FRESNO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT **BOARD COMMUNICATION**

BC Number: EA - 2

From the Office of the Superintendent	Date: March 22, 2019						
To the Members of the Board of Education							
Prepared by: Lindsay Sanders, Chief of Equity & Access, Kim	Phone Number: 457-3471, 457-						
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Data Reviewed by: Lindsay Sanders, Chief of Equity & Access	Phone Number: 457-3471						
Cabinet Approval: Aulan Sulus							
Regarding: Mathematics Middle School Acceleration Analysis							

The purpose of this communication is to provide the Board information regarding the middle school math course sequence for Fresno Unified students as well as an overview of student performance data for both Fresno Unified and San Francisco Unified. San Francisco Unified has been highlighted recently for its secondary math course sequence, which prompted a request to analyze their student performance data.

Prior to the 2015/16 school year, the majority of Fresno Unified students in middle school took 7th grade math (pre-algebra) and Algebra 1 in 8th grade. The course sequence changed based on the new standards and recommendations of the math framework. The current district middle school math course sequence for the majority of students is Math 7 for 7th grade and Math 8 for 8th grade. These courses offer grade level math content to ensure a strong math foundation. For a small percentage of students, an accelerated course sequence is appropriate. Students in the accelerated course sequence take 7th grade Accelerated Math, then, if successful, take Middle School Algebra in 8th grade. Approximately 23% of 7th grade students and 18% of 8th grade students are in the accelerated sequence, completing Algebra 1 in 8th grade. For 82% of students, Algebra I is taken in 9th grade and is considered the grade level course for that grade. Students are placed in the courses based on a combination of multiple criteria, including test scores, successful completion of the previous course, and grades.

San Francisco Unified School District adopted a policy which delays Algebra I until 9th grade for all students, followed by Geometry, and then Algebra 2. Students wishing to accelerate may choose to take a compression course that combines Algebra 2 and Precalculus in 11th grade; choose to take two math courses during 9th or 10th grade; or take a summer geometry course between 9th and 10th grades. Fresno Unified students wishing to accelerate in high school may choose to take a compression course that combines Algebra 2 and Precalculus in the 10th grade or 11th grade so that they may have access to other advanced math courses their junior and/or senior years. Fresno Unified students do not have to take summer math courses or double up on math courses during high school in order to accelerate, allowing their schedules to be less impacted.

When completing an analysis of data for both Fresno Unified and San Francisco Unified, the overall outcome on SBAC results does not show significant proficiency changes as a result of either sequence (see attached). Historically, San Francisco Unified has overall significantly higher performance on the SBAC in mathematics, and the proficiency change has been incremental since they have implemented the Algebra 1 policy. Slide 9 of the data set shows the 2017/18 SBAC results for 11th grade students who were the first cohort of students that were part of the Algebra 1

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policy in San Francisco Unified. The overall change for 11th grade performance from 2014/15 to 2017/18 is 0%. Fresno Unified's proficiency is also represented in slide 9, and the overall change for 11th grade performance from 2014/15 to 2017/18 is 0%. Increasing math achievement for students in Fresno Unified continues to be the focus of improvement efforts with coaching, professional learning, additional resources, and external expertise partners. Changing the course sequence is not part of these planned efforts, as the district comparison data does not show significant proficiency changes when following a course sequence different than our current one. If you have questions or require additional information, please contact Lindsay Sanders at 457-3471 or Kim Mecum at 457-3731. Approved by Superintendent: Approved by Superintendent:
Robert G. Nelson, Ed.D. Date: 3/22/19

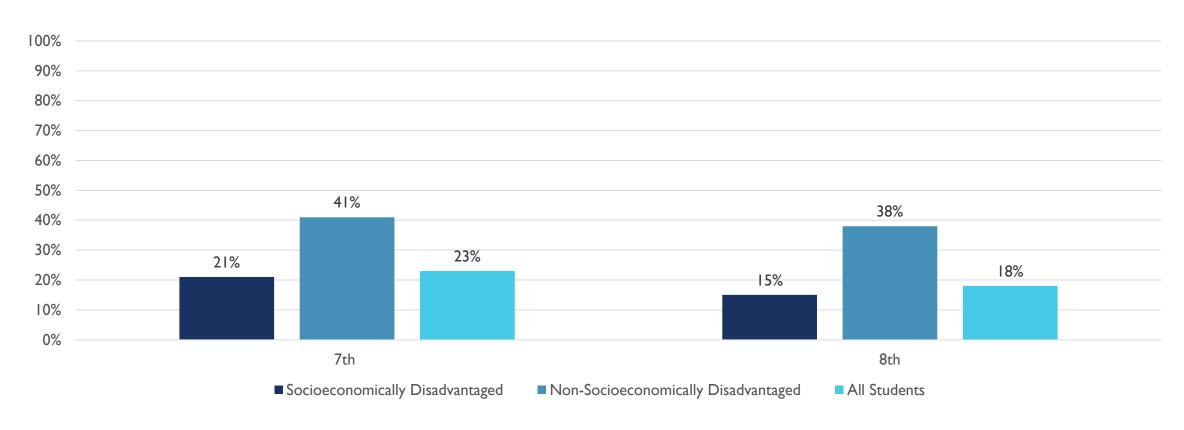
ACCELERATED MATH IN MIDDLE SCHOOL

PREPARED BY EQUITY AND ACCESS MARCH 15, 2019

NUMBER OF CURRENT STUDENTS WHO ARE ENROLLED IN AN ACCELERATED MATH COURSE: BY SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS, 7TH & 8TH GRADE

		7 th Grade		8 th Grade				
	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	Non-Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	All Students	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	Non-Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	All Students		
Accelerated Math	984	309	1293	660	270	930		
Not in Accelerated math	3786	445	4231	3862	434	4296		

