# City High Board Review of Annual Report

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#### Persistent Questions

#### Consistent Strengths

Graduation

Achievement

Parent Satisfaction

Student experience

Tradeoffs in instructional model

Faculty career path

#### Persistent Questions

- Faculty:
  - Growth opportunities and career path
  - > Leadership ratings
- >Students:
  - >Tradeoffs in the instructional model
  - ➤ Gap in honors course taking

## City High Core Values

Safe environment

Caring environment

Connections to adults

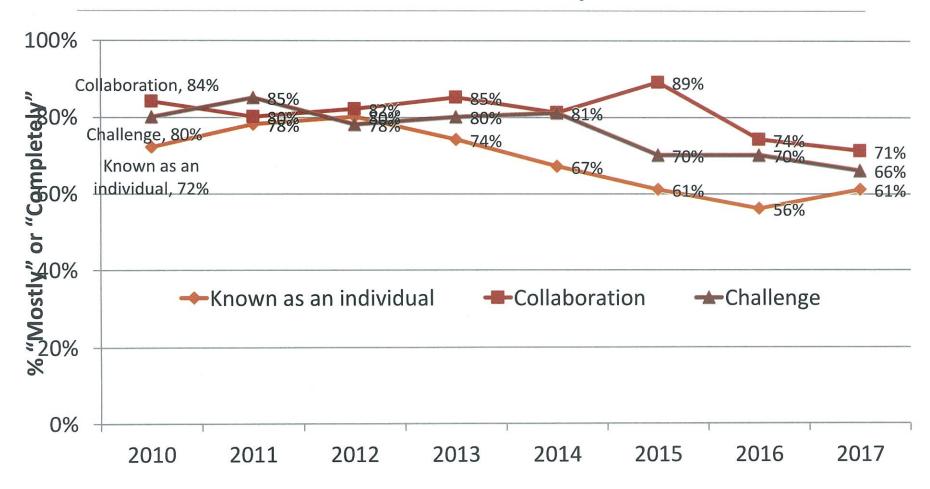
Connections to the world

Ownership of learning

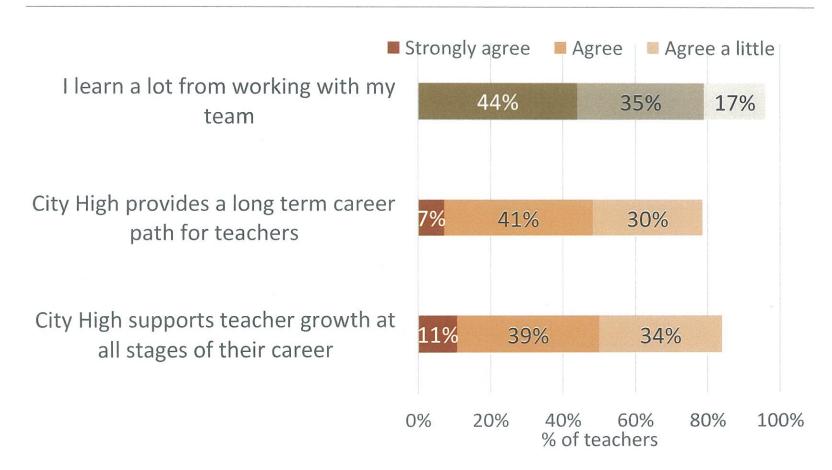
Collaboration & teamwork

Challenge every individual

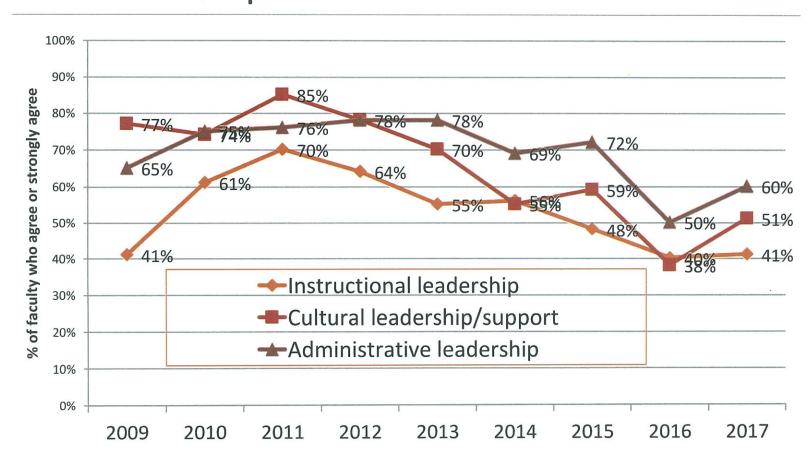
# Trends in realization of core values in teacher experience



