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**OVERVIEW OF DISTRICT PERFORMANCE IN
ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS, MATHEMATICS, AND SCIENCE
AND
ANALYSIS OF STUDENT SUBGROUP PERFORMANCE
for
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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 *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: February 2005*, 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: Eva Joseph		Phone: (518)462-7200
Organization 2003–04	Grade Range	Student Enrollment
	NA	9632

2002–03 District-wide Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$13,617
2002–03 NYS Public Schools Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$13,085

2003–04 Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers*

Total Number of Core Classes	Percent Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
1,900	99%

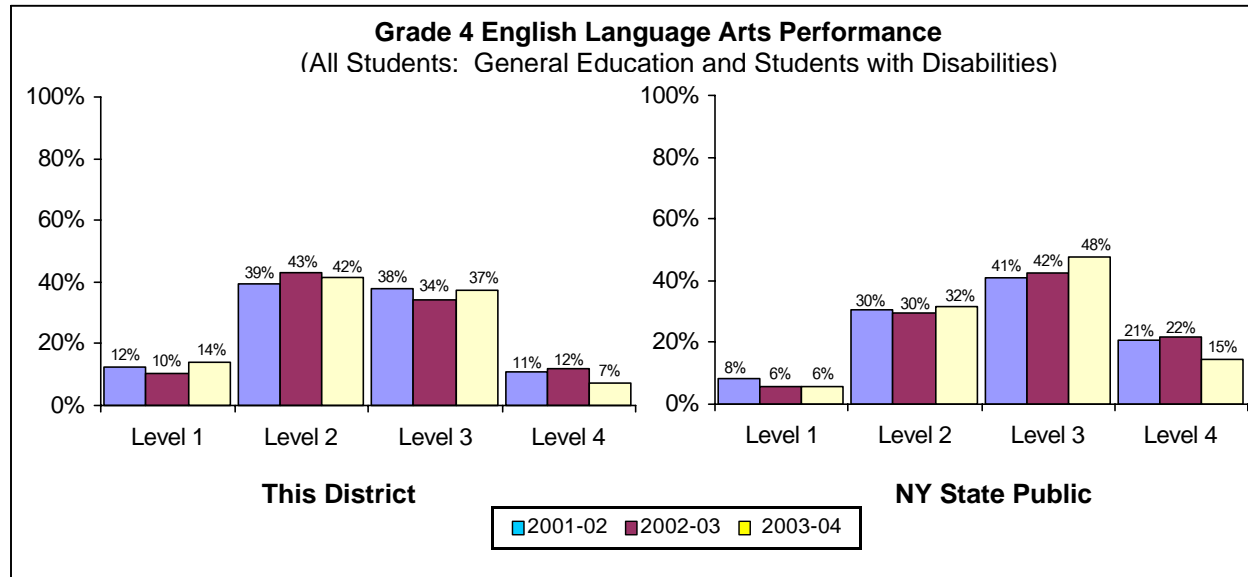
*To meet the federal definition of "highly qualified," public school teachers of core academic subjects must have at least a bachelor's degree and be State certified for and demonstrate subject matter competency in the core academic subject(s) they teach.

2003–04 Teachers with No Valid Teaching Certificate*

Total Number of Teachers	Percent with No Valid Teaching Certificate
809	1%

*Includes teachers with a modified temporary license.

Elementary Level English Language Arts



Performance at This District	Counts of Students					Mean Score
	Level 1 455–602	Level 2 603–644	Level 3 645–691	Level 4 692–800	Total Tested	
Jan–Feb 2002	93	300	286	82	761	644
Feb 2003	81	338	268	95	782	644
Feb 2004	105	314	280	54	753	638

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 need extra help to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination.
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies .

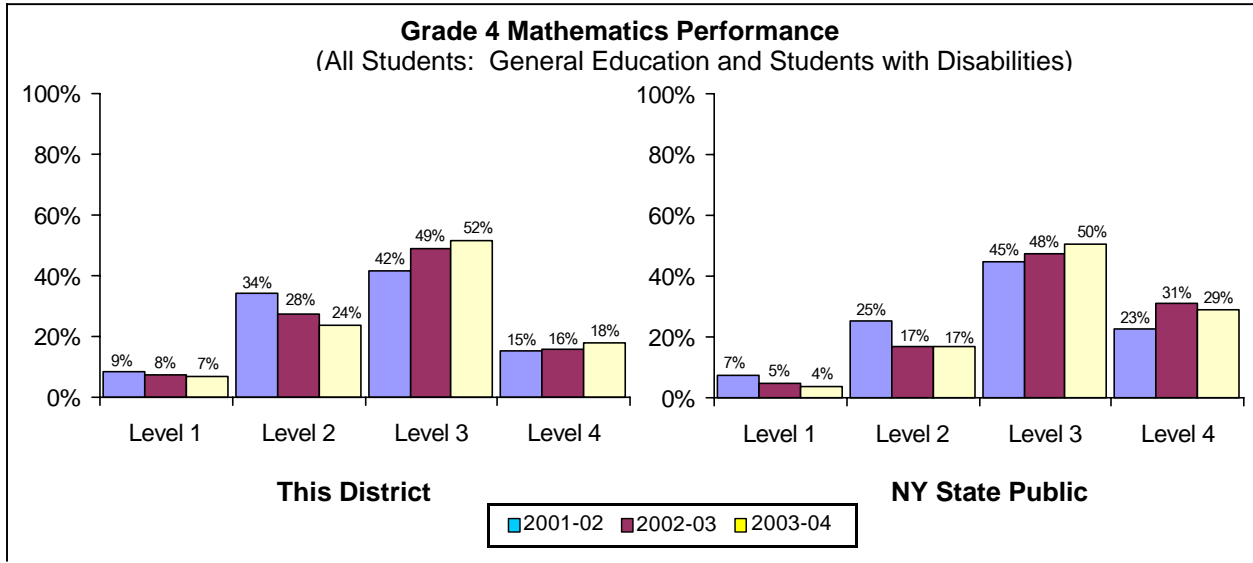
Performance of Limited English Proficient Students Taking the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT) as the Measure of English Language Arts Achievement

