

1.39 - Develop a summer program to support and prepare African American secondary students for advanced courses.

Narrative

Each year we provide our students with a summer challenge which allows them to gain background knowledge on the subjects they will be studying in the upcoming academic school year.

Data

We currently have 118 African American students registered for the upcoming school year. Of those, 43 or 36% are scheduled into at least one advanced course.

- 8/51 incoming 6th graders are scheduled for at least one advanced course
- 20/37 rising 7th graders are scheduled for at least one advanced course
- 15/30 rising 8th graders are scheduled for at least one advanced course

Action Plan

We began posting our Principal's Challenge on our social media in May and on our website and plan to repost it multiple times during the summer. We have been monitoring the students who are participating and will send them notes of encouragement throughout the summer.

Additionally, we will personally email each of the 43 students enrolled in advanced courses both through FOCUS and Outlook email and invite them to complete both the Principal's Challenge as well as sharpen and maintain their skills in the weekly activities in the School District's Illuminate 2020 Enrichment program offered to them on Canvas.