### Career path concerns



# Trends in faculty ratings of leadership



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Drilling down	Strongly Agree	(incl. Agree a				
	+ Agree	Little)				
Instructional leadership						
Provide resources that help me grow as a teacher	35%	70%				
Give useful feedback on my teaching	46%	67%				
Cultural leadership/support						
Show respect for me and my practice	61%	80%				
Have confidence in the expertise of teachers	56%	74%				
Encourage faculty voice in decisions that shape the						
school as a whole	34%	47%				
Expect team ownership of decisions that shape their						
floor	65%	87%				
Work to create a sense of community in the school	39%	74%				
Administrative leadership						
Are effective managers who make the school run						
smoothly	52%	72%				
Provide appropriate support with student behavioral		83%				
problems	67%	03/0				

Total Agree

# Tradeoffs in City High's Instructional Model

#### Consistently Higher

- Teachers want us to explain our ideas
- We stay busy and don't waste time

#### Consistently Lower

- Explain difficult things clearly
- Know when we do and do not understand

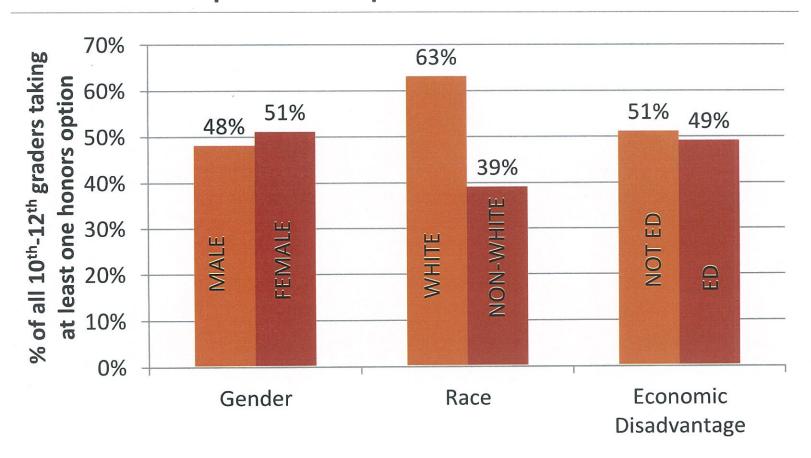
About average:

Better thinkers, not just memorize;

Give us time to explain;

