



Preparing Students in Need to Succeed

Graduate Great | 2023-2024 Community Impact Report



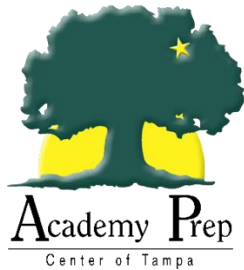
What is Graduate Great?

GRADUATE GREAT is an educational collaboration that brings local schools together to create clear and unobstructed paths to graduation and higher education for every student.

- Focuses on students from income constrained families
- Teachers and schools work together from preschool through high school
- Provides rigorous, college preparatory education AND professional work experience



Graduate Great partners

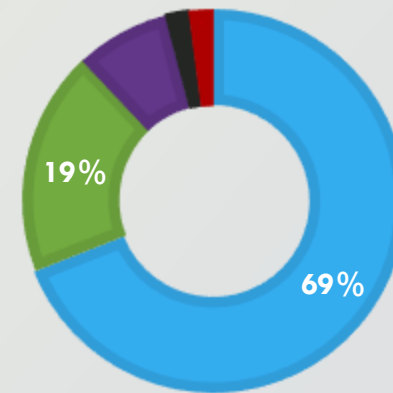


1,452

STUDENTS SERVED

from income constrained families
by partners in 2023-24

STUDENT RACE & ETHNICITY



HISPANIC 69%

BLACK OR AFRICAN
AMERICAN 19%

WHITE 8%

MULTI-RACIAL 2%

OTHER 2%

Program objectives

What success looks like by spring 2026



Cultivate quality students

- 50% of ninth graders and 60% of the total student body at Cristo Rey will **come from partner schools**.



Advance academic excellence

- An average of 70% of **all students across all grades will perform at or above grade level** in reading and 65% in math on standardized assessments.
- An average of 75% of **eighth graders will perform at or above grade level** in reading and math on standardized assessments to ensure Cristo Rey readiness.
- Cristo Rey students from partner schools will earn an average **GPA** greater than 3.0.
- Cristo Rey students from partner schools will achieve the national average **PSAT** score (860 for ninth graders, 910 for 10th graders, 970 for 11th graders) and an average **SAT** score of 1210 for 12th graders.
- 25% of Cristo Rey students from partner schools will participate in **dual enrollment**.
- 100% of Cristo Rey Students from partner schools will **graduate** on time.



Prepare life-ready leaders

- 90% of Cristo Rey students from partner schools will **attend a post-secondary education program**.
- 25% of Cristo Rey students from partner schools will meet **Florida Bright Futures Scholarship requirements**.
- 100% of Cristo Rey students from partner schools will have **less than \$3,000 in annual out-of-pocket college costs**.
- 85% of Cristo Rey students who go to a four-year college will **stay enrolled and graduate** (persistence rate).

Results summary: 2023-24



Graduate Great is increasing access to a college preparatory education for more students from income constrained families.

- In fall 2024, 41% of all ninth graders at Cristo Rey came from partner schools, and 48% of all students represent partner schools, moving toward our objectives (50% and 60%, respectively) and demonstrating the power of a partnership pipeline.



While students from partner schools have met some academic objectives, more work is necessary to achieve standards in reading, math and the PSAT/SAT.

- 3 of 6 schools met our 70% objective for students **reading at or above grade level**. Three schools increased scores YOY.
- 4 of 6 schools **exceeded our program objective in math**, with at least 65% of students scoring at or above grade level. Four schools increased their scores from the previous year.
- The percentage of **eighth graders on level** in reading (70%) and math (69%) increased year-over-year.
- Cristo Rey students from partner schools had an **average GPA** of 3.11, meeting the program objective.
- 100% of Cristo Rey seniors from partner schools **graduated in May 2024**. The graduation rate for all students was 95%.



Students have a solid foundation to begin life after graduation.

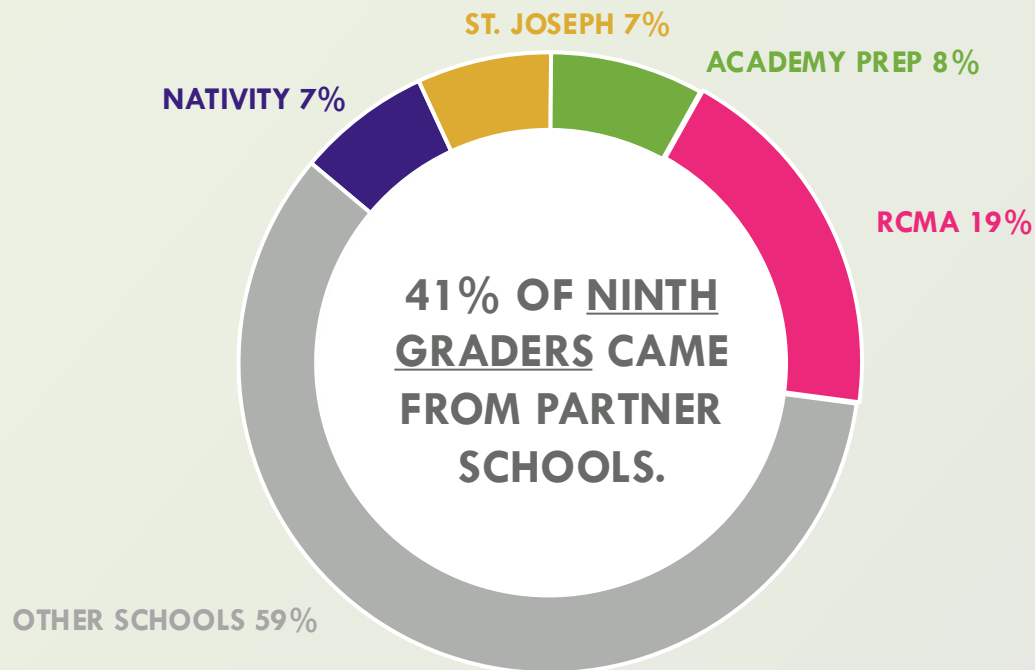
- 91% of Cristo Rey seniors **attended college after graduation**, but none met Bright Futures requirements.
- 81% of students from partner schools had \$3,000 or less in **out-of-pocket expenses per year to attend college**.
- 100% of Cristo Rey graduates from partner schools **remain in college**, exceeding our program's persistence objective



