Faculty Diversification Initiative

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Academica Nevada-Who we are

Academica is an Educational Management Service Provider. We are an experienced team of professionals that provide services and solutions for every aspect of charter school establishment and operation. Our services include financial management, public relations and marketing, human resources management, board meeting facilitation, facilities planning, and more.

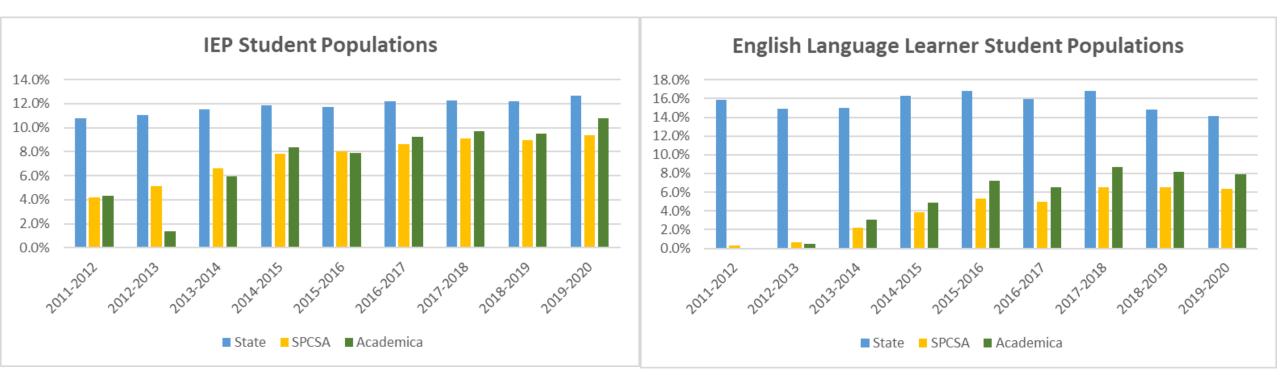
Academica was founded on the principle that each charter school is a unique educational environment that is governed by an independent Board with a specific vision for its school. Our primary purpose is to facilitate a Board's vision for its school and ensure that vision is implemented.

In 2010, Academica Nevada was formed, with local ownership and leadership bringing the Academica service model to Nevada. Beginning with just two campuses serving 1,000 students in August, 2011, the Academica Nevada family of schools has now grown to 24 campuses serving more than 27,000 students



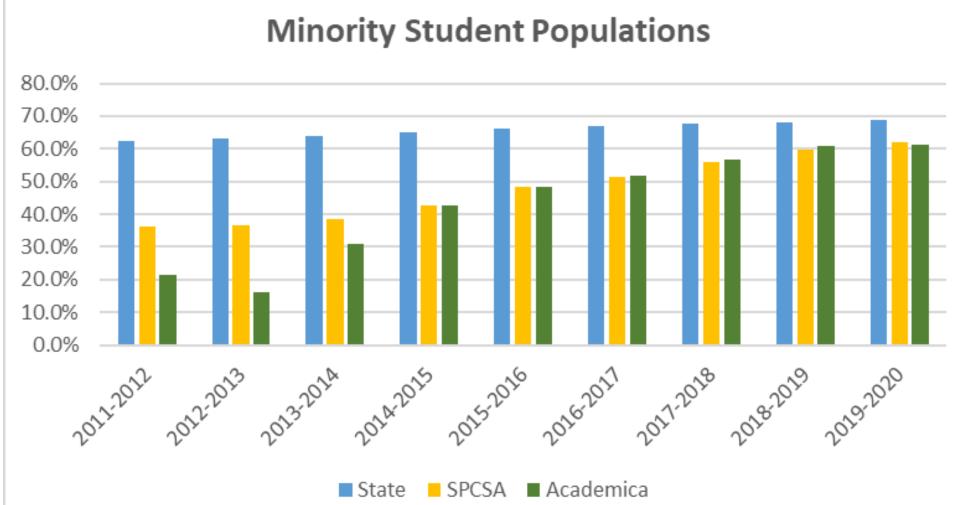


Academica Nevada- Growth and Diversification





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Miss Buchanan's Period of Adjustment

Season 2 Episode 3

"All students benefit from having teachers of color."

