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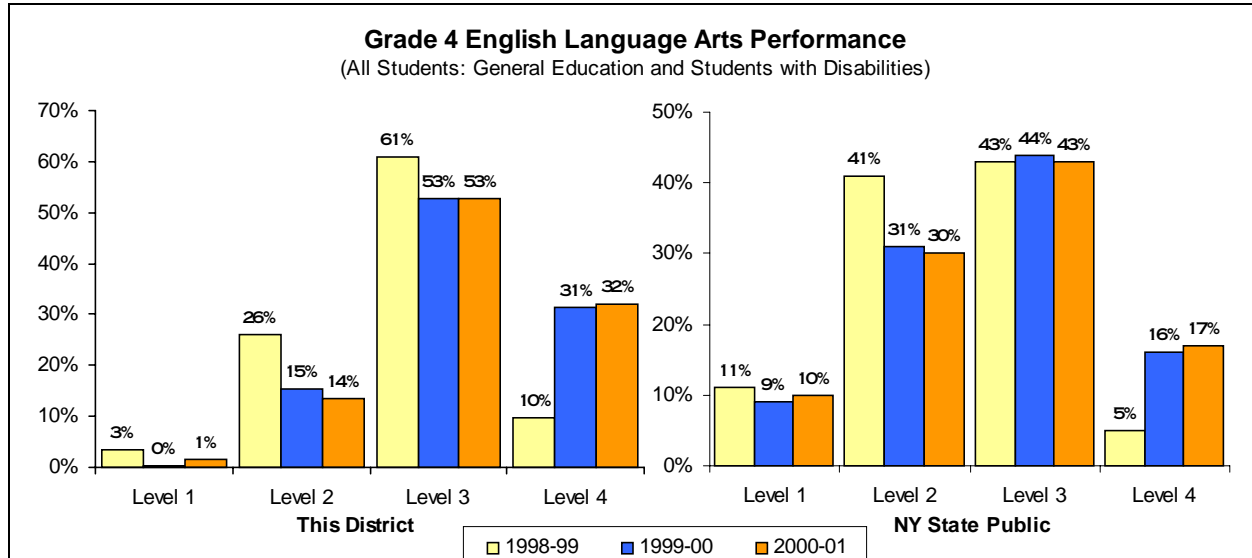
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# Elementary Level

## English Language Arts



Performance at This District		Counts of Students								Mean Score
		Not Tested			Tested					
		AA <sup>1</sup>	ELL <sup>2</sup>	Absent <sup>3</sup>	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	
Jan 1999	General Education		0	0	9	77	206	33	325	661
	Students with Disabilities	0	0	0	3	13	5	1	22	630
	All Students	0	0	0	12	90	211	34	347	659
Jan 2000	General Education		5	0	0	49	207	129	385	682
	Students with Disabilities	1	0	1	1	15	11	1	28	637
	All Students	1	5	1	1	64	218	130	413	679
Jan 2001	General Education		1	10	4	48	200	126	378	679
	Students with Disabilities	1	0	8	2	7	13	3	25	654
	All Students	1	1	18	6	55	213	129	403	678

### Grade 4 English Language Arts Levels - Listening, Reading, and Writing Standards

<b>Level 4</b>	These students <b>exceed the standards</b> and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination. All students scoring from <b>692 to 800</b> are in this level.
<b>Level 3</b>	These students <b>meet the standards</b> and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from <b>645 to 691</b> are in this level.
<b>Level 2</b>	These students <b>need extra help</b> to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from <b>603 to 644</b> are in this level.
<b>Level 1</b>	These students have <b>serious academic deficiencies</b> . All students scoring from <b>455 to 602</b> are in this level.

