

## Denver Public Schools

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Rating: Distinguished School

Dear Parent and/or Guardian,

I am excited to announce that Slavens School was rated **Distinguished** by the 2009 School Performance Framework (SPF) which means that our school **exceeded district expectations and achieved high status and high growth**. Our Distinguished rating is a true tribute to the hard work and dedication of our students, teachers, support staff and parents. Our school is one of only nine in Denver Public Schools (DPS) to receive a Distinguished rating this year and we celebrate this tremendous success. We will continue to work hard to ensure that at Slavens School we are challenging and supporting our students so that they will continue to shine.

If you would like a copy of our SPF scorecard go to <http://www.dpsk12.org/SPF> or pick one up in our front office.

### **About the SPF:**

DPS launched the School Performance Framework (SPF) in September 2008. It is a mechanism the district uses to accredit schools as required by the Colorado Department of Education, but more importantly, it provides a comprehensive body of evidence about school performance. It is aligned with district goals, as well as state and federal mandates. It incorporates data provided by CSAP and AYP, but it does not replace those measures.

What makes the SPF so unique and powerful is that it reflects the work being done in our schools by showing us whether our students are learning over time and demonstrating improvement from one year to the next. It provides the most complete and comprehensive picture of school performance in DPS that we have ever seen.

I am proud of the hard work that all of our students and teachers do every day. I believe we will find the SPF to be a valuable guide in our efforts to keep this great momentum going.

Thank you for all you do in support of your child's academic achievement.

Sincerely,

Kurt Siebold  
Principal