

ARIZONA SCHOOL REPORT CARD 2002-03

Achievement Profile¹:

Stapley Junior High School

Mesa Unified District
3250 E. Hermosa Vista Drive, Mesa, AZ 85213-1702

- Excelling
- Improving
- Maintaining Performance
- Underperforming
- Extremely Small School

Principal: Mr. Rodney Keith Rich
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Grades: 7-9
2002 Enrollment: 1397
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∨ School Overview ∨

Mission

The staff, parents, and community of Stapley Junior High believe all students can learn and achieve mastery of essential skills. Our purpose is to create a safe learning environment where all students can achieve high levels of performance. A positive learning environment is generated by fostering attitudes of respect and responsibility. Through academic performance and school participation, students can be motivated to become lifelong learners and productive members of our society.

Organization and Philosophy

- w Traditional Junior High School
- w Peer Tutoring Program
- w Homeroom/Study Skills Program

School/Academic Goals

- w All students will improve computation in context.
- w All students will improve comprehension in content vocabulary.
- w All students will improve expository writing.
- w Students will demonstrate improvement in respect for themselves, others and property.

Instructional Programs

- w Gifted
- w Honors Classes
- w On-site Special Education

Enrollment

October 1, 2001 School Year Student Enrollment:	1421
Accepting New Students in 2002-03 Under Open Enrollment Law ² :	No
Number of Students Attending Under Open Enrollment in 2001-02:	47

¹ For an explanation of the Achievement Profiles, please visit <http://www.ade.az.gov/azlearns>.

² Under ARS§15-816, school district governing boards must implement open enrollment programs and establish policies covering admission criteria, application procedures and transportation provisions. For more information, contact the school district office.

∨ **School Site Council** ∨

Council Composition

- 1 School Administrator(s)
- 0 Non-certified Employee(s)
- 5 Teacher(s)
- 5 Parent(s)
- 0 Community Member(s)
- 2 Student(s)

Council Duties

- w Parent/Educator Relations
- w Instructional Strategies
- w Student Discipline
- w Extracurricular Activities
- w North Central Association Accreditation
- w 301 Budget Decisions

∨ **Staffing Information** ∨

School administration and instruction for school year 2002-03 are provided by:

Position	Number	Position	Number
Administrator	2.00	Teacher	61.00
Other Professional Staff	5.00	Teacher Aide	15.00

Educational Attainment by Years of Teaching Experience of Current Teaching Staff

Experience	Degree			
	Bachelor's	Master's	Doctorate	Other
3 or fewer years	10	3	0	0
4 to 6 years	4	4	0	0
7 to 9 years	2	5	0	0
10 or more years	11	36	0	0

∨ **Shared Responsibilities** ∨

School

Stapley is responsible for creating and maintaining a safe environment in which all students can learn. We believe communication with parents is essential for high academic achievement of our students. Communication between the school and parents is accomplished via a quarterly newsletter, progress reports, report cards, student handbook, open houses, parent/student orientation meeting and our School Improvement Advisory Council.

Parents

Parents are responsible for ensuring their children come to school ready to learn. Parents of the community support the philosophy and school rules at Stapley, allowing us to provide the best learning environment possible. Students should be encouraged by parents to do their best in school and told of the great value of a good education. Parents must work closely with their child's teachers to help their child succeed academically.

∨ **Transportation Policy** ∨

Busing is provided for students living more than two miles from their assigned school. Busing is not provided for open enrollment students. Specialized transportation for special education students is addressed in the IEP.

∨ **Calendar Information** ∨

Number of Instruction Days: 180 **First Day of School:** 8/22/02
Average Daily Instruction Time: 6 hrs. 0 min. **Last Day of School:** 5/29/03
Operates on Traditional Schedule

Report Card Release Dates

10/15/02 12/20/02 3/7/03 5/29/03

Additional Calendar/Report Card Information

∨ **Resources Available at School Site** ∨

Nutrition Programs

Federal food programs available to eligible³ students:

Breakfast - Yes Lunch - Yes Summer Food - No

³ Schools participating in the federal nutrition programs provide meals to all children. Students may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Eligibility is based on the federal poverty guidelines.