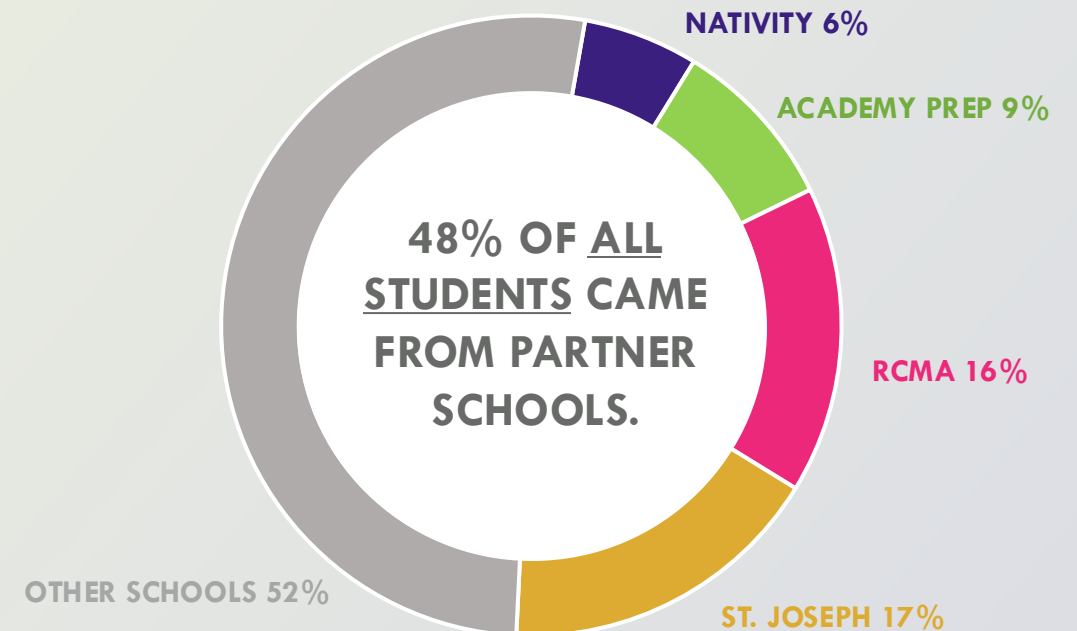
CULTIVATING QUALITY STUDENTS

In fall 2023, 41% of ninth graders entering Cristo Rey and 48% of all students came from Graduate Great partner schools

CRISTO REY FRESHMAN ENROLLMENT (N=74)



CRISTO REY TOTAL ENROLLMENT (N=228)

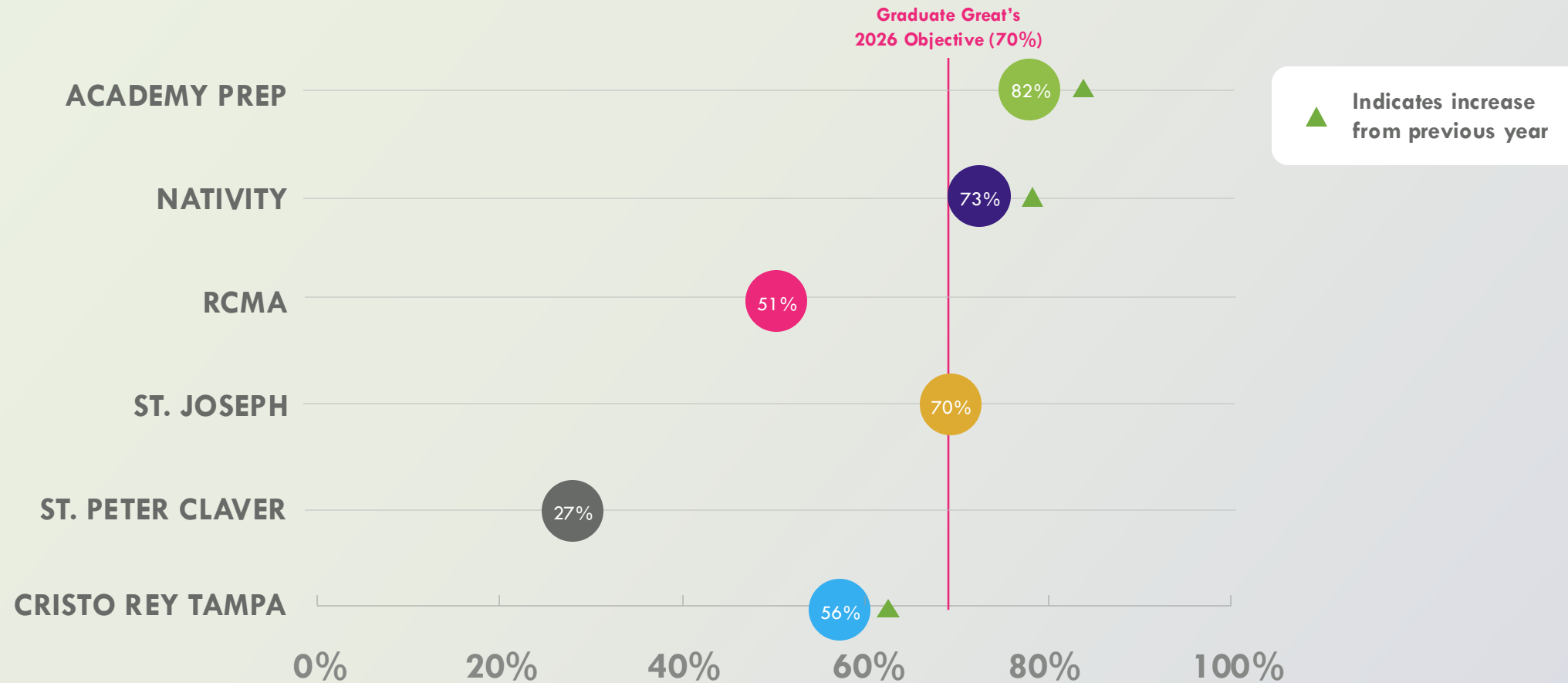


ENROLLMENT CONTRIBUTION NUMBERS ARE FROM FALL 2023. THE PROGRAM OBJECTIVE BY 2026 IS 50% FOR INCOMING FRESHMEN AND 60% FOR ALL STUDENTS.



