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# OVERVIEW OF DISTRICT PERFORMANCE IN

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS, MATHEMATICS, AND SCIENCE

# AND

# ANALYSIS OF STUDENT SUBGROUP PERFORMANCE

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School Report Card Coordinator Information and Reporting Services Team New York State Education Department Room 863 EBA 89 Washington Avenue Albany, NY 12234 E-mail: RPTCARD@mail.nysed.gov 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 Accountability Status 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 Accountability Status 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, mathematics, and science 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. 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- and middle-level assessment is administered to students in a specific grade, secondary-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, limited English proficient 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: April 2006*, available 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: Charles S. Dedrick		Phone: (518)237-0100
Organization	Grade Range	Student Enrollment
2004–05	NA	2235

2003–04 District-wide Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$12,923
2003–04 NYS Public Schools Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$13,826

#### 2004–05 Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers\*

Total Number of Core Classes	Percent Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
486	100%
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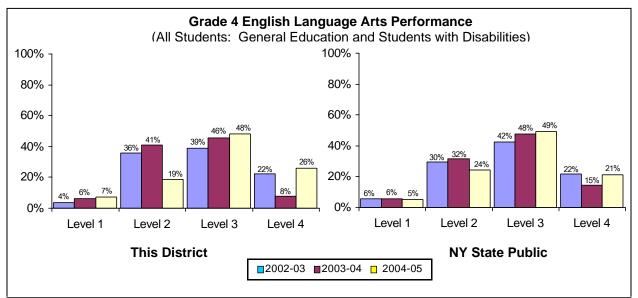
\*To meet the federal definition of "highly qualified," public school teachers of core academic subjects must have at least a bachelor's degree and be State certified for and demonstrate subject matter competency in the core academic subject(s) they teach.

#### 2004–05 Teachers with No Valid Teaching Certificate\*

Total Number of Teachers	Percent with No Valid Teaching Certificate
188	0%

\*Includes teachers with a modified temporary license.

English Language Arts



Percentages less than 0.51 will appear as zero because of rounding.

Derfermenes et	Counts of Students					
Performance at This District	Level 1 455–602	Level 2 603–644	Level 3 645–691	Level 4 692–800	Total Tested	Mean Score
Feb 2003	6	60	65	37	168	658
Feb 2004	10	68	76	13	167	646
Feb 2005	12	30	78	42	162	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.					

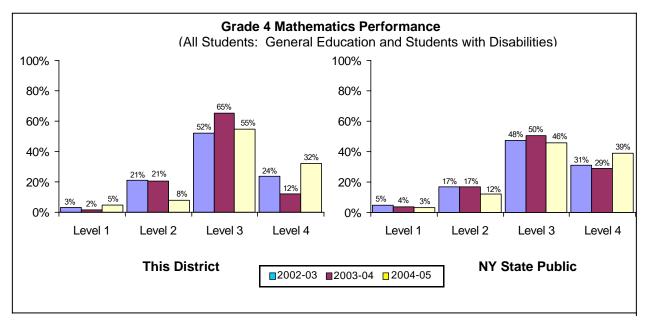
Performance of Limited English Proficient Students Taking the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT) as the Measure of English Language Arts Achievement

Grade 4	Level 1	Level 2	Levels 3 & 4	Total Tested
2005	#	#	#	4

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

Elementary Level	AA–Level 1	AA–Level 2	AA–Level 3	AA–Level 4	Total Tested
2004–05	0	0	0	0	0

#### Mathematics



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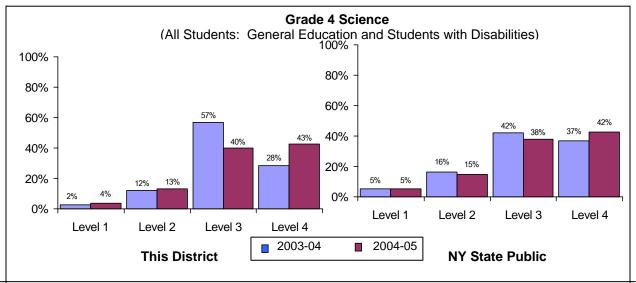
Derfermence et	Counts of Students					
Performance at This District	Level 1 448–601	Level 2 602–636	Level 3 637–677	Level 4 678–810	Total Tested	Mean Score
May 2003	5	36	89	40	170	656
May 2004	3	34	108	20	165	652
May 2005	8	13	90	53	164	667