### Performance of English Language Learners (ELL)

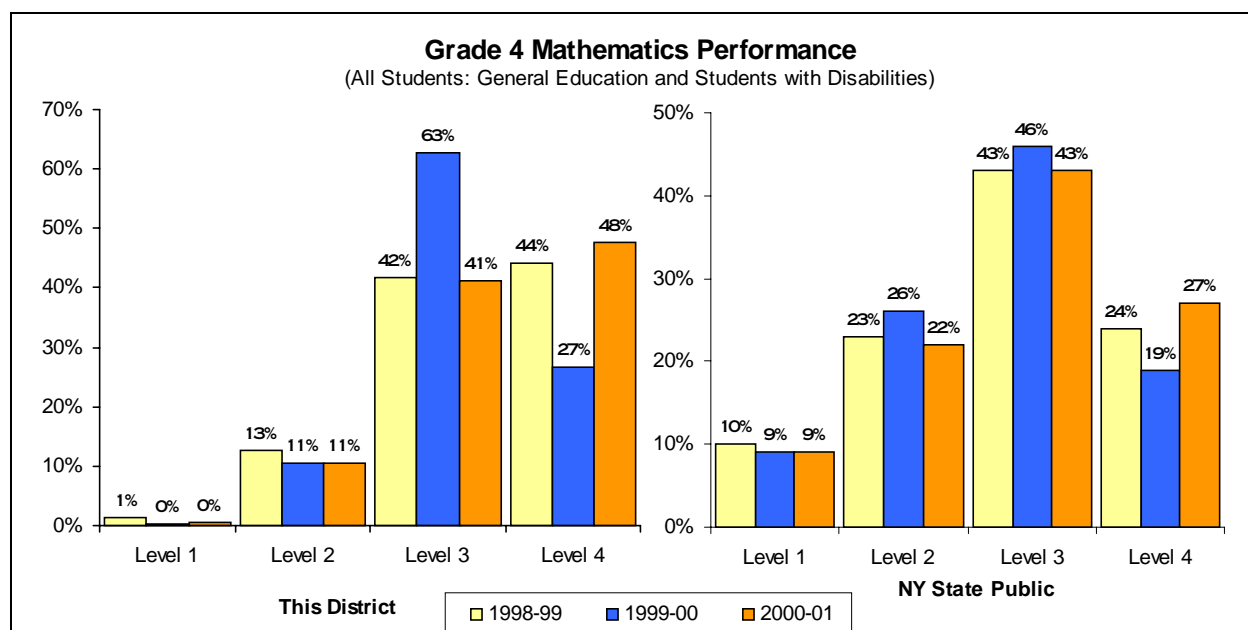
ELL are students for whom English is a second language. Schools teach these students English so they can participate effectively in the academic program. ELL students without sufficient proficiency in English are not required to take the grade 4 ELA test. Their progress in learning English is measured, using standardized tests, and reported.

Grade 4	English Proficiency Below Effective Participation Level	Making Appropriate Progress
January 2001	1	#

- For 2001, these students were eligible for the Alternate Assessment (AA). For 2000 and 1999, these students were exempt from this test because of disability as stated in their Individualized Educational Program.
  - These students were not required to take the grade 4 ELA test because they were English Language Learners (ELL) who performed below the 30<sup>th</sup> percentile on another appropriate English reading assessment.
  - These students were enrolled at the time of testing, but were not present to complete some part of the ELA assessment.
- # To protect student confidentiality, the pound character (#) appears when fewer than five students in a group were tested. If fewer than five were tested in one subgroup, then counts appear only in the "All Students" category.

# Elementary Level

## Mathematics



Performance at This District		Counts of Students								Mean Score
		Not Tested			Tested					
		AA <sup>1</sup>	ELL <sup>2</sup>	Absent <sup>3</sup>	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	
June 1999	General Education		0	1	3	35	139	149	326	674
	Students with Disabilities	5	0	0	2	9	7	6	24	654
	All Students	5	0	1	5	44	146	155	350	672
May 2000	General Education		1	0	0	33	247	110	390	667
	Students with Disabilities	1	0	0	1	11	15	1	28	637
	All Students	1	1	0	1	44	262	111	418	665
May 2001	General Education		0	1	1	39	153	192	385	678
	Students with Disabilities	5	0	2	1	4	16	3	24	652
	All Students	5	0	3	2	43	169	195	409	676

Grade 4 Mathematics Levels - Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards	
<b>Level 4</b>	These students <b>exceed the standards</b> and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination. All students scoring from <b>678 to 810</b> are in this level.
<b>Level 3</b>	These students <b>meet the standards</b> and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from <b>637 to 677</b> are in this level.
<b>Level 2</b>	These students <b>need extra help</b> to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from <b>602 to 636</b> are in this level.
<b>Level 1</b>	These students have <b>serious academic deficiencies</b> . All students scoring from <b>448 to 601</b> are in this level.