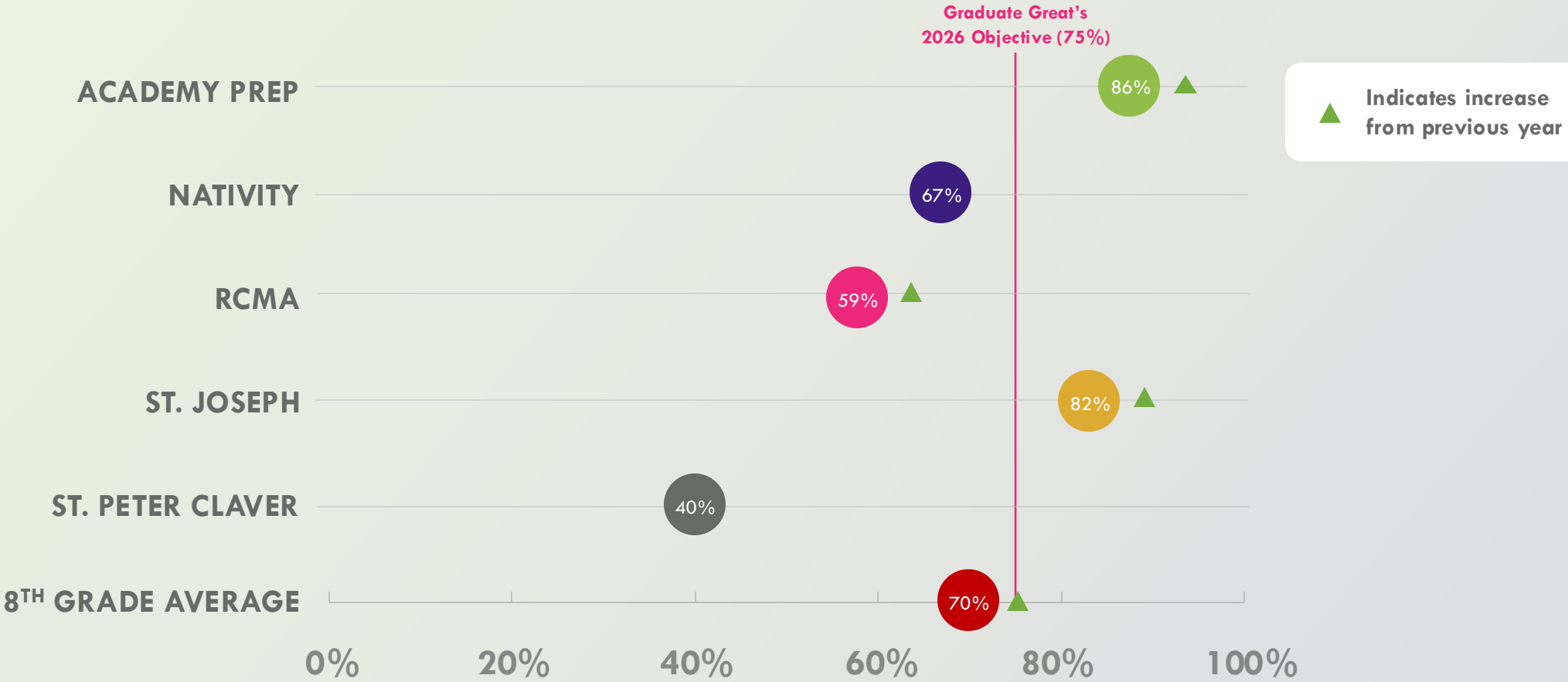
ADVANCING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

3 of 6 partner schools are meeting the program objective in reading, with three increasing their scores from the previous year



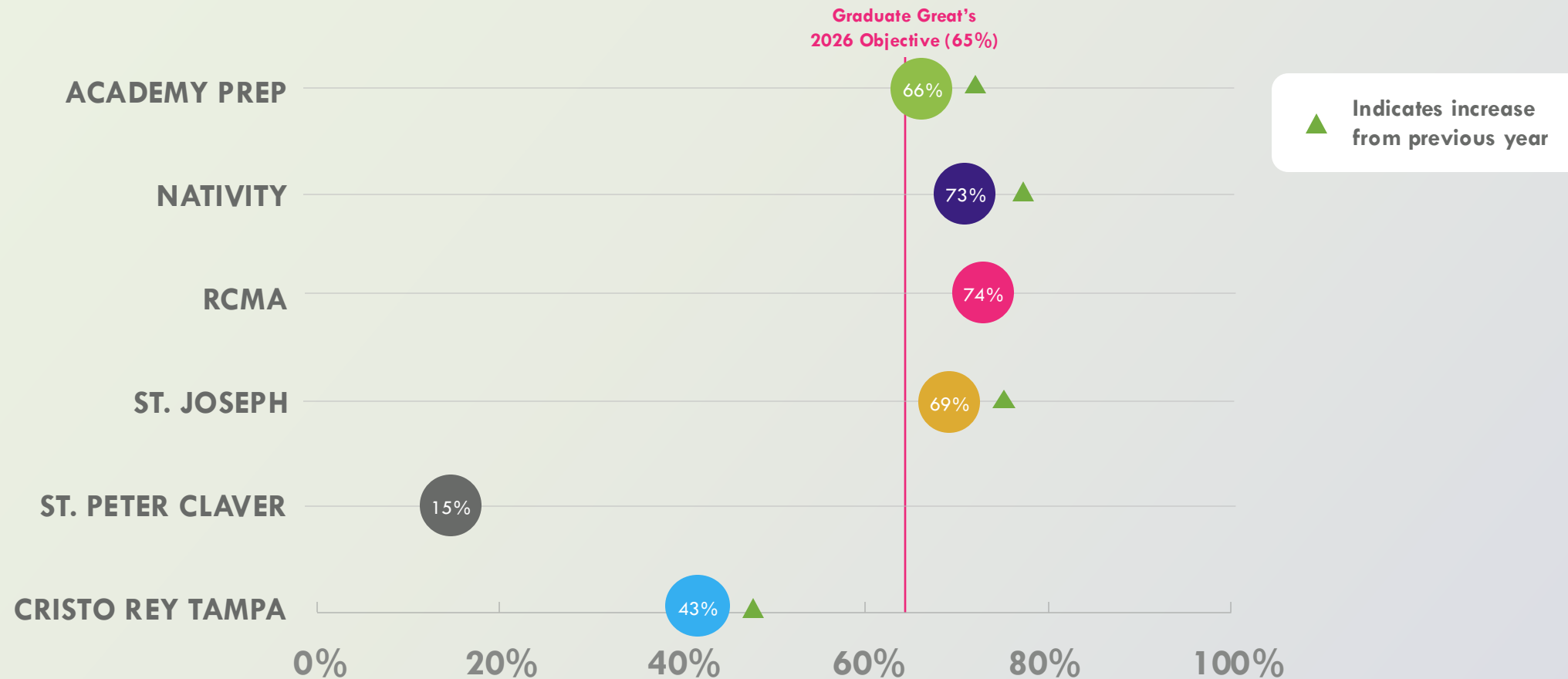
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70% of eighth graders were reading at or above grade level at the end of 2024, a 2% increase from the previous school year



