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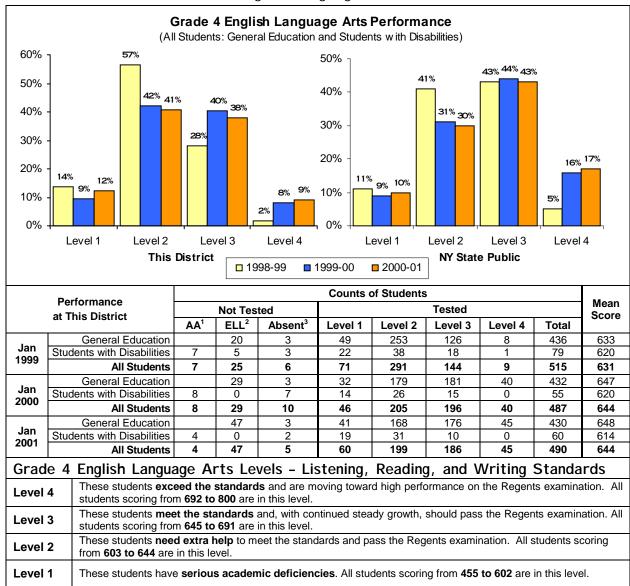
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# **Elementary Level**

English Language Arts



#### 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	47	0

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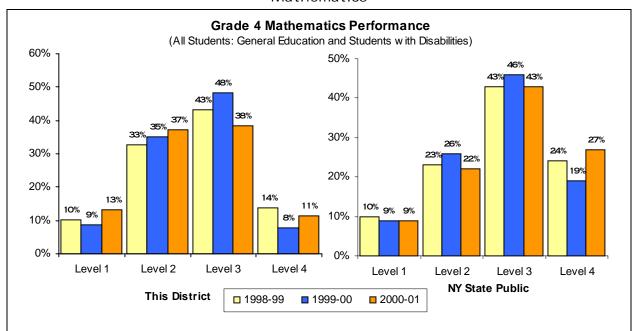
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# **Elementary Level**

#### Mathematics



Performance at This District		Counts of Students								
		Not Tested			Tested					Mean Score
	at This District	$AA^1$	ELL <sup>2</sup>	Absent <sup>3</sup>	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	]
June	General Education		0	10	36	152	193	64	445	644
1999	Students with Disabilities	6	0	12	18	21	35	8	82	636
1999	All Students	6	0	22	54	173	228	72	527	643
May	General Education		0	2	26	167	232	38	463	642
2000	Students with Disabilities	8	0	2	19	16	20	3	58	622
2000	All Students	8	0	4	45	183	252	41	521	640
May	General Education		0	7	54	169	185	59	467	641
May 2001	Students with Disabilities	3	0	4	15	25	16	0	56	617
2001	All Students	3	0	11	69	194	201	59	523	638

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Grade 4	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>678 to 810</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>637 to 677</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>602 to 636</b> are in this level.
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies. All students scoring from 448 to 601 are in this level.

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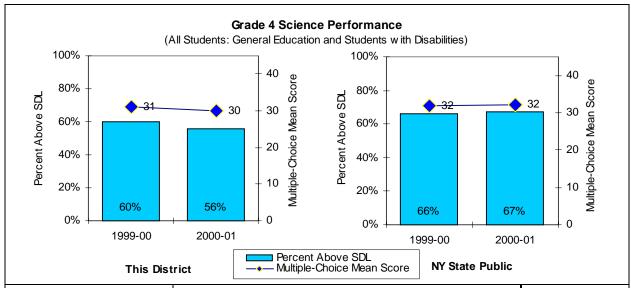
<sup>2</sup> These students were not required to take this test because they were English language learners (ELL) who perform below the 30<sup>th</sup> percentile on an appropriate English reading assessment and there was no test form available in their native language. Other ELL students must take this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

