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The *New York State District Report Card* is an important part of the Board of Regents effort to raise learning standards for all students. It provides information to the public on student performance and other measures of district performance. Knowledge gained from the district report card on a district's strengths and weaknesses can be used to improve instruction and services to students.

The New York State District Report Card consists of three parts: the Overview of District Performance in English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science and Analysis of Student Subgroup Performance, the Comprehensive Information Report, and the District Accountability Report. The Overview and Analysis presents performance data on measures required by the federal No Child Left Behind Act: English, mathematics, science, and graduation rate. Performance data on other State assessments can be found in the Comprehensive Information Report. The District Accountability Report provides information as to whether a district is making adequate progress toward enabling all students to achieve proficiency in English and mathematics.

State assessments are designed to help ensure that all students reach high learning standards. They show whether students are getting the foundation knowledge they need to succeed at the elementary, middle, and commencement levels and beyond. The State requires that students who are not making appropriate progress toward the standards receive academic intervention services.

In the *Overview*, performance on the elementary- and middle-level assessments in English language arts and mathematics and on the middle-level science test is reported in terms of mean scores and the percentage of students scoring at each of the four levels. These levels indicate performance on the standards from seriously deficient to advanced proficiency. Performance on the elementary-level science test is reported in terms of mean scores and the percentage of students making appropriate progress. Regents examination scores are reported in four score ranges. Scores of 65 to 100 are passing; scores of 55 to 64 earn credit toward a local diploma (with the approval of the local board of education). Though each elementary-level assessments are taken by students when they complete the coursework for the core curriculum. Therefore, the performance of students at the secondary level is measured for a student cohort rather than a group of students at a particular grade level. Students are grouped in cohorts according to the year in which they first entered grade 9.

The assessment data in the *Overview and Analysis* are for all tested students in the district, including general-education students and students with disabilities. In the *Overview*, each district's performance is compared with that of all public schools statewide. In the *Analysis*, performance is disaggregated by race/ethnicity, disability status, gender, LEP status, income level, and migrant status.

Explanations of terms referred to or symbols used in this part of the district report card may be found in the glossary on the last page. Further information on the district report card may be found in the guide, *Understanding Your School Report Card 2003*, available at your district or on the Information and Reporting Services Web site at www.emsc.nysed.gov/irts.

# Overview of District Performance in English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science

# **District Profile**

Superintendent:	Superintendent: Mr. John W. Cooper Phone: (5		
Organizatio 2001–02	n	School District Staff (	(both full- and part-time)
Grade Range	Student Enrollment	Count of Teachers	Count of Other Professionals
NA	4,377	359	52

2000–01 School District Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$9,902
2000–01 NYS Public Schools Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$11,871

Student Demographies	1999–2000		2000–2001		2001–2002	
Student Demographics	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Limited English Proficient	24	0.5%	21	0.5%	44	1.0%
Eligible for Free Lunch	315	7.4%	333	7.9%	246	5.6%

#### 2001–02 Percentage of Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers\*

Number of Core Classes	Percent Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
783	93%

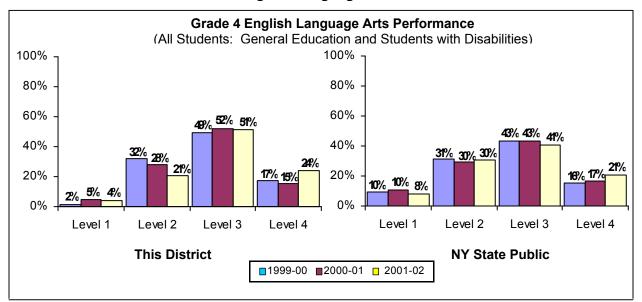
\*For the 2001–02 school year only, teachers of core classes are considered to be highly qualified if they are certified to teach that subject.

#### 2001–02 Percentage of Teachers with No Valid Teaching Certificate\*

Number of Teachers	Percent No Valid Teaching Certificate
359	3%

\*This count includes teachers with temporary licenses who do not have a valid permanent or provisional teaching certificate.

English Language Arts



	Counts of Students Tested					
Performance at This District	Level 1 455–602	Level 2 603–644	Level 3 645–691	Level 4 692–800	Total	Mean Score
Jan–Feb 2000	5	96	149	53	303	662
Jan–Feb 2001	17	101	188	55	361	658
Jan–Feb 2002	14	72	178	83	347	667

Elementa	Elementary-Level English Language Arts Levels — Listening, Reading, and Writing Standards		
Level 4	These students exceed the standards and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination.		
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination.		
Level 2	These students <b>need extra help</b> to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination.		
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies.		

