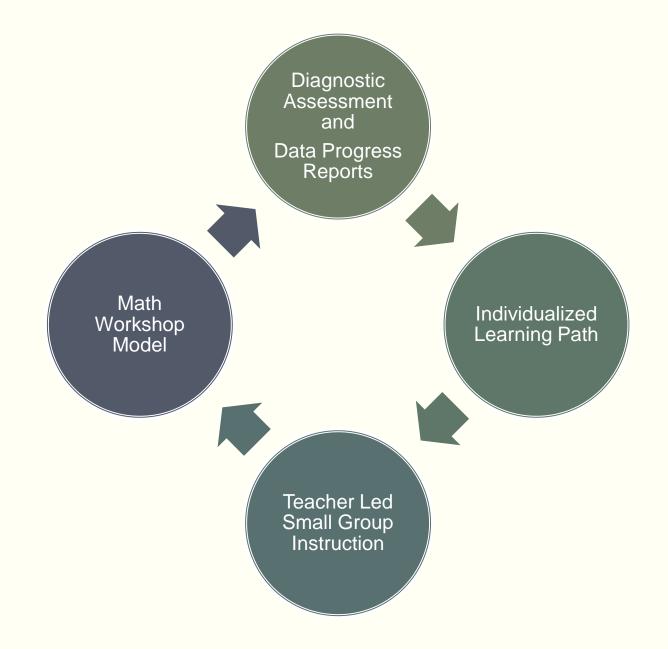
NWEA MAP data is used to inform instruction and implement differentiated

instructional strategies.









### 21st Century Skills Integration

#### **Teachers:**

- Design questions to promote student thinking and understanding in order to foster student awareness of mathematical thinking
- Provide opportunities for students to listen to or read the conclusions/arguments of others
- Emphasize the importance of mathematical vocabulary and model precise communication
- Provide opportunities for student to use mathematical vocabulary and model and communicate their mathematical thinking with precision
- Provide time for application and discussion of properties

#### **Students:**

- MP3: Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others
  - Analyze and evaluate evidence, arguments, claims and beliefs; Build logical progression of statements
  - Clearly and precisely construct viable arguments to support their own reasoning and critique the reasoning of others
  - Recognize and use counter examples
  - Translate given information to create mathematical representation and represent mathematical thinking symbolically
  - Create a coherent representation of the problem at hand
  - Justify conclusions, communicate clearly to others and respond to the arguments of others

## On-Going Challenges in Mathematics

- Inequity in student support services
  - METs vs. LETs
  - Different coaching models at each school
- Scheduling
  - Elementary number of instructional minutes
  - High School "block" schedule not conducive to math instruction
- Turnover in MS staff
- Time for professional learning
- Supervisor of Mathematics and Science



### Five-Year Vision

Job Embedded
Professional
Learning

**Coaching Model** 

Peer Observation

District Assessments

K-12 Formative Assessment

K-5 Summative Assessments

New Instructional Resources

Grades 6-8

Algebra II

Update
Algebra I and
Geometry

Expand HS
Course
Offerings

Collegiate Math

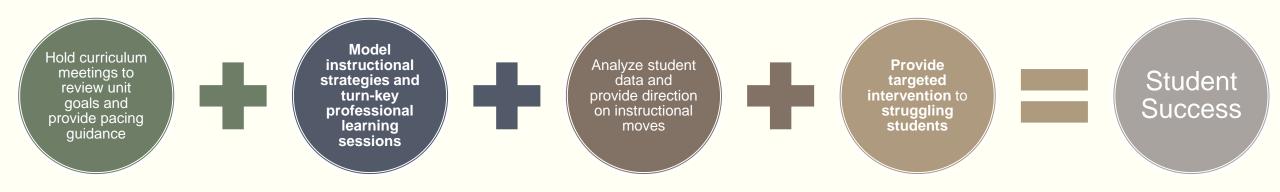
Financial Algebra

Intro to Statistics and Calculus Honors

### The Equation for Improving Student Achievement

# Balanced Coaching Model

#### Math coaches will:



## Necessary Support & Funding to Actualize the Vision

- 3 additional Math Coaches are needed (total of 6 district-wide with 2 in each elementary school)
- Funds for PD on content-specific pedagogy, as well as time to train coaches who will turn-key
  model these instructional practices with teachers
- Collaboration with and the support of principals
  - Implementation of the Balanced Coaching Model
    - Scheduling and the minutes of instruction per subject area
    - "Creative" coverage for lesson modeling, unit preview/debrief meetings and peer-observation
- Instructional resource funding for Grades 6-8 and Algebra II; updates for Algebra I and Geometry
- Funds for resource acquisition and curriculum development of new senior level courses