Grade 4	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total Tested
2004	5	2	6	4	17

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
2003–04	0	2	0	6	8

Elementary Level Mathematics



Performance at This District	Counts of Students					Mean Score
	Level 1 448–601	Level 2 602–636	Level 3 637–677	Level 4 678–810	Total Tested	
May 2002	65	263	318	118	764	642
May 2003	61	220	393	126	800	647
May 2004	51	183	399	137	770	650

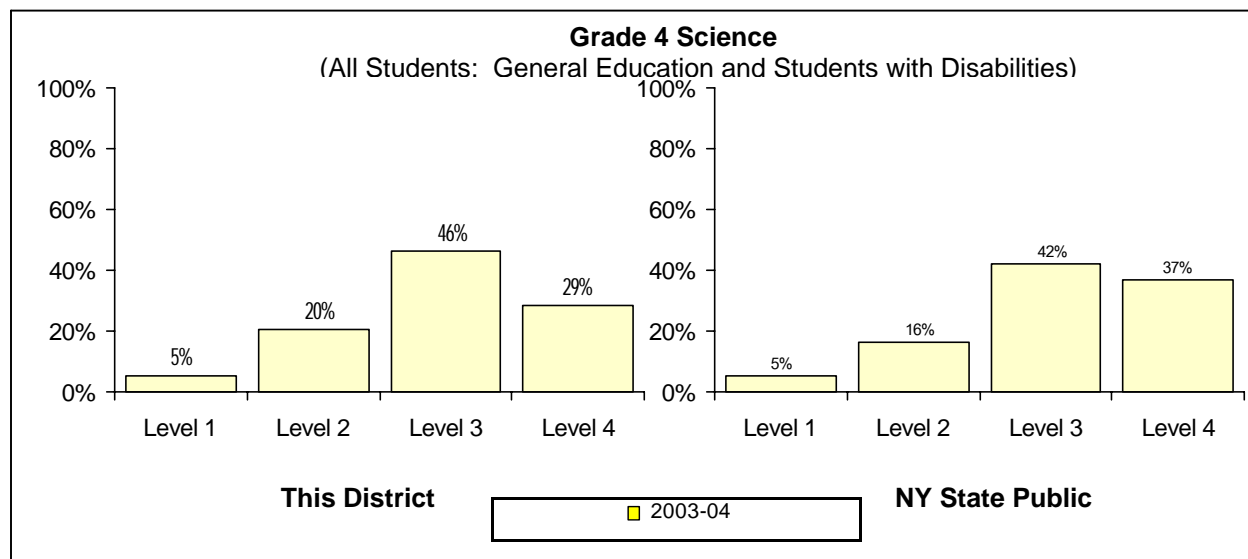
Elementary-Level Mathematics Levels — Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards	
Level 4	These students exceed the standards and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination.
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination.
Level 2	These students need extra help 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
2003-04	1	3	2	2	8

Elementary Level

Science*



Performance at This District	Counts of Students					Mean Score
	Level 1 0-44	Level 2 45-64	Level 3 65-84	Level 4 85-100	Total Tested	
May 2004	38	150	341	211	740	73

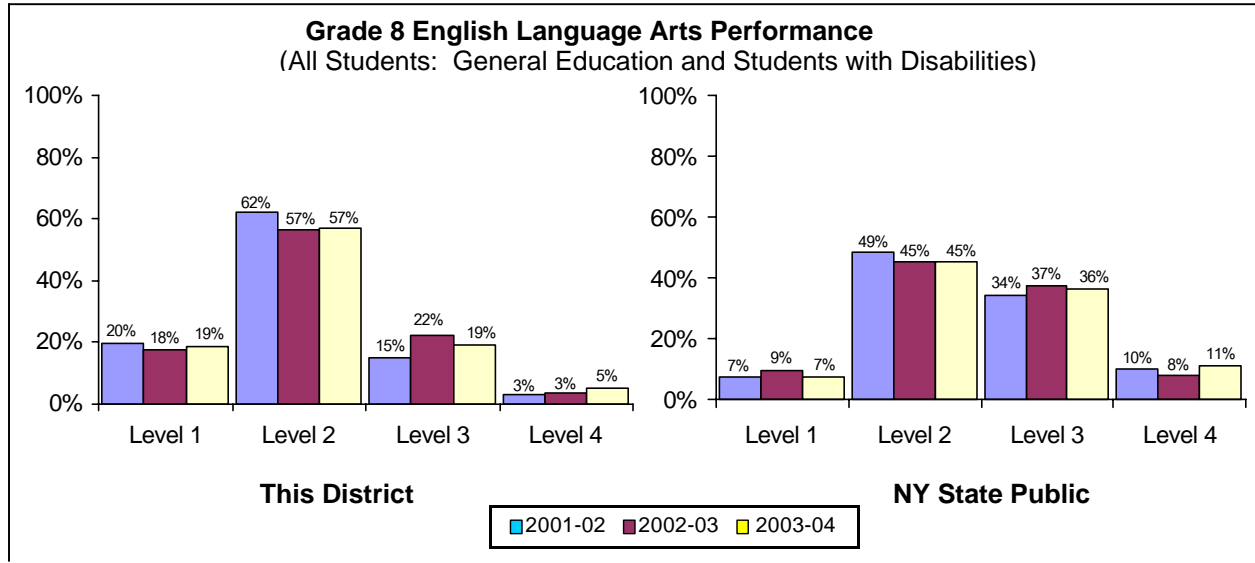
Elementary-Level Science Levels — Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards	
Level 4	These students exceed the standards and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination.
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination.
Level 2	These students need extra help 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
2003-04	1	2	1	3	7

*Only one year of data is shown because a new assessment in elementary-level science was administered for the first time in 2003-04.