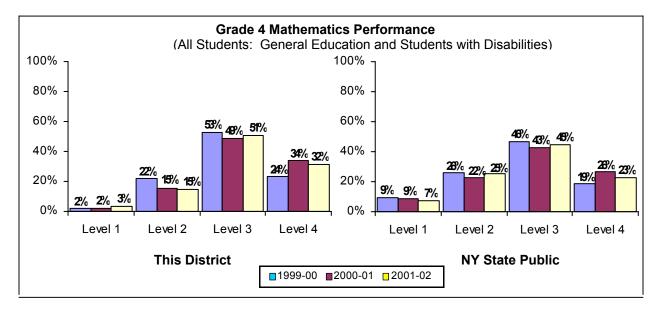
#### Performance of Limited English Proficient (LEP) Students

Grade 4	English Proficiency Below Effective Participation Level	Making Appropriate Progress
2002	0	0

### Performance of Elementary-Level Students with Severe Disabilities on the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in English

	Number Tested	AA–Level 1	AA-Level 2	AA-Level 3	AA-Level 4
2001–02	2	#	#	#	#

#### Mathematics



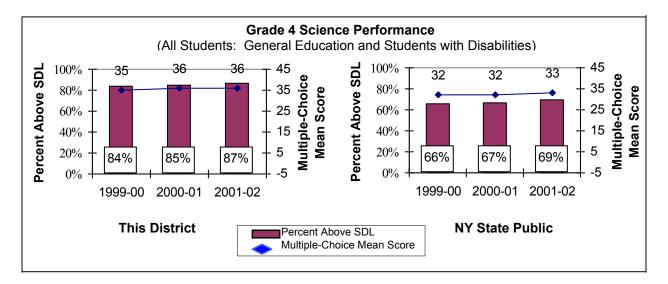
Counts of Students Tested						
Performance at This District	Level 1 448–601	Level 2 602–636	Level 3 637–677	Level 4 678–810	Total	Mean Score
May 2000	6	67	163	73	309	658
May 2001	8	55	178	124	365	668
May 2002	11	51	177	110	349	661

	Elementary-Level Mathematics Levels — Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards		
Level 4	These students exceed the standards and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination.		
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination.		
Level 2	These students <b>need extra help</b> to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination.		
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies.		

Performance of Elementary-Level Students with Severe Disabilities on the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in Mathematics, Science, and Technology

	Number Tested	AA-Level 1	AA-Level 2	AA-Level 3	AA-Level 4
2001–02	2	#	#	#	#

Science Multiple-Choice



#### All Students

	Number Tested	Number Above SDL	Mean Score
May 2000	307	257	35
May 2001	364	309	36
May 2002	349	303	36

Grade 4 Scier	Grade 4 Science — Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards						
Multiple-Choice Test Component	This component contains 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).						
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 in the following term of instruction.						
School Mean Scores	For the multiple-choice test component, the mean score is the average number of correct answers for students tested. If all tested students answered all questions correctly, this score would be 45.						

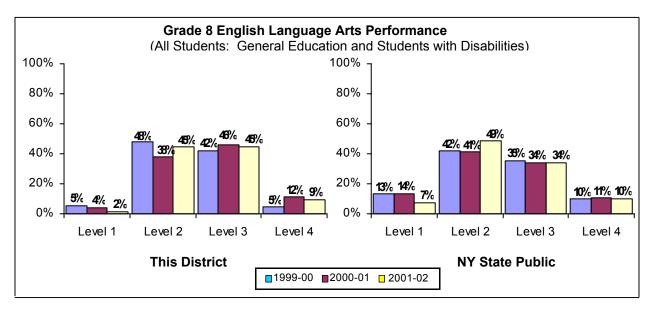
# Elementary Level

Science Performance Test

The elementary-level science test is composed of two sections, the multiple-choice section (described above) and the performance test. The performance test is not used to determine the need for academic intervention services or for accountability purposes because not all students are administered the same three tasks.

All Students					
Number Tested Mean Score					
May 2000	305	36			
May 2001	359	36			
May 2002 347 36					





	Counts of Students Tested					
Performance at This District	Level 1 527–661	Level 2 662–700	Level 3 701–738	Level 4 739–830	Total	Mean Score
May 2000	20	174	154	17	365	700
May 2001	17	152	182	46	397	708
	Level 1 527–659	Level 2 660–698	Level 3 699–737	Level 4 738–830	Total	
March 2002	6	168	169	34	377	703

Middle-L	Middle-Level English Language Arts Levels — Listening, Reading, and Writing Standards				
Level 4	These students exceed the standards and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination.				
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination.				
Level 2	These students need extra help to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination.				
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies.				