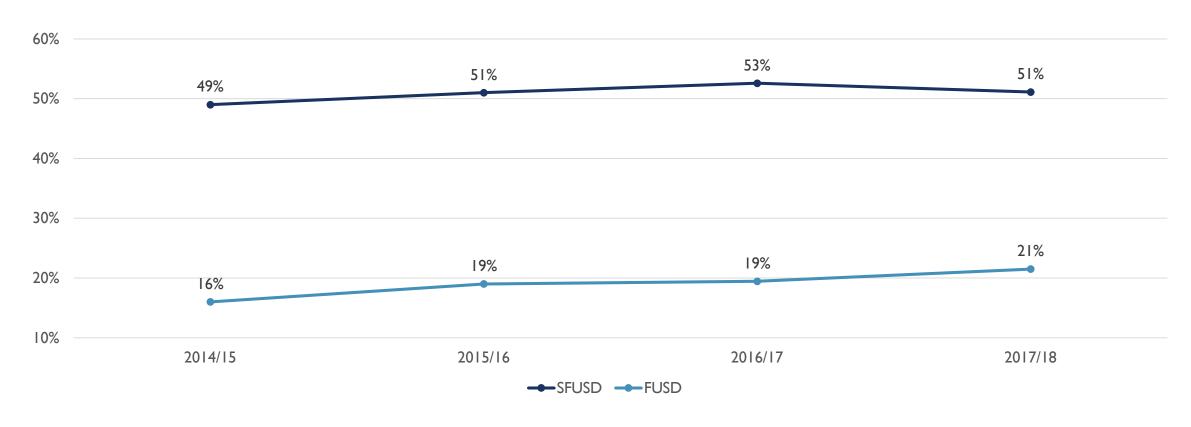
PERCENT BREAKDOWN OF CURRENT STUDENTS WHO ARE ENROLLED IN AN ACCELERATED MATH COURSE: BY SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS, 7TH & 8TH GRADE



PERCENT OF STUDENTS WHO MET/EXCEEDED STANDARDS ON SBAC MATH: BY SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS, 7TH GRADE, 2014/15-2017/18

7 th Grade		2014/15			2015/16			2016/17			2017/18	
	SES	Non-SES	All									
SFUSD	39%	72%	49%	41%	69%	51%	40%	67%	53%	41%	65%	51%
FUSD	14%	30%	16%	15%	41%	19%	17%	46%	19%	18%	49%	21%

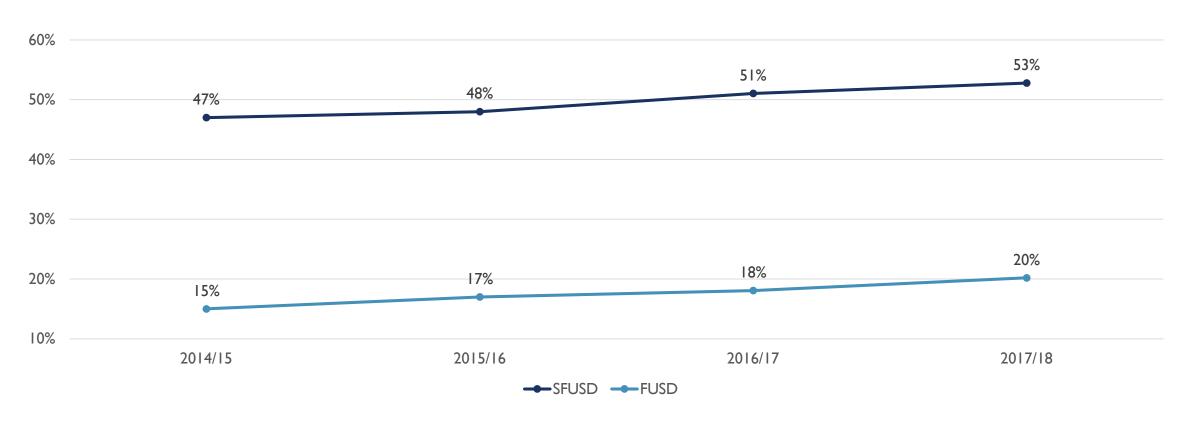
PERCENT CHANGE OF STUDENTS WHO MET/EXCEEDED STANDARDS ON SBAC MATH: 7TH GRADE, 2014/15-2017/18



PERCENT OF STUDENTS WHO MET/EXCEEDED STANDARDS ON SBAC MATH: BY SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS, 8TH GRADE, 2014/15-2017/18

8 th Grade		2014/15		2015/16		2016/17			2017/18			
	SED	Non- SED	All	SED	Non- SED	All	SED	Non- SED	All	SED	Non- SED	All
SFUSD	39%	67%	47%	40%	65%	48%	40%	65%	51%	42%	67%	53%
FUSD	13%	31%	15%	14%	33%	17%	15%	41%	18%	18%	43%	20%

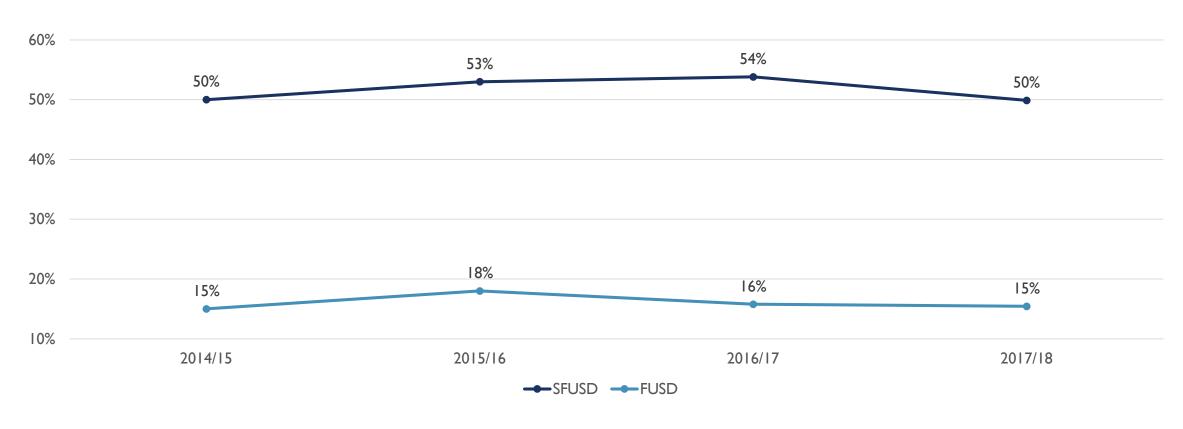
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PERCENT OF STUDENTS WHO MET/EXCEEDED STANDARDS ON SBAC MATH: BY SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS, 11TH GRADE, 2014/15-2017/18