Middle Level English Language Arts



Performance at This District	Counts of Students					Mean Score
	Level 1 527-659	Level 2 660-698	Level 3 699-737	Level 4 738-830	Total Tested	
March 2002	119	377	90	19	605	678
	Level 1 527-657	Level 2 658-696	Level 3 697-736	Level 4 737-830	Total Tested	
January 2003	103	328	128	20	579	680
January 2004	122	374	125	35	656	682

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 .

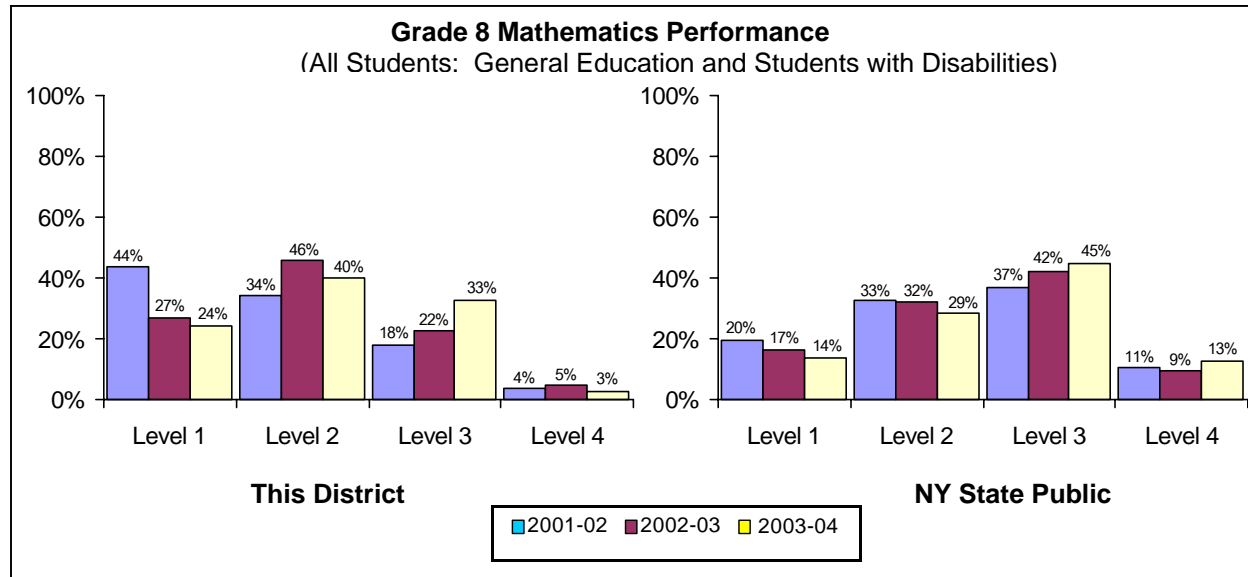
Performance of Limited English Proficient Students Taking the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT) as the Measure of English Language Arts Achievement

Grade 8	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total Tested
2004	1	2	1	2	6

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
2003-04	0	1	3	5	9

Middle Level Mathematics



Performance at This District	Counts of Students					Mean Score
	Level 1 517-680	Level 2 681-715	Level 3 716-759	Level 4 760-882	Total Tested	
May 2002	259	203	107	21	590	687
May 2003	165	279	137	28	609	696
May 2004	163	268	217	19	667	698

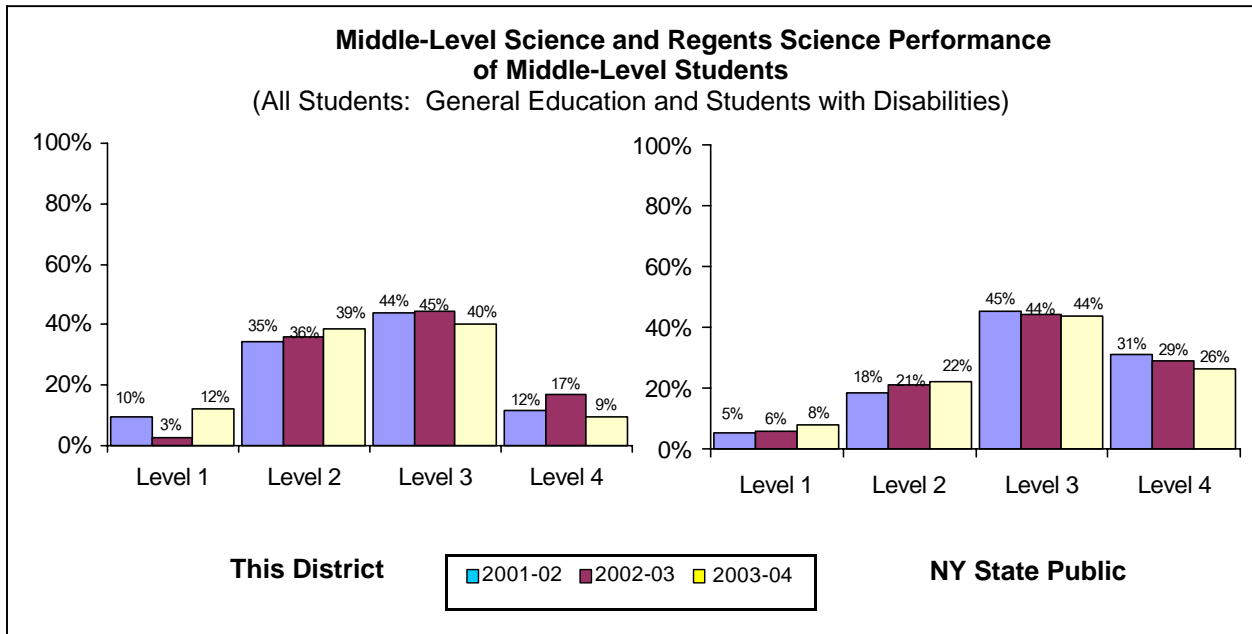
Middle-Level Mathematics Levels — Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards	
Level 4	These students exceed the standards and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination.
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination.
Level 2	These students need extra help 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
2003-04	1	1	1	6	9