<sup>3</sup> 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



				School Mean					
Performance at This District		Not Tested			Multiple-Choice Test		Performance	Scores	
		$AA^1$	ELL <sup>2</sup>	Absent <sup>3</sup>	Component		Component	Mult	Perfor-
		AA	ELL	Absent	Tested	d Above SDL Tested		Choice	mance
May	General Education		0	7	458	288	442	31	32
2000	Students with Disabilities	8	0	1	50	17	49	26	36
2000	All Students	8	0	8	508	305	491	31	33
May	General Education		1	4	470	280	457	30	31
2001	Students with Disabilities	2	0	0	59	16	54	25	33
2001	All Students	2	1	4	529	296	511	30	31

Grade 4 Science - Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards

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Multiple-Choice Test Component	This component is 45 multiple-choice questions based upon the New York State <i>Elementary Science Syllabus</i> , and referenced to the New York State <i>Learning Standards for Mathematics, Science and Technology</i> (Elementary Level). Of the 45 questions, 17 reference Physical Setting; 17 reference Living Environment; 8 reference Scientific Inquiry; and 3 reference Mathematics.
State Designated Level (SDL)	Students who correctly answer fewer than 30 of the 45 questions of the Multiple-Choice Test Component must receive academic intervention services (AIS) in the following term of instruction.
Performance Component	This component involves performance of hands-on tasks at 5 stations. The stations are named Liquids, Grouping Objects, Ball and Ramp Game, Magnetic and Electrical Testing, and Unknown Object. All tested students work at the Ball and Ramp Game. Approximately half the students work on Liquids and Grouping Objects and the other half work on Magnetic and Electrical Testing and Unknown Object. Schools use a statistically randomized procedure to assign students to these stations.
School Mean Scores	For the multiple-choice test component, this is the average number of correct answers for students tested. If all tested students answered all questions correctly, this score would be 45.  For the performance component, the mean scores for the stations are added together to arrive at the school mean score. If all tested students received perfect scores, this score would be 49.

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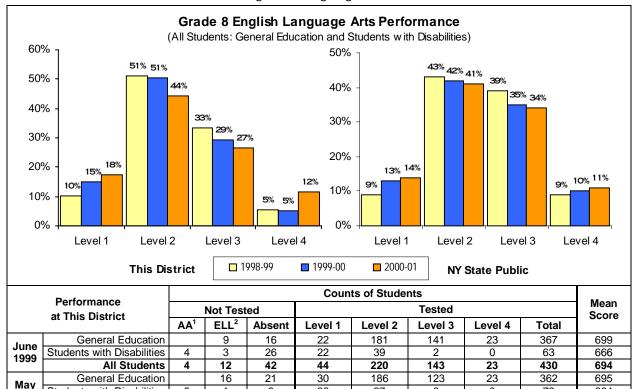
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<sup>3</sup> These students were enrolled at the time of testing but did not complete any part of this science assessment.

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#### Middle Level

#### English Language Arts



Grade 8 Fnglis	h Language Arts	Levels -	Listening.	Reading.	and Writin	g Standards
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Ci dae e	English Language 71 to Levels Listening, Reading, and Witting 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>739</b> to <b>830</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>701 to 738</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>662 to 700</b> are in this level.
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies. All students scoring from 527 to 661 are in this level.

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Grade 8	English Proficiency Below Effective Participation Level	Making Appropriate Progress
June 2001	19	0

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Students with Disabilities

Students with Disabilities

All Students

All Students

General Education

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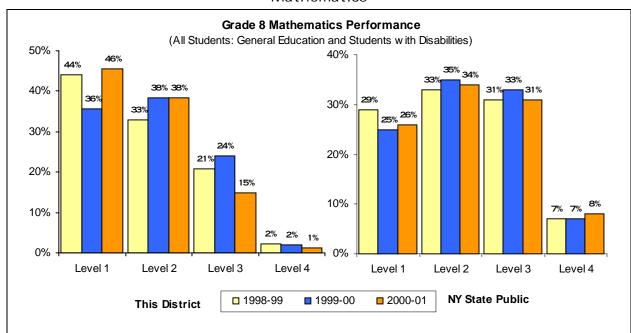
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#### Middle Level