	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 Students with Severe Disabilities on the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in Mathematics

Elementary Level	AA–Level 1	AA–Level 2	AA–Level 3	AA–Level 4	Total Tested
2004–05	0	0	0	0	0

#### Science\*



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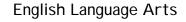
Derfermence et						
Performance at This District	Level 1 0–44	Level 2 45–64	Level 3 65–84	Level 4 85–100	Total Tested	Mean Score
May 2004	4	20	94	47	165	76
May 2005	6	22	66	70	164	79

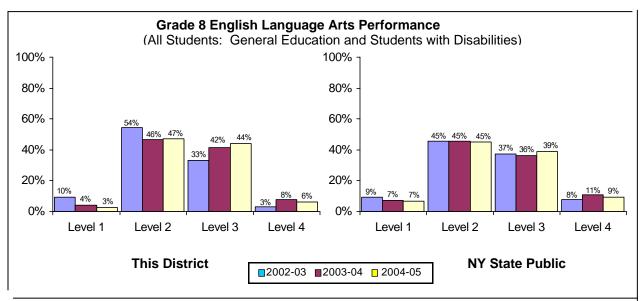
	Elementary-Level Science Levels — Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards			
Knowledg	e, Reasoning, and Froblem-Solving Standards			
Level 4	These students <b>exceed the standards</b> and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination.			
Level 3	These students meet the standards 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 Students with Severe Disabilities on the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in Science

Elementary Level	AA–Level 1	AA–Level 2	AA–Level 3	AA–Level 4	Total Tested
2004–05	0	0	0	0	0

\*Only two years of data are shown because a new assessment in elementary-level science was administered for the first time in 2003–04.





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Derfermense et						
Performance at This District	Level 1 527–657	Level 2 658–696	Level 3 697–736	Level 4 737–830	Total Tested	Mean Score
January 2003	16	91	56	5	168	688
January 2004	7	78	70	13	168	698
January 2005	5	83	78	11	177	696

Middle-L	evel English Language Arts Levels — Listening, Reading, and Writing Standards			
Level 4	<b>evel 4</b> These students <b>exceed the standards</b> 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.			

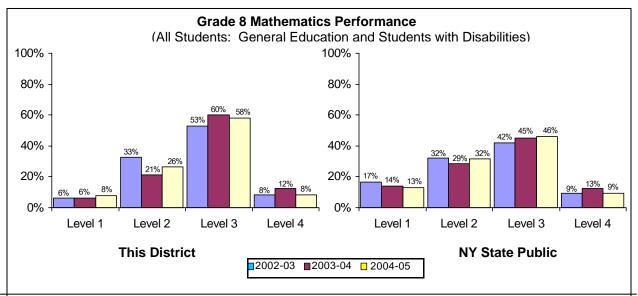
Performance of Limited English Proficient Students Taking the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT) as the Measure of English Language Arts Achievement

Grade 8	Level 1	Level 2	Levels 3 & 4	Total Tested
2005	#	#	#	1

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

Middle Level	AA–Level 1	AA–Level 2	AA–Level 3	AA–Level 4	Total Tested
2004–05	0	0	0	0	0

#### Mathematics



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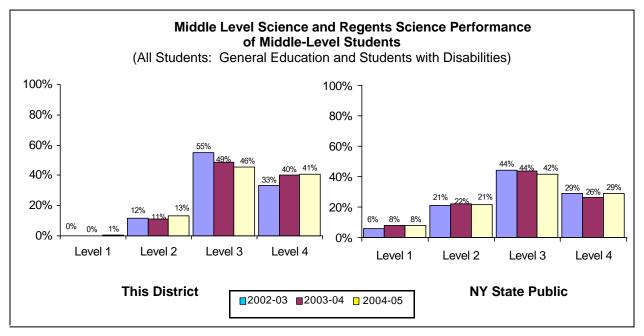
Derfermenes et		Counts of Students							
Performance at This District	Level 1 517–680	Level 2 681–715	Level 3 716–759	Level 4 760–882	Total Tested	Mean Score			
May 2003	11	57	92	14	174	718			
May 2004	11	36	102	21	170	727			
May 2005	14	48	106	15	183	721			