Middle Level

Science



Performance at This District		Counts of Students					Mean Score
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total Tested	
June 2002	Middle-Level Science	57	202	257	69	585	65
	Regents Science	0	0	0	0	0	0
January/ June 2003	Middle-Level Science	14	186	231	88	519	69
	Regents Science	0	0	0	0	0	0
January/ June 2004	Middle-Level Science	76	245	253	59	633	63
	Regents Science	0	0	0	0	0	0

Middle-Level Science Levels — Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards*	
Level 4	These students exceed the standards 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 meet the standards 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 need extra help 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 serious academic deficiencies as evidenced in the middle-level science test <u>or</u> score 0–54 on a Regents science examination.

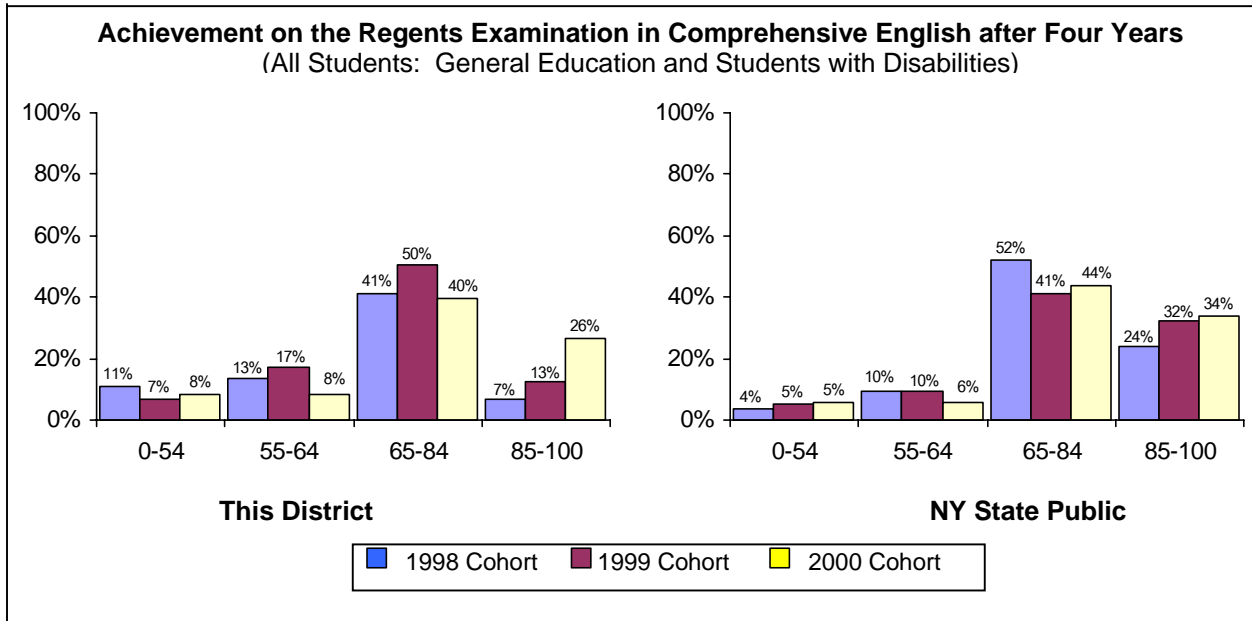
*Students may demonstrate proficiency in middle-level science by scoring at Level 3 or above on the middle-level science test or by scoring 65 or above on a Regents examination in science.

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
2003-04	1	0	1	5	7

High School English Achievement after Four Years of Instruction

The graphs and tables below present performance of the 1998, 1999, and 2000 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 30th of the fourth year after first entering grade 9. Data for the 1999 and 2000 cohorts include all students in cohorts in the district's schools, students continuously enrolled in the district who transferred between schools within the district, and students placed outside the district but who are the reporting responsibility of the district. Data for the 1998 cohort include all students in the cohort in the district's schools.