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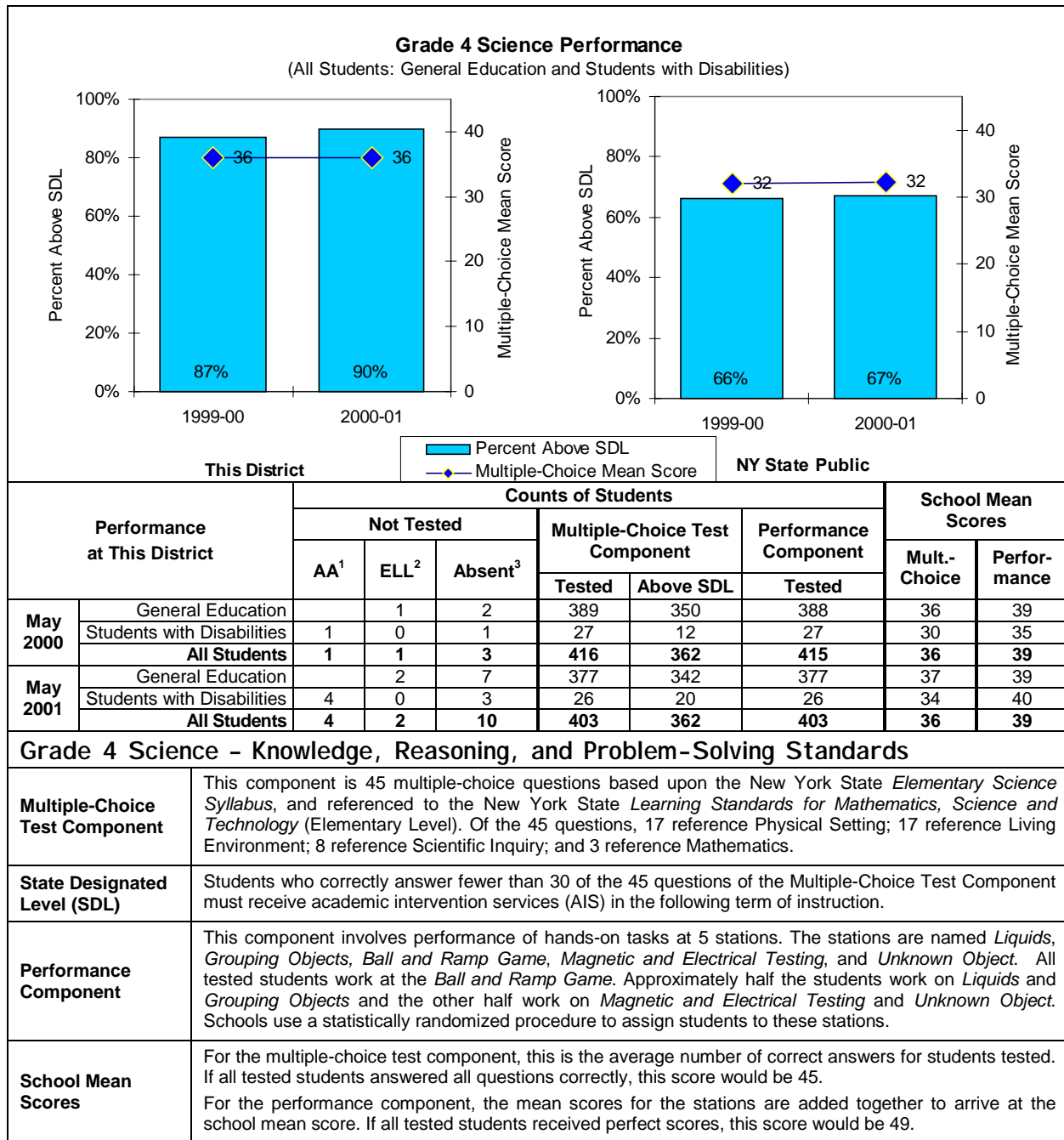
2 These students were not required to take this test because they were English language learners (ELL) who perform below the 30<sup>th</sup> percentile on an appropriate English reading assessment and there was no test form available in their native language. Other ELL students must take this test, but may take an alternative language form if such is available.