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 Students with Severe Disabilities on the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in Mathematics

Middle Level	AA–Level 1	AA–Level 2	AA–Level 3	AA–Level 4	Total Tested
2004–05	0	0	0	0	0

#### Science



#### Percentages less than 0.51 will appear as zero because of rounding.

Performance at This District			Mean Score				
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total Tested	Wear Score
January/	Middle-Level Science	0	18	86	52	156	77
June 2003	Regents Science	0	0	0	0	0	0
January/	Middle-Level Science	0	18	79	65	162	78
June 2004	Regents Science	0	0	0	0	0	0
January/	Middle-Level Science	1	22	76	68	167	79
June 2005	Regents Science	0	0	0	0	0	0

Middle-L	Middle-Level 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.				

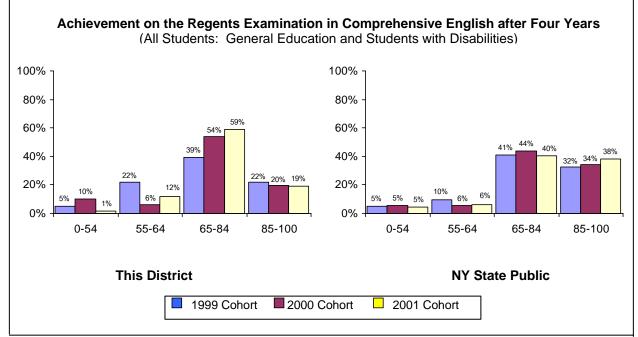
\*Students may demonstrate proficiency in middle-level science by scoring at Level 3 or above on the middle-level science test or by scoring 65 or above on a Regents examination in science.

#### Performance of Students with Severe Disabilities on the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in Science

Middle Level	AA–Level 1	AA–Level 2	AA–Level 3	AA–Level 4	Total Tested
2004–05	0	0	0	0	0

## High School English Achievement after Four Years of Instruction

The graphs and tables below present performance of the 1999, 2000, and 2001 district accountability cohort members, four years after entering grade 9, in meeting the graduation assessment requirement in English. In the graph, students passing approved alternatives to this examination are counted as scoring in the 65 to 84 range. RCT results are not included in the graph. The data in these tables and charts show the performance of the cohorts as of June 30<sup>th</sup> of the fourth year after first entering grade 9.



Percentages less than 0.51 will appear as zero because of rounding.

	English Graduation Requirement Achievement after Four Years of High School*											
	Cohort Members All Students	Highest Score Between 0 and 54	Highest Score Between 55 and 64	Highest Score Between 65 and 84	Highest Score Between 85 and 100	Approved Alternative Credit						
1999 Cohort	138	7	30	54	30	0						
2000 Cohort	128	13	8	69	25	0						
2001 Cohort	135	2	16	80	26	0						

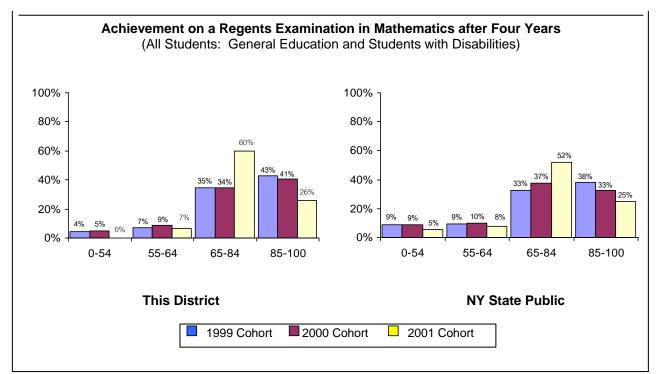
\*Assessments used to determine counts in this table include the Regents examination in comprehensive English, the component retest in English, and approved alternatives.

Performance of Students Who Took the Regents Competency Tests in Reading and Writing to Meet the Graduation Requirement*									
	Passed the RCTs	Failed RCT in Reading and/or Writing							
1999 Cohort	3	0							
2000 Cohort	7	2							
2001 Cohort	3	5							

\*Includes only students eligible for the safety net who did not score 55 or higher on the Regents examination or an approved alternative.

