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QUESTION:

Provide data that is available on the performance of students attending the Magnet Consortium schools. How does it compared to the data from the schools that the students came from.

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ANSWER:

The recently submitted evaluation update for the MSMC shows promising results (See attached January 15, 2008 memorandum *Update on the Evaluation of the Middle School Magnet Consortium*).

The percentage of all Grade 6 MSMC students scoring proficient or advanced on the 2007 MSA in reading and mathematics increased 25.1 and 22.6 percentage points, respectively, over the 2005 assessment (see page A-5 in the attachment). During the same period, Grade 6 students across the system increased 7.4 and 10.3 percentage points on the same measures. The evaluation also includes a comparison to three similar schools. While the local students in the MSMC increased 18.5 and 15.4 percentage points, Grade 6 students in three similar schools increased 6.3 and 12.5 percentage points. This second update of the MSMC evaluation also includes analysis of other measures as well as student and parent survey results. A final evaluation of the MSMC will be submitted at the conclusion of grant funding in June of 2008.

