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## #OURFUTUREISINTEGRATED

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End the use of all middle school screens immediately.

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End the use of discriminatory high school admissions methods through a planned process.

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Centralize and standardize the administration of high school admissions immediately.

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The use of marking period grades and/or previous year grades and test scores in elementary school is not fair and equitable.

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Eliminating the use of exclusionary screens is not an effort to take away or punish students for their work.

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### We KNOW...

Excluding children from educational opportunity based on the grades and test scores of a 9 year old is fundamentally inappropriate. Almost no other school district in the country does this.

Exclusionary screens disproportionately exclude students from our most marginalized groups such as English Language Learners, students with disabilities and students who qualify for free and reduced priced lunch.

High school screening is shrouded in secrecy. Out of approximately 150 screened programs only 20 made their methods of ranking students available to the public.

On average, students perform slightly worse on marking period grades in comparison to final grades. This is especially true for high needs students.

1 in 5 students do better on state exams in 4th grade in comparison to 3rd grade.

Many students who work hard are excluded from screened schools. There are plenty of rewards for hard work in school; why should attending a school from which other students are excluded be one of them?

We have an opportunity for our future to be integrated.