## High School Mathematics Achievement after Four Years of Instruction

The graphs and tables below present performance of the 1999, 2000, and 2001 district accountability cohort members, four years after entering grade 9, in meeting the graduation assessment requirement in mathematics. In the graph, students passing approved alternatives to these examinations are counted as scoring in the 65 to 84 range. RCT results are not included in the graph. The data in these tables and charts show the performance of the cohorts as of June 30<sup>th</sup> of the fourth year after first entering grade 9.



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	Mathematics Graduation Requirement Achievement after Four Years of High School*										
	Cohort Members All Students	Highest Score Between 0 and 54	Highest Score Between 55 and 64	Highest Score Between 65 and 84	Highest Score Between 85 and 100	Approved Alternative Credit					
1999 Cohort	138	6	10	48	59	0					
2000 Cohort	128	6	11	44	52	0					
2001 Cohort	135	0	9	81	35	0					

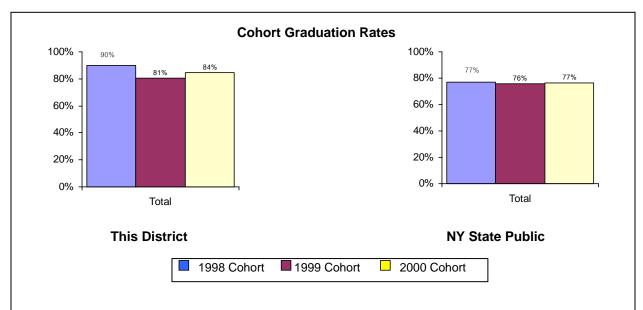
<sup>\*</sup>Assessments used to determine counts in this table include a Regents examination in mathematics, the component retest in mathematics and approved alternatives.

Performance of Students Who Took the Regents Competency Test in Mathematics to Meet the Graduation Requirement*							
	Passed the RCT	Failed at Least One RCT					
1999 Cohort	3	0					
2000 Cohort	5	0					
2001 Cohort	2	0					

\*Includes only students eligible for the safety net who did not score 55 or higher on the Regents examination or an approved alternative.

## **Cohort Graduation Rates**

Students were counted as graduates if they earned a local diploma with or without a Regents endorsement by August 31<sup>st</sup> of the fourth year after first entering grade 9. The graduation-rate cohort includes students who transferred to general education development (GED) programs. These students were not counted in the 1998, 1999, and 2000 district accountability cohorts for English and mathematics.



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	Cohort Graduation Rates										
	Cohort Members* (a)	Transfers to GED (b)	Graduation Rate Cohort Members (a+b)	Number Graduated							
1998 Cohort	111	1	112	101							
1999 Cohort	138	7	145	117							
2000 Cohort	128	6	134	113							

\*Count as of August 31<sup>st</sup> of the fourth year after first entering grade 9.

# 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 for two years 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 should examine the reasons for this lower performance and make necessary changes in curriculum, instruction, and student support services to remedy these performance gaps. If your district did not report data for the 2004–05 school year for a subject and grade, a table showing data for subgroups in that subject and grade will not be included in the *Analysis*.

## English Language Arts

		200	3-04	5		2004	4–05	
Student Subgroup	Total		ntages of T s Scoring a		Total		ntages of 1 s Scoring a	
	Tested	2–4	3–4	4	Tested	2–4	3–4	4
Results by Race/Ethnicity								
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Black	15	93%	33%	0%	25	92%	68%	24%
Hispanic	7	s	S	S	5	100%	100%	40%
Asian or Pacific Islander	1	S	S	S	0	0%	0%	0%
White	144	94%	57%	9%	132	92%	74%	26%
Total	167	94%	53%	8%	162	93%	74%	26%
Small Group Totals (s)	8	88%	25%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Results by Disability Status								
General-education students	145	97%	60%	9%	146	97%	79%	29%
Students with disabilities	22	73%	9%	0%	16	56%	25%	0%
Total	167	94%	53%	8%	162	93%	74%	26%
Results by Gender			•	•			•	
Female	81	93%	56%	7%	86	93%	76%	31%
Male	86	95%	51%	8%	76	92%	72%	20%
Total	167	94%	53%	8%	162	93%	74%	26%
<b>Results by English Proficiency</b>	Status		•	•			•	
English proficient	166	S	S	S	160	S	S	S
Limited English proficient	1	S	S	S	2	S	S	S
Total	167	94%	53%	8%	162	93%	74%	26%
Results by Income Level			•	•			•	
Economically disadvantaged	92	90%	46%	5%	96	90%	65%	17%
Not disadvantaged	75	99%	63%	11%	66	97%	88%	39%
Total	167	94%	53%	8%	162	93%	74%	26%
Results by Migrant Status								
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	167	94%	53%	8%	162	93%	74%	26%
Total	167	94%	53%	8%	162	93%	74%	26%