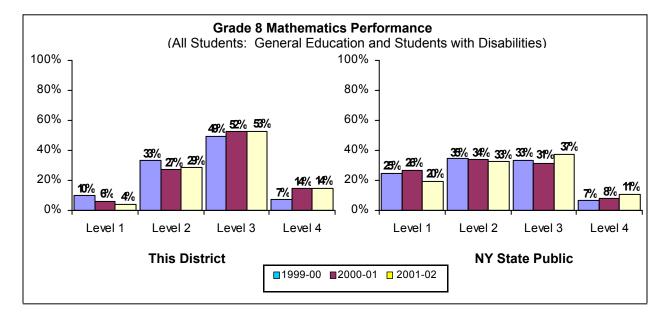
### Performance of Limited English Proficient (LEP) Students

Grade 8	English Proficiency Below Effective Participation Level	Making Appropriate Progress
2002	#	#

### Performance of Middle-Level Students with Severe Disabilities on the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in English

	Number Tested	AA-Level 1	AA–Level 2	AA-Level 3	AA-Level 4
2001–02	4	#	#	#	#

Mathematics



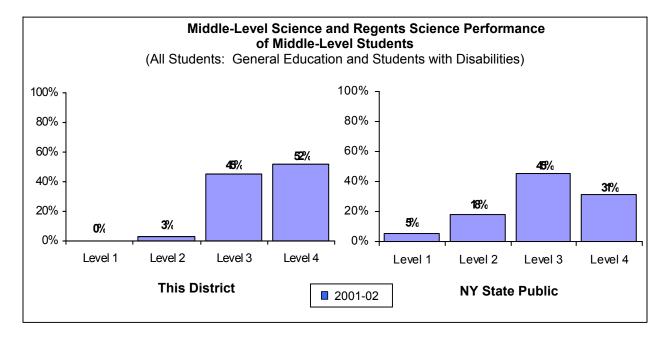
Performance at This District	Level 1 517–680	Level 2 681–715	Level 3 716–759	Level 4 760–882	Total	Mean Score
May 2000	37	121	180	27	365	719
May 2001	23	109	208	57	397	727
May 2002	16	109	200	55	380	729

Middle-L	Middle-Level Mathematics Levels — Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards				
Level 4	These students exceed the standards and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination.				
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination.				
Level 2	These students <b>need extra help</b> to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination.				
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies.				

#### Performance of Middle-Level Students with Severe Disabilities on the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in Mathematics, Science, and Technology

	Number Tested	AA–Level 1	A–Level 1 AA–Level 2		AA-Level 4
2001–02	4	#	#	#	#

#### Science



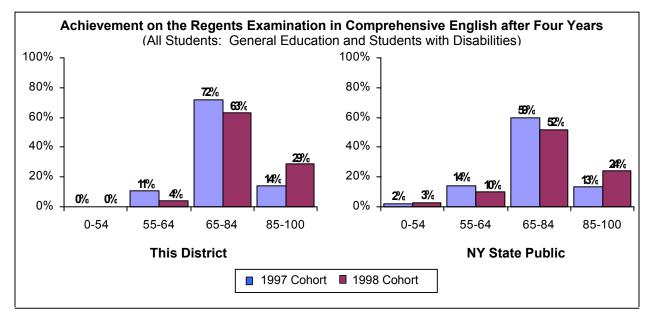
Performance at This District		Counts of Students Tested					Mean Score
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	Mean Score
June 2002	Middle-Level Science	1	12	169	194	376	83
	Regents Science	0	0	0	0	0	0

Middle-L	evel Science Levels — Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards*
Level 4	These students <b>exceed the standards</b> on the middle-level science test and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examinations <u>or</u> score 85–100 on a Regents science examination.
Level 3	These students <b>meet the standards</b> on the middle-level science test and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examinations <u>or</u> score 65–84 on a Regents science examination.
Level 2	These students <b>need extra help</b> to meet the standards for middle-level science and to pass the Regents examinations <u>or</u> score 55–64 on a Regents science examination.
Level 1	These students have <b>serious academic deficiencies</b> as evidenced in the middle-level science test <u>or</u> score 0–54 on a Regents science examination.

\*Students may demonstrate proficiency in middle-level science by scoring at level 3 or above on the middle-level science test or by scoring 65 or above on a Regents examination in science.

# High School English Achievement after Four Years of Instruction

The graph and table below present performance of the 1997 and 1998 cohort members on the Regents English examination four years after entering grade 9. A score of 65 or above on this examination is considered passing. Only the highest score of each student is counted, regardless of how many times the student took the examination. In the graph, students passing approved alternatives to this examination are counted as scoring in the 65 to 84 range. In the table, the numbers of students who met the graduation requirement by passing an approved alternative or the Regents competency tests (RCTs) in reading and writing are listed separately. (RCT results are not included in the graph.) Students who score 55 to 64 on the Regents examination in comprehensive English may be given credit towards a local high school diploma if allowed by the district board of education.