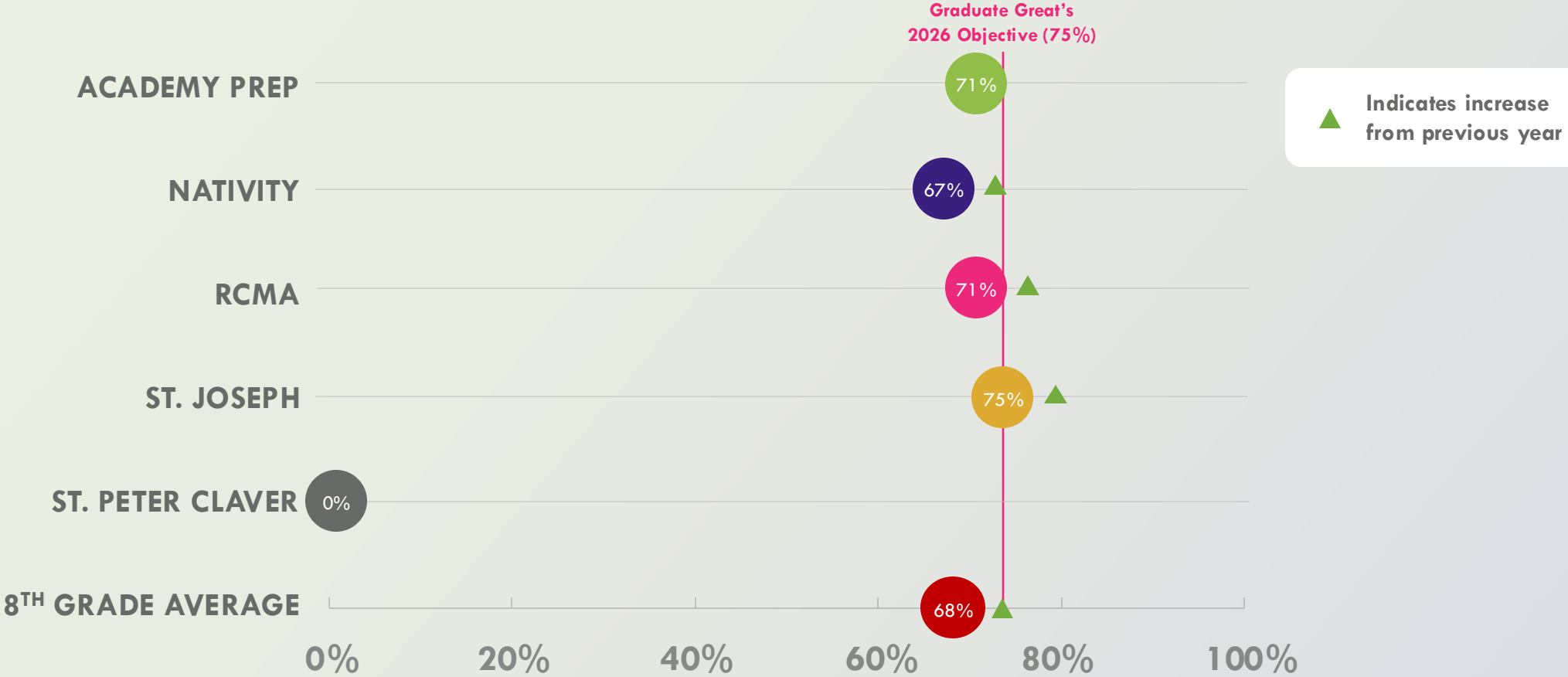
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In math, 4 of the 6 partner schools increased their scores from last year, and four are exceeding the program objective



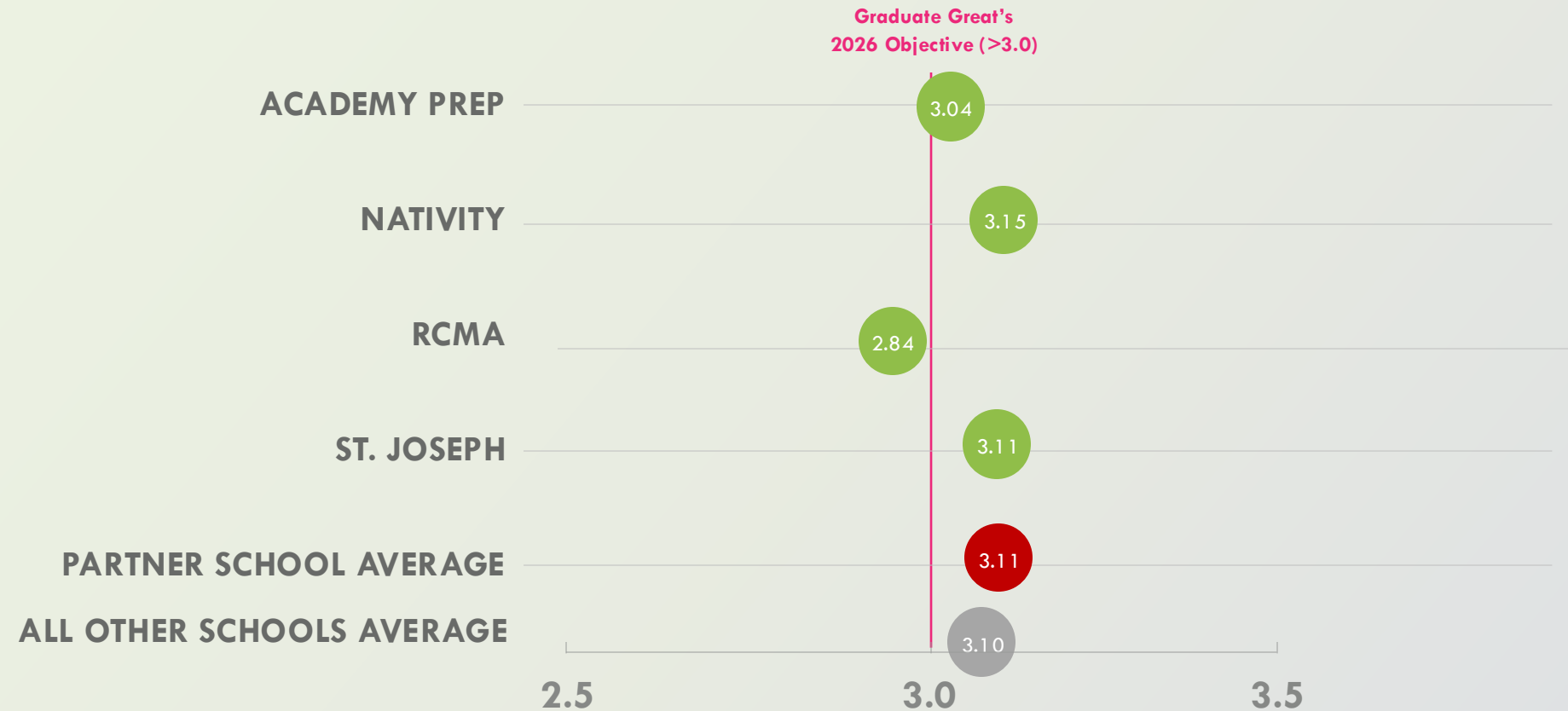
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68% of eighth graders scored at or above grade level in math at the end of 2024, an 11 % increase from the previous school year



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The average GPA for students at Cristo Rey who came from partner schools was 3.11, exceeding the program's objective of >3.0