II th Grade		2014/15			2015/16			2016/17			2017/18	
	SES	Non-SES	All									
SFUSD	45%	60%	50%	46%	62%	53%	50%	58%	54%	44%	57%	50%
FUSD	13%	21%	15%	15%	28%	18%	13%	28%	16%	12%	32%	15%

PERCENT CHANGE OF STUDENTS WHO MET/EXCEEDED STANDARDS ON SBAC MATH: 11TH GRADE, 2014/15-2017/18



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From the Office of the Superintendent	Date: March 29, 2019								
To the Members of the Board of Education									
Prepared by: Lindsay Sanders, Chief of Equity and Access	Phone Number: 457-3471								
Cabinet Approval.									
Regarding: Academic Performance: Quarter 3 Grades Up	date								
The purpose of this communication is to provide the Bo Academic metrics for Fresno Unified.	pard with information regarding								
 The metrics included in this report are: Two years of letter grades in Quarter 3 Redesignation rates for cycles 1, 2, and 3 of the 2018/ 	19 school year								
If you have further questions or require additional information at (559) 457-3471.	n, please contact Lindsay Sanders								
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Approved by Superintendent: Robert G. Nelson, Ed.D.	Date: 3/29/19								



ACADEMIC PROGRESS

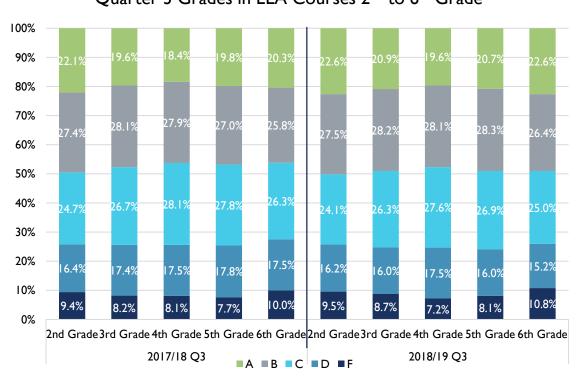
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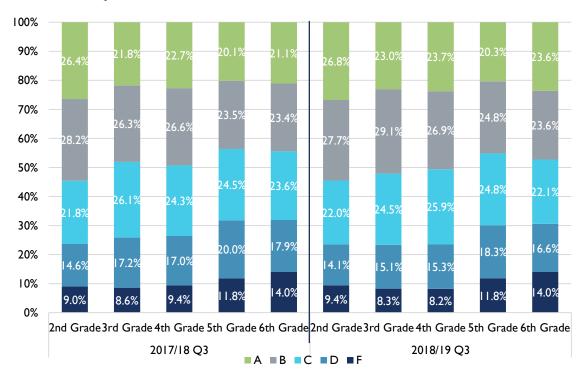
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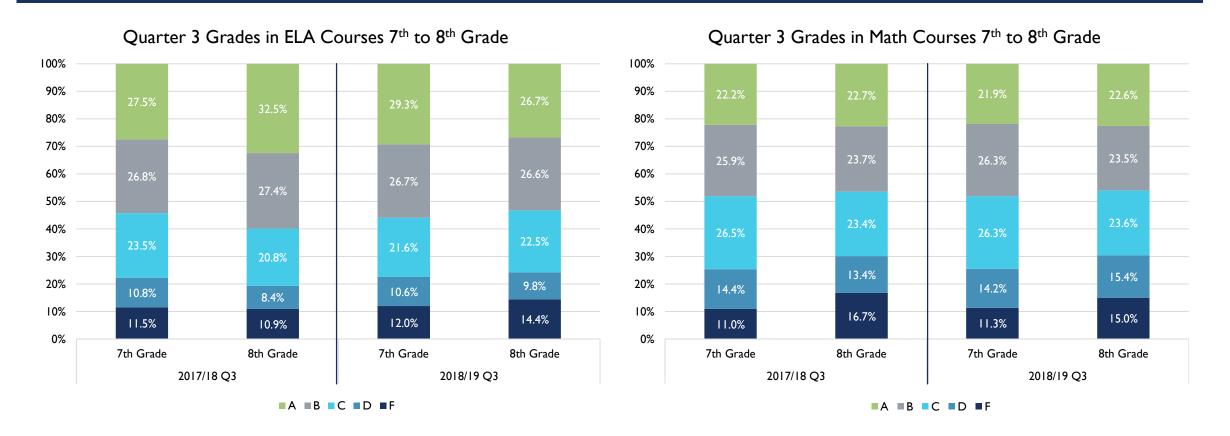




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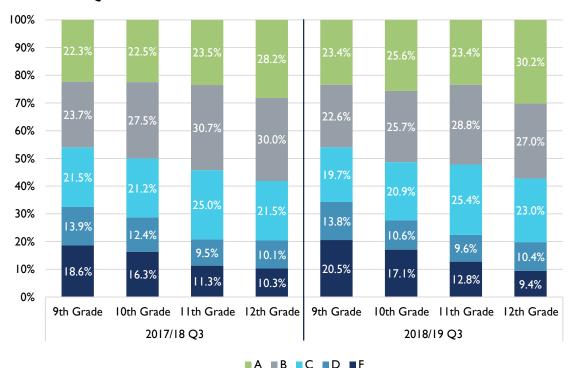


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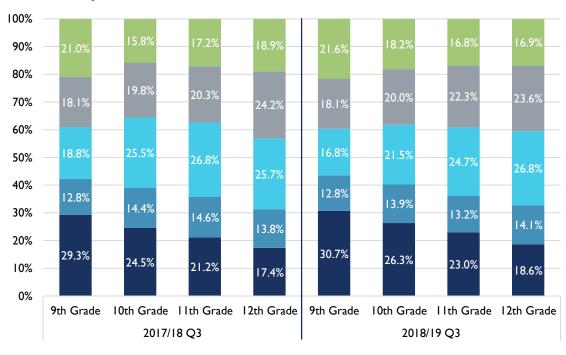