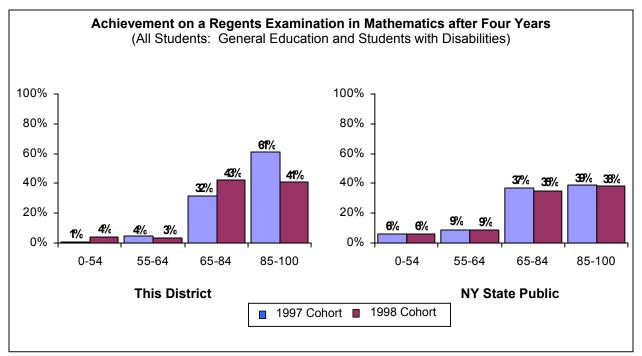


	English Graduati	on Requir	ement Achiev	ement after Fo	ur Years of Hig	gh School*	
	Student Category	Cohort Members	Highest Score Between 55 and 64	tweenBetweenBetweenAlternativeand 6465 and 8485 and 100Credit		Alternative	Passed RCT
100-	General Education	270	16	203	44	0	0
1997 Cohort	Students w/ Disabilities	47	18	25	0	0	1
oonon	All Students	317	34	228	44	0	1
	General Education	284	8	177	93	0	1
1998 Cohort	Students w/ Disabilities	45	5	31	2	0	5
Sonort	All Students	329	13	208	95	0	6

\*Assessments used to determine counts in this table include the Regents examination in comprehensive English, the component retest in English, the Regents competency tests in reading and writing, and approved alternatives.

# High School Mathematics Achievement after Four Years of Instruction

The graph and table below present performance of the 1997 and 1998 cohort members, four years after entering grade 9, in meeting the graduation assessment requirement in mathematics. A score of 65 or above on a Regents examination in mathematics is considered passing. Only the highest score of each student is counted, regardless of how many times the student took the examination. In the graph, students passing approved alternatives to these examinations are counted as scoring in the 65 to 84 range. In the table, the numbers of students who met the graduation requirement by passing an approved alternative or the Regents competency test (RCT) in mathematics are listed separately. (RCT results are not included in the graph.) Students who score 55 to 64 on a Regents examination in mathematics may be given credit towards a local high school diploma if allowed by the district board of education.

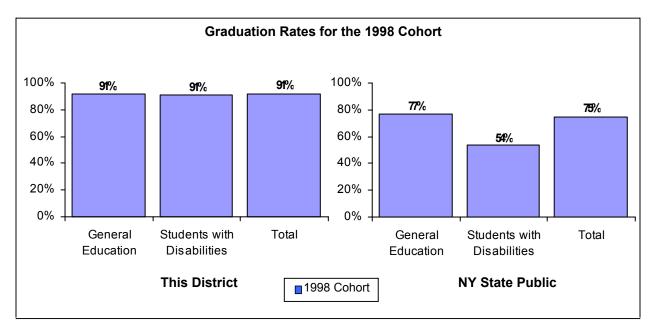


N	Mathematics Graduation Requirement Achievement after Four Years of High School*											
	Student Category	Cohort Members	Highest Score Between 55 and 64	Highest Score Between 65 and 84	Highest Score Between 85 and 100	Approved Alternative Credit	Passed RCT					
	General Education	270	8	79	179	1	0					
1997 Cohort	Students w/ Disabilities	47	6	21	14	0	6					
Conort	All Students	317	14	100	193	1	6					
4000	General Education	284	7	121	129	0	2					
1998 Cohort	Students w/ Disabilities	45	3	19	5	0	10					
Conort	All Students	329	10	140	134	0	12					

\*Assessments used to determine counts in this table include Regents mathematics examinations, the component retest in mathematics, the Regents competency test in mathematics, and approved alternatives.

# Graduation Rates for the 1998 Cohort

Students were counted as graduates if they earned a local diploma with or without a Regents endorsement no later than June 2002. Additional students may have earned diplomas in August 2002. For the purpose of calculating graduation rate, students who transferred to GED programs were included in the count of students in the cohort. These students were not counted as cohort members for other purposes. Therefore, the count in the table below may be higher than the count of cohort members shown on previous pages.