	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
1998 Cohort	549	61	73	225	37	0
1999 Cohort	430	29	73	217	54	0
2000 Cohort	471	39	39	187	124	0

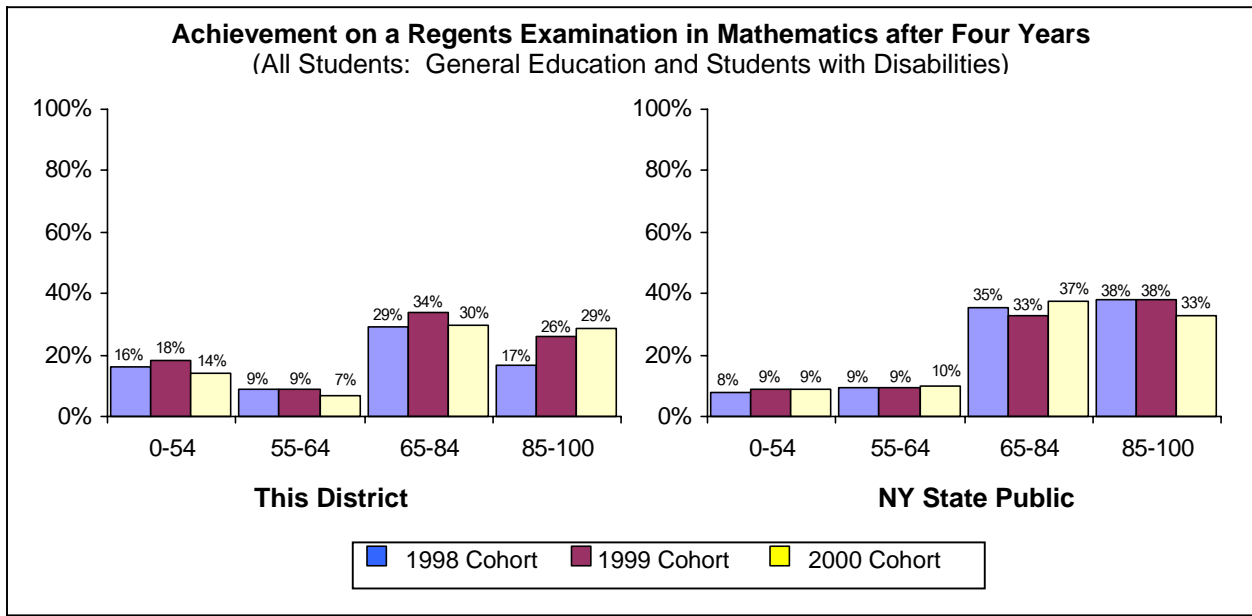
*Assessments used to determine counts in this table include the Regents examination in comprehensive English, the component retest in English, and approved alternatives.

	Passed the RCTs	Failed RCT in Reading and/or Writing
1998 Cohort	10	12
1999 Cohort	1	2
2000 Cohort	3	7

*Includes only students eligible for the safety net who did not score 55 or higher on the Regents examination or an approved alternative. Some students in the "Passed the RCTs" counts are also included in the 0-54 counts in the graph above.

High School Mathematics Achievement after Four Years of Instruction

The graphs and tables below present performance of the 1998, 1999, and 2000 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 30th of the fourth year after first entering grade 9. Data for the 1999 and 2000 cohorts include all students in cohorts in the district's schools, students continuously enrolled in the district who transferred between schools within the district, and students placed outside the district but who are the reporting responsibility of the district. Data for the 1998 cohort include all students in the cohort in the district's schools.



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
1998 Cohort	549	90	50	161	91	0
1999 Cohort	430	78	37	146	112	0
2000 Cohort	471	66	33	140	136	0

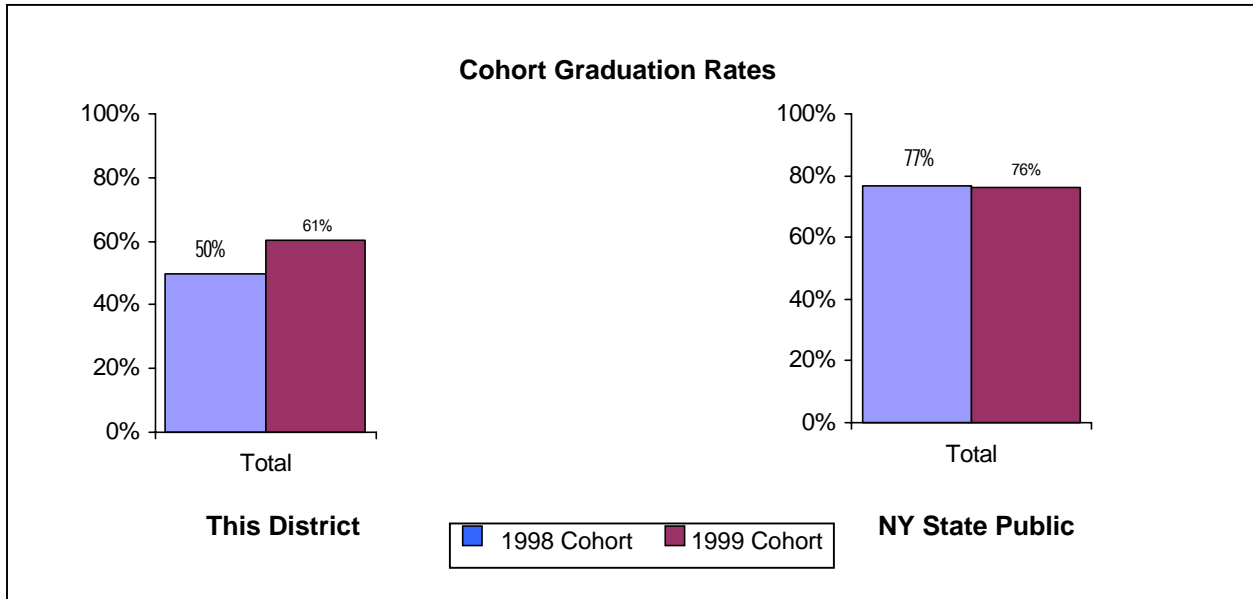
*Assessments used to determine counts in this table include a Regents examination in mathematics, the component retest in mathematics, and approved alternatives.