#### Mathematics



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luma	General Education		0	14	141	136	91	10	378	693
June 1999	Students with Disabilities	4	0	26	55	10	1	0	66	644
1999	All Students	4	0	40	196	146	92	10	444	686
May	General Education		1	19	94	166	110	9	379	700
2000	Students with Disabilities	5	0	7	70	11	1	0	82	655
2000	All Students	5	1	26	164	177	111	9	461	692
May	General Education		2	7	141	144	62	5	352	689
2001	Students with Disabilities	9	0	9	52	18	1	0	71	650
2001	All Students	9	2	16	193	162	63	5	423	683

#### Grade 8 Mathematics Levels - Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards

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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 meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from 716 to 759 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 serious academic deficiencies. All students scoring from 517 to 680 are in this level.

<sup>\*</sup> 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 <a href="http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/repcrd2002/similar.html">http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/repcrd2002/similar.html</a>

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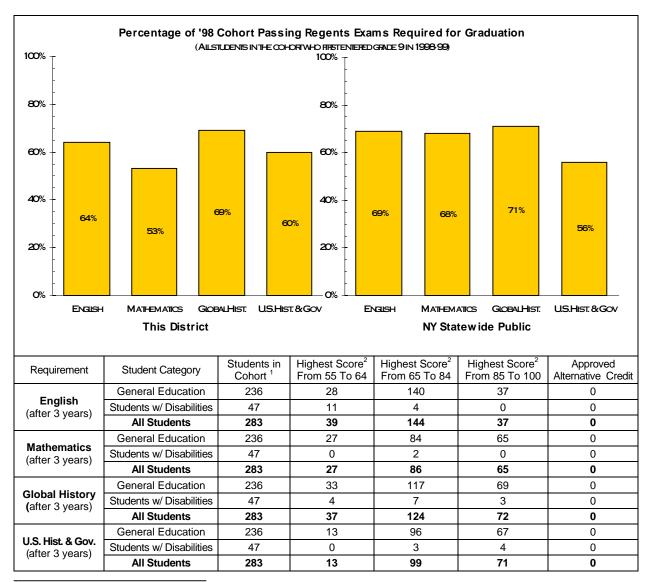
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# High School Achievement - After Three Years of Instruction

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.



Cohort is defined in Section 100.2 (p) (8) (iii) of Commissioner's Regulations.

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. Robert H. Sigler, Jr. Phone: (845)341-5690							
Organizati 2000-01	ion	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	6,235	425	70	118			

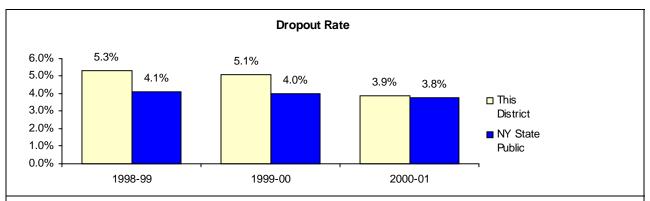
1999-00 School District Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$12,156
1999-00 NY State Public Schools Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$11,040

Student Enrollment							
Grade Level	October 2000	Grade Level	October 2000				
Pre-Kindergarten	133	Grade 7	464				
Kindergarten	433	Grade 8	428				
Grade 1	497	Grade 9	545				
Grade 2	554	Grade 10	496				
Grade 3	514	Grade 11	370				
Grade 4	526	Grade 12	338				
Grade 5	520	Ungraded Elementary with Disabilities	9				
Grade 6	526	Ungraded Secondary with Disabilities	15				

Student Demographics	1998-99		1999-2000		2000-01	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English Language Learners	389	6.4%	418	6.5%	515	8.1%
Eligible For Free Lunch	2515	45.7%	2503	43.2%	2718	46.7%

#### Need to Resource Capacity (N/RC) Group

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 3. This district is an urban or suburban district with high needs relative to local resource capacity.



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