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## **Executive Director's Corner**

Momentum Gala on April 18<sup>th</sup>



RSVP here: <https://forms.gle/pHn13FzcYrRFbuyr6>

Missouri Charter Public School Commission Site Visit [Schedule](#)

- **Board Focus Group on April 10<sup>th</sup> from 2:45p-3:45p: will be held via Zoom**

Momentum News

- [City School Closures](#)

Legislative & Media Updates

## **Summary of Missouri Legislative Updates from March 10-14, 2025**

### **Priorities-Full Update linked here**

1. Facilities funding for charter public schools (budgetary line item)
2. Opportunities to provide families with an option (open enrollment and/or charter expansion)
3. Retirement system
4. Defense on Boone County
5. Opportunities to improve the educational system - early childhood, teacher support, etc.
6. Defense: protecting students and families

### Community Updates

### **Chief of Schools' Corner**

#### Curriculum & Instruction

- We hired our new Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Lauren Chaney, who will begin on July 1, 2025. The team conducted a 4-part selection process which included a phone screen, panel interview, 2-part performance task, and a final interview. We are thrilled to welcome Lauren to the team!
- Our team has made the decision to shift to i-Ready as our growth testing platform for the 25-26 school year in order to comply with Missouri regulations. We are excited to shift to one platform for all growth testing!

#### Culture

On February 28 we hosted our Quarter 3 Staff Culture Event! Our third event of the year was a family feud competition! The Tower Grove East Family made it to fast money and they were ultimately victorious! All of our school teams enjoyed the game as well as the concessions stands provided by our chefs!



### **Chief of Operation's Corner**

- 2025-2026 Priority
  - Candidate Experience Roll-Out
  - Attendance Dashboard
  - Research/Pilot Evaluation System

### **Enrollment & Attendance**

Enrollment 24-25: **581**, 88.30% of budgeted enrollment

- Closing enrollment to 8<sup>th</sup> grade as we enter testing and end of school year.
- Continuing to offer seats to new interested families in current year for grades K-7 through April.

Attendance 24-25: **90.11% Average Daily Attendance**

Enrollment 25-26: Open enrollment kicks off March 4<sup>th</sup>

- 625 budgeted enrollment
- New applicants in pipeline: 121 (30 PreK waitlist)
- 89.6% of current scholars re-committed (476)
  - 78.26% GP scholars recommitted

### **Operations**

Financial Notes:

- 990/8879 Tax forms [available here](#) for review, reviewed by Treasurer, EdOps, COO
- Federal funding accounts for \$2m (~13%) of Momentum revenue
  - o Budget projections pointed to \$160k net income in 25-26
  - o Working on contingent cost mitigation recommendations to present to March Finance Committee, including amount required from fund balance