Performance of Students Who Took the Regents Competency Test in Mathematics to Meet the Graduation Requirement*		
	Passed the RCT	Failed at Least One RCT
1998 Cohort	24	13
1999 Cohort	1	0
2000 Cohort	20	5

*Includes only students eligible for the safety net who did not score 55 or higher on the Regents examination or an approved alternative. Some students in the "Passed the RCTs" counts are also included in the 0-54 counts in the graph above.

Cohort Graduation Rates

Students were counted as graduates if they earned a local diploma with or without a Regents endorsement by August 31st 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 and 1999 school accountability cohort for English and mathematics.



Cohort Graduation Rates				
	Cohort Members* (a)	Transfers to GED (b)	Graduation Rate Cohort Members (a+b)	Number Graduated
1998 Cohort	403	35	438	219
1999 Cohort	443	36	479	290

*Count as of August 31st 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 school 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 2003–04 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*.

Elementary Level English Language Arts

Student Subgroup	2002-03				2003-04			
	Total Tested	Percentages of Tested Students Scoring at Levels			Total 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	0	0%	0%	0%	2	s	s	s
Black	496	88%	39%	6%	518	82%	38%	3%
Hispanic	65	91%	38%	9%	71	97%	55%	15%
Asian or Pacific Islander	26	92%	65%	35%	17	s	s	s
White	195	93%	65%	26%	145	93%	58%	16%
Total	782	90%	46%	12%	753	86%	44%	7%
Small Group Totals (s)	0	0%	0%	0%	19	89%	84%	11%
Results by Disability Status								
General-education students	654	95%	54%	15%	614	94%	52%	8%
Students with disabilities	128	62%	6%	0%	139	50%	12%	1%
Total	782	90%	46%	12%	753	86%	44%	7%
Results by Gender								
Female	396	92%	52%	14%	351	89%	52%	7%
Male	386	87%	41%	10%	402	83%	38%	7%
Total	782	90%	46%	12%	753	86%	44%	7%
Results by English Proficiency Status								
English proficient	777	90%	46%	12%	734	86%	45%	7%
Limited English proficient	5	80%	40%	40%	19	95%	37%	11%
Total	782	90%	46%	12%	753	86%	44%	7%
Results by Income Level								
Economically disadvantaged	556	87%	39%	6%	445	83%	37%	4%
Not disadvantaged	226	96%	65%	28%	308	91%	55%	12%
Total	782	90%	46%	12%	753	86%	44%	7%
Results by Migrant Status								
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	782	90%	46%	12%	753	86%	44%	7%
Total	782	90%	46%	12%	753	86%	44%	7%

Elementary Level Mathematics

Student Subgroup	2002-03				2003-04			
	Total Tested	Percentages of Tested Students Scoring at Levels			Total 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	0	0%	0%	0%	2	s	s	s
Black	505	90%	58%	8%	521	93%	64%	12%
Hispanic	73	96%	67%	14%	76	99%	75%	17%
Asian or Pacific Islander	29	93%	76%	52%	25	s	s	s
White	193	96%	81%	32%	146	95%	83%	36%
Total	800	92%	65%	16%	770	93%	70%	18%
Small Group Totals (s)	0	0%	0%	0%	27	89%	81%	37%
Results by Disability Status								
General-education students	662	96%	72%	18%	636	97%	76%	20%
Students with disabilities	138	76%	29%	4%	134	74%	40%	5%
Total	800	92%	65%	16%	770	93%	70%	18%
Results by Gender								
Female	403	92%	65%	16%	355	95%	73%	16%
Male	397	93%	65%	16%	415	92%	67%	19%
Total	800	92%	65%	16%	770	93%	70%	18%
Results by English Proficiency Status								
English proficient	776	93%	66%	16%	733	93%	70%	18%
Limited English proficient	24	83%	42%	13%	37	92%	54%	11%
Total	800	92%	65%	16%	770	93%	70%	18%
Results by Income Level								
Economically disadvantaged	570	91%	58%	8%	466	92%	65%	13%
Not disadvantaged	230	97%	82%	35%	304	96%	76%	26%
Total	800	92%	65%	16%	770	93%	70%	18%
Results by Migrant Status								
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	800	92%	65%	16%	770	93%	70%	18%
Total	800	92%	65%	16%	770	93%	70%	18%

Elementary Level

Science*

Student Subgroup	2003–04			
	Total Tested	Percentages of Tested Students Scoring at Levels		
		2–4	3–4	4
Results by Race/Ethnicity				
American Indian/Alaskan Native	2	s	s	s
Black	500	94%	70%	23%
Hispanic	73	97%	78%	32%
Asian or Pacific Islander	24	s	s	s
White	141	97%	88%	43%
Total	740	95%	75%	29%
Small Group Totals (s)	26	88%	88%	54%
Results by Disability Status				
General-education students	611	97%	78%	31%
Students with disabilities	129	84%	60%	16%
Total	740	95%	75%	29%
Results by Gender				
Female	346	95%	76%	29%
Male	394	94%	73%	28%
Total	740	95%	75%	29%
Results by English Proficiency Status				
English proficient	705	95%	75%	29%
Limited English proficient	35	91%	74%	17%
Total	740	95%	75%	29%
Results by Income Level				
Economically disadvantaged	442	94%	69%	24%
Not disadvantaged	298	96%	83%	36%
Total	740	95%	75%	29%
Results by Migrant Status				
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	740	95%	75%	29%
Total	740	95%	75%	29%

*Only one year of data is shown because a new assessment in elementary-level science was administered for the first time in 2003–04.

