

October 30, 2025

Dear Mustang Families,

I am bursting with pride to announce that Mundelein High School has earned a **Commendable designation** on the 2024 Illinois School Report Card, achieving our highest-ever Summative Index Score of **86.79**! When I assumed the principalship in 2022, our school was navigating a fragile and challenging period. Together, through relentless focus, strategic innovation, and collective determination, we have climbed from a score of 80.82 to where we stand today. This remarkable growth proves that with an unwavering belief in every student, all students *CAN*! ¡Sí se puede!

Allow me to highlight four remarkable accomplishments that showcase the excellence happening in our halls:

- 1. **Record Graduation Rate Achievement** We reached the maximum possible score of 50 points, reflecting our commitment that every student crosses our graduation stage prepared for their future.
- 2. Exceptional Growth for English Learners Our EL students' scores surged from 36.73 to 58.06 over the past four years, demonstrating our dedication to supporting multilingual learners.
- 3. **Closing Achievement Gaps** Hispanic/Latino students improved by more than 11 points (69.31 to 80.9), and low-income students grew nearly 13 points (63.82 to 76.05), proving that all students can achieve at high levels.
- 4. **Special Education Gains** Students with disabilities improved (63.57 to 67.87), maintaining maximum ELA proficiency and showing steady progress despite increased support needs.

These results didn't happen by accident. They are the direct outcome of our staff's innovative instruction, tireless dedication, and our leadership team's strategic focus. Everyone's collaborative spirit, commitment to professional growth, and refusal to accept anything less than high expectations has transformed our school.

As I prepare to transition to my next chapter, I am filled with immense pride about where we've come from, but I'm also thrilled about what lies ahead. Our current construction project isn't just about renovating spaces—it's about reimagining learning for the next generation. With state-of-the-art flexible learning environments, collaborative innovation hubs, expanded career and technical education facilities, and inclusive spaces designed for all of our diverse learners, this building will be a physical manifestation of our values: equity, growth and collaboration. Here's to continued celebration and the incredible future ahead!

With Mustang Pride,

Dr. Alexandria Rios Taylor, Principal