

### *Chase's Mission Statement*

- We will create a safe, equitable, and comfortable environment where students, staff, and parents/guardians are respected and valued.
- All students will be challenged to their full potential with high expectations for personal achievement.
- All students will develop the skills and attitudes necessary for productive citizenship and success in the work place.
- We will encourage a partnership between parents/guardians, staff, and students to develop an open and supportive environment for all at Chase.
- All students will be held accountable for their learning and for appropriate behavior.
- We will create opportunities for collaboration in order to meet needs when developing goals and programs to improve student learning.



# Chase

## Middle School

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### **Welcome to Chase Middle School!**

We are pleased to present this Annual Report Card to our Chase community. We at Chase are committed to helping each student attain the high standards necessary for future success. We do this best by partnering with those in our greater Chase community. We encourage you to get involved at Chase through volunteering and participation in our PTG (Parent-Teacher Group). If you are interested, please call our school, and we will put you in contact with our school's parent volunteer coordinator and our PTG president.

### **What Makes Chase Special?**

Our middle school strives to create an environment that is academically excellent, socially equitable, and developmentally responsive. Our students continue to improve in their knowledge of specific reading and writing strategies. We have positive staff members who build relationships with their students. We also have a school that is organized to best meet the needs of our students. The core value of our school is that each student has the best chance for high achievement through a balance of strong academics, meaningful relationships, and positive school activities.

### **Think globally. Learn Locally.**

In 2010, the top 10 jobs in the country will be jobs that did not exist in 2004.

Technical information is more than doubling every two years.

Our challenge is to prepare students for jobs that do not exist yet, that will use technologies that have not been invented yet, in order to solve problems that are not even problems yet.

At Spokane Public Schools, we are committed to ensuring academic success for all students. To do that, we are:

- Focusing on powerful teaching.
- Ensuring the district's curriculum lines up with state standards and is taught in every classroom.
- Infusing our classrooms with technology.
- Providing more support for our teachers, including dedicated time for collaboration. Working to provide rigorous and relevant instruction for students.
- Encouraging supportive relationships.

As a result of our efforts, more students are taking advanced placement courses than ever before. Our students' average SAT scores continue to exceed state and national averages. More than twice the number of graduates joined an apprenticeship right out of high school than when we started the program three years ago.

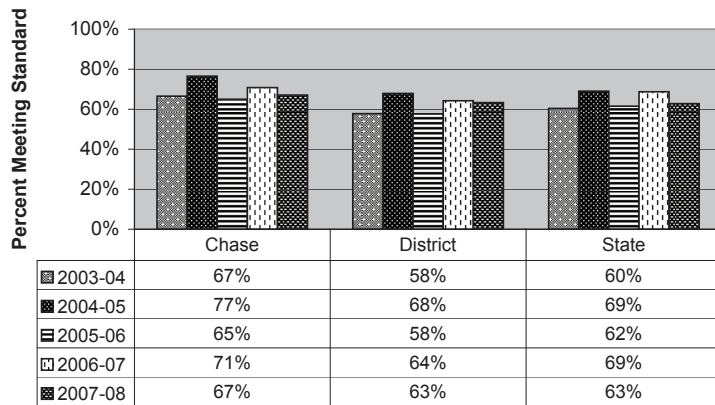
Because of our community's support, we are able to continue our work toward becoming a world-class system. Thank you!



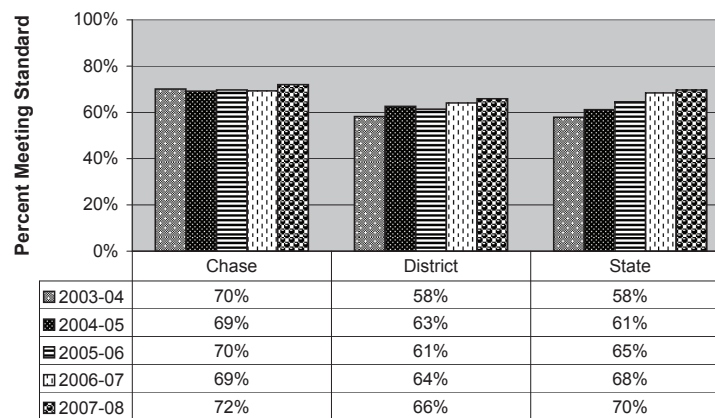
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## Chase School Students' Trends in WASL Performance