Middle Level
English Language Arts

Student Subgroup	2002-03				2003-04			
	Total Tested	Percentages of Tested Students Scoring at Levels			Total 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	3	s	s	s
Black	370	78%	15%	0%	424	77%	14%	1%
Hispanic	54	85%	15%	0%	56	84%	16%	2%
Asian or Pacific Islander	10	s	s	s	15	s	s	s
White	143	92%	57%	13%	158	92%	55%	17%
Total	579	82%	26%	3%	656	81%	24%	5%
Small Group Totals (s)	12	92%	42%	8%	18	89%	22%	6%
Results by Disability Status								
General-education students	466	91%	31%	4%	520	88%	30%	7%
Students with disabilities	113	45%	4%	0%	136	54%	2%	0%
Total	579	82%	26%	3%	656	81%	24%	5%
Results by Gender								
Female	282	85%	29%	4%	338	88%	30%	8%
Male	297	79%	23%	3%	318	74%	18%	3%
Total	579	82%	26%	3%	656	81%	24%	5%
Results by English Proficiency Status								
English proficient	577	s	s	s	652	s	s	s
Limited English proficient	2	s	s	s	4	s	s	s
Total	579	82%	26%	3%	656	81%	24%	5%
Results by Income Level								
Economically disadvantaged	389	79%	13%	0%	471	77%	13%	0%
Not disadvantaged	190	88%	51%	11%	185	91%	54%	18%
Total	579	82%	26%	3%	656	81%	24%	5%
Results by Migrant Status								
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	579	82%	26%	3%	656	81%	24%	5%
Total	579	82%	26%	3%	656	81%	24%	5%

**Middle Level
Mathematics**

Student Subgroup	2002-03				2003-04			
	Total Tested	Percentages of Tested Students Scoring at Levels			Total 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	2	s	s	s
Black	374	67%	15%	2%	427	69%	27%	0%
Hispanic	55	69%	16%	0%	58	76%	22%	0%
Asian or Pacific Islander	14	s	s	s	17	s	s	s
White	164	87%	55%	13%	163	91%	61%	10%
Total	609	73%	27%	5%	667	76%	35%	3%
Small Group Totals (s)	16	94%	50%	0%	19	84%	53%	0%
Results by Disability Status								
General-education students	501	79%	31%	6%	528	84%	42%	4%
Students with disabilities	108	43%	8%	0%	139	44%	9%	0%
Total	609	73%	27%	5%	667	76%	35%	3%
Results by Gender								
Female	296	75%	28%	4%	342	81%	38%	2%
Male	313	71%	26%	5%	325	70%	32%	4%
Total	609	73%	27%	5%	667	76%	35%	3%
Results by English Proficiency Status								
English proficient	596	73%	28%	5%	659	76%	36%	3%
Limited English proficient	13	62%	0%	0%	8	63%	25%	0%
Total	609	73%	27%	5%	667	76%	35%	3%
Results by Income Level								
Economically disadvantaged	397	71%	17%	1%	474	71%	26%	0%
Not disadvantaged	212	77%	47%	11%	193	87%	59%	9%
Total	609	73%	27%	5%	667	76%	35%	3%
Results by Migrant Status								
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	609	73%	27%	5%	667	76%	35%	3%
Total	609	73%	27%	5%	667	76%	35%	3%

Middle Level

Science

Student Subgroup	2002-03				2003-04			
	Total Tested	Percentages of Tested Students Scoring at Levels			Total 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	2	s	s	s
Black	325	97%	52%	6%	401	86%	38%	1%
Hispanic	47	94%	60%	6%	54	81%	41%	4%
Asian or Pacific Islander	10	s	s	s	17	s	s	s
White	135	99%	84%	45%	159	96%	79%	31%
Total	519	97%	61%	17%	633	88%	49%	9%
Small Group Totals (s)	12	100%	67%	42%	19	89%	58%	11%
Results by Disability Status								
General-education students	427	98%	66%	20%	512	91%	56%	11%
Students with disabilities	92	92%	40%	1%	121	74%	19%	2%
Total	519	97%	61%	17%	633	88%	49%	9%
Results by Gender								
Female	261	98%	59%	16%	330	89%	51%	10%
Male	258	97%	64%	18%	303	87%	47%	9%
Total	519	97%	61%	17%	633	88%	49%	9%
Results by English Proficiency Status								
English proficient	516	s	s	s	624	89%	50%	9%
Limited English proficient	3	s	s	s	9	33%	11%	0%
Total	519	97%	61%	17%	633	88%	49%	9%
Results by Income Level								
Economically disadvantaged	345	97%	52%	5%	448	85%	39%	1%
Not disadvantaged	174	98%	81%	40%	185	96%	74%	29%
Total	519	97%	61%	17%	633	88%	49%	9%
Results by Migrant Status								
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	519	97%	61%	17%	633	88%	49%	9%
Total	519	97%	61%	17%	633	88%	49%	9%

1999 and 2000 High School Cohorts

General-education students who first entered ninth grade in 1999 or 2000 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 30th of the fourth year after first entering grade 9.