3 These students were enrolled at the time of testing but were not present to complete some part of this mathematics assessment.

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# Elementary Level

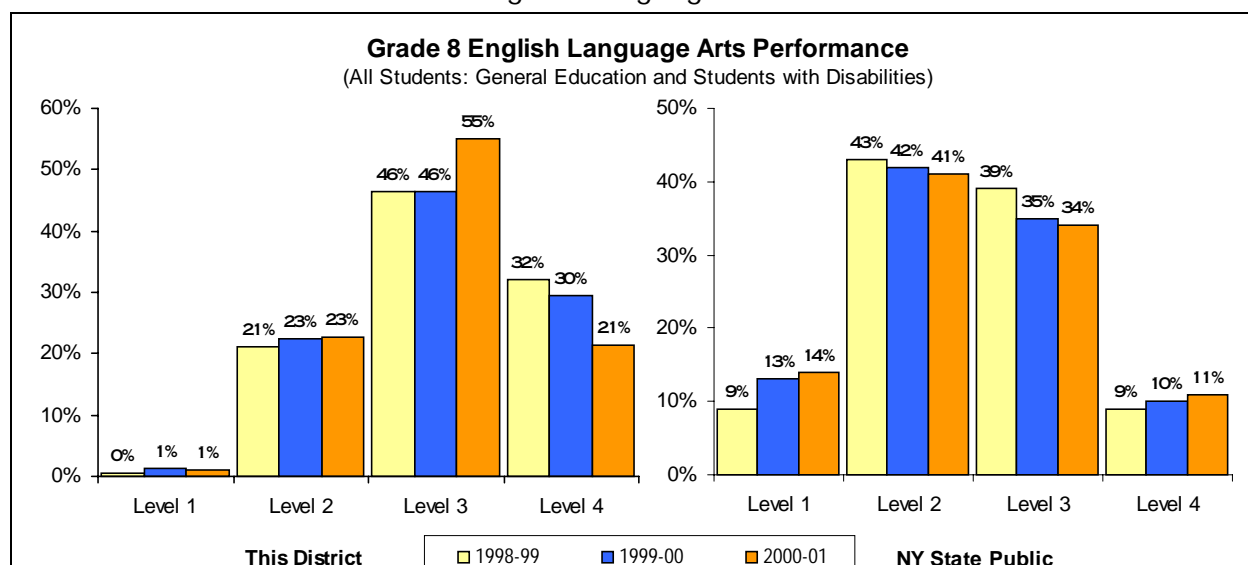
## Science



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- 3 These students were enrolled at the time of testing but did not complete any part of this science assessment.
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## Middle Level

### English Language Arts



Performance at This District		Counts of Students							Mean Score	
		Not Tested			Tested					
		AA <sup>1</sup>	ELL <sup>2</sup>	Absent	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4		Total
June 1999	General Education		3	2	0	65	189	135	389	729
	Students with Disabilities	3	0	0	2	24	7	1	34	687
	All Students	3	3	2	2	89	196	136	423	725
May 2000	General Education		5	0	1	65	190	125	381	728
	Students with Disabilities	9	0	0	5	31	8	1	45	686
	All Students	9	5	0	6	96	198	126	426	724
May 2001	General Education		0	8	1	81	235	90	407	722
	Students with Disabilities	0	0	17	3	18	4	3	28	688
	All Students	0	0	25	4	99	239	93	435	720

#### Grade 8 English Language Arts Levels - Listening, Reading, and Writing Standards

<b>Level 4</b>	These students <b>exceed the standards</b> and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination. All students scoring from <b>739 to 830</b> are in this level.
<b>Level 3</b>	These students <b>meet the standards</b> and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from <b>701 to 738</b> are in this level.
<b>Level 2</b>	These students <b>need extra help</b> to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from <b>662 to 700</b> are in this level.
<b>Level 1</b>	These students have <b>serious academic deficiencies</b> . All students scoring from <b>527 to 661</b> are in this level.