Special Facilities

- W 3 Computer Labs
- W Central Media Access--All Classes
- W CD-ROM Media Center Facilities
- W Auditorium

Extracurricular Activities

- W National Junior Honor Society
- W Native American Club
- W Drama
- W Christians in Action
- W Sports
- W Yearbook Club
- W National Academic League

School/Community Resources

- W Breakfast Program
- W Recreational Activities
- W Swimming Pool
- W Lunch Program
- W Job Placement Services

∨ Indicators of Success ∨

Information provided on this page is based on historical data, primarily from the previous school year, 2001-02.

2001-02 School Achievements/Accomplishments

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| <p>w Stapley Junior High consistently scores above the state and national averages on the Stanford 9 in math, grammar and reading at all grade levels.</p> | <p>w Stapley Junior High had 30 students who received writing awards in the 2001-02 Mesa Public Schools District Writing Contest. That number is twice as many as any other junior high in the district.</p> |
| <p>w SJHS achieved 2001-02 student achievement goals. This includes have 91% of our students at the 50% or higher in SAT 9 Total Math.</p> | <p>w SJHS had a composite score of 87% on the District Quality Service Survey.</p> |

Student Information: 2001-02 Student Activity Rates

	School	Arizona		
		K-6	7-8	9-12
Attendance Rate	95.0 %	95.0 %	94.0 %	94.0 %
Transfers Out ⁴	17.5 %	19.6 %	19.5 %	20.5 %
Transfers In ⁵ : Within District	1.3 %	2.7 %	2.2 %	2.0 %
Transfers In ⁵ : Out-of-District	5.3 %	9.7 %	9.6 %	9.5 %
Promotion Rate ⁶	100.0 %	98.4 %	97.8 %	94.8 %
Retention Rate ⁷	0.0 %	1.5 %	2.1 %	5.2 %
Dropout Rate ⁸	0.4 %			9.5 %
Status Unknown ⁹	0.4 %			6.0 %

Students reported as "dropouts" who may have returned to school for the following academic year are not accounted for in this report.

⁴ Transfers Out: Percentage of accountable students withdrawing to continue studies in another school or to be taught at home for the 2001-02 school year.

⁵ Transfers In: Within District: Percentage of accountable students entering school who were previously enrolled in another Arizona public school within the school district during the 2001-02 school year. Out-of-District: Percentage of accountable students entering school who were previously enrolled in another school district during the 2001-02 school year.

⁶ Promotion Rate: Percentage of students promoted to the next grade or who met graduation requirements and received a traditional diploma at the end of the 2001-02 school year. Percentage includes students who left school at age 22 or who had completed school and received a non-traditional diploma.

⁷ Retention Rate: Percentage of students retained at the end of the 2001-02 school year.

⁸ Dropout Rate: Percentage of students counted as withdrawn due to chronic illness, expulsion or dropping out during the 2000-01 school year, to include activity during the summer of 2001. This rate includes students who were withdrawn after 10 consecutive days of unexcused absences or were coded by the school as "status unknown." The Promotion Rate, Retention Rate, Dropout Rate and Status Unknown Rate may not add to 100% due to the inclusion of summer activity in the Dropout Rate and the Status Unknown Rate but not in the Promotion Rate and Retention Rate. Data for 2001-02 is not yet available.

⁹ Status Unknown: Percentage of students unaccounted for by any method during the 2001-02 school year. Status unknown students are not necessarily dropouts.

∨ School Honors ∨

Awards or special recognition honors received by the school, staff or students:

Award/Honor	Year
All Music Groups--Superior Rating	2001
City Girls Basketball Champs	2001
City Girls Cross Country	2002
City Girls Track Champs	2002

∨ Academic Achievement Indicators ∨

Arizona's Instrument to Measure Standards (AIMS) is designed to measure student achievement of the Arizona Academic Standards. Effective with the high school Class of 2006 (eighth graders in 2001-02), students must "Meet the Standard" or "Exceed the Standard" on all portions of AIMS or pass an AIMS Equivalent Demonstration (subject to approval by the state Board of Education) in order to be eligible for a high school diploma. High school students who did not attain "Meets the Standard" or "Exceeds the Standard" in reading, writing and mathematics will have additional opportunities to retake the test in their junior and senior years. Students in grades 3, 5, and 8 also take AIMS.