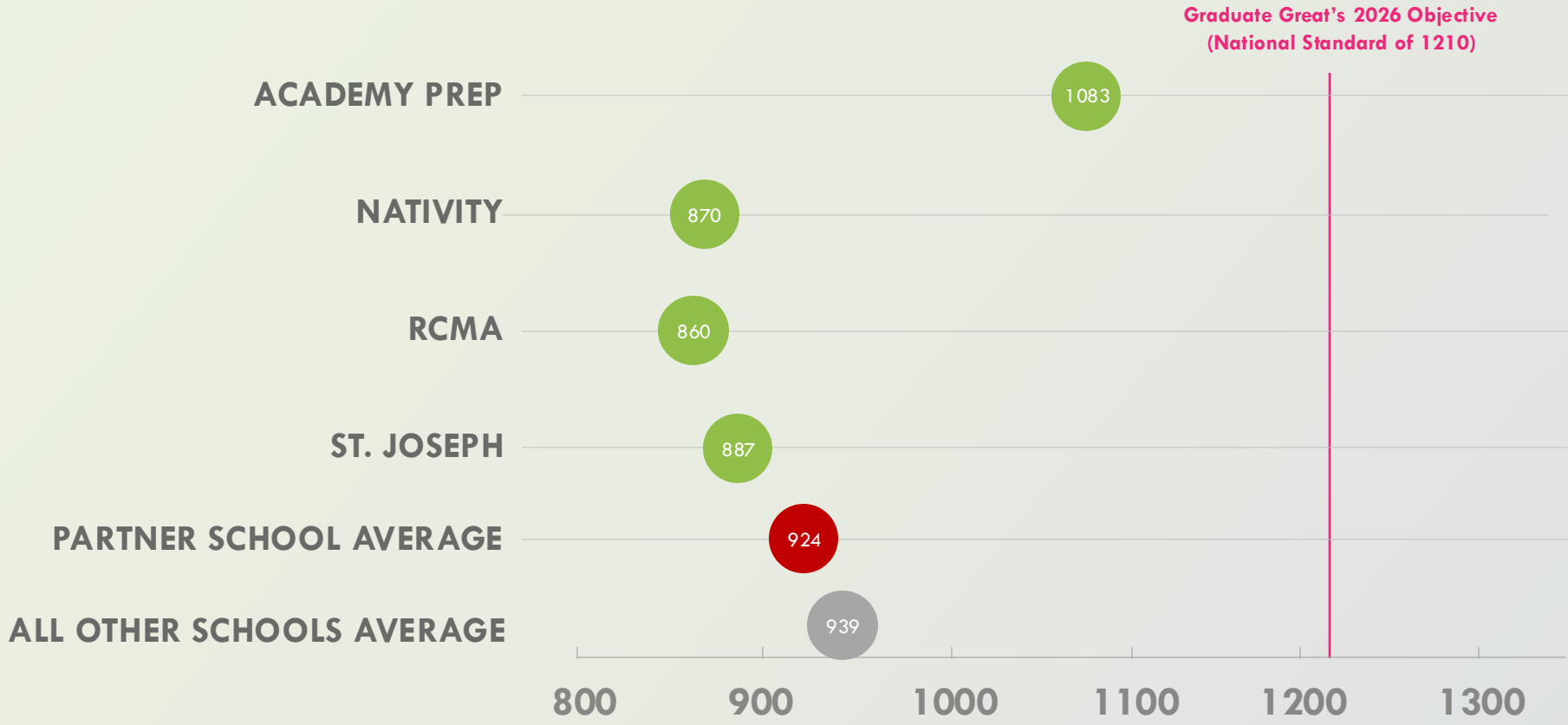
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Partner school students exceeded the national PSAT standard in 11th grade, with more work to be done across grades to achieve objectives

School Attended Prior to Enrollment	9 th	10 th	11 th	9 th -11 th Average
Academy Prep	958	910	980	949
Nativity	806	1038	860	901
RCMA	837	860	922	973
St. Joseph	825	902	1007	911
Partner School Average	834	905	985	904
All Other Schools Average	840	895	949	
2026 Objective (National Standard)	860	910	970	

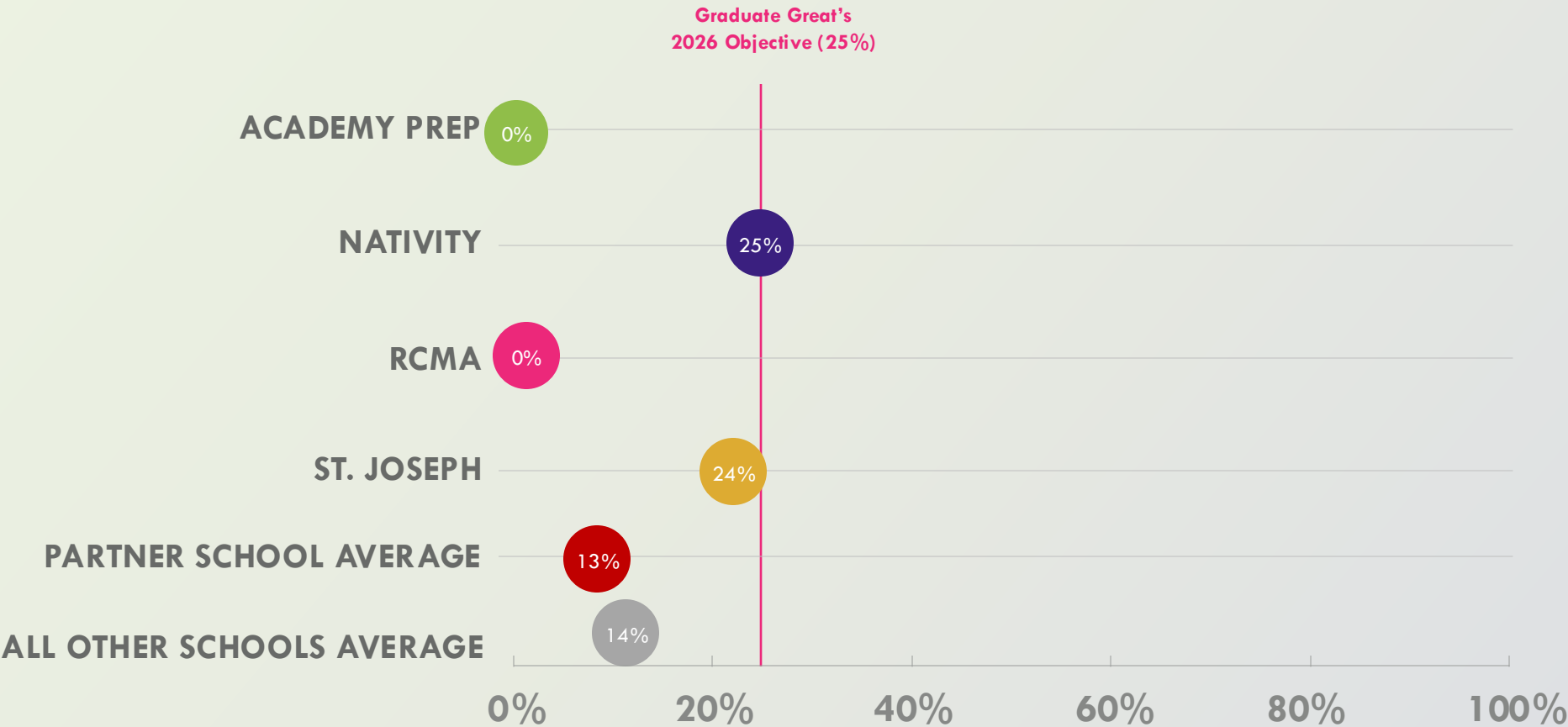
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The average SAT score for Cristo Rey seniors from partner schools lags the all-student average and national standard



