



# Wallace Stegner Academy Charter School Replication Summary

**Location:** Granite School District

**Grades:** K-8

**Opening Date:** August 2021

**Enrollment Capacity:** 810 students

## **Wallace Stegner Academy – Governance & Leadership**

### Governing Board Members

Sarah Vaughan, *Chair*

Andrew Bernstein, *Vice Chair*

Frank Magaña, *Financial Coordinator*

Jeremy Schow, *Secretary*

Reed Farnsworth

### Administrators

Anthony Sudweeks, *Co-Executive Director and Director of Academics*

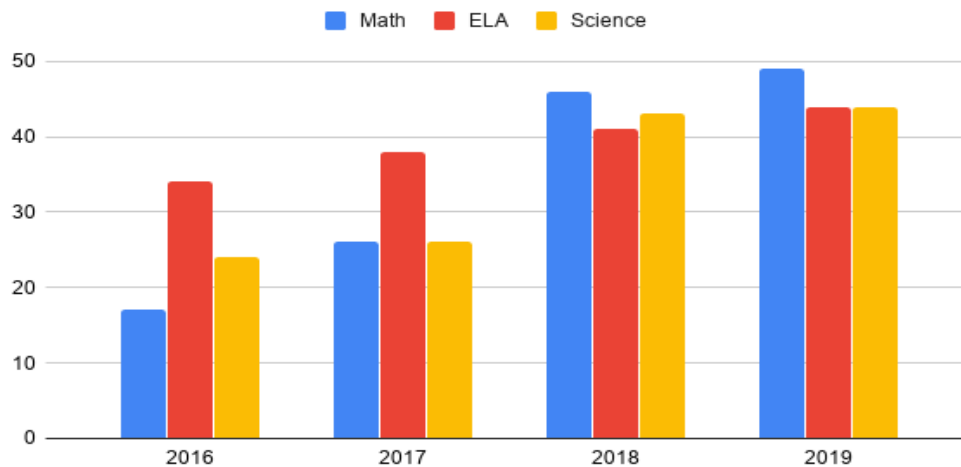
Adam Gerlach, *Co-Executive Director and Director of Operations*

## **Wallace Stegner Academy – Mission & Philosophy**

Wallace Stegner Academy's primary goal is to serve the specific needs of students who are at risk of academic failure. These students are often economically disadvantaged, language minority, and multicultural students that lack opportunities to take advantage of better public education options. At WSA, we strive to close the academic achievement gap through research-based, systematic, direct instruction in an environment that fosters both academic and personal growth for our students.

After three operational years, our approach to closing the academic achievement gap has resulted in wonderful growth and student achievement with significant gains year after year in all tested subjects.

WSA Academic Growth 2016-2019



## **Target Population / Positive Market Indicators**

- Primary Target Area: Kearns/Taylorville
- Existing Student Population: Over 9,800 students attend district elementary and junior high schools located within Kearns and Taylorville
- Similar demographic profile to current WSA community
- Significantly higher density of school-aged children in new target area
- Prior experience planning, marketing and implementing WSA model
- Marketing efforts enhanced by a record of academic success
- Board and administrators dedicated to closing the academic achievement gap