

NEW SCHOOLS for BATON ROUGE

SUMMER 2015 UPDATE

INVESTMENTS

TO DATE, WE'VE RAISED

\$24 MILLION

TOWARD A

\$30 MILLION GOAL

FOR OUR

EXCELLENCE FUND

[75% OF DONATIONS FROM LOCAL DONORS]

We've invested **\$19 million** in proven school operators and organizations to support 12,000 students attending excellent schools by 2017.

HIGH PERFORMING SCHOOLS

each with a track record of success and a school model built on effective teachers, high expectations and engaged parents, have committed to Baton Rouge

SEVEN NEW SCHOOLS

OPENED BY **AUGUST 2015**

AND 3 MORE OPENING IN **AUGUST 2016**

2,200+

Parents participated in school events this year

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

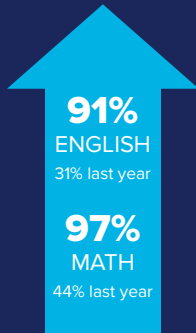


At **UP Elementary**, 84% of kindergartners started the school year below level for kindergarten readiness – not knowing how to hold a book or read 10 letters from the alphabet. **At the end of the year, 90% of kindergartners were reading on a first grade level.**

1.4 YEARS OF GROWTH

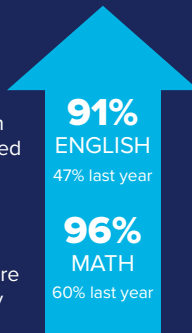
PROFICIENCY

CELERITY students in grades K-2 are **excelling academically** in a nationally aligned standardized assessment.



At **LANIER**, more than 91% of kindergarten students are proficient in English Language Arts and 97% in Math on a nationally aligned assessment. Previously an 'F' school in Louisiana, school wide proficiency levels (on less rigorous assessments) were 31% and 44% respectively last year.

At **DALTON**, 91% of first grade students are proficient in English Language Arts and 96% in Math on a nationally aligned standardized assessment. Previously a 'D' school in Louisiana, school wide proficiency levels (on less rigorous assessments) were 47% and 60% respectively last year.



120%

more teachers are **returning to their schools** compared to the prior year.

With teachers who understand the school's system, culture and students, there is a firm foundation for a strong second year.

ECOSYSTEM

WE HOSTED OUR

SECOND

EDUCATION ECOSYSTEM SUMMIT

150

PARTNERS

55

ORGANIZATIONS

from across the country

convened to discuss what it would take to create

CITYWIDE COMMUNITY DRIVEN CHANGE

in Baton Rouge

We've collaborated with

14 PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

to support the success of schools, and to expand and sustain an ecosystem of excellence in education citywide.



TEACHER RETENTION and STUDENT ENROLLMENT

rates are

TWICE

as high compared to last year.