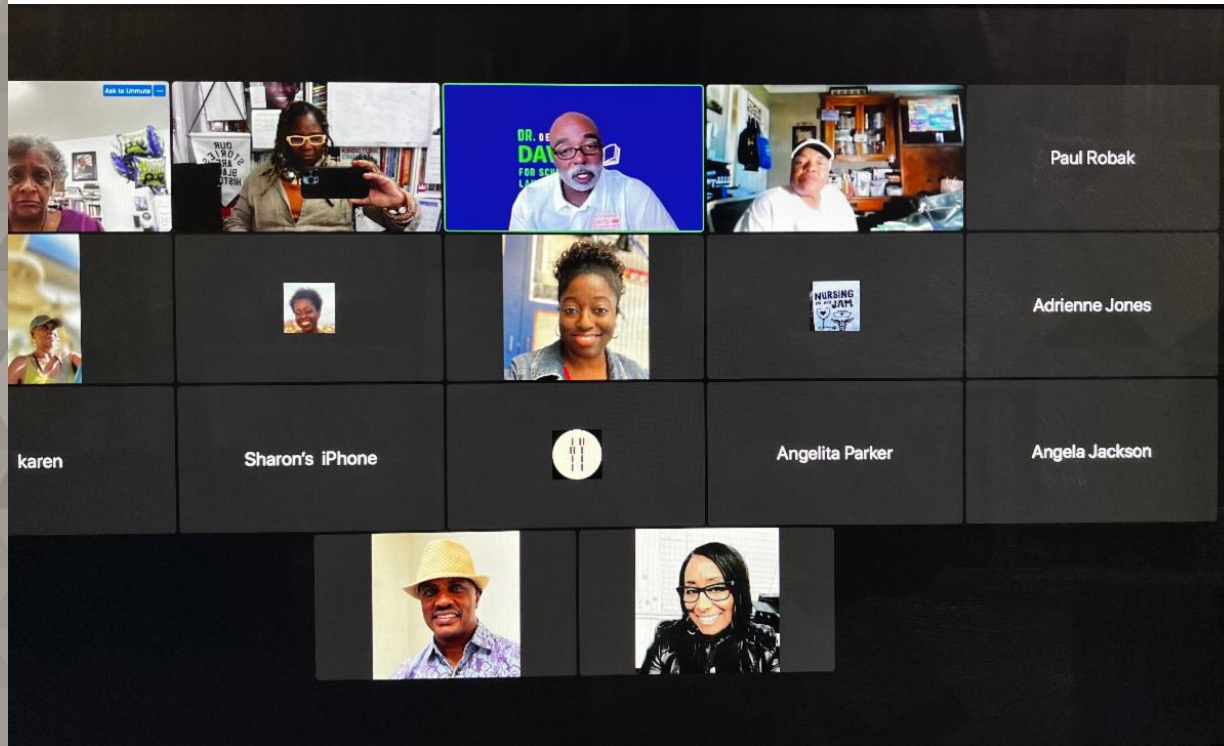


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Another busy week for NAAAPY last Saturday... We kicked off with Dr. DeWayne Davis! Another campaign member who is running for School Board for District 1 (see picture above) thank you to all of you who came, Dr. Davis was on for 2 1/2 hours answering lots of questions. If you'd like to know more about him, please check out his website linked below. We were allowed to record his session, so there is also a link to the recording below.

[Watch the Recording](#)

[Dr. Davis' Website](#)

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Dr. DiDi Watts is Running for School Board District 1



This Saturday, we have our third candidate speaking at our meeting, Dr. DiDi Watts will be in the shop for a face-to-face conversation with you all from 5 PM to 7 PM.

Following the ***Taste of Soul*** event that will be happening on Crenshaw! I suggest if you're coming to the shop, you come down Arlington and not down Crenshaw because *Taste of Soul* will be happening.

We won't have a ZOOM this week. We will only be doing a meet and greet to find out more from Dr. DiDi Watts about why she is running for School Board District 1.

See you on Saturday...

[Dr. Watts' Website](#)

Taste of Soul is happening on Saturday as well, The NAAAPY Tribe will be there before Dr. DiDi Watts stops by!



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Latino Family Summit was a sold-out event!

Gabriela Mitchell & Yolande Beckles presented on "**Generations Across Mathematics Empowering Families and Shared Thoughts For Math!**"

Marian Thomas, Board Member, and Founder, also attended the summit to represent the NAAAPY Tribe.



ABEN Gala (A Black Education Network)



A tribute to the creator of ABEN, Dr. Deborah Watkins. As she hands the baton on, to five new organizations.

