

ARIZONA SCHOOL REPORT CARD 2002-03

Does Not Receive Profile¹:

- Alternative School
- Pre-K - 2
- New School

Pass Alternative High School

Tucson Unified District
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Grades: 9-12

2002 Enrollment: 133

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∨ School Overview ∨

Mission

Our mission is to help high school students complete the coursework necessary to obtain a high school education. PASS upholds the highest standards in education and provides students with the best study options available. The PASS staff is sensitive to the needs of the students and provides support within the educational framework, including awareness of cultural diversity, differences in learning styles, and an appreciation for each student's individual strengths and special talents.

Organization and Philosophy

- w Self-paced
- w Small Group Instruction
- w One-on-One Tutoring
- w Flexible Hours

School/Academic Goals

- w Providing each PASS student with a quality education that includes life goals.
- w To graduate 100% of our high school students through a process of completion of high school-adopted requirements.
- w Prepare students for the demands of higher education and the world of work.
- w Instill in each student the value of community participation.

Instructional Programs

- w Creative Class Format
- w Self-paced Individualized Learning
- w One-on-one Tutoring/Advising
- w Computer-Assisted Instruction
- w Special Education Support Available
- w Community-based Instruction

Enrollment

October 1, 2001 School Year Student Enrollment:	114
Accepting New Students in 2002-03 Under Open Enrollment Law ² :	Yes
Number of Students Attending Under Open Enrollment in 2001-02:	100

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

- 3 School Administrator(s)
- 6 Non-certified Employee(s)
- 5 Teacher(s)
- 4 Parent(s)
- 2 Community Member(s)
- 2 Student(s)

Council Duties

- w Review Data
- w Make Recommendations
- w Set Goals
- w Plan for Future School Endeavors

∨ **Staffing Information** ∨

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

Position	Number	Position	Number
Administrator	1.00	Teacher	5.00
Other Professional Staff	1.00	Teacher Aide	6.00

Educational Attainment by Years of Teaching Experience of Current Teaching Staff

Experience	Degree			
	Bachelor's	Master's	Doctorate	Other
3 or fewer years	1	0	0	0
4 to 6 years	0	0	0	0
7 to 9 years	0	0	0	0
10 or more years	0	2	2	0

∨ **Shared Responsibilities** ∨

School

Provide frequent communication with families to ensure complete understanding of the policies of PASS High School. To communicate the progress of each student, or the lack thereof, plus address any concerns the parent may have.

Parents

To support their student's educational endeavors through participation and open communication. To share with the student's advisor any concerns that could affect the student's success at PASS High School. It is the responsibility of the parents to supply the school with any changes in address, phone or other communication sources in order to ensure the most efficient communication possible between the school staff and parents.

∨ **Transportation Policy** ∨

The students at PASS Alternative High School are not participants in the district transportation program. When needed, students are provided with bus passes to ensure their ability to get to and from school. Most PASS students are able to drive and do so.

∨ **Calendar Information** ∨

Number of Instruction Days: 177 **First Day of School:** 8/15/02
Average Daily Instruction Time: 10 hrs. 0 min. **Last Day of School:** 5/21/03
Operates on Traditional Schedule

Report Card Release Dates

10/17/02 12/19/02 3/13/03 5/21/03

Additional Calendar/Report Card Information

All Alternative Education students received a 4 1/2 week progress report to give an indication to the student and his/her families of progress grades or special needs for improvement.

∨ **Resources Available at School Site** ∨

Nutrition Programs

Federal food programs available to eligible³ students:

Breakfast - No Lunch - No Summer Food - Yes

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 Combined Computer Lab Setting W Handicap Accessibility

Extracurricular Activities

W Photo Journalism Component W Art Studio
W Martial Arts W Golf and Dance Programs
W Music W Foreign Film Exploration
W Criminology Investigation Group

School/Community Resources

W Family Counseling W Educational Enrichment Foundation
W The Clothing Tree W Community Food Bank
W Salvation Army W ASU Social Work Intern
W Tucson Exchange Club W Youth on Their Own

∨ 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 PASS Alternative High School continues to graduate more students every year.</p> | <p>w More students at PASS Alternative High School go on to higher education than ever before.</p> |
| <p>w The PASS Literacy Program has aided more students to achieve the state standards in writing and reading than before it was initiated into the CORE curriculum.</p> | <p>w PASS has unique programming that allows for specialized creative classes for its students. The students also see how their work can suit them for further study past high school.</p> |

Student Information: 2001-02 Student Activity Rates

	School	Arizona		
		K-6	7-8	9-12
Attendance Rate	74.0 %	95.0 %	94.0 %	94.0 %
Transfers Out ⁴	54.3 %	19.6 %	19.5 %	20.5 %
Transfers In ⁵ : Within District	33.7 %	2.7 %	2.2 %	2.0 %
Transfers In ⁵ : Out-of-District	9.3 %	9.7 %	9.6 %	9.5 %
Promotion Rate ⁶	73.2 %	98.4 %	97.8 %	94.8 %
Retention Rate ⁷	26.8 %	1.5 %	2.1 %	5.2 %
Dropout Rate ⁸	23.4 %			9.5 %
Status Unknown ⁹	11.7 %			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
PCC Regents' Awards	
Arizona State Exchange Club Award for Achievement	
Arizona Daily Star Senior Achievers	
PASS Awards for Improvement and Excellence	

∨ 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 10 (Class of 2003) ²		Number Tested	MS	FFB	A	M	E
Reading	School	**	**	**	**	**	**
	State	49803	512	15%	23%	48%	14%
Writing	School	**	**	**	**	**	**
	State	50471	477	17%	23%	59%	1%
Mathematics	School	15	407	93%	7%	0%	0%
	State	50429	480	48%	19%	22%	10%

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												
9	Reading	--	**	44	25	**	43	--	--	43	--	--	43	--	--	43
	Language	--	**	39	25	**	39	--	--	40	--	--	41	--	--	42
	Mathematics	--	**	57	25	**	57	--	--	59	--	--	61	--	--	62
10	Reading	--	24	42	19	**	42	--	--	42	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Language	--	23	43	19	**	44	--	--	44	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Mathematics	--	23	47	19	**	49	--	--	50	--	--	--	--	--	--
11	Reading	--	12	46	32	16	44	34	26	45	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Language	--	10	43	32	13	42	23	35	44	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Mathematics	--	17	51	32	26	52	23	25	55	--	--	--	--	--	--

∨ 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; therefore, no data to report.

∨ 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

Alternative Education has a School Safety Committee that meets quarterly. They discuss safety issues and implement changes that will provide a safe environment for our students.

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	\$4,605	\$533,793
Classroom Supplies	\$53	\$6,158
Administration	\$218	\$25,324
Support Services-Students	\$172	\$19,978
Other Support Services and Operations	\$638	\$73,964
Total Expenditures- All Categories 2000-2001	\$5,687	\$659,217

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	Tom Gillespie	(520) 225-3250	
Transportation Policy	Dorie Johnston	(520) 225-3254	
Community Resources	Andrew Hicks	(520) 225-3254	
School Nutrition Programs	NDS		
Parent Organization	Elizabeth Jackson	(520) 225-2506	
Student Health/Nurse	Ann Martinez	(520) 225-3262	

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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