#### Performance of English Language Learners (ELL)

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Grade 8	English Proficiency Below Effective Participation Level	Making Appropriate Progress
June 2001	0	0

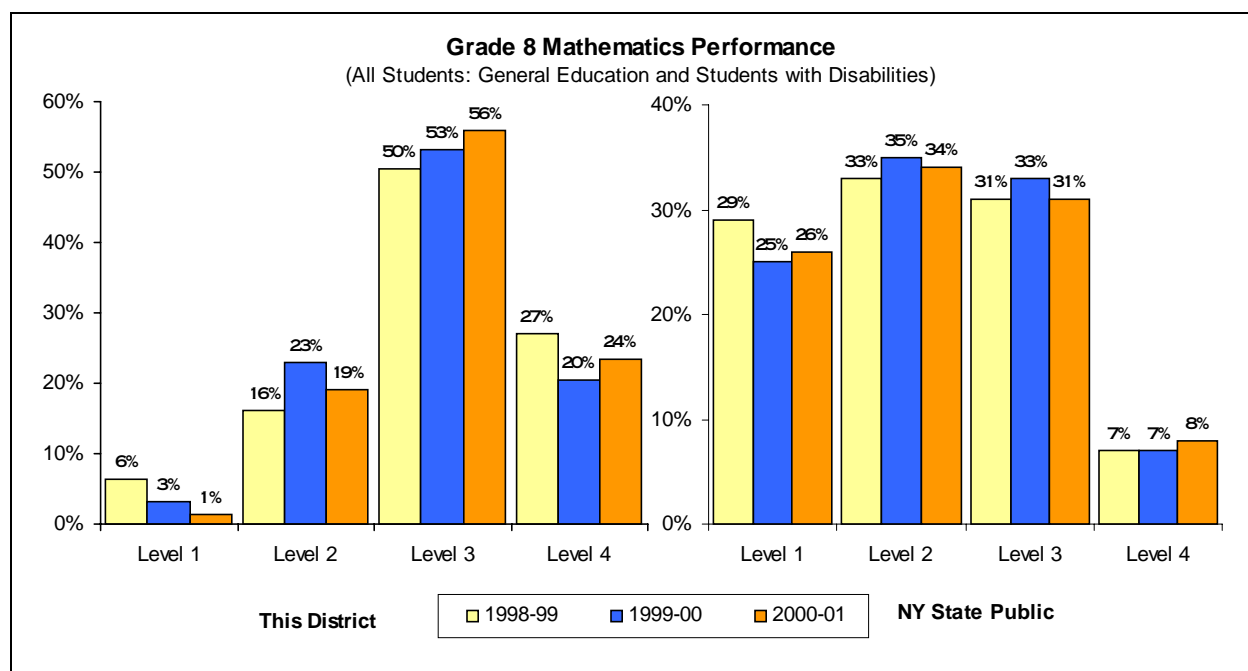
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3 These students were enrolled at the time of testing but were not present to complete some part of the ELA assessment.

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## Middle Level Mathematics



Performance at This District		Counts of Students								Mean Score
		Not Tested			Tested					
		AA <sup>1</sup>	ELL <sup>2</sup>	Absent <sup>3</sup>	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	
June 1999	General Education		0	1	11	57	209	114	391	744
	Students with Disabilities	0	0	0	16	12	5	1	34	687
	All Students	0	0	1	27	69	214	115	425	739
May 2000	General Education		5	1	4	75	215	87	381	739
	Students with Disabilities	10	0	0	10	23	11	0	44	696
	All Students	10	5	1	14	98	226	87	425	735
May 2001	General Education		2	3	3	70	234	103	410	742
	Students with Disabilities	17	0	0	3	14	11	0	28	709
	All Students	17	2	3	6	84	245	103	438	740
Grade 8 Mathematics Levels – Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards										
Level 4	These students <b>exceed the standards</b> and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination. All students scoring from <b>760 to 882</b> are in this level.									
Level 3	These students <b>meet the standards</b> and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from <b>716 to 759</b> are in this level.									
Level 2	These students <b>need extra help</b> to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from <b>681 to 715</b> are in this level.									
Level 1	These students have <b>serious academic deficiencies</b> . All students scoring from <b>517 to 680</b> are in this level.									