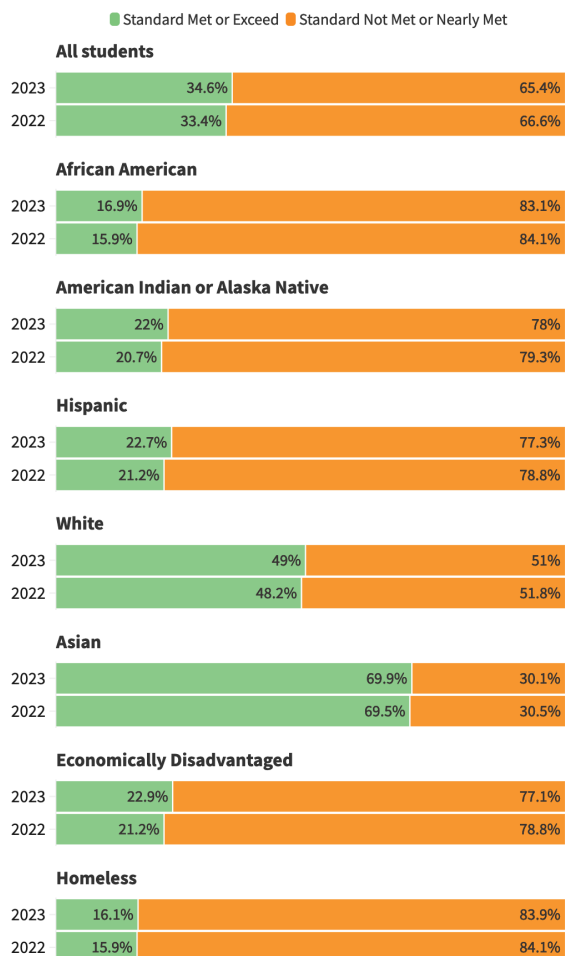
Dr. Deborah Watkins is the founder and Director of ABEN, the Dr. Frank S. Greene Scholars STEM Program, and Co-Founder of Black Students of California United.

This beautiful sell-out gala was attended by; Dr. Leticia Davis a NAAAPY Member, Prof. Venus E. Evans-Winters, and Toni Luken the Director of the Luken Co.



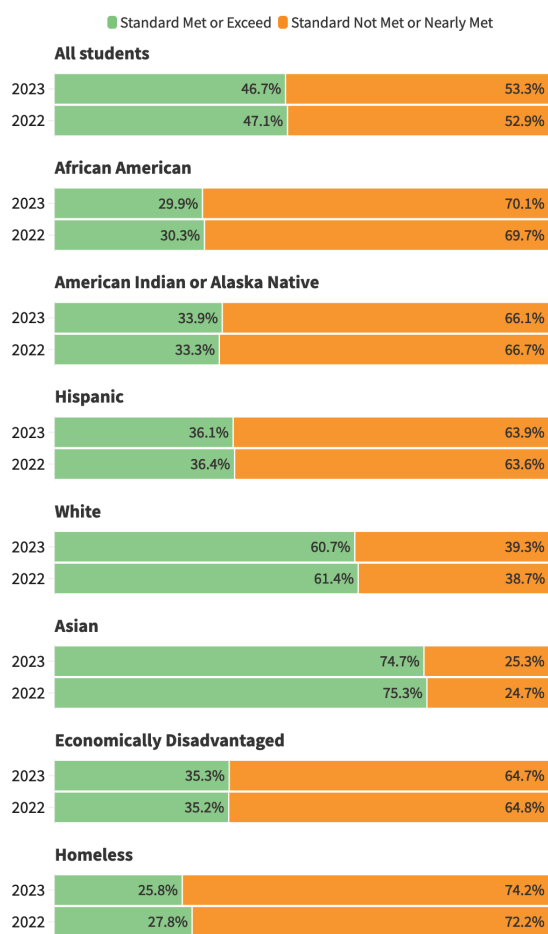
The Math Scores are Out:

2023 Math Results



Source: California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress, California Department of Education
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2023 English Language Arts Results



Source: California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress, California Department of Education
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Black students increased by one percent this year, which is absolutely shameful.

I think as NAAAPY we need to get together to have a strategy around English Language Arts and Math and what are we gonna do about it as parents and family members to ensure that our children are achieving.

There is currently a conversation about suing the State Board of Education for the failure to educate Black and minority students and I think this is something that we should consider joining.

Please read the EdSource article below about the flat test scores that left a lot to be desired when it comes to Math and English Language arts for Black students.

[Read the Full EdSource Article](#)



Kelly Bedford, one of our really active parent activists has designed a flyer that **you can share with a family, members, and/or parents to join the work of NAAAPY.**

Not to mention the work that she's doing as a Black Parent Consultant.

If you have any questions and need help one-to-one parent help, please check out Kelly's organization called Metamorphic Empowerment.

Please email her if you need more support/help with your children as NAAAPY is getting more and more busy with the day-to-day work that we're doing across BSAP.

[Kelly Bedford's Organization](#)



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By Nicole Chavez, CNN
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California Gov. Gavin Newsom signed a law establishing the new Ebony Alert system. Justin Sullivan/Getty Images/FILE

Check out this article on a new system for finding missing Black children and women.

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