BRILLA SCHOOLS NETWORK: 2016–17 RESULTS
1. Are we serving the children who need us most? Yes.

Brilla is located in the Mott Haven neighborhood of the South Bronx, one of the nation’s poorest congressional districts. Brilla served 440 students during the 2016-17 school year. 73% of students were Latino, 25% were African-American, and 87% qualified for the federal free or reduced-price lunch program. Brilla also served an especially high number of English Language Learners and students with special needs. Below are statistics about our community and the special populations we served.

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<th>Mott Haven (Zip Code 10454)</th>
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<td>Residents who speak English at home</td>
<td>35%</td>
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<td>Foreign born population</td>
<td>26%</td>
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<td>Median household income</td>
<td>$20,213</td>
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<td>Less than high school education</td>
<td>45%</td>
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<td>High school or equivalent</td>
<td>27%</td>
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<td>BA degree or higher</td>
<td>9%</td>
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<td>Children living in poverty</td>
<td>59%</td>
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<td>Children living in poverty in female headed households</td>
<td>71%</td>
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Data from the 2010 Census and the 2013 American Community Survey; an annual report produced by the US Census Bureau.

2. How did student academic proficiency on the state tests compare to the district, city, and state?

Brilla continues to outperform New York State, New York City, and our local Community School District on the state English Language Arts (ELA) and math proficiency tests. 51% of students scored proficient in ELA, and 62% scored proficient in math. Our students with disabilities and our English Language Learners also surpassed their peers in the district, city, and state across both subjects.

**BRILLA STUDENTS OUTPERFORMED NEW YORK STATE STUDENTS BY 16 PERCENTAGE POINTS IN MATH AND 9 PERCENTAGE POINTS IN ELA.**
3. How did academic proficiency compare to similar schools?

In math, Brilla is the fourth highest performing school out of all New York state elementary schools serving a similar composition of children (based on percent of children who have special needs, are English Language Learners, and are low-income). In ELA, Brilla is the 6th highest performing school out of 64 comparable schools. Only one other charter elementary school in the state has a demographic grouping comparable to Brilla’s.

4. How did student academic growth compare to the national average?

In our fourth year, Brilla scholars continued to make tremendous academic gains. Students take the nationally normed Northwest Evaluation Association Measures of Academic Progress (NWEA MAP) assessment, which allows schools to compare student growth to grade–level peers across state lines. NWEA MAP monitors student growth in the fall, winter, and spring. According to NWEA norms, only 50% of students are expected to meet their individual growth targets. This year, 68% of students at Brilla made one or more years of progress in reading, while 67% made one or more years of progress in math. These results are on par with or outpace the results of many high-performing charter networks.
Other Ways Brilla Shines

Attendance at Parent-Teacher Conferences:
100% since founding

School Culture Events:
20+ per year

Student Attendance:
95%

Parents Who Are Satisfied or Highly Satisfied:
95%

5. Is this more growth than individual students would typically achieve? Yes.

Schools should be expected to deliver one year of academic progress for each year a student is in school. On NWEA MAP, only 50% of students meet this goal. **Brilla scholars grew 1.3 times faster than the national average in both reading and math.** This accelerated growth helps eliminate the achievement gap between our students and their more affluent peers.

![Growth at Brilla College Prep vs. National Average](image)

- **Math**
  - National Average: 1
  - Brilla College Prep: 1.3

- **Reading**
  - National Average: 1
  - Brilla College Prep: 1.3