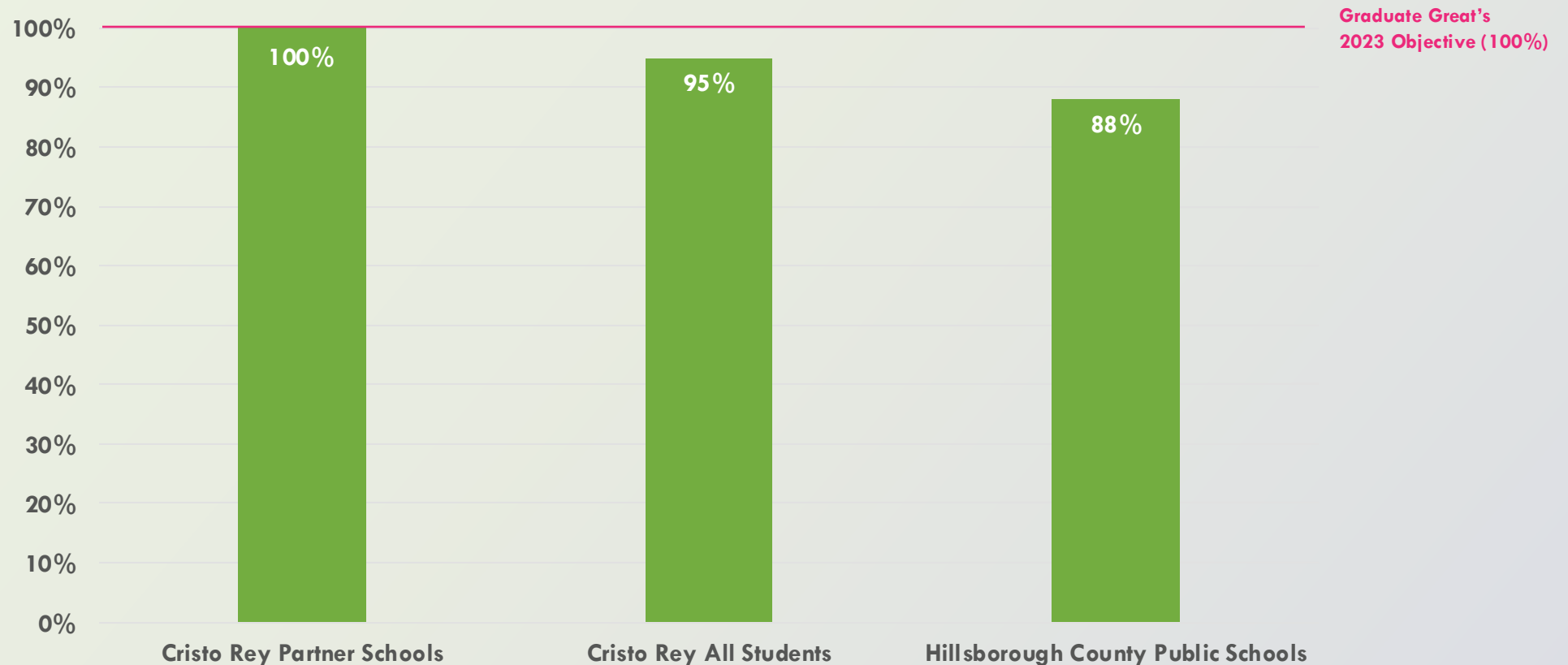
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The percentage of partner students in dual enrollment increased by 4% in 2023-24, with more work necessary to increase engagement



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100% of Cristo Rey 12th graders from partner schools graduated in May 2024 (the graduation rate for all students was 95%)



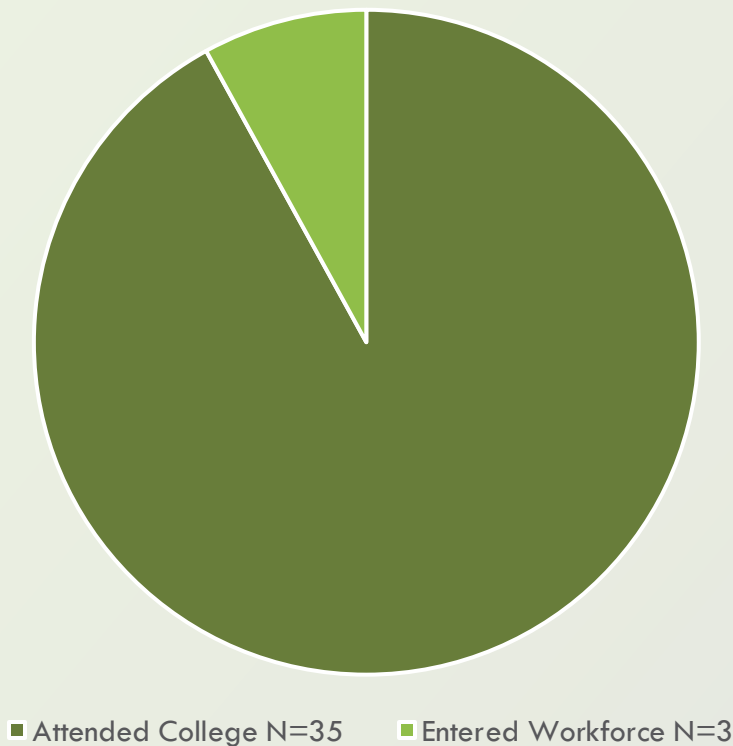
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PREPARING LIFE-READY LEARNERS