### Mathematics

		200	3–04			2004	4–05	
Student Subgroup	Total		ntages of 1 s Scoring a		Total		ntages of 1 s Scoring a	
	Tested	2–4	3–4	4	Tested	2–4	3–4	4
Results by Race/Ethnicity								
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Black	12	100%	33%	8%	22	100%	91%	23%
Hispanic	8	s	S	S	5	s	S	s
Asian or Pacific Islander	1	S	S	S	1	S	S	S
White	144	99%	83%	13%	136	94%	86%	32%
Total	165	98%	78%	12%	164	95%	87%	32%
Small Group Totals (s)	9	89%	56%	11%	6	100%	100%	83%
Results by Disability Status								
General-education students	143	99%	80%	14%	148	99%	92%	34%
Students with disabilities	22	91%	64%	0%	16	56%	44%	19%
Total	165	98%	78%	12%	164	95%	87%	32%
Results by Gender							•	•
Female	79	97%	75%	10%	89	98%	89%	30%
Male	86	99%	80%	14%	75	92%	85%	35%
Total	165	98%	78%	12%	164	95%	87%	32%
<b>Results by English Proficiency</b>	Status			•	•		•	•
English proficient	163	S	S	S	158	95%	87%	32%
Limited English proficient	2	S	S	S	6	100%	100%	33%
Total	165	98%	78%	12%	164	95%	87%	32%
Results by Income Level								
Economically disadvantaged	90	98%	67%	7%	98	94%	81%	23%
Not disadvantaged	75	99%	91%	19%	66	97%	97%	45%
Total	165	98%	78%	12%	164	95%	87%	32%
Results by Migrant Status								
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	165	98%	78%	12%	164	95%	87%	32%
Total	165	98%	78%	12%	164	95%	87%	32%

#### Science

		2003	3–04			200	4–05	
Student Subgroup	Total Tested		ntages of s Scoring		Total Tested		ntages of T s Scoring a	
	Testeu	2–4	3–4	4	Testeu	2–4	3–4	4
Results by Race/Ethnicity								
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Black	12	100%	67%	0%	22	95%	82%	32%
Hispanic	8	S	S	S	5	S	S	S
Asian or Pacific Islander	1	S	S	S	1	S	S	S
White	144	98%	89%	31%	136	96%	82%	44%
Total	165	98%	85%	28%	164	96%	83%	43%
Small Group Totals (s)	9	89%	56%	22%	6	100%	100%	50%
Results by Disability Status								
General-education students	143	98%	87%	30%	148	98%	88%	47%
Students with disabilities	22	95%	73%	18%	16	81%	38%	6%
Total	165	98%	85%	28%	164	96%	83%	43%
Results by Gender	•	•				•		
Female	80	95%	85%	16%	89	99%	83%	40%
Male	85	100%	86%	40%	75	93%	83%	45%
Total	165	98%	85%	28%	164	96%	83%	43%
<b>Results by English Proficiency</b>	Status							
English proficient	163	S	S	S	158	96%	83%	44%
Limited English proficient	2	S	S	S	6	100%	83%	17%
Total	165	98%	85%	28%	164	96%	83%	43%
Results by Income Level								
Economically disadvantaged	90	97%	81%	18%	98	94%	73%	30%
Not disadvantaged	75	99%	91%	41%	66	100%	97%	62%
Total	165	98%	85%	28%	164	96%	83%	43%
Results by Migrant Status								
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	165	98%	85%	28%	164	96%	83%	43%
Total	165	98%	85%	28%	164	96%	83%	43%