"Students with teachers who share their race are less likely to be suspended, more likely to be referred to gifted and talented programs, and more likely to complete high school and go to college."

"Nationally, 53% of students are people of color, yet 80% of teachers are White."

-A Strong Foundation (2020, TNTP)



The Importance of Diversity in School Faculty



Windows and Mirrors: Why Diverse Staffing Matters in Education

Teachers act as windows and mirrors for their students. Children need to be able to see people leading classrooms that look like them, but they also need access to the cross-cultural interactions and stereotype inoculation they can experience when they have teachers that act as a window into a different culture. When your students sit in the classroom, are they seeing a good balance of windows and mirrors?

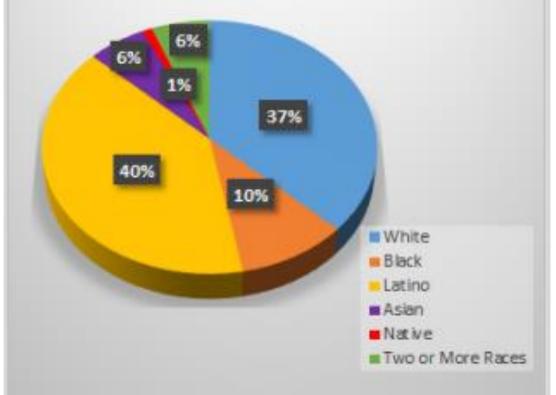


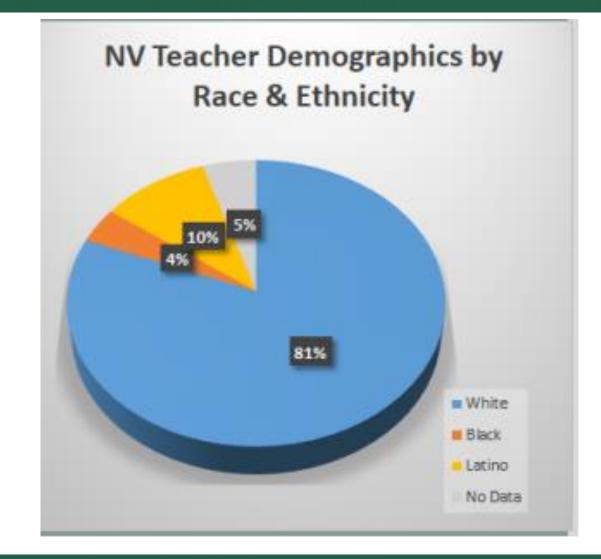
"Closing the teacher diversity gap is one of the most important steps we could take to make public education more equitable."

-A Broken Pipeline (2020, TNTP)

