

# Public Information: 2016-17 Student Growth and Achievement



Relay aims to develop teachers who are effective and inspiring. We help teachers build the skills to measure their own success through **Student Growth and Achievement (SGA)** coursework. For teachers in our M.A.T. programs, SGA culminates in a capstone project known as the Master’s Defense, which is a graduation requirement.

As part of our **Master’s Defense**, teachers set goals for attaining minimum levels of student achievement. See Table I for examples of goals.

In the 2016-17 academic year, teachers who completed their Master’s Defense achieved an average reading growth of **1.3 years** with their students.

Relay is currently conducting research on its completer impact and indicators of teaching effectiveness; the results will become available in two years.

Table I: Sample SGA Goals	
Minimum	Ambitious
On average, my students will achieve one year’s reading growth as measured by the STEP Literacy Assessment.	At least 80% of my students will meet their student specific ambitious goals in reading as measured by the STEP Literacy Assessment.
On average, my fifth-grade students will achieve 70% mastery of the fifth-grade state science standards.	On average, my fifth-grade students will achieve 80% mastery of the fifth-grade state science standards.
On average, my students’ average writing rubric scores will grow one level as measured by a five point, 6 Traits rubric.	On average, my students’ average writing rubric scores will grow 1.5 levels as measured by a five point, 6 Traits rubric.