#### English Language Arts

		200	3–04	•		2004	4–05	
Student Subgroup	Total		ntages of T s Scoring a		Total		ntages of 1 s Scoring a	
	Tested	2–4	3–4	4	Tested	2–4	3–4	4
Results by Race/Ethnicity								
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Black	8	75%	13%	0%	12	100%	25%	8%
Hispanic	7	s	S	S	7	86%	29%	0%
Asian or Pacific Islander	3	s	S	S	0	0%	0%	0%
White	150	97%	50%	9%	158	97%	53%	6%
Total	168	96%	49%	8%	177	97%	50%	6%
Small Group Totals (s)	10	100%	70%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Results by Disability Status								
General-education students	147	98%	55%	9%	153	99%	57%	7%
Students with disabilities	21	81%	10%	0%	24	88%	8%	0%
Total	168	96%	49%	8%	177	97%	50%	6%
Results by Gender								
Female	80	99%	55%	9%	91	98%	56%	10%
Male	88	93%	44%	7%	86	97%	44%	2%
Total	168	96%	49%	8%	177	97%	50%	6%
<b>Results by English Proficiency</b>	Status			•				
English proficient	167	S	S	S	177	97%	50%	6%
Limited English proficient	1	S	S	S	0	0%	0%	0%
Total	168	96%	49%	8%	177	97%	50%	6%
Results by Income Level								
Economically disadvantaged	71	92%	35%	1%	76	95%	41%	5%
Not disadvantaged	97	99%	60%	12%	101	99%	57%	7%
Total	168	96%	49%	8%	177	97%	50%	6%
Results by Migrant Status								
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	168	96%	49%	8%	177	97%	50%	6%
Total	168	96%	49%	8%	177	97%	50%	6%

#### Mathematics

		200	3–04			200	4–05	
Student Subgroup	Total Tested		ntages of T s Scoring a		Total		entages of 1 ts Scoring a	
	Tested	2–4	3–4	4	Tested	2–4	3–4	4
Results by Race/Ethnicity								
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Black	6	S	S	S	15	73%	47%	0%
Hispanic	7	86%	86%	0%	8	88%	38%	0%
Asian or Pacific Islander	3	S	S	S	0	0%	0%	0%
White	154	95%	73%	12%	160	94%	69%	9%
Total	170	94%	72%	12%	183	92%	66%	8%
Small Group Totals (s)	9	78%	56%	22%	0	0%	0%	0%
Results by Disability Status								
General-education students	151	97%	75%	14%	156	97%	74%	10%
Students with disabilities	19	68%	53%	0%	27	63%	19%	0%
Total	170	94%	72%	12%	183	92%	66%	8%
Results by Gender								
Female	81	94%	75%	14%	95	95%	66%	8%
Male	89	93%	70%	11%	88	90%	66%	8%
Total	170	94%	72%	12%	183	92%	66%	8%
Results by English Proficiency	Status			•				
English proficient	164	93%	72%	13%	182	S	S	S
Limited English proficient	6	100%	83%	0%	1	S	S	S
Total	170	94%	72%	12%	183	92%	66%	8%
Results by Income Level								
Economically disadvantaged	74	91%	65%	9%	76	95%	62%	8%
Not disadvantaged	96	96%	78%	15%	107	91%	69%	8%
Total	170	94%	72%	12%	183	92%	66%	8%
Results by Migrant Status								
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	170	94%	72%	12%	183	92%	66%	8%
Total	170	94%	72%	12%	183	92%	66%	8%