Don't let us give up

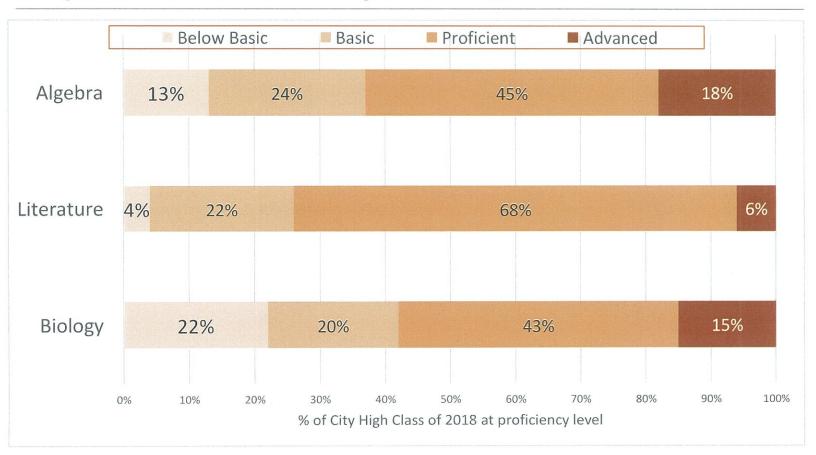
#### Honors participation rates



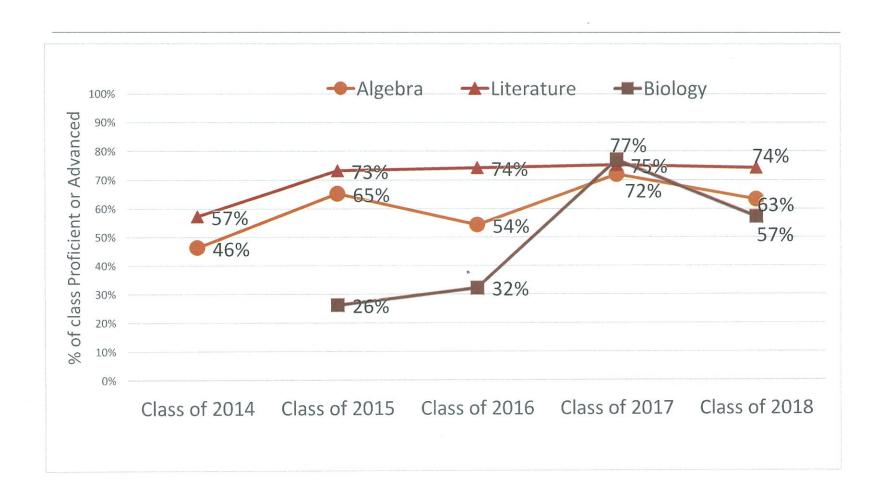
## Consistent Strengths

- Student achievement (Keystone results)
- >Student transitions
  - Graduation rate
  - Pittsburgh Promise
- ➤ Parent satisfaction
- >Attitudes and experiences of Special Education students
- Low rate of chronic absenteeism

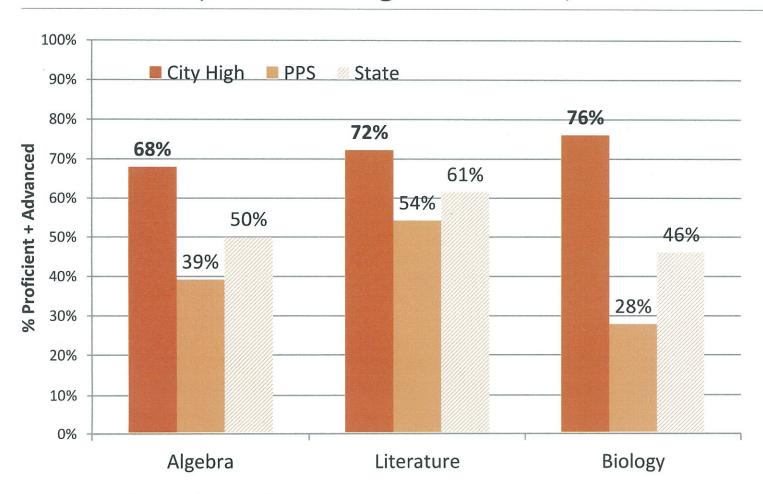
#### Keystone Proficiency Levels, Class of 2018