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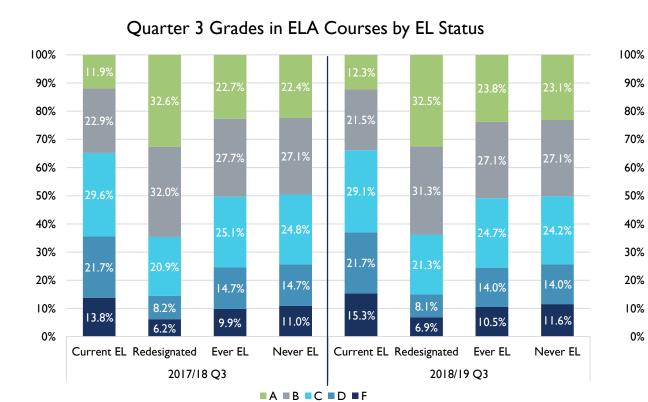


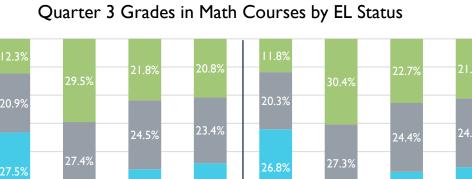


Quarter 3 Grades in Math Courses 9th to 12th Grade



QUARTER 3 LETTER GRADES IN ELA AND MATH COURSES: PERCENT BREAKDOWN A-F BY ENGLISH LEARNER STATUS, 2017-18 AND 2018-19





21.4%

19.7%

20.0%

10.3%

12.0%

Current EL Redesignated

24.3%

15.7%

15.9%

Never EL

A B C D F

15.6%

14.2%

10.7%

11.3%

Current EL Redesignated Ever EL

2017/18 O3

21.7%

17.6%

14.9%

Ever EL

2018/19 O3

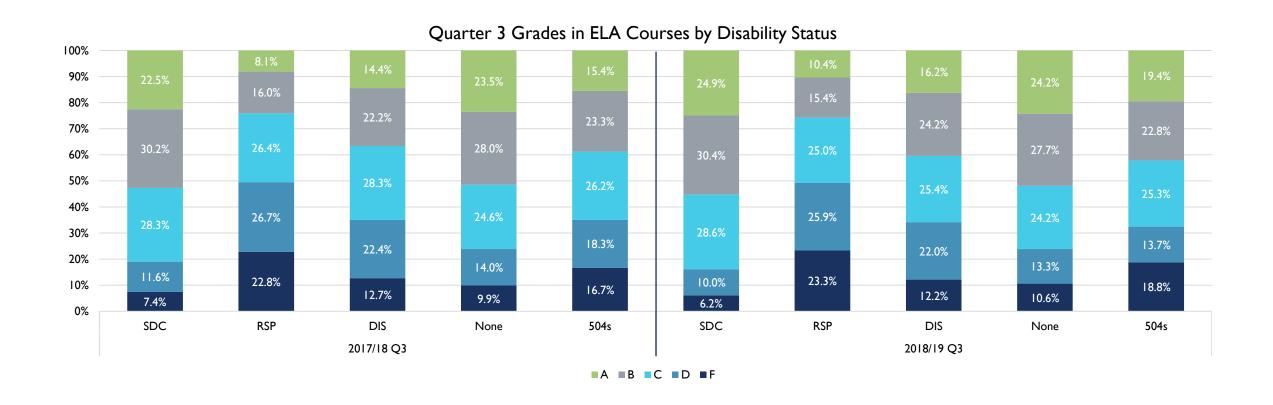
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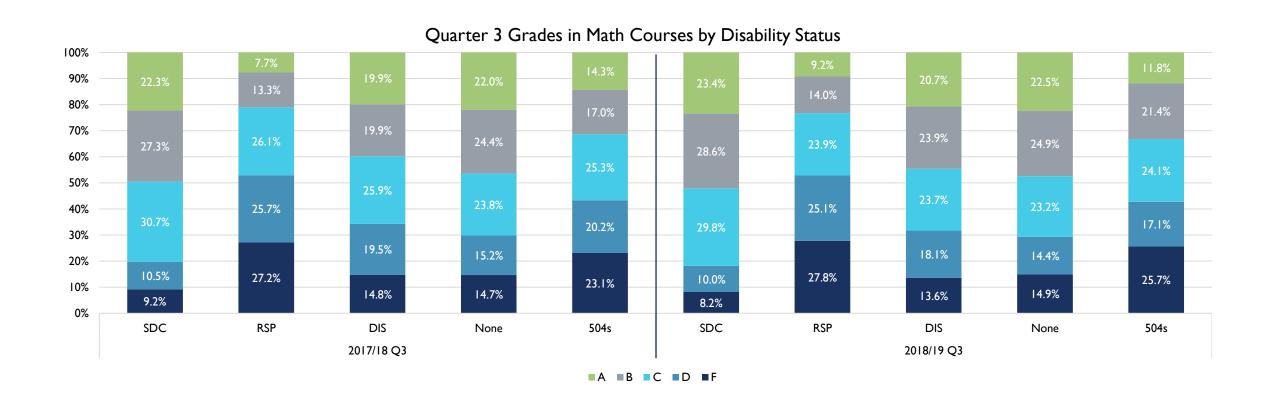
15.5%