\* Similar Schools are schools grouped by district and student demographic characteristics. More information is on the **School Profile** page of this report. Further explanation is available at <http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/reprcd2002/similar.html>

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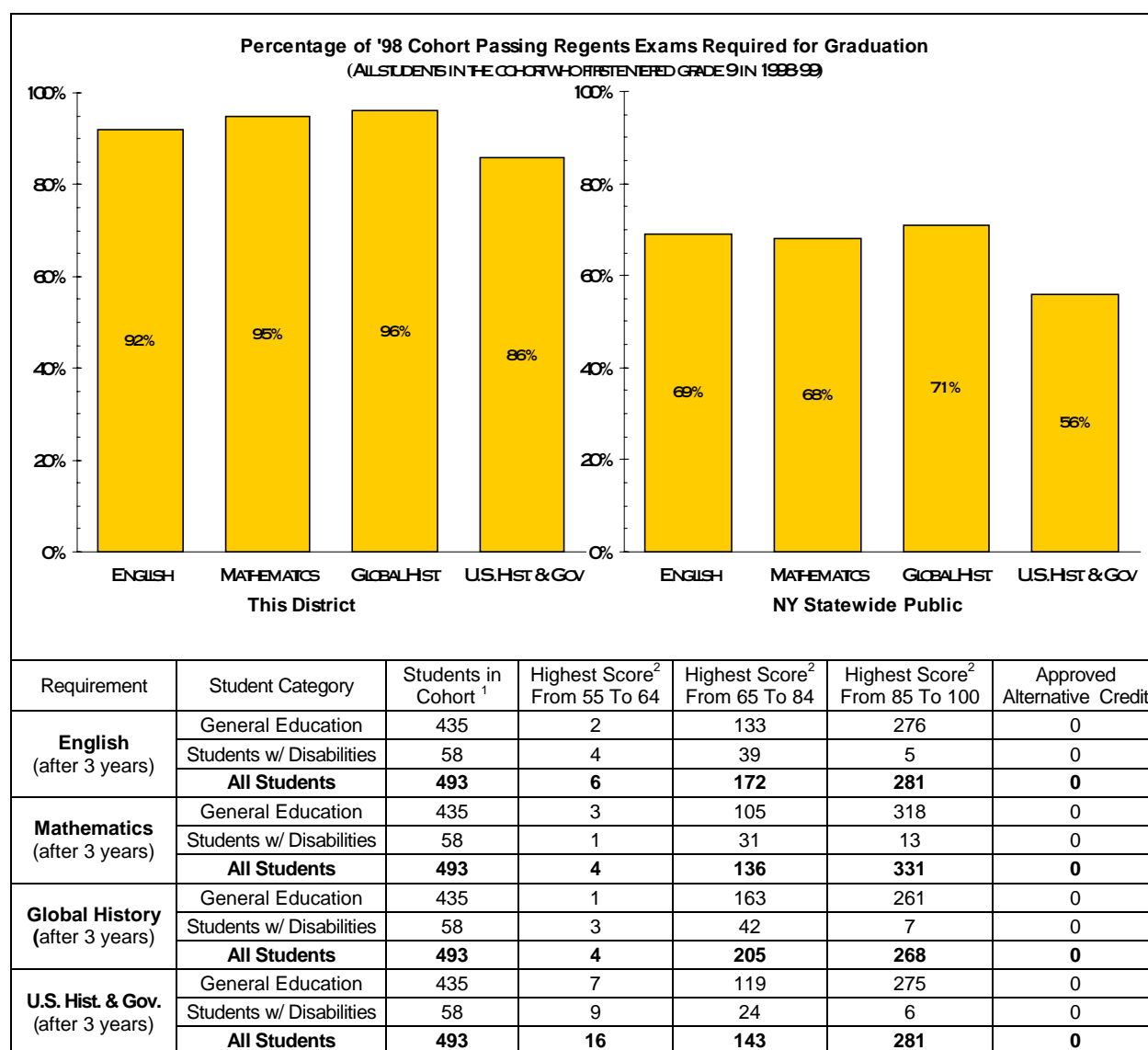
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3 These students were enrolled at the time of testing but were not present to complete some part of the mathematics assessment.