Gradua	Graduation Rates for the 1998 Cohort										
Student Category	Graduation Rate Cohort	Number of Graduates									
General-education students	294	269									
Students with disabilities	46	42									
Total	340	311									

# Analysis of Student Subgroup Performance

Historically, on State assessments the average performance of Black, Hispanic, and Native American students has been lower than that of White and Asian students. Similarly, students from low-income families have not performed as well as those from higher income families. A high priority of the Board of Regents is to eliminate these gaps in student performance. In addition, Title I of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act includes explicit requirements "to ensure that students served by Title I are given the same opportunity to achieve to high standards and are held to the same high expectations as all students in each State."

This section of the district report card provides performance data by racial/ethnic group, disability status, gender, English proficiency status, income level, and migrant status. The purpose of the student subgroup analyses is to determine if students who perform below the standards in any district tend to fall into particular groups, such as minority students, limited English proficient students, or economically disadvantaged students. If these analyses provide evidence that students in one of the groups achieve at a lower level than other students, the district and community should examine the reasons for this lower performance and make necessary changes in curriculum, instruction, and student support services to remedy these performance gaps.

# **Elementary Level** English Language Arts

			0-01	<u>j</u> e · · · · e		200	1–02	
Student Subgroup	Tested		ntages of 1 s Scoring a		Tested		ntages of 1 s Scoring a	
		2–4	3–4	4		2–4	3–4	4
Results by Race/Ethnicity								
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0%	0%	0%	2	S	S	S
Black	8	100%	63%	13%	5	100%	60%	40%
Hispanic	3	S	S	S	1	s	S	S
Asian or Pacific Islander	3	S	s	s	4	S	S	s
White	347	95%	67%	16%	335	96%	75%	24%
Total	361	95%	67%	15%	347	96%	75%	24%
Small Group Totals (s)	6	100%	67%	0%	7	100%	100%	14%
Results by Disability Status								
General-education students	314	97%	73%	17%	313	97%	78%	27%
Students with disabilities	47	83%	32%	4%	34	88%	50%	0%
Total	361	95%	67%	15%	347	96%	75%	24%
Results by Gender								
Female	185	95%	72%	23%	175	95%	72%	30%
Male	176	95%	63%	7%	172	97%	78%	17%
Total	361	95%	67%	15%	347	96%	75%	24%
<b>Results by English Proficiency</b>	Status			•	•		•	
English proficient	359	S	S	S	347	96%	75%	24%
Limited English proficient	2	S	S	S	0	0%	0%	0%
Total	361	95%	67%	15%	347	96%	75%	24%
Results by Income Level								
Economically disadvantaged	53	92%	58%	9%	54	89%	54%	7%
Not disadvantaged	308	96%	69%	16%	293	97%	79%	27%
Total	361	95%	67%	15%	347	96%	75%	24%
Results by Migrant Status								
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	361	95%	67%	15%	347	96%	75%	24%
Total	361	95%	67%	15%	347	96%	75%	24%

#### Mathematics

			0-01		2001–02				
Student Subgroup	Tested		ntages of T s Scoring a		Tested		entages of T ts Scoring a		
		2–4	3–4	4		2–4	3–4	4	
Results by Race/Ethnicity									
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0%	0%	0%	2	s	s	S	
Black	8	88%	75%	0%	6	83%	67%	33%	
Hispanic	3	s	S	S	2	S	s	S	
Asian or Pacific Islander	3	S	s	s	4	S	s	s	
White	351	98%	83%	35%	335	97%	82%	32%	
Total	365	98%	83%	34%	349	97%	82%	32%	
Small Group Totals (s)	6	100%	83%	0%	8	88%	88%	13%	
Results by Disability Status									
General-education students	316	99%	89%	37%	314	99%	86%	34%	
Students with disabilities	49	90%	45%	14%	35	74%	51%	9%	
Total	365	98%	83%	34%	349	97%	82%	32%	
Results by Gender			•						
Female	187	99%	83%	33%	175	96%	75%	28%	
Male	178	97%	83%	35%	174	98%	89%	35%	
Total	365	98%	83%	34%	349	97%	82%	32%	
Results by English Proficiency	Status		•						
English proficient	363	S	S	S	349	97%	82%	32%	
Limited English proficient	2	S	s	S	0	0%	0%	0%	
Total	365	98%	83%	34%	349	97%	82%	32%	
Results by Income Level			•						
Economically disadvantaged	56	96%	64%	21%	55	91%	69%	16%	
Not disadvantaged	309	98%	86%	36%	294	98%	85%	34%	
Total	365	98%	83%	34%	349	97%	82%	32%	
Results by Migrant Status				•	•		·		
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%	
Not migrant family	365	98%	83%	34%	349	97%	82%	32%	
Total	365	98%	83%	34%	349	97%	82%	32%	

