

# OREGON Small Schools INITIATIVE

## Crater Academy of Natural Science CANS

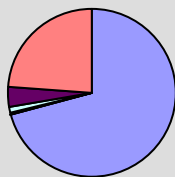
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CANS is a school of applied learning and environmental stewardship where all students are known and valued. The curriculum is a college preparatory program that focuses on a science-based exploration of the world around us. Internships and project-based learning provide real applications for challenging academics.

The following data reflects 2008-2009, unless otherwise noted

### Student Population

Total Enrollment	405
Low-income students	30.1%
English language learners	3.4%

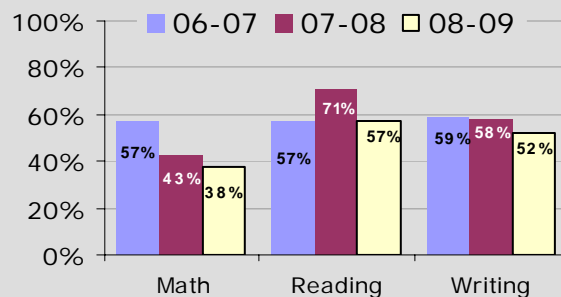


2007-08

European American - 71%
Asian/Pacific Islander - 0%
African American - 0%
American Indian - 1%
Latino, Hispanic- 4%
Other- 24%

### Student Achievement

10<sup>th</sup> grade students meeting or exceeding state benchmarks



Sources: Oregon Department of Education and CANS at Crater Campus

### History of innovation and excellence

Crater High School recognized the need for small schools in the 1980s and 1990s and received widespread recognition for its innovation and excellence in establishing four schools-within-a-school. In the fall of 2007, Crater moved another step forward by converting to four autonomous small schools. With less than half of its students progressing to post-secondary education, the district and community realized that more students would benefit from a small school format. Crater's own experience with small learning communities demonstrated that smaller schools can provide all students with skills and inspiration to continue their education and vocational training.