Never EL

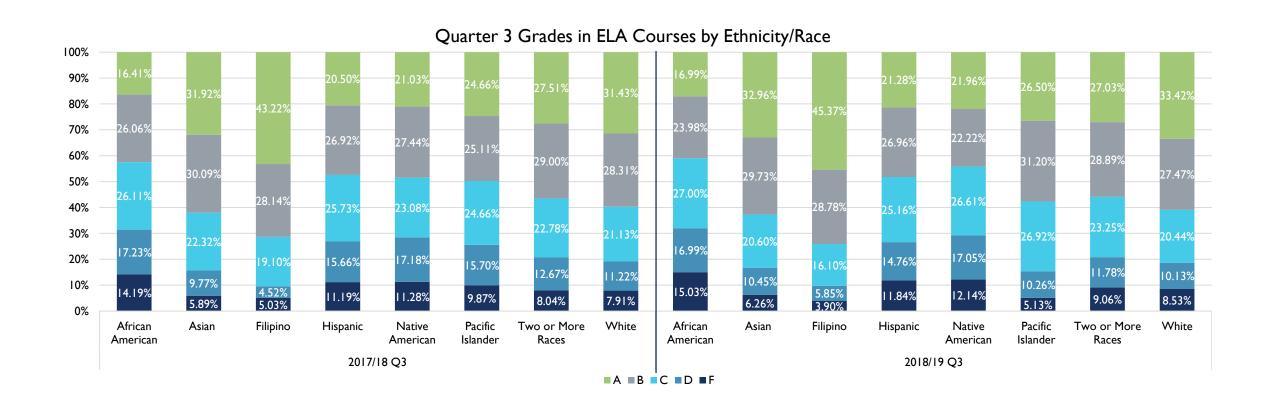
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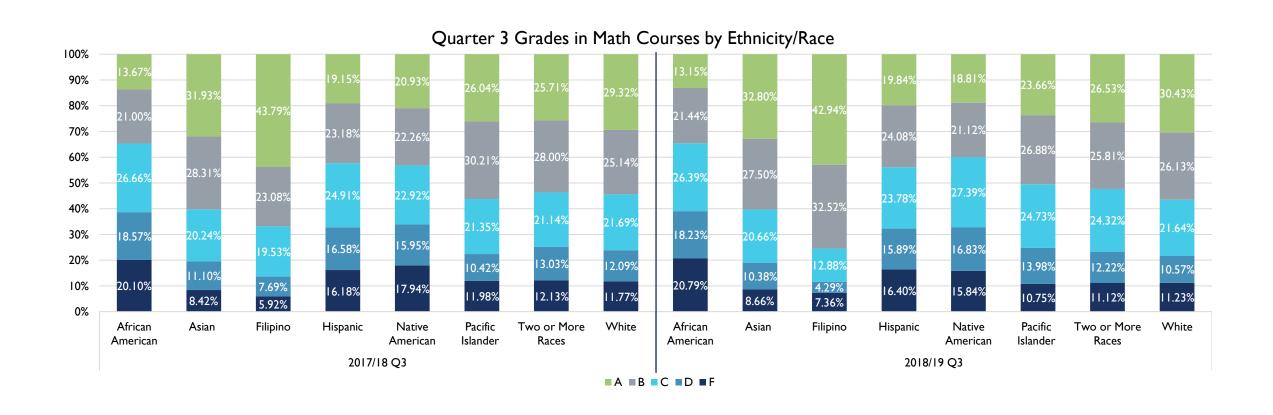
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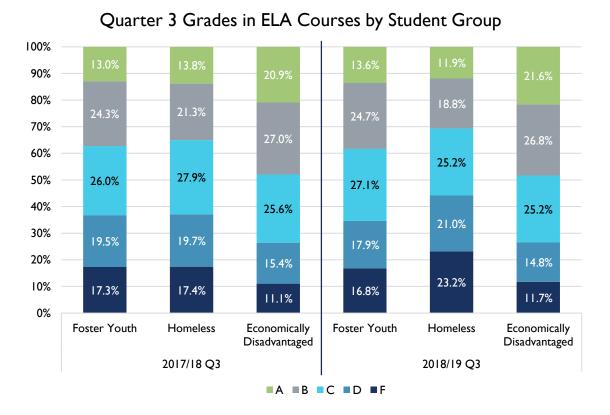
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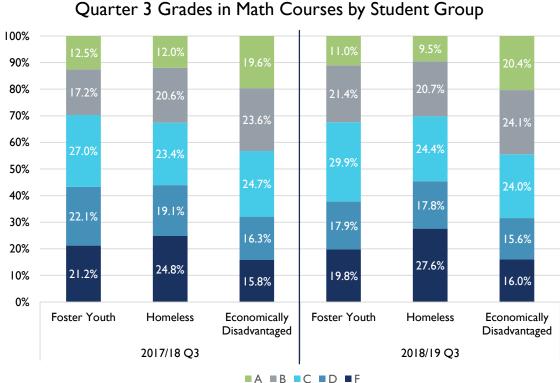


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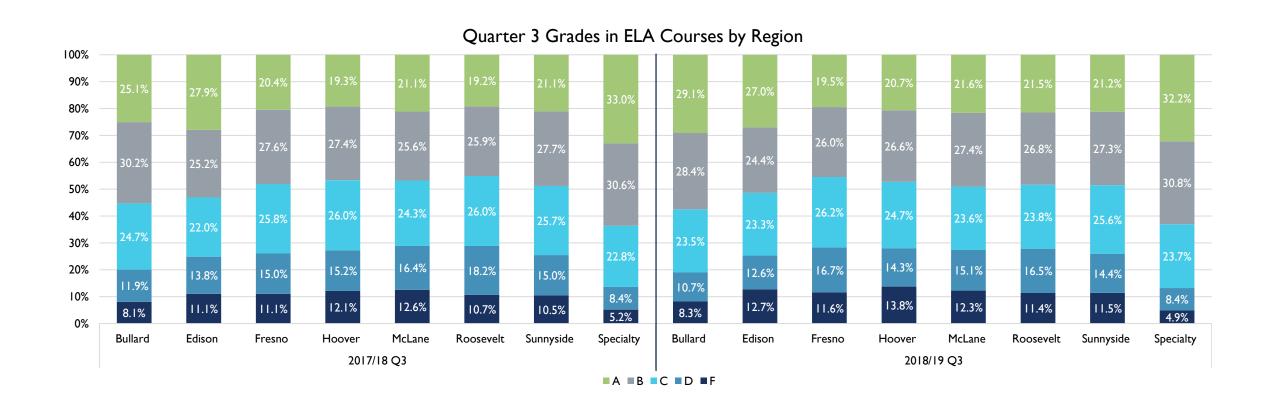
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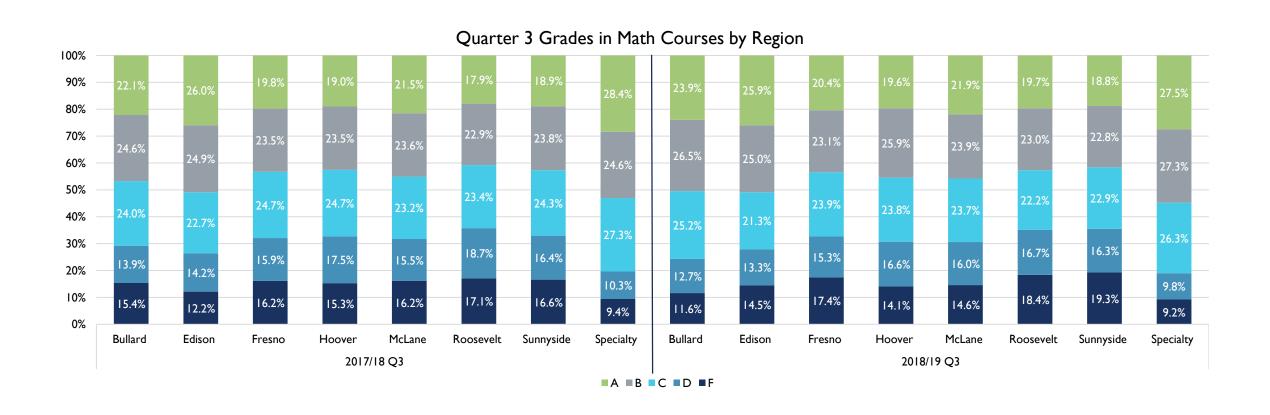