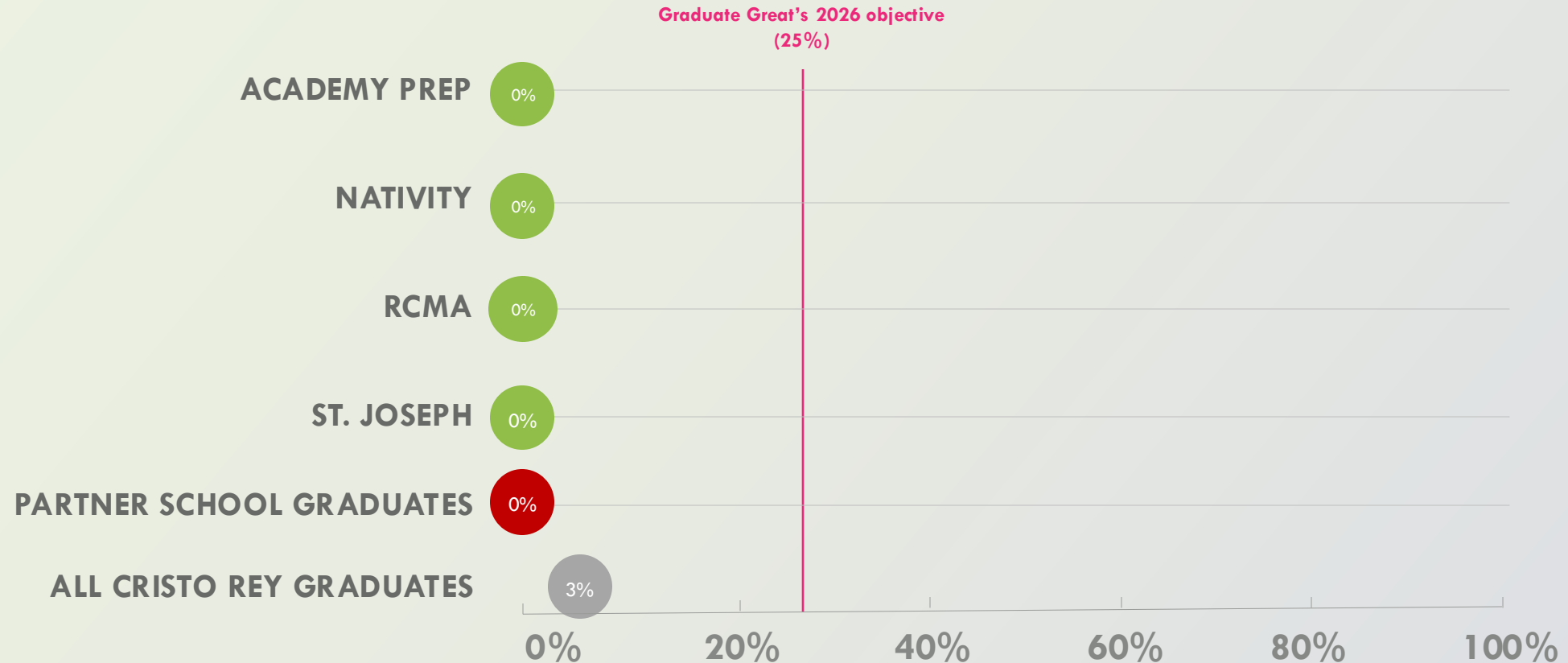
Of the 38 Cristo Rey graduates in May 2024,
92% went to college, falling below our program objective

Where Students Went After Graduation



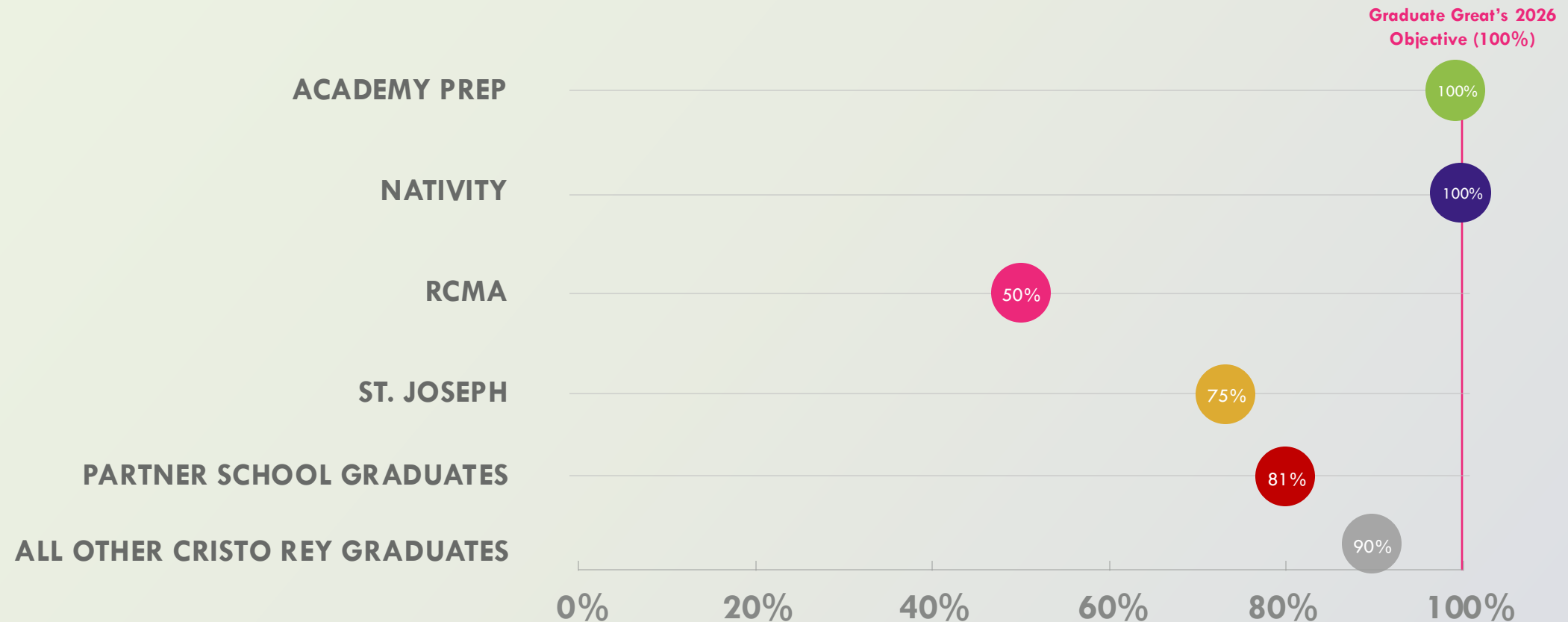
Colleges Attended	# of Students
Florida State University	1
Hampshire College	1
Hillsborough Community College	15
New College of Florida	1
Pasco Hernando State University	1
Southern Technical College	1
University of Central Florida	1
University of Detroit Mercy	1
University of North Florida	12
University of Tampa	1
TOTAL	35

No Graduate Great partners met Bright Futures requirements to reduce out-of-pocket college tuition costs and increase access