# Science Multiple-Choice

	2000	-01	200	1–02
Student Subgroup	Tested	Percentages of Tested Students Scoring above the SDL	Tested	Percentages of Tested Students Scoring above the SDL
Results by Race/Ethnicity		I I		
American Indian/Alaskan Native			2	S
Black			6	67%
Hispanic			2	S
Asian or Pacific Islander			4	S
White			335	87%
Total			349	87%
Small Group Totals (s)			8	75%
Results by Disability Status				
General-education students	316	90%	314	91%
Students with disabilities	48	52%	35	49%
Total	364	85%	349	87%
Results by Gender				
Female			175	83%
Male			174	90%
Total			349	87%
<b>Results by English Proficiency</b>	Status			
English proficient			349	87%
Limited English proficient			0	0%
Total			349	87%
Results by Income Level				
Economically disadvantaged			55	75%
Not disadvantaged			294	89%
Total			349	87%
Results by Migrant Status				
Migrant family			0	0%
Not migrant family			349	87%
Total			349	87%

# English Language Arts

		200	0–01		2001–02				
Student Subgroup	Tested	Perce Student	ntages of T s Scoring a	lested at Levels	Tested	Perce Student	ntages of T s Scoring a	fested at Levels	
		2–4	3–4	4		2–4	3–4	4	
Results by Race/Ethnicity									
American Indian/Alaskan Native	2	S	s	s	1	S	S	s	
Black	5	S	S	s	6	s	S	s	
Hispanic	14	93%	36%	7%	3	s	S	s	
Asian or Pacific Islander	1	s	s	s	6	100%	17%	0%	
White	375	96%	58%	12%	361	98%	55%	9%	
Total	397	96%	57%	12%	377	98%	54%	9%	
Small Group Totals (s)	8	100%	63%	13%	10	100%	40%	0%	
Results by Disability Status									
General-education students	345	99%	63%	13%	328	100%	58%	10%	
Students with disabilities	52	75%	17%	2%	49	90%	27%	0%	
Total	397	96%	57%	12%	377	98%	54%	9%	
Results by Gender									
Female	195	98%	68%	12%	176	99%	62%	12%	
Male	202	94%	48%	11%	201	98%	47%	6%	
Total	397	96%	57%	12%	377	98%	54%	9%	
<b>Results by English Proficiency</b>	Status		•	•					
English proficient	396	S	S	S	377	98%	54%	9%	
Limited English proficient	1	S	S	S	0	0%	0%	0%	
Total	397	96%	57%	12%	377	98%	54%	9%	
Results by Income Level									
Economically disadvantaged	41	90%	41%	7%	40	98%	45%	10%	
Not disadvantaged	356	96%	59%	12%	337	99%	55%	9%	
Total	397	96%	57%	12%	377	98%	54%	9%	
Results by Migrant Status									
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%	
Not migrant family	397	96%	57%	12%	377	98%	54%	9%	
Total	397	96%	57%	12%	377	98%	54%	9%	

#### Mathematics

			0–01			200	1–02		
Student Subgroup	Tested	Perce	ntages of 1 s Scoring a		Tested	Percentages of Tested Students Scoring at Levels			
		2–4	3–4	4		2–4	3–4	4	
Results by Race/Ethnicity									
American Indian/Alaskan Native	2	s	S	s	1	s	S	s	
Black	5	s	S	s	5	s	S	s	
Hispanic	14	79%	36%	0%	3	s	S	s	
Asian or Pacific Islander	1	S	S	S	6	100%	83%	17%	
White	375	95%	68%	15%	365	96%	68%	14%	
Total	397	94%	67%	14%	380	96%	67%	14%	
Small Group Totals (s)	8	88%	63%	13%	9	100%	22%	22%	
Results by Disability Status									
General-education students	345	98%	71%	16%	329	99%	72%	16%	
Students with disabilities	52	67%	37%	2%	51	76%	37%	2%	
Total	397	94%	67%	14%	380	96%	67%	14%	
Results by Gender			•	•			•		
Female	195	94%	65%	13%	178	97%	63%	15%	
Male	202	94%	68%	15%	202	95%	70%	14%	
Total	397	94%	67%	14%	380	96%	67%	14%	
<b>Results by English Proficiency</b>	Status		•	•			•		
English proficient	396	S	S	S	380	96%	67%	14%	
Limited English proficient	1	S	S	S	0	0%	0%	0%	
Total	397	94%	67%	14%	380	96%	67%	14%	
Results by Income Level									
Economically disadvantaged	40	85%	63%	8%	42	88%	48%	7%	
Not disadvantaged	357	95%	67%	15%	338	97%	70%	15%	
Total	397	94%	67%	14%	380	96%	67%	14%	
Results by Migrant Status									
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%	
Not migrant family	397	94%	67%	14%	380	96%	67%	14%	
Total	397	94%	67%	14%	380	96%	67%	14%	