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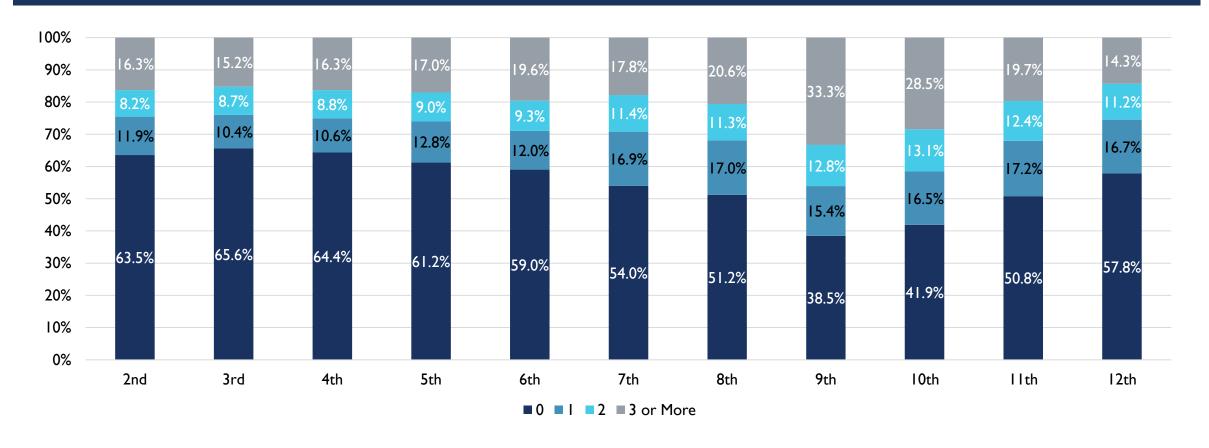
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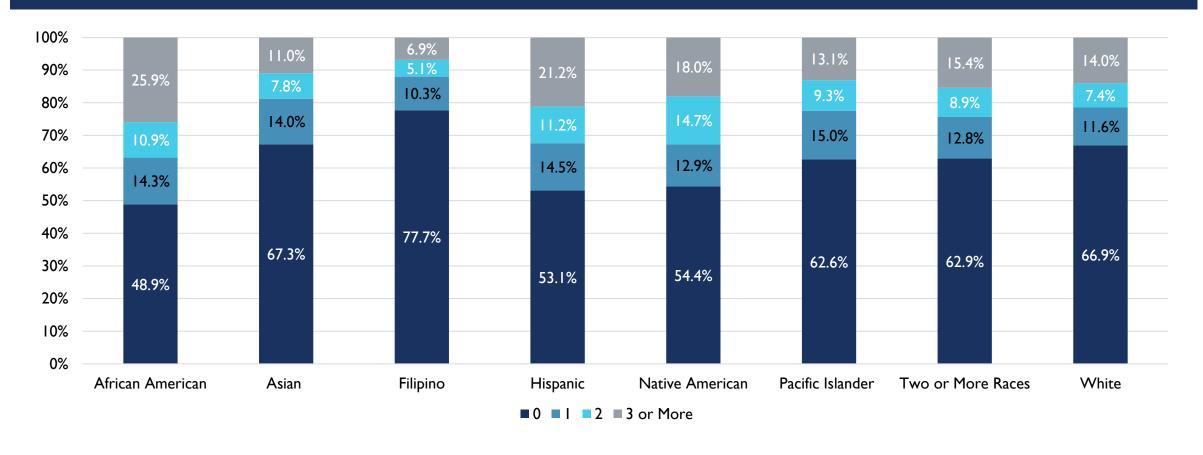
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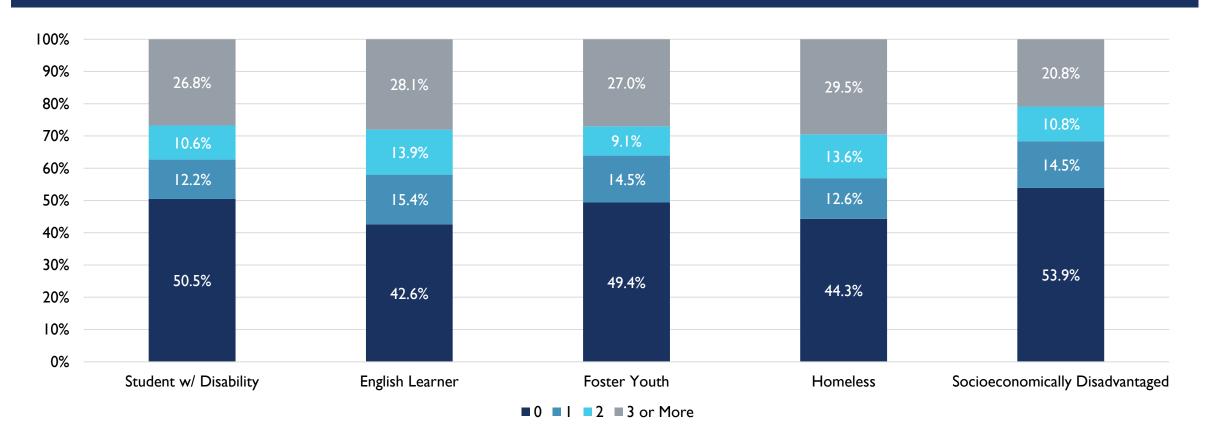
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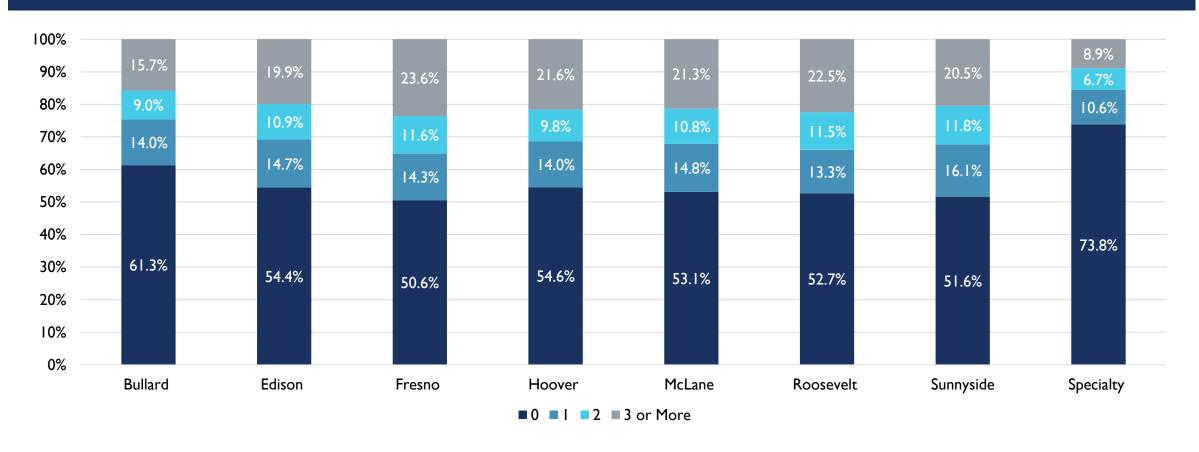
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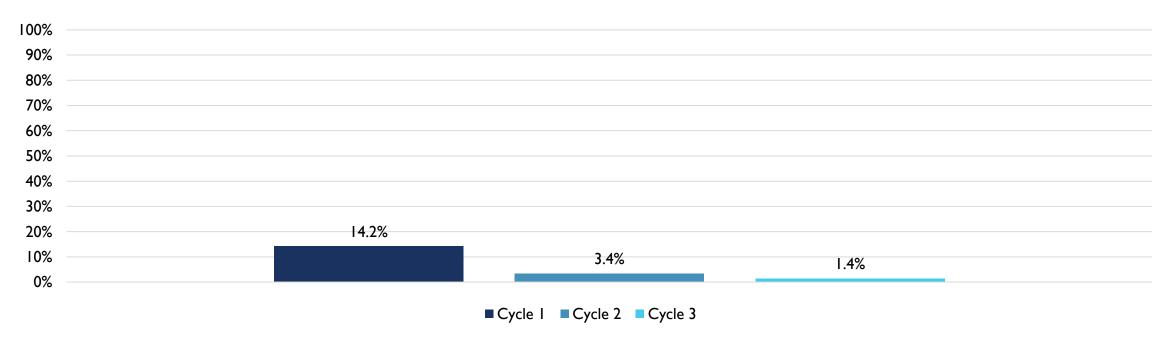