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## High School Achievement - After Three Years of Instruction

This section presents the success of students on Regents examinations required for graduation. Passing is defined as scoring 65 or higher, or earning approved alternative credit. Students who earn credit through component retesting are counted as if they scored in range 55 to 64 or in range 65 to 84 as determined by the results of the component retest. This page presents information about students who first entered grade 9 in 1998-99, displaying results for these students after three years. Safety-net provisions of the graduation requirements allow some students to earn credit for graduation by alternative means. The percentage of students meeting their personal graduation requirements after four years is presented elsewhere in this report as a school accountability measure.



<sup>1</sup> Cohort is defined in Section 100.2 (p) (8) (iii) of Commissioner's Regulations.

<sup>2</sup> Only the highest score of each student is counted, regardless of how many times the student may have taken the examination.

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## School District Profile

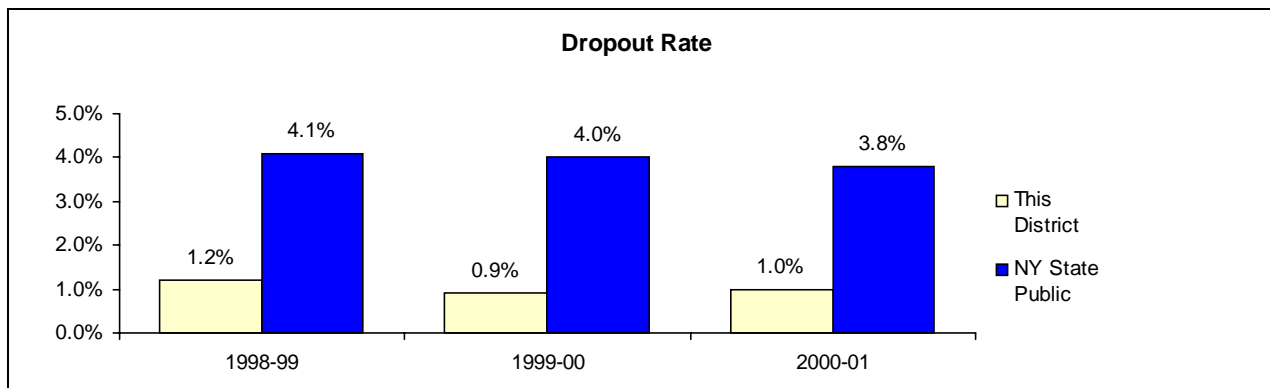
Superintendent: Mr. Randy A. Ehrenberg			Phone: (518)785-8591	
<b>Organization 2000-01</b>		School District Staff <sup>1</sup> (both full- and part-time)		
Grade Range	Student Enrollment	Count of Teachers	Count of Other Professionals	Count of Paraprofessionals
K-12	5,500	384	60	83

<b>1999-00 School District Total Expenditure per Pupil</b>	\$9,451
<b>1999-00 NY State Public Schools Total Expenditure per Pupil</b>	\$11,040

Student Enrollment			
Grade Level	October 2000	Grade Level	October 2000
Pre-Kindergarten	0	Grade 7	424
Kindergarten	312	Grade 8	462
Grade 1	369	Grade 9	513
Grade 2	363	Grade 10	478
Grade 3	391	Grade 11	503
Grade 4	425	Grade 12	432
Grade 5	437	Ungraded Elementary with Disabilities	0
Grade 6	391	Ungraded Secondary with Disabilities	0

Student Demographics	1998-99		1999-2000		2000-01	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English Language Learners	77	1.4%	87	1.6%	138	2.5%
Eligible For Free Lunch	202	4.0%	293	5.7%	330	6.3%

<b>Need to Resource Capacity (N/RC) Group</b>	The State Education Department assigns each school district to a comparison group based on student demographics and the resource capacity of the district. This district is in N/RC Group 6. This district has low needs relative to local resource capacity.
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A dropout is any student who left school prior to graduation for any reason except death and did not enter another school or approved high school equivalency preparation program. The dropout rate is calculated by dividing the total number of students who dropped out in a given year by the total fall enrollment in grades 9-12, including that portion of the ungraded secondary student enrollment that can be attributed to grades 9-12.

<sup>1</sup> Some district-employed staff serve in more than one school. These shared people are included in counts reported here.