

The BARR Center (Building Assets, Reducing Risks) is a national non-profit organization dedicated to educational best practices, having been adopted in over **180 schools K-12, in 118 districts** in the United States. BARR is an educational model that improves the education system and creates strong schools and communities by empowering students, teachers, staff, and family with intentionally deepened relationships and data so that schools can re-align existing resources to nurture a unified and personalized culture of support and success for every student, both inside and outside of the classroom.



Same Students. Same Teachers. **Better Results.**



We believe that not only is education a right, but **success in education is a right**. Equity is a core value of the BARR model, which has been shown to have especially powerful results in closing gaps for students farthest from opportunity. An independent study found that BARR helped narrow gaps in credits earned and passing rate for students of color, males and students living below the poverty line.

Theory of Change/Mediation Analysis

BARR is an evidence-based, transformational system with a suite of 19 positive outcomes and risk reductions - at the student level, teacher level and school level.

Evidence Based Recognition



- Teachers perceive their school + school administration as more supportive**
- Teachers have a greater sense of self-efficacy (i.e., they can affect learning, motivation, and student behavior)**

- Enhanced collaboration amongst teachers***
- Teachers use data to better understand + support students, + build socioemotional skills***
- Teachers create positive, intentional relationships with students

- Students feel more supported by adults***
- Students feel more is expected of them***
- Students feel more engaged in/excited about school**

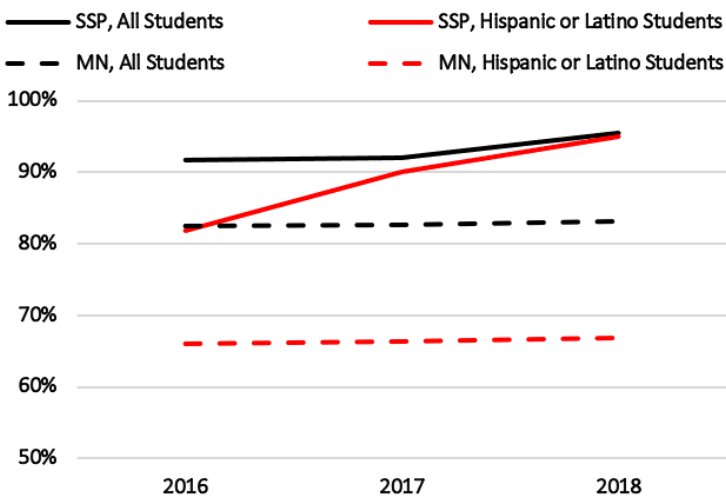
- Improved student attendance
- Decreased student behavioral issues (e.g., suspensions)
- Enhanced student socioemotional skills

- Increased graduation rates
- Improved math scores**
- Improved reading scores*
- Increased core credits earned***
- Higher pass rates in core classes***

*Per most recent AIR evaluation of BARR, this outcome is statistically significant at $p \leq .05$, ** at $p \leq .01$, *** at $p \leq .001$



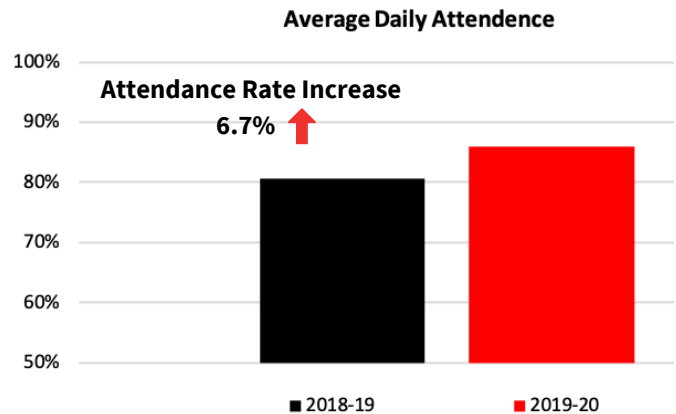
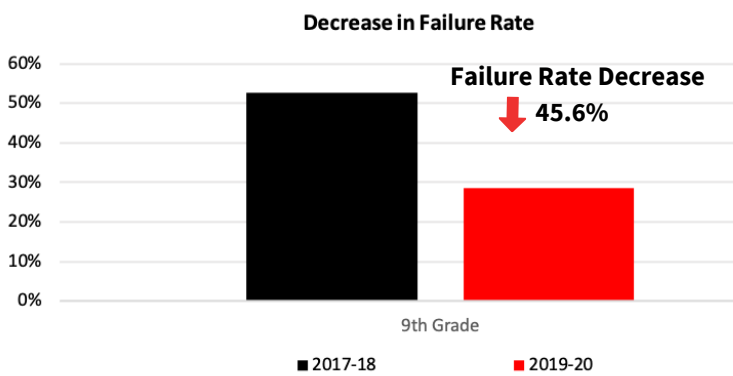
BARR Closes the Gap in Graduation Rates



South St. Paul Public Schools Implementation

South St. Paul Public Schools began implementing BARR in 2017 at the secondary level with 120 students. **They are now implementing the BARR model district-wide K-12 with over 3,000 students.**

Kaposia Education Center (2020)
Lincoln Center Elementary (2020)
South St. Paul Middle School (2020)
South St. Paul High School (2016-2017 planning year, 2017-2018 began)



“ I am watching the climate of the building change. I am watching the teachers talk to each other differently. I am watching the teachers hold each other accountable in a way that they never have before.”

Angie Ryter, Assistant Principal and BARR Coordinator
South St. Paul High School

