APPROACH TO EQUITY
Equity Index

As prioritization was evaluated, we considered a method to evaluate district-wide equity and equality through an Equity Index that defines a baseline for ALL schools/programs with more rigor than just looking at student poverty.

Student Equity- Giving all students the same chance for success. For measuring student equity, we used the following index:

Equity Index:
$$\frac{\text{School \% High Poverty} + \%ELL + \%SPED + \%Volatility}{\text{District Average \% High Poverty} + \%ELL + \%SPED + \%Volatility}$$

This is in line with how DPS allocates student-based funding.

What is the Data?
- District average Equity Index (EI) is 1.0
- You can read an EI of 1.1 as that school having 10% above average population of harder-to-serve students. An EI of 0.7 indicates that school has 30% smaller than average population of harder-to-serve students.

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