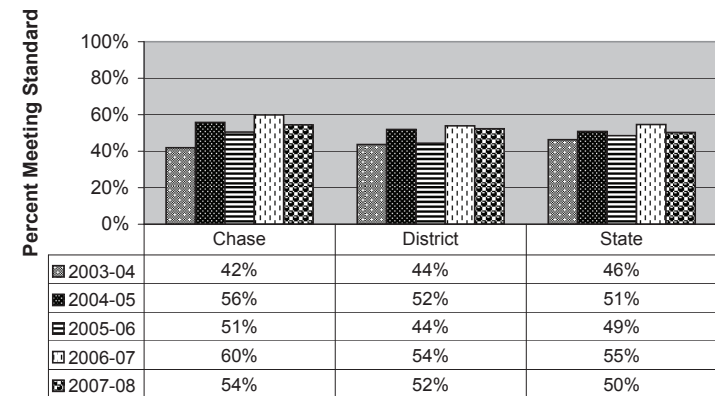
Percent Meeting Reading Standard -7th Grade  
School, District, & State



Percent Meeting Writing Standard -7th Grade  
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Percent Meeting Math Standard -7th Grade  
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## Major Goals from School Improvement Plan

### Building an Academically Excellent School:

- Implement thinking, reading and writing strategies throughout all of our classes.
- Continue to enhance our Mathematics and Science programs.
- Identify clear learning targets, in student-friendly language, for all classes

### Building a Developmentally Responsive School:

- Create stronger relationships with our students through our Advocacy program.
- Provide age-appropriate activities for students through our after-school clubs and sports.
- Build upon the success of our WEB transition program, helping students relate to each other better and adjust to middle school.
- Plan for the Student-Led Conferences to be implemented in the 2009 school year

### Building a Socially Equitable School:

- Continue to improve our positive school climate through a positive school-wide discipline system
- Continue to find ways to give more students access to our honors and advanced math classes.
- Begin training for staff and students in cultural competency
- Enhance our anti-bullying and harassment training for staff and students.

## Summary of School Data

Expenditures per pupil.....\$9,895.83

Annual school budget .....\$105,284

For more information regarding this school's academic achievement and other related data, please visit [reportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us](http://reportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us).

## District AYP Message

The intent of the federal No Child Left Behind Act is to ensure that all students have the knowledge and skills they need to be productive and engaged citizens. Under NCLB, schools and districts that receive federal funds must make Adequate Yearly Progress toward the goal of 100 percent of students meeting state standards by 2014 or be subject to various sanctions.

Districts are considered to have made AYP if they meet requirements in 111 areas. Spokane Public Schools did not make AYP this year because it missed 15 of these areas, and is considered to be in Step 1 of improvement. Statewide, only 84 districts out of 296 made AYP this year. Most of the districts that made AYP are relatively small districts and benefitted from the small number of students enrolled.

Because of this, we are required to revise our district improvement plan. Our SPS families are vital partners in improving schools, and we welcome you to actively participate in the revision and update of the improvement plan. Contact your school for more information. We are proud of the work we are doing and are committed to the success of each student.

## Levy and Bond Replacement

This March, Spokane Public Schools will ask the community to vote on a replacement levy and bond. These measures both supply essential funds to support our students and provide them good places to learn. Find out more at [spokaneschools.org](http://spokaneschools.org) or call 354-7340.

### Spokane Public Schools Mission:

*To develop the skills and talents of all students through rigorous learning experiences, supportive relationships, and relevant real-life applications.*