#### Science

			3–04			2004	4–05	
Student Subgroup	Total		ntages of T s Scoring a		Total		ntages of 1 s Scoring a	
	Tested	2–4	3–4	4	Tested	2–4	3–4	4
Results by Race/Ethnicity								
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Black	6	100%	67%	0%	11	100%	64%	0%
Hispanic	6	S	S	S	6	100%	67%	17%
Asian or Pacific Islander	3	S	S	S	0	0%	0%	0%
White	147	100%	89%	41%	150	99%	89%	45%
Total	162	100%	89%	40%	167	99%	86%	41%
Small Group Totals (s)	9	100%	100%	56%	0	0%	0%	0%
Results by Disability Status		•	•			•	•	•
General-education students	143	100%	92%	43%	147	100%	92%	46%
Students with disabilities	19	100%	68%	16%	20	95%	45%	5%
Total	162	100%	89%	40%	167	99%	86%	41%
Results by Gender				•				
Female	78	100%	91%	33%	85	100%	88%	41%
Male	84	100%	87%	46%	82	99%	84%	40%
Total	162	100%	89%	40%	167	99%	86%	41%
Results by English Proficiency State	us							
English proficient	156	100%	91%	42%	166	S	S	S
Limited English proficient	6	100%	33%	0%	1	S	S	S
Total	162	100%	89%	40%	167	99%	86%	41%
Results by Income Level								
Economically disadvantaged	69	100%	80%	33%	72	99%	76%	26%
Not disadvantaged	93	100%	96%	45%	95	100%	94%	52%
Total	162	100%	89%	40%	167	99%	86%	41%
Results by Migrant Status								
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	162	100%	89%	40%	167	99%	86%	41%
Total	162	100%	89%	40%	167	99%	86%	41%

## 2000 and 2001 High School Cohorts

General-education students who first entered ninth grade in 2000 or 2001 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 Accommodation Plan may qualify for a local diploma by passing Regents competency tests. The data in these tables show the performance of the cohorts as of June 30<sup>th</sup> of the fourth year after first entering grade 9.

#### Performance on the English Assessment Requirement for Graduation

		nort		2001 Cohort							
Student Subgroup	Count of Students			Percent		Count of Students			Percent		
		by Score			Meeting	Students	by Score		Meeting		
	Students in Cohort	Regents		Pass-	Gradu-	in	Regents		Pass-	Gradua-	
		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	0	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%	
Black	1	S	S	S	s	2	S	S	S	S	
Hispanic	1	S	S	S	s	1	S	S	S	S	
Asian or Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0%	2	S	S	S	S	
White	126	S	S	S	s	130	14	103	3	92%	
Total	128	8	94	7	85%	135	16	106	3	93%	
Small Group Totals (s)	128	8	94	7	85%	5	2	3	0	100%	
Results by Disability Status											
General-education students	108	6	91	1	91%	120	13	105	0	98%	
Students with disabilities	20	2	3	6	55%	15	3	1	3	47%	
Total	128	8	94	7	85%	135	16	106	3	93%	
Results by Gender											
Female	63	3	50	2	87%	67	5	58	0	94%	
Male	65	5	44	5	83%	68	11	48	3	91%	
Total	128	8	94	7	85%	135	16	106	3	93%	
Results by English Proficiency	/ Status					•					
English proficient	124	S	S	S	S	131	S	S	S	S	
Limited English proficient	4	S	S	S	S	4	S	S	S	S	
Total	128	8	94	7	85%	135	16	106	3	93%	
Results by Income Level											
Economically disadvantaged	61	4	38	7	80%	44	8	30	1	89%	
Not disadvantaged	67	4	56	0	90%	91	8	76	2	95%	
Total	128	8	94	7	85%	135	16	106	3	93%	
Results by Migrant Status											
Migrant family	0	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%	
Not migrant family	128	8	94	7	85%	135	16	106	3	93%	
Total	128	8	94	7	85%	135	16	106	3	93%	