AIMS Results ¹, 2001-02

Grade 8		Number Tested	MS	FFB	A	M	E
Reading	School	441	525	13%	11%	48%	28%
	State	57484	504	24%	20%	40%	16%
Writing	School	431	514	7%	27%	62%	4%
	State	55420	493	15%	42%	41%	2%
Mathematics	School	435	486	17%	44%	25%	14%
	State	57734	459	39%	40%	14%	7%

Legend

MS	- The Mean Scale Score (average) on a 200-800 scale. A student must have achieved a scale score of 500 to meet the standard. Scale scores are not comparable among content areas.
FFB	- Percent of students who Fell Far Below the standard
A	- Percent of students who Approached the standard
M	- Percent of students who Met the standard
E	- Percent of students who Exceeded the standard

¹Results reflect student performance on the English form of AIMS.

²Class of 2003 is the cohort of students who began 9th grade during the 1999-2000 school year.

Items of data containing information about fewer than ten students have been replaced with () to protect student privacy.

--Some columns contain dashes (--) to indicate "not applicable" or "no data available."

∨ Mathematics Education and AIMS ∨

On April 24, 2000, the state Board of Education amended the high school graduation requirements to include the following: "Effective with the graduating class of 2004, the two required math credits shall be taken consecutively beginning with the ninth grade and course content shall reflect Academic Standards preparation for proficiency at the high school level." Parents should verify with the school that their ninth grade students are enrolled in one or more mathematics courses that provide instruction in the state Board-adopted mathematics standards that lead to proficiency in high school. Students who begin the ninth grade during the 2001-02 school year should be enrolled in a mathematics sequence that is aligned to the state's mathematics standards and includes instruction in the concepts and performance objectives that will be assessed by AIMS. The Board's amendment to the high school graduation requirements should not be interpreted to mean that all ninth grade students must be enrolled in any *particular* course. **The Board's intent is to assure that all ninth grade students are enrolled in courses that prepare students for success on AIMS.**

∨ Academic Achievement Indicators ∨

Since 1997, students have been tested in reading, language and mathematics using the *Stanford Achievement Test, Ninth Edition*, a standardized, nationally norm-referenced test. Since 1999, all students in grades 2 through 9 have been tested using the Stanford 9, though other grades have been tested in the past (grades 10-12 in 1997 and 1998, grades 10-11 in 1999 and 2000, and grade 1 reading in 2001).

The percentage (%) of eligible students tested and the school's percentile ranks are presented below. State average percentile ranks (AZ) are provided for comparison. Note that the average percentile ranks for the nation are 50 for all content areas in all grades.

Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), no individually identifiable references to students may be made. Therefore, items of data containing information about fewer than ten students have been replaced with (**) to protect student privacy. Some columns contain dashes (--) to indicate "not applicable" or "no data available."

Stanford 9 Percentile Rank Scores

Grade	Content Area	1997-1998			1998-1999			1999-2000			2000-2001			2001-2002		
		%	Score	AZ												
7	Reading	95	72	52	100	70	53	90	72	52	95	70	53	87	71	55
	Language	94	75	52	100	73	54	89	76	54	94	77	55	86	77	58
	Mathematics	94	77	53	100	76	55	92	81	56	95	80	58	89	81	60
8	Reading	96	69	54	100	71	54	93	67	53	88	71	55	93	70	56
	Language	94	69	46	100	70	49	91	69	49	89	73	50	91	75	52
	Mathematics	93	72	52	100	76	54	90	75	56	90	81	58	95	81	59
9	Reading	95	59	44	100	63	43	92	62	43	89	60	43	84	64	43
	Language	92	61	39	100	66	39	93	66	40	87	65	41	83	68	42
	Mathematics	92	75	57	100	82	57	90	81	59	8	84	61	85	86	62

∨ **Measure of Academic Progress** ∨

Arizona's Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) is an indicator of student academic growth from one year to the next. The results are based on the *Stanford Achievement Test, Ninth Edition* (Stanford 9), given in 2001 and 2002. MAP includes only those students who were tested both years in consecutive grade levels at the same school or who started the school year in the same school in which they were tested in 2002. A student achieves One Year's Growth (OYG) if he or she remains in the same Stanine⁹ or advances a Stanine from one year to the next. The percentage of students achieving OYG at the school is reported below.