ACADEMIC PROGRESS - ENGLISH LEARNER REDESIGNATION RATES CYCLE 1, 2 & 3

ENGLISH LEARNER REDESIGNATION GUIDELINES

- ELPAC score of 4 overall
- ELA Assessment (Passing at least one)
 - BAS Ist Grade
 - DRP for 2nd- 6th Grade
 - District Interim Assessments 1st 12th Grade
 - CAASPP 4th 9th Grade, I2th Grade (Using last year's CAASPP results)
 - PSAT 8th-12th Grade
- Teacher evaluation
- Parent consultation

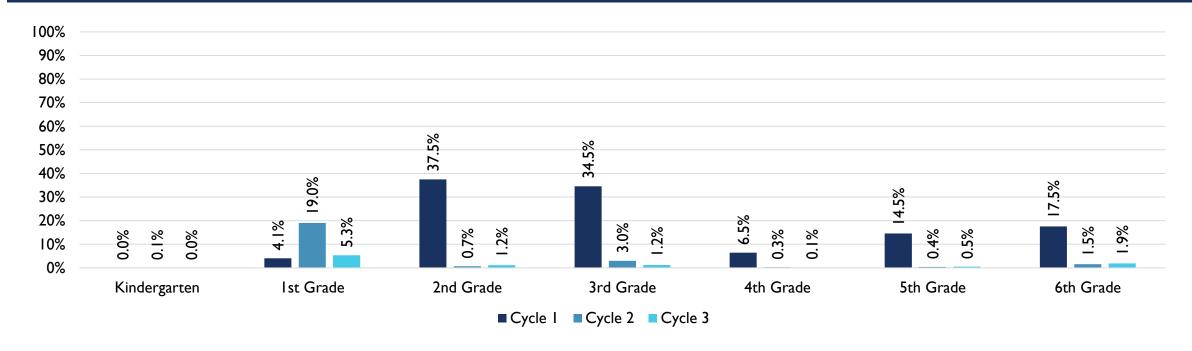
ENGLISH LEARNER REDESIGNATION – PERCENT REDESIGNATED, 2018-19 (CYCLE 1, 2 & 3)



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Cycle 2: This represents the percentage of students who passed the ELPAC in 2017/18 but did not redesignate during cycle 1. Students must have met an ELA assessment (i.e. BAS 1, DRP, Interim 1 and PSAT) during cycle 2 to be eligible for redesignation. Students who did not pass the ELPAC have to wait until May of 2018/19, so we expect the pool of eligible students to remain low.