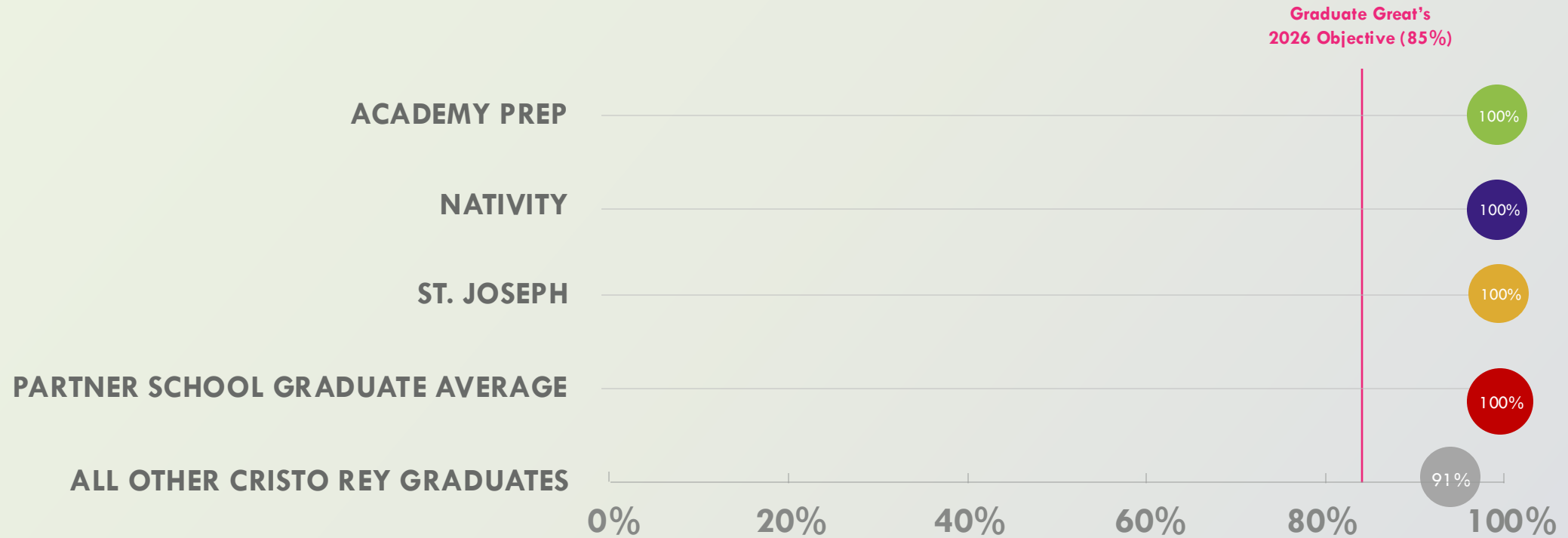
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81% of 2024 Cristo Rey graduates from partner schools had \$3,000 or less per year in out-of-pocket college costs



THIS CHART REFLECTS THE PERCENTAGE OF 12TH GRADERS AT CRISTO REY TAMPA SALESIAN HIGH SCHOOL WHO HAD \$3,000 OR LESS IN OUT-OF-POCKET COLLEGE COSTS AFTER GRADUATING IN 2023 BASED ON WHERE THEY ATTENDED SCHOOL PRIOR TO ENROLLMENT.

100% of Cristo Rey graduates from partner schools remain in college, exceeding our program's persistence objective



THIS CHART REFLECTS THE PERCENTAGE OF GRADUATES FROM CRISTO REY TAMPA SALESIAN HIGH SCHOOL WHO PERSISTED IN COLLEGE FROM THEIR SOPHMORE TO SENIOR YEAR.

Graduate Great Results Dashboard



2022-23 OUTCOMES

2023-24 OUTCOMES

SPRING 2026 OBJECTIVES

CULTIVATE QUALITY STUDENTS

Ninth Grade Enrollment Contribution	61%	41% ▼	50%
Total Enrollment Contribution (All Grades)	50%	49% ▼	60%

ADVANCE ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Students Performing at/above Level: All Grades (K-12 th)	Reading	Math	Reading	Math	Reading	Math
Academy Prep	54%	41%	82% ▲	66% ▲	70% ✓	65% ✓
Nativity	71%	61%	73% ▲	73% ▲	70% ✓	65% ✓
RCMA	59%	74%	51% ▼	74%	70%	65% ✓
St. Joseph	63%	60%	70% ▲	69% ▲	70% ✓	65% ✓
St. Peter Claver	N/A	N/A	27%	15%	70%	65%
Cristo Rey Tampa	50%	30%	56% ▲	43% ▲	70%	65%
Students Performing at/above Level: 8 th Grade Average	68%	57%	70%	68%	75%	75%
GPA for Partner School Students	3.02	3.11 ▲	>3.0	✓		
PSAT Scores for Partner School Students (Grades 9-11)	876	904 ▲	913			
SAT Scores for Partner School Students (Grade 12)	941	925 ▼	1210			
Partner Students Dually Enrolled	9%	13% ▲	25%			
Graduation Rate for Partner School Students	94%	100% ▲	100%	✓		

PREPARE LIFE-READY LEARNERS

Partner Students Attending College	98%	92% ▼	90%	✓
Partner Students Meeting Bright Futures Requirements	6%	0% ▼	25%	
Partner Students Meeting Annual Out-of-Pocket Tuition Goal	88%	81% ▼	100%	
College Persistence Rate for Partner School Graduates	75%	100% ▲	85%	✓

The plan forward



Cultivate quality students

- Added St. Peter Claver in 2023-24 and will add Corpus Christi in 2024-25 to maintain enrollment goals.
- Better support partner schools with processes, communication and prospect identification.
- Continue convening teachers to collaborate and align on consistent curriculum and instruction that will set students up for success at Cristo Rey Tampa; focus on both academic and emotional intelligence.
- Work more closely with families to increase awareness and understanding of Cristo Rey's value.



Advance academic excellence

- Continue with the Silicon Valley Math Initiative for Cristo Rey to improve student outcomes in math.
- Focus more deeply on emotional intelligence for overall achievement.
- Increase student support from partner schools with the transition/adaptation to high school.
- Begin preparing students for the PSAT, SAT and college benchmarking in ninth grade; start advising earlier.
- Offer dual enrollment to all who are ready.



Prepare life-ready learners

- Focus on a scholarship assistance strategy to reduce annual out-of-pocket college tuition costs.
- Track progress beyond high school to view long-term student success and lives changed; communicate that story to funders, partners, community leaders and families.
- Increase number of students who meet Bright Future requirements by improving the various academic strategies.

“Graduate Great students don’t perform better because they have a gift other students don’t; they perform better because of the hard work, dedication and strategic focus of the teachers and administrators they work with every day through the Graduate Great program.”

**— Matthew Torano, principal,
Cristo Rey Tampa Salesian
High School**



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