

# Comprehensive Achievement & Civic Readiness (CACR) Goals

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# WHAT IS CACR?

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Formerly known as the World's Best Workforce (WBWF), this statewide initiative was created to help Minnesota districts and charter schools improve student achievement through strong teaching and learning supports.

In 2024, the Minnesota Legislature renamed WBWF to Comprehensive Achievement and Civic Readiness (CACR). The change applies to 2024–25 strategic plans and the Fall 2025 annual summary report.

Comprehensive, strategic plans are developed to address the following five CACR goals:

- All children are ready for school.
- All racial and economic achievement gaps between students are closed.
- All students are ready for career and college.
- All students graduate from high school.
- All students are prepared to be lifelong learners.

# #1. All children are ready for school

2024-2025 Goal

**By October 1, 2024, STRIDE Academy will ensure that at least 90% of all incoming kindergarten students undergo screening and receive necessary preparations for a successful start in school.**

# #1. All children are ready for school

## 2024-2025 Goal

### Goal Met

- All incoming Kindergarteners were screened with FastBridge within the first three weeks of the 2024 school year.

# **#2. All racial and economic achievement gaps between students are closed**

**2024-2025 Goal**

**By the end of the 2024-25 school year, STRIDE Academy aims to reduce the achievement gap between English Learner (EL) students and non-EL students by 15% in both reading and math. This initiative is directed towards ensuring equitable access.**

# #2. All racial and economic achievement gaps between students are closed

2024-2025 Goal

## Goal Not Met

- Data indicates that progress was made, but the **15%** reduction goal in the EL and non-EL achievement gap has not yet been reached.
- STRIDE continues to prioritize equitable access and instructional support through targeted interventions and language development strategies.
- Ongoing collaboration among teachers will support continued growth and progress toward closing the gap.

# #3. All students are ready for career & college

2024-2025 Goal

**Enhance the readiness of students for career and college opportunities, with a specific focus on increasing the percentage of students meeting or exceeding standards in reading. Target a 3.8% increase, from 26.2% in 2024-25 to 30%.**

# #3. All students are ready for career & college

2024-2025 Goal

## Goal Not Met

- Proficiency remained at 26.2% in 2025.
- While growth was flat, efforts to enhance college and career readiness continue through literacy interventions, curriculum alignment, and Science of Reading professional learning.
- STRIDE remains committed to improving reading achievement and expanding opportunities that prepare students for future success.



# #4. All students graduate from high school

2024-2025 Goal

**By June 2025, STRIDE Academy K-8 will increase the percentage of 8th-grade students meeting or exceeding proficiency on the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCA) in both Reading and Math by 10% from the 2023-2024 baseline.**

# #4. All students graduate from high school

2024-2025 Goal

## Goal Not Met

- Math proficiency rose slightly from 7.4% (2024) to 9.9% (2025), showing modest growth.
- Reading proficiency remained stable, moving from 25% (2024) to 24.3% (2025).
- STRIDE will continue to focus on targeted instructional strategies, data-driven interventions, and aligned curriculum supports to accelerate student growth in both content areas.

# #5. All students are prepared to be lifelong learners.

2024-2025 Goal

## Goal Met

- Every K–8 grade level completed at least one civic engagement or service-learning project.
- Students participated in activities such as Quarry Park habitat restoration, Farm Camp, Pollinator and Arbor Day projects, Reading Buddies, and Salvation Army Toy Shop setup.
- These experiences fostered environmental stewardship, community connection, & real-world learning, & achieved over 90% student participation.

# #1. All children are ready for school

**NEW: 2025-2026 Goal**

**The percentage of Kindergarten students demonstrating grade-level benchmark skills will increase by 10% from Fall 2025 to Spring 2026 as measured by the FASTBridge Early Literacy Composite.**

# **#2. All racial and economic achievement gaps between students are closed**

**NEW: 2025-2026 Goal**

**By the end of the 2025-26 school year, STRIDE Academy aims to reduce the achievement gap between English Learner (EL) students and non-EL students by 15% in both reading and math. This initiative is directed towards ensuring equitable access.**

# #3. All students are ready for career & college

**NEW: 2025-2026 Goal**

**Enhance the readiness of students for career and college opportunities, with a specific focus on increasing the percentage of students meeting or exceeding standards in reading. Target a 3.8% increase, from 26.2% in 2024-25 to 30% in 2025-26**

# #4. All students graduate from high school

**NEW: 2025-2026 Goal**

**Not Applicable: No 2025-26 Goal**

# **#5. All students are prepared to be lifelong learners.**

**NEW: 2025-2026 Goal**

**In 2025-26, STRIDE Academy will maintain an average daily attendance rate of at least 90% across grades K–8, supporting student engagement, consistency, and lifelong learning habits.**



# QUESTIONS?