ENGLISH LEARNER REDESIGNATION – PERCENT REDESIGNATED, BY GRADE LEVEL: GRADES K TO 6TH, 2018-19 (CYCLE 1, 2 & 3)



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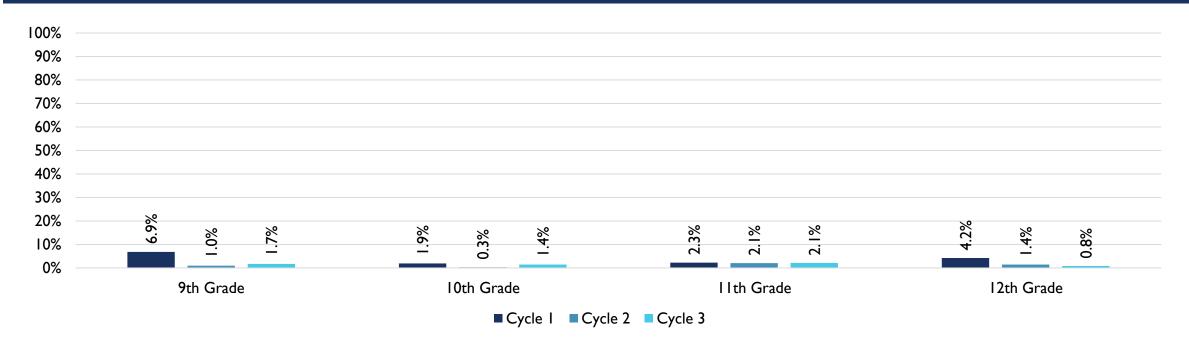
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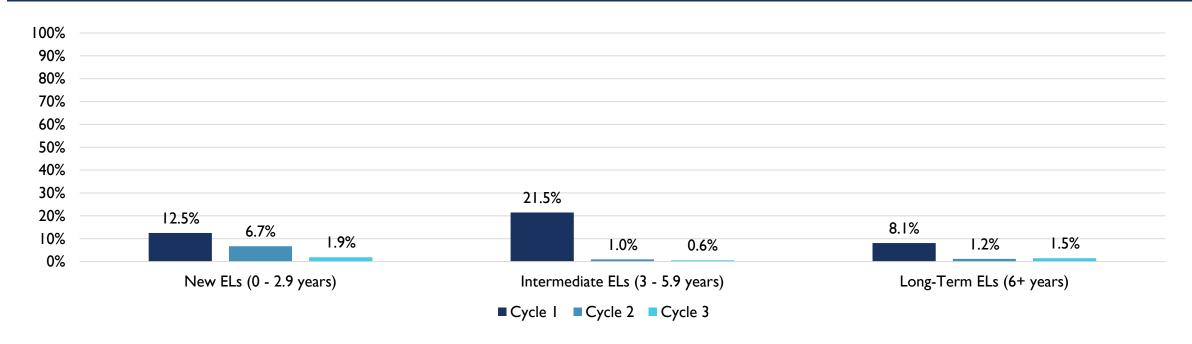
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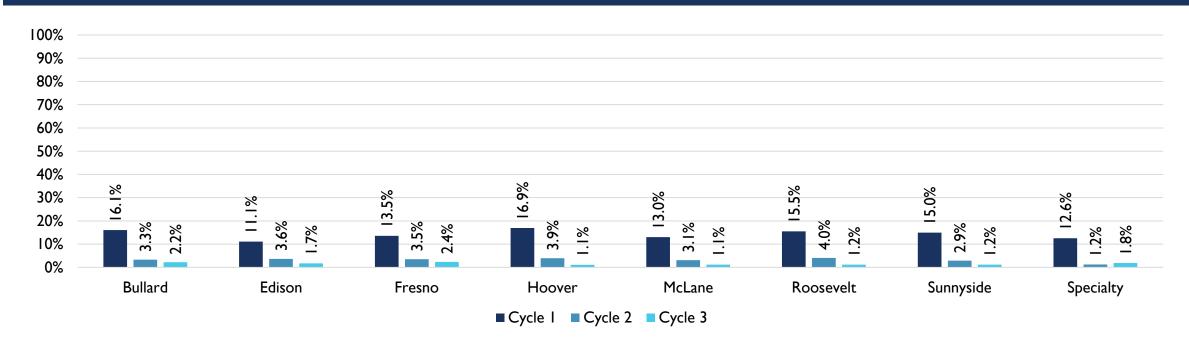
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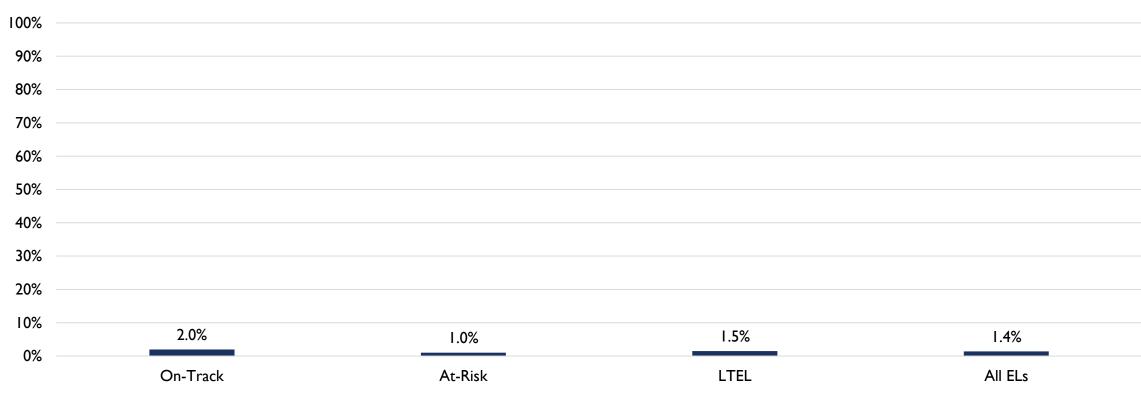
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ENGLISH LEARNER REDESIGNATION – PERCENT REDESIGNATED, BY EL STATUS FOR THE THIRD CYCLE OF 2018-19



On-Track: Expected redesignation year has not passed and they have scored greater than or equal to their expected score in the most recent ELPAC assessment.

At-Risk: Student has missed their year to redesignate goal set by FUSD, but has not been an EL for more than five years.

LTEL: Student has been an EL for more than five years and has yet to redesignate.

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ENGLISH LEARNER REDESIGNATION – COMPARISON OF TOTAL NUMBER OF LONG-TERM ENGLISH LEARNERS BEFORE AND AFTER THE THIRD CYCLE OF 2018-19

