

EAC Definition of Quality

- ▶ Acknowledging that quality varies for each individual, the EAC Defining Quality and Equitable Access Subcommittee - with its members' expertise, community feedback, and BPS research on quality - has drafted the following preliminary definition of a quality school to include:
 - ▶ Academic excellence and student academic growth in all grades, across all subgroups of race, ethnicity, English Language Learners and students with disabilities
 - ▶ Principal effectiveness and teacher excellence with caring teachers and school staff
 - ▶ Parent engagement and a sense of community within and outside of the school
 - ▶ Effective community partnerships
 - ▶ Focus on the development of the whole child and the needs of all learners, though arts, music, athletics, and program and course offerings
 - ▶ Safe and positive school climate including social and emotional support
 - ▶ Adequate and appropriate facilities
 - ▶ As close to home as possible