Faculty Demographics-State of Nevada

NV Student Demographics by Race & Ethnicity

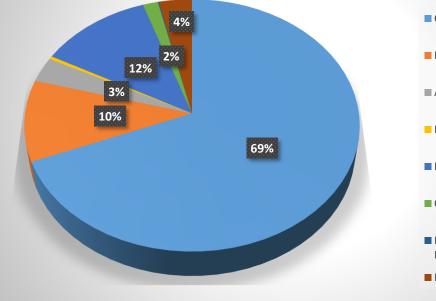






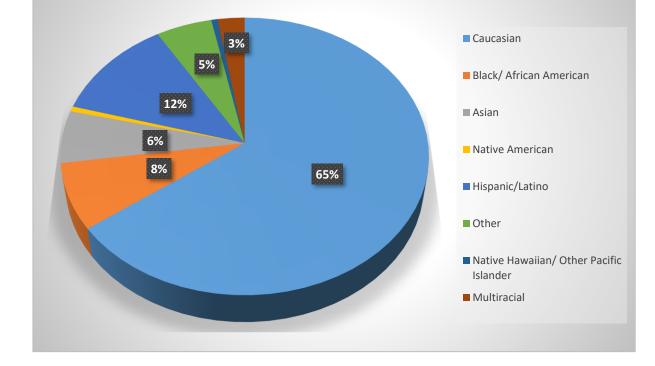
Faculty Demographics-CCSD

CCSD Administrative Personnel by Ethnicity 2020-2021



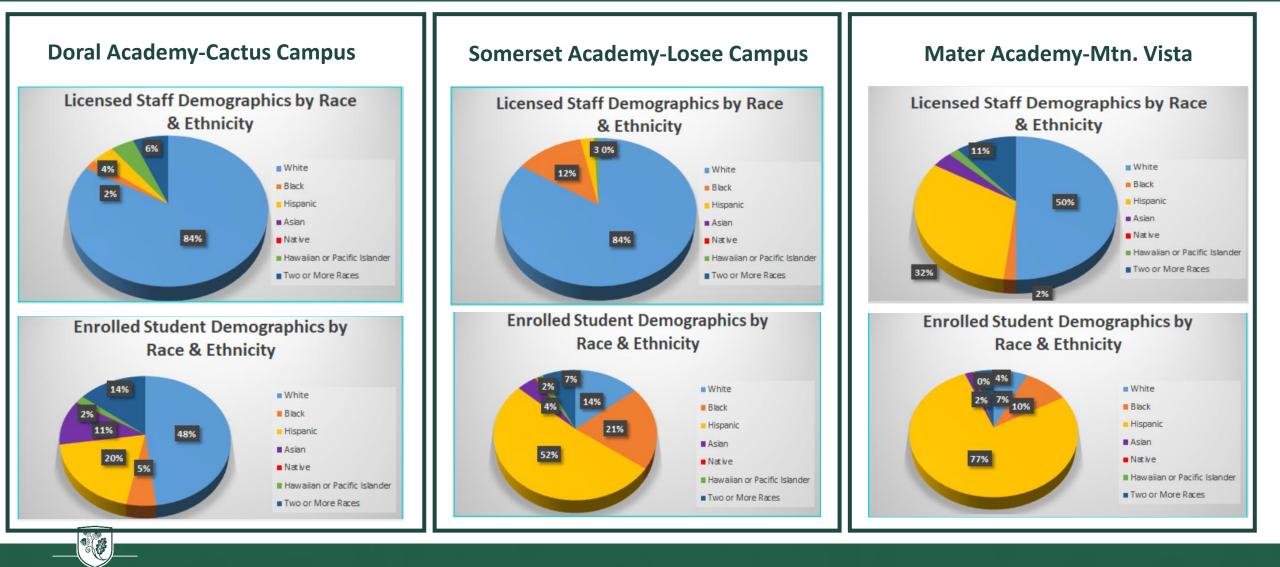








Faculty Demographics-Academica Family of Schools

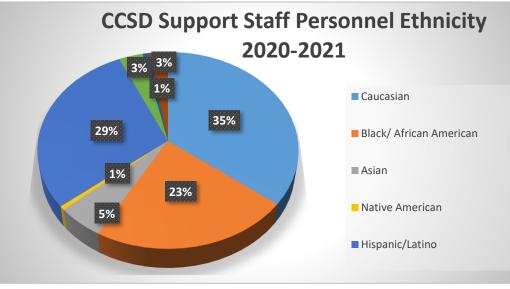


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Steps to Faculty Diversification

What We can't do -Expect a Quick solution to systemic issue, or -Hire based on raceWhat we CAN do1. DIVERSITY AWARENESS TRAINING

2. BUILDING FROM WITHIN-Increase Opportunities for Support Staff to pursue full licensure and faculty positions within existing schools







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- 3. BUILDING FROM WITHIN-Increase opportunities for Students to pursue careers in education through CTE, Dual-Enrollment, and Internship Programs
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Universities with high Hispanic student populations

Texas A & M International University University of Texas – Rio Grande Valley University of Texas – El Paso Our Lady of the Lake University Texas A & M University – Kingsville California State University – Los Angeles Florida International University St. Mary's University of San Antonio California State University – Dominguez Hills California State University – San Bernadino

Highest ranked historically black universities

Spelman College Howard University Xavier University of Louisiana Hampton University Morehouse University North Carolina A & T State University Florida A & M University Tuskegee University Clafin University Fisk University



Overall goal of the Faculty Diversification Committee is to work collaboratively with school leaders to develop guiding policies for diversifying school staff.

This committee is comprised of ten school leaders from Academica supported schools and four Academica representatives.



