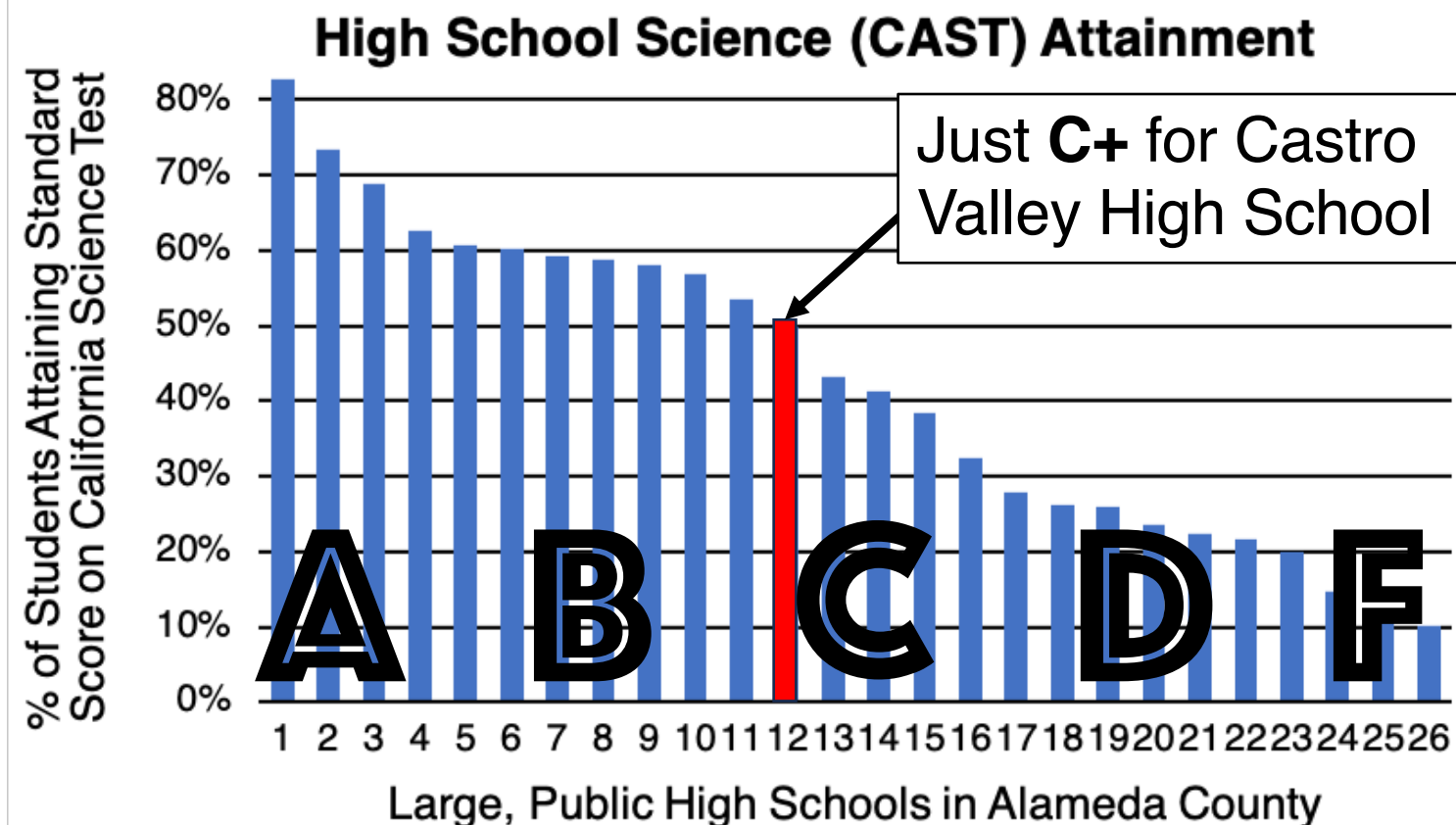


Please Elect Joseph Grcar “Mr. Science” for Castro Valley School Board this November



About half of Castro Valley High School students do not meet the California Science Test (CAST) standard. Yet science education matters in Castro Valley. Surrounded by companies for biotechnology, computer science, robotics, and venture capital, we should expect better.

The problem is priorities. Castro Valley High School does not offer enough Advanced Placement (AP) classes for all interested students. Parents report confusion, inconsistency, and a lack of transparency in course selection, with some even alleging that AP spots have been traded or sold. Whatever the truth of every allegation, these concerns demand accountability.

Students eager to challenge themselves should be encouraged, not turned away. They deserve fair access to advanced coursework, high expectations, and a school board committed to academic excellence.

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