#### after Four Years of High School

#### Performance on the Mathematics Assessment Requirement for Graduation after Four Years of High School

10	r Gradua									
		hort		2001 Cohort						
Student Subgroup		Count of Students by Score			Percent Meeting		Count of Students			Percent Meeting
	Students in Cohort					Students	by Score			
		Regents Pass-		Pass-	Gradu-	in	Regents		Pass-	Gradua-
		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	0	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
Black	1	S	s	S	S	2	S	S	S	s
Hispanic	1	S	S	S	S	1	S	S	S	S
Asian or Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0%	2	s	S	S	S
White	126	S	S	S	S	130	8	112	2	94%
Total	128	11	96	5	88%	135	9	116	2	94%
Small Group Totals (s)	128	11	96	5	88%	5	1	4	0	100%
Results by Disability Status										
General-education students	108	10	88	1	92%	120	8	112	0	100%
Students with disabilities	20	1	8	4	65%	15	1	4	2	47%
Total	128	11	96	5	88%	135	9	116	2	94%
Results by Gender										
Female	63	3	52	3	92%	67	4	61	1	99%
Male	65	8	44	2	83%	68	5	55	1	90%
Total	128	11	96	5	88%	135	9	116	2	94%
<b>Results by English Proficiency</b>	Status									
English proficient	124	S	S	S	S	131	S	S	S	S
Limited English proficient	4	S	S	S	S	4	S	S	S	S
Total	128	11	96	5	88%	135	9	116	2	94%
Results by Income Level										
Economically disadvantaged	61	7	41	4	85%	44	3	37	0	91%
Not disadvantaged	67	4	55	1	90%	91	6	79	2	96%
Total	128	11	96	5	88%	135	9	116	2	94%
Results by Migrant Status										
Migrant family	0	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
Not migrant family	128	11	96	5	88%	135	9	116	2	94%
Total	128	11	96	5	88%	135	9	116	2	94%

## **Cohort Graduation Rates**

Students were counted as graduates if they earned a local diploma with or without a Regents endorsement by August 31<sup>st</sup> of the fourth year after first entering grade 9. The graduation-rate cohort includes students who transferred to general education development (GED) programs. These students were not counted in the district accountability cohort for English and mathematics.

	1999 Col	ort as of	2000 Cohort as of				
	August	31, 2003	August 31, 2004				
Student Subgroup	Graduation Rate Cohort	Graduation Rate	Graduation Rate Cohort	Graduation Rate			
Results by Race/Ethnicity							
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0%	0	0%			
Black	5	S	2	S			
Hispanic	1	S	1	S			
Asian or Pacific Islander	5	100%	0	0%			
White	134	79%	131	S			
Total	145	81%	134	84%			
Small Group Totals (s)	6	100%	134	84%			
Results by Disability Status							
General-education students	133	84%	114	88%			
Students with disabilities	12	42%	20	65%			
Total	145	81%	134	84%			
Results by Gender							
Female	65	82%	66	89%			
Male	80	80%	68	79%			
Total	145	81%	134	84%			
Results by English Proficiency S	tatus						
English proficient	139	80%	130	S			
Limited English proficient	6	100%	4	S			
Total	145	81%	134	84%			
Results by Income Level							
Economically disadvantaged	14	21%	62	84%			
Not disadvantaged	131	87%	72	85%			
Total	145	81%	134	84%			
Results by Migrant Status							
Migrant family	0	0%	0	0%			
Not migrant family	145	81%	134	84%			
Total	145	81%	134	84%			

#### Glossary

Accountability Cohort: An accountability cohort is all students, regardless of grade status, who were enrolled in school on BEDS day two years after the year in which they first entered grade 9, or, in the case of ungraded students with disabilities, the year in which they reached their seventeenth birthday. (For example, the 2001 accountability cohort consists of all students who first entered grade 9 in the fall of 2001 who were enrolled on October 8, 2003). Certain students are not included in the school accountability cohort. Cohort is defined in Section 100.2 (p) (16) of the Commissioner's Regulations.

**Component Retests:** Component retests were offered in Regents English and Mathematics A to certain students 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 on the Regents examination, as determined by the component retest results.

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

**Graduation-Rate Cohort:** Graduation-rate cohort for each year includes all students in the accountability cohort in the previous year plus all students excluded from that accountability cohort solely because they transferred to a general education development (GED) program.

Limited English Proficient (LEP) Students: Schools provide special English instruction to students for whom English is a second language so they can participate effectively in the academic program. Beginning in 2003–04, 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 below a state-designated level of proficiency on the Language Assessment Battery-Revised (LAB-R) or the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT). The United States Department of Education has approved the use of the NYSESLAT as the required measure of language arts proficiency for LEP students in grades 4 and 8 who have attended school in the United States (not including Puerto Rico) for fewer than three consecutive years and for LEP students who have attended for four or five years and have received an exemption from the general assessment requirement.

**New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA):** The district Committee on Special Education designates students with severe cognitive disabilities 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 are 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 30 students in a group may be neither valid nor reliable. If a school does not have 30 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.