⁹ Stanines are normalized standard scores that range from a low of 1 to a high of 9, with 5 designating average performance. National Stanines, like National Percentile Ranks, indicate a student's relative standing in the national norm group (Source: Harcourt Educational Measurement).

The MAP is an elementary school (Grades 2-8) indicator only.

	Reading	Math
	Percentage of Students Achieving One Year's Growth	Percentage of Students Achieving One Year's Growth
Grades 6-7	69	72
Grades 7-8	69	77

*Less than 10 students matched

**No information available

***Not applicable

∨ **School Safety** ∨

The purpose of this section is to provide parents information about what the school is doing to promote a safe and healthy learning environment.

School-level Efforts to Ensure a Safe and Healthy Learning Environment

The Mesa Unified School District and Stapley Junior High are committed to ensuring a safe and secure environment for instruction and learning. To achieve this, we have an active program of prevention and enforcement through the collaboration of school, police and probation officials. Clear and concise student behavior rules and expectations are set and aggressively, fairly and consistently enforced. In addition, all MPS schools have a School Resource Officer on campus.

Total number of incidents that occurred on the school grounds that required the intervention of local, state or federal law enforcement (A.R.S. § 15-746.6).

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School uniforms are not required at this school.

The Arizona Attorney General's Office has a hotline that allows students to report suspicious activities at schools and to get help with potentially violent situations, such as bullying, harassment, hate crimes, discrimination and gangs. The toll-free number, **1-877-900-1086**, is anonymous and available 24 hours a day.

∨ Per Pupil and School Expenditures for the 2000-2001 School Year ∨

Expenditure Category	*Per Pupil Expenditures by Category	School Expenditures by Category
Classroom Instruction	\$3,168	\$4,500,602
Classroom Supplies	\$38	\$53,473
Administration	\$440	\$625,373
Support Services-Students	\$324	\$459,869
Other Support Services and Operations	\$654	\$929,548
Total Expenditures- All Categories 2000-2001	\$4,624	\$6,568,865

Total Expenditures may not be exact because of rounding.

Information is self-reported by the district and is unaudited.

* Based upon 2000-2001 Average Daily Membership (ADM).

(School Expenditures divided by ADM)

**Due to technical difficulties, data for multiple charter school sites is not available.

These are maintenance and operation expenditures and do not include capital expenditures such as facilities construction and buses. Classroom Instruction includes activities dealing directly with the interaction between teachers and students. It also includes activities of aides or classroom assistants that are involved in the instructional process. Classroom Supplies includes costs for items that are consumed, worn out or have deteriorated through use; or items that lose their identity through fabrication or incorporation into different or more complex units or substance. Administration includes governing board services, executive administration services, lobbying, office of the principal services and other support services for school administration. Support Services-Students includes attendance and social work, guidance, health, psychological, speech pathology, audiology services and other support services for students. Other Support Services and Operations includes support services for instructional staff, business support services, operation and maintenance of plant services, student transportation services, central support services, other support services, food service operation and bookstore operations.

∨ Contacts ∨

	Name	Phone	Extension
School Site Council	Rodney Rich	(480) 472-2780	
Transportation Policy	Community Relations	(480) 472-0223	
Community Resources	Rodney Rich	(480) 472-2780	
School Nutrition Programs	Jill Benza	(480) 472-0900	
Parent Organization	Sabercat Booster Club	(480) 472-2780	
Student Health/Nurse	Ronda Doolen	(480) 472-2798	

The Arizona School Report Card was prepared by the Arizona Department of Education using a standardized format to combine information provided by the local school with data compiled from state records. Each school has special strengths and needs, and all schools benefit from the active involvement of parents in their children's education. If you have questions about the report card or need more information, contact the school office. Arizona School Report Cards can be found for all schools at www.ade.az.gov/srcs/ on the Internet.

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