#### Science

	cience	200	1–02	
Student Subgroup	Tested		ntages of 1 s Scoring a	
		2–4	3–4	4
Results by Race/Ethnicity				
American Indian/Alaskan Native	1	S	S	s
Black	4	S	S	S
Hispanic	3	S	S	S
Asian or Pacific Islander	6	100%	100%	33%
White	362	100%	97%	52%
Total	376	100%	97%	52%
Small Group Totals (s)	8	100%	75%	25%
Results by Disability Status				
General-education students	325	100%	99%	58%
Students with disabilities	51	98%	80%	14%
Total	376	100%	97%	52%
Results by Gender				
Female	176	100%	97%	48%
Male	200	100%	96%	55%
Total	376	100%	97%	52%
Results by English Proficiency State	JS			
English proficient	376	100%	97%	52%
Limited English proficient	0	0%	0%	0%
Total	376	100%	97%	52%
Results by Income Level				
Economically disadvantaged	42	100%	98%	31%
Not disadvantaged	334	100%	96%	54%
Total	376	100%	97%	52%
Results by Migrant Status				
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	376	100%	97%	52%
Total	376	100%	97%	52%

# 1997 and 1998 High School Cohorts

General-education students who first entered ninth grade in 1997 or 1998 must score 55 or higher on Regents English and mathematics examinations to graduate. During the phase-in of the Regents examination graduation requirements, all students (with district board of education approval) may qualify for a local diploma by earning a score of 55–64 on the required Regents examinations; a score of 65 or higher is required for a Regents diploma. Students with disabilities and certain students with a Section 504 Accomodation Plan may qualify for a local diploma by passing Regents competency tests. The Department did not collect data for the 1997 cohort aggregated by race/ethnicity, gender, income level, or migrant status. It did not collect mathematics data aggregated by English proficiency status.

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		Count of Students by Score		Percent Meeting	Students		nt of Stu by Scor		Percent Meeting	
Student Subgroup	Students	Reg	ents Pass-		Gradu-	in	Reg	ents	Pass-	Gradua-
	in Cohort	55– 64	65– 100	ed RCTs	ation Require- ment	Cohort	55– 64	65– 100	ed RCTs	tion Require- ment
Results by Race/Ethnicity										
American Indian/Alaskan Native						1	S	S	S	S
Black						3	S	S	S	S
Hispanic						2	S	S	S	s
Asian or Pacific Islander						7	0	7	0	100%
White						316	12	291	6	98%
Total						329	13	303	6	98%
Small Group Totals (s)						6	1	5	0	100%
Results by Disability Status										
General-education students	270	16	247	0	97%	284	8	270	1	98%
Students with disabilities	47	18	25	1	94%	45	5	33	5	96%
Total	317	34	272	1	97%	329	13	303	6	98%
Results by Gender										
Female						163	0	158	2	98%
Male						166	13	145	4	98%
Total			1			329	13	303	6	98%
Results by English Proficiency	/ Status									
English proficient	317	34	272	1	97%	329	13	303	6	98%
Limited English proficient	0	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
Total	317	34	272	1	97%	329	13	303	6	98%
Results by Income Level										
Economically disadvantaged						0	0	0	0	0%
Not disadvantaged						329	13	303	6	98%
Total						329	13	303	6	98%
Results by Migrant Status										
Migrant family						0	0	0	0	0%
Not migrant family						329	13	303	6	98%
Total						329	13	303	6	98%

# Performance on the English Assessment Requirement for Graduation

# Performance on the Mathematics Assessment Requirement

TO	r Gradua	TION	atter	' rour	years of	riign 30	chool			
		19	97 Col	hort			19	998 Coh	ort	
				udents	Percent			nt of Stu		Percent
			by Sco	re	Meeting	Students		by Scor	re 🛛	Meeting
Student Subgroup	Students	Regents		Pass-	Gradu-	in	Reg	ents	Pass-	Gradua-
	in Cohort	55– 64	65– 100	ed RCTs	ation Require- ment	Cohort	55– 64	65– 100	ed RCTs	tion Require- ment
Results by Race/Ethnicity										
American Indian/Alaskan Native						1	S	S	S	S
Black			1			3	s	S	S	S
Hispanic			1			2	s	S	S	S
Asian or Pacific Islander						7	1	6	0	100%
White						316	9	265	11	90%
Total						329	10	274	12	90%
Small Group Totals (s)						6	0	3	1	67%
Results by Disability Status										
General-education students	270	8	259	0	99%	284	7	250	2	91%
Students with disabilities	47	6	35	6	100%	45	3	24	10	82%
Total	317	14	294	6	99%	329	10	274	12	90%
Results by Gender	•			•	•				•	
Female						163	5	139	6	92%
Male						166	5	135	6	88%
Total						329	10	274	12	90%
Results by English Proficiency	/ Status									
English proficient						329	10	274	12	90%
Limited English proficient						0	0	0	0	0%
Total						329	10	274	12	90%
Results by Income Level										
Economically disadvantaged						0	0	0	0	0%
Not disadvantaged						329	10	274	12	90%
Total						329	10	274	12	90%
Results by Migrant Status										
Migrant family						0	0	0	0	0%
Not migrant family						329	10	274	12	90%
Total						329	10	274	12	90%

