

STERLING HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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How well prepared our students are?

- Academically
- Behaviorally

Don't see a huge difference based on district; IXL diagnostic- middle 5th grade level

Yellin: study habits maybe a little better

Math:

- Signed numbers; rely too heavily on calculator
- Fractions/decimals
- Application
- 10% at grade level/90% below

Social Studies:

- Seems that sending schools "pick and choose" what they are teaching in grades 6-8.

English:

- Some students know RACE theory; not sure what districts
- Productive Struggle; challenging text- won't persevere through
- 45% at or above/10% slightly below/45% far below
 - Make inference, and support with evidence
 - Share thinking in a multitude of ways (speaking, writing)
 - Nothing in ELA that they shouldn't be exposed to (or mastered) by 8th grade

Science:

- Basic skills: definitely lacking; wide range; lack basic measuring skills, graphing skills
- Lack of resources; different levels of resources, experience with microscopes
 - Basic Lab Skills
 - Basic Measurement Skills
 - Basic Graphing Skills
 - Scientific Method