

Palos School District 2007-2008 Areas of Success

Palos East School

The combined overall ISAT score for Palos East for reading, math and science on 2008 ISATs was 94.3%. Specific score highlights include:

2008 ISAT Overall Score increased by 5.3% points over the 2007 score. In reading, students exceeding the state standards increased nearly 4% points and in math by over 7% points over the 2007 test scores. The number of students of students with an Individual Education Plan (IEP) who met or exceeded standards increased nearly 16% points in reading and over 13% points in mathematics, with exceeds increasing nearly 12% points in reading and 18% points in mathematics.

Palos East Grade 3

- Over 93% met or exceeded in reading, improving 12% points over 2007, with 31% exceeded the reading standards
- Nearly 97% met or exceeded in math, improving 2% points over 2007, with almost 60% of students exceeded math standards

Palos East Grade 4

- Nearly 94% met or exceeded in reading, improving 8% points over 2007, with exceeds increasing by 15.3% points, 51% of fourth graders
- Nearly 97% met or exceeded in math, with the exceeds in math increasing by 19.5% points, 57% of fourth graders
- Over 98% met or exceeded in science, improving 13% points over 2007, with exceeds in science increased 12.5% points, 39% of fourth graders

Palos East Grade 5

- Over 92% met or exceeded in reading, improving 1% point over 2007, with our exceeds improved 8% points over 2007 reading scores
- Nearly 89% met or exceeded in math, with the exceeds in mathematics increasing 3% points over 2007 scores

School-wide Accomplishments

- Added several extracurricular activities, including Junior Cardinal Choir, and School Newspaper
- Successfully implemented Universal Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports Program (PBIS) to recognize and celebrate our Cardinal Code – Honesty, Respect, & Responsibility. Scored a 100% on the School-wide Evaluation Tool (SET) Survey.
- Students raised over \$4000, donated to various groups including: Crones/Colitis Foundation, Share Your Soles, Charles Tilman Foundation, Heavenly Hats Foundation
- Students shared art work, school supplies, and holiday items with Palos Township and local veterans group

The combined overall ISAT score for Palos South for reading, math and science on 2008 ISATs was 95.3%. Specific score highlights include:

Palos South Grade 6

- 94.5% of students met or exceeded Illinois State Standards in math, an increase of 4.2% from the previous year.
- 95% of students met or exceeded Illinois State Standards in reading, an increase of 4.5% from the previous year.

Palos South Grade 7

- 93.7% of students met or exceeded Illinois State Standards in math.
- 93.7% of students met or exceeded Illinois State Standards in reading, an increase of 1% from the previous year.
- 95% of students met or exceeded Illinois State Standards in science, an increase of 2.3% from the previous year.

Palos South Grade 8

- 96.2% of students met or exceeded Illinois State Standards in math, an increase of 4.5% from the previous year.
- 98.5% of students met or exceeded Illinois State Standards in reading, an increase of 5.7% from the previous year.

School-wide Accomplishments

- Successfully implemented a Zero Hour Academic Program (ZAP) to help targeted 6th and 7th graders raise achievement in math and reading.
- Added three new clubs to our extracurricular offerings: Model U.N., Club Action, and Cribbage club.
- Club Action raised \$3000 for the March of Dimes.
- The Math department raised \$10,193.00 for the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.
- The physical education department continues to diversify kinesthetic offerings including rollerblading, lacrosse, and bowling units.

The combined overall ISAT score for Palos West for reading, math and science on 2008 ISATs was 94.9%. Specific score highlights include:

Palos West Grade 3

- 96% of all Palos West third grade students met or exceeded Illinois State Standards in math. 63% of our students exceeded state standards in math.
- 90% of all Palos West third grade students met or exceeded Illinois State Standards in reading. 49% of our students exceeded state standards in reading.

Palos West Grade 4

- 99% of all Palos West fourth grade students met or exceeded Illinois State Standards in math. 51% of our students exceeded state standards in math.
- 93% of all Palos West fourth grade students met or exceeded Illinois State Standards in reading. 54% of our students exceeded state standards in reading.
- 99% of all Palos West fourth grade students met or exceeded Illinois State Standards in science.

Palos West Grade 5

- 95% of all Palos West fifth grade students met or exceeded Illinois State Standards in math.
- 94% of all Palos West fifth grade students met or exceeded Illinois State Standards in reading. 49% of our students exceeded state standards in reading.

School-wide Accomplishments

- Successfully implemented Universal Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports Program (PBIS) to recognize and celebrate Palos PRIDE. Scored a 90% average on the School-wide Evaluation Tool (SET) Survey.
- Recognized by the National Schools of Caring organization for outstanding service to the Palos Township Food Pantry.
- Recognized by the Share Your Soles Organization for our 4th Grade philanthropic efforts.