# for Graduation after Four Years of High School

# Graduation Rates for the 1998 Cohort

Students were counted as graduates if they earned a local diploma with or without a Regents endorsement no later than June 2002. Additional students may have earned diplomas in August 2002. For the purpose of calculating graduation rate, students who transferred to GED programs were included in the count of students in the cohort. These students were not counted as cohort members for other purposes. Therefore, the count in the table below may be higher than the count of cohort members shown on previous pages.

Student Subgroup	Graduation Rate Cohort	Graduation Rate
Results by Race/Ethnicity		
American Indian/Alaskan Native	1	S
Black	3	S
Hispanic	2	S
Asian or Pacific Islander	8	88%
White	326	91%
Total	340	91%
Small Group Totals (s)	6	100%
Results by Disability Status		
General-education students	294	91%
Students with disabilities	46	91%
Total	340	91%
Results by Gender		
Female	164	96%
Male	176	87%
Total	340	91%
Results by English Proficiency S	Status	
English proficient	340	91%
Limited English proficient	0	0%
Total	340	91%
Results by Income Level		
Economically disadvantaged	0	0%
Not disadvantaged	340	91%
Total	340	91%
Results by Migrant Status		
Migrant family	0	0%
Not migrant family	340	91%
Total	340	91%

### Glossary

**Cohort Data:** A student cohort is all students, regardless of grade status, who were enrolled in school on BEDS day two years after the year in which they entered grade 9, or, in the case of ungraded students with disabilities, the year in which they reached their seventeenth birthday. (For example, the 1998 cohort consists of all students who first entered grade 9 in the fall of 1998 who were enrolled on October 4, 2000). Certain severely disabled students, new immigrants, and students who transfer to programs leading to a high school diploma or high school equivalency diploma are not included in the school cohort. Cohort is defined in Section 100.2 (p) (8) (iii) of the Commissioner's Regulations. Data for the 1997 cohort are based on the Special Regents Examination Report for the 1997 Cohort. Data for the 1998 cohort are based on the 2002 STEP file submitted by each district.

**Component Retests:** Component retests were offered in Regents English and Mathematics A to graduating seniors who were at risk of not meeting the State learning Standards. Component retesting is the process by which a student who has failed a Regents examination in English or Mathematics A twice is retested only on the areas of the learning standards in which the student has been proven deficient. Component retesting eliminates the need for the student to retake the full Regents examination multiple times. Students who earn credit through component retesting are counted as if they scored in the 55–64 range or in the 65–84 range, as determined by the results of the component retest.

**Counts of Students Tested:** "Counts of Students Tested" includes only students who completed sufficient test questions to receive a score.

**Limited English Proficient (LEP) Students:** Schools teach English to students for whom English is a second language so they can participate effectively in the academic program. Students are considered LEP if, by reason of foreign birth or ancestry, they speak a language other than English and (1) either understand and speak little or no English or (2) score at or below the 40<sup>th</sup> percentile on an English language assessment instrument. LEP students without sufficient proficiency in English were not required to take the grade 4 or grade 8 English language arts test. Their reported progress in learning English was measured using standardized tests.

**New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA):** The district Committee on Special Education designates severely disabled students who meet criteria established in Commissioner's Regulations to take the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA).

**Student Confidentiality/Suppressed Data (# and s):** To ensure student confidentiality, the Department does <u>not</u> publish data for groups with fewer than five students or data that would allow readers to easily determine the performance of a group with fewer than five students. In the *Overview*, the pound character (#) appears when fewer than five students in a group were tested. In the *Analysis*, when fewer than five students in a group (e.g., Hispanic) were tested, percentages of tested students scoring at various levels were suppressed for that group and the next smallest group. Suppressed data are indicated with an (s). However, the performance of tested students in these groups is aggregated and shown in the Small Group Total row.

**Validity and Reliability of Small Group Data:** It is important that programmatic decisions are based on valid and reliable data. Data for fewer than 40 students in a group are neither valid nor reliable. If a school does not have 40 students in a grade or a subgroup in a given year, the school should evaluate results for students in this group over a period of years to make programmatic decisions.