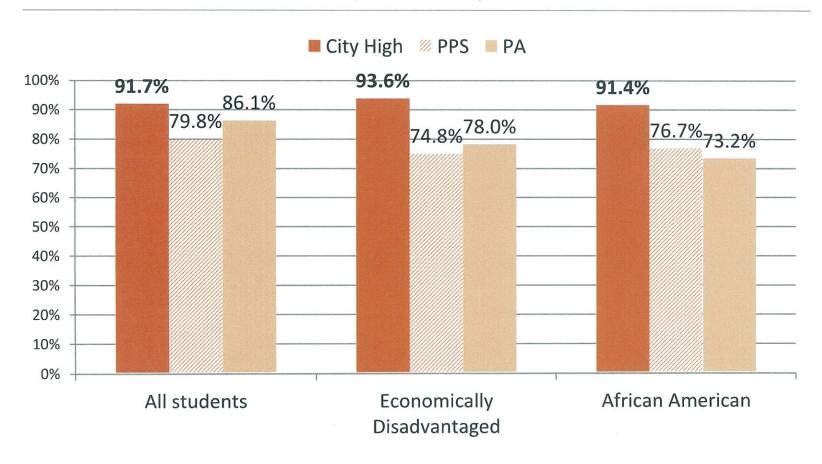
## Trend in Keystone Proficiency



# City High Keystone Scores in Comparison Economically Disadvantaged Students, Class of 2017

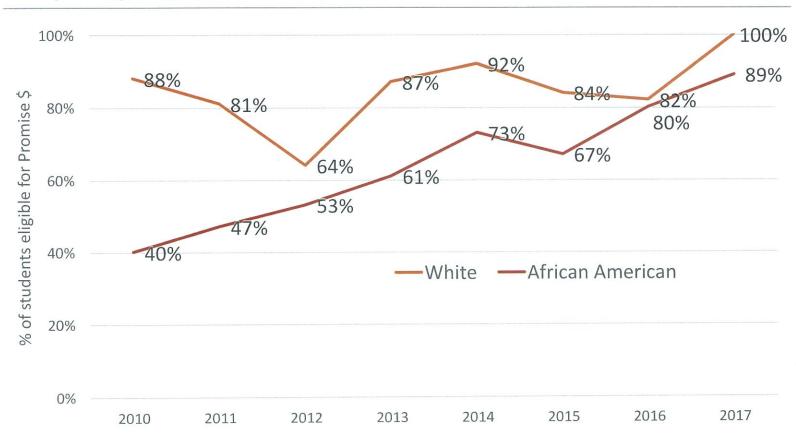


# City High Grad Rates Compared to PPS and State (2016)

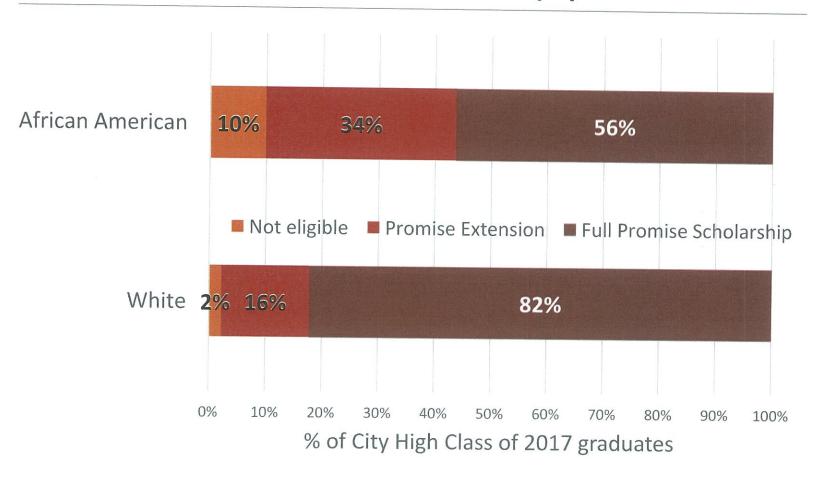


## Pittsburgh Promise Eligibility

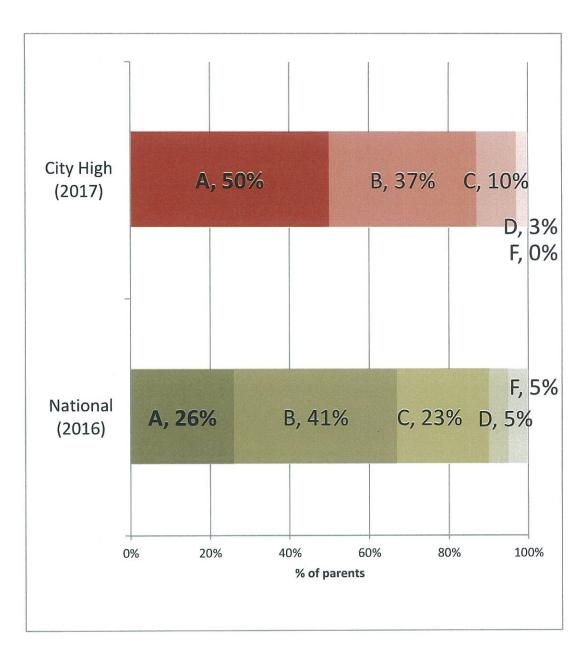
#### City High graduates



## Levels of Promise Support



Parent
"Grades"City High vs.
National



# Experiences of Special Education Students

	Special Education students (n=83)	All other students (n=452)
Instructional effectiveness	79%	75%
Classroom personalism	83%	73%
Student-teacher trust index	79%	66%
School climate index	66%	61%
Independent learning	54%	64%
Equitable treatment	76%	73%

#### Rates of Chronic Absenteeism Students missing 10% or more of days