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

Student Subgroup	1999 Cohort					2000 Cohort				
	Students in Cohort	Count of Students by Score			Percent Meeting Graduation Requirement	Students in Cohort	Count of Students by Score			Percent Meeting Graduation Requirement
		Regents		Pass-ed RCTs			Regents		Pass-ed RCTs	
		55–64	65–100				55–64	65–100		
Results by Race/Ethnicity										
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0	0	0	0%	1	s	s	s	s
Black	247	60	121	0	73%	226	26	114	3	63%
Hispanic	19	5	11	0	84%	44	4	27	0	70%
Asian or Pacific Islander	11	0	9	0	82%	15	s	s	s	s
White	153	8	130	1	91%	185	8	159	0	90%
Total	430	73	271	1	80%	471	39	311	3	75%
Small Group Totals (s)	0	0	0	0	0%	16	1	11	0	75%
Results by Disability Status										
General-education students	419	72	269	0	81%	422	32	303	0	79%
Students with disabilities	11	1	2	1	36%	49	7	8	3	37%
Total	430	73	271	1	80%	471	39	311	3	75%
Results by Gender										
Female	225	41	145	0	83%	251	25	171	0	78%
Male	205	32	126	1	78%	220	14	140	3	71%
Total	430	73	271	1	80%	471	39	311	3	75%
Results by English Proficiency Status										
English proficient	428	s	s	s	s	453	35	303	3	75%
Limited English proficient	2	s	s	s	s	18	4	8	0	67%
Total	430	73	271	1	80%	471	39	311	3	75%
Results by Income Level										
Economically disadvantaged	144	34	79	0	78%	210	25	115	1	67%
Not disadvantaged	286	39	192	1	81%	261	14	196	2	81%
Total	430	73	271	1	80%	471	39	311	3	75%
Results by Migrant Status										
Migrant family	0	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
Not migrant family	430	73	271	1	80%	471	39	311	3	75%
Total	430	73	271	1	80%	471	39	311	3	75%

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

Student Subgroup	1999 Cohort					2000 Cohort				
	Students in Cohort	Count of Students by Score			Percent Meeting Graduation Requirement	Students in Cohort	Count of Students by Score			Percent Meeting Graduation Requirement
		Regents		Pass-ed RCTs			Regents		Pass-ed RCTs	
		55-64	65-100				55-64	65-100		
Results by Race/Ethnicity										
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0	0	0	0%	1	s	s	s	s
Black	247	30	107	0	55%	226	21	92	14	56%
Hispanic	19	3	12	0	79%	44	2	22	2	59%
Asian or Pacific Islander	11	0	9	0	82%	15	s	s	s	s
White	153	4	130	1	88%	185	8	152	4	89%
Total	430	37	258	1	69%	471	33	276	20	70%
Small Group Totals (s)	0	0	0	0	0%	16	2	10	0	75%
Results by Disability Status										
General-education students	419	37	255	0	70%	422	29	268	0	70%
Students with disabilities	11	0	3	1	36%	49	4	8	20	65%
Total	430	37	258	1	69%	471	33	276	20	70%
Results by Gender										
Female	225	18	136	0	68%	251	24	152	8	73%
Male	205	19	122	1	69%	220	9	124	12	66%
Total	430	37	258	1	69%	471	33	276	20	70%
Results by English Proficiency Status										
English proficient	428	s	s	s	s	453	29	269	20	70%
Limited English proficient	2	s	s	s	s	18	4	7	0	61%
Total	430	37	258	1	69%	471	33	276	20	70%
Results by Income Level										
Economically disadvantaged	144	21	69	0	63%	210	23	93	12	61%
Not disadvantaged	286	16	189	1	72%	261	10	183	8	77%
Total	430	37	258	1	69%	471	33	276	20	70%
Results by Migrant Status										
Migrant family	0	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
Not migrant family	430	37	258	1	69%	471	33	276	20	70%
Total	430	37	258	1	69%	471	33	276	20	70%

Cohort Graduation Rates

Students were counted as graduates if they earned a local diploma with or without a Regents endorsement by August 31st 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.

Student Subgroup	1998 Cohort as of August 31, 2002		1999 Cohort as of August 31, 2003	
	Graduation Rate Cohort	Graduation Rate	Graduation Rate Cohort	Graduation Rate
Results by Race/Ethnicity				
American Indian/Alaskan Native	1	s	0	0%
Black	234	40%	279	51%
Hispanic	31	39%	24	58%
Asian or Pacific Islander	22	s	12	67%
White	150	67%	164	77%
Total	438	50%	479	61%
Small Group Totals (s)	23	57%	0	0%
Results by Disability Status				
General-education students	404	52%	463	62%
Students with disabilities	34	26%	16	19%
Total	438	50%	479	61%
Results by Gender				
Female	241	55%	248	63%
Male	197	44%	231	58%
Total	438	50%	479	61%
Results by English Proficiency Status				
English proficient	438	50%	476	s
Limited English proficient	0	0%	3	s
Total	438	50%	479	61%
Results by Income Level				
Economically disadvantaged	110	58%	152	51%
Not disadvantaged	328	47%	327	65%
Total	438	50%	479	61%
Results by Migrant Status				
Migrant family	0	0%	0	0%
Not migrant family	438	50%	479	61%
Total	438	50%	479	61%

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 1999 accountability cohort consists of all students who first entered grade 9 in the fall of 1999 who were enrolled on October 3, 2001). Certain students are not included in the school accountability cohort. Cohort is defined in Section 100.2 (p) (8) 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. In 2002–03 and in previous years, students were considered LEP if, by reason of foreign birth or ancestry, they spoke a language other than English and (1) either understood and spoke little or no English or (2) scored at or below the 40th percentile on an English language assessment instrument. 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 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 *not* 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.