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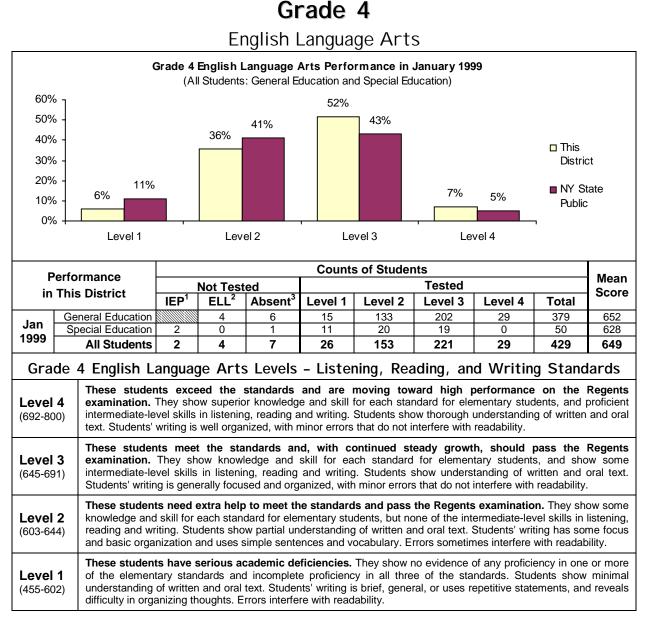
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Performance of English Language Learners (ELL)

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Grade 4	English Proficiency Below Effective Participation Level	Making Appropriate Progress	
January 1999	4	#	

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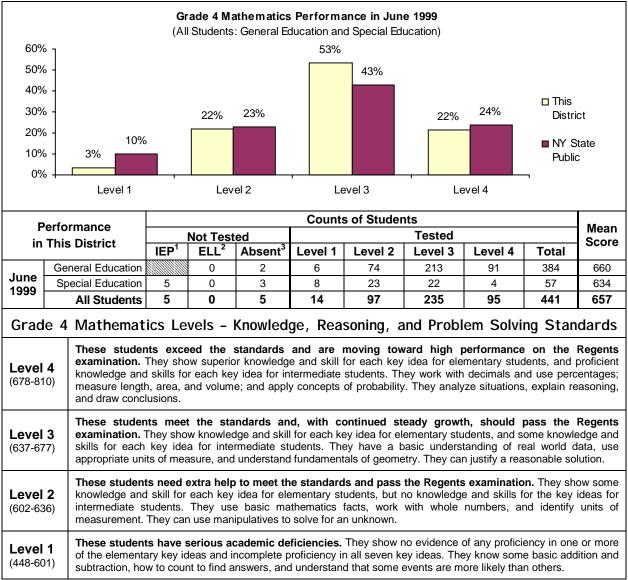
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Grade 4

Mathematics

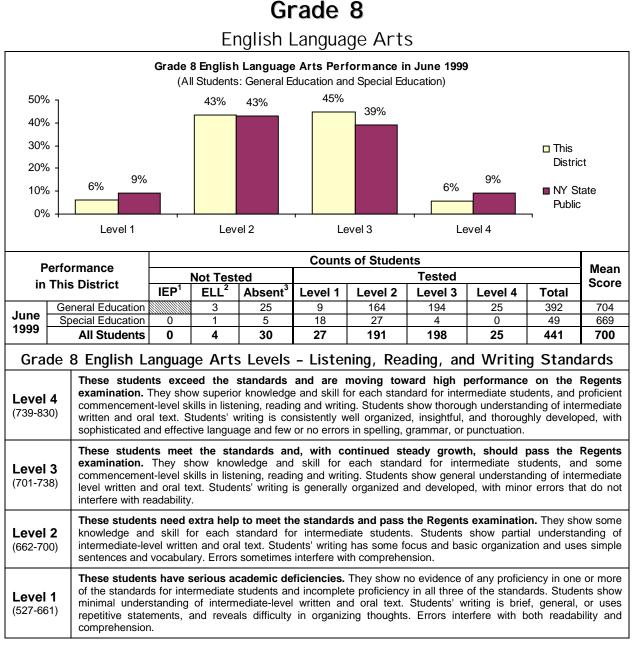


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June 1999	4	#

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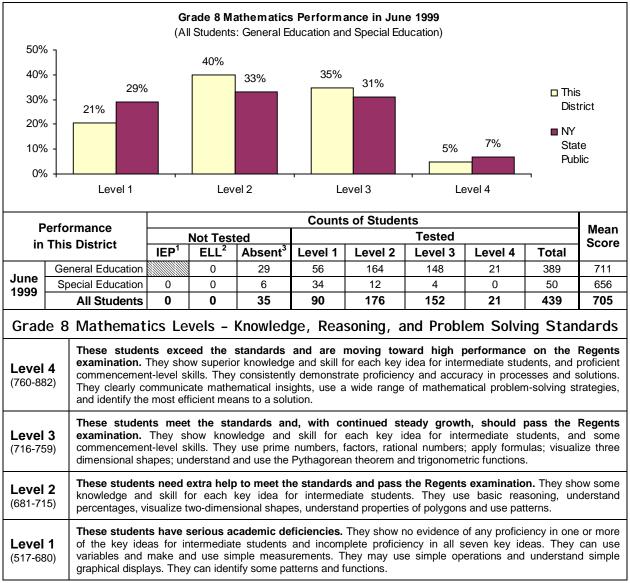
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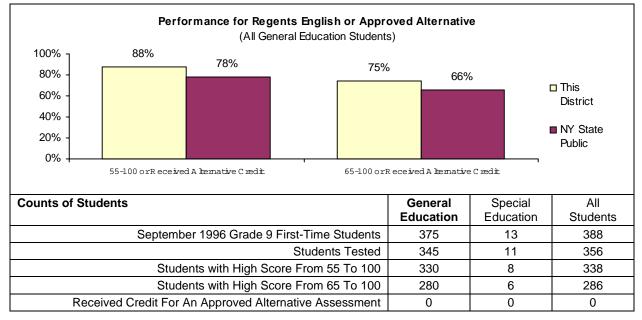
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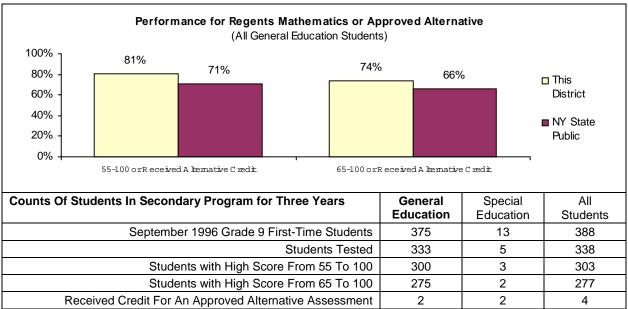
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Cohort Performance

This cohort includes all students enrolled in this district in June 1999 who first entered grade 9 in September 1996. General education students in this cohort must pass the Regents English examination to earn a high school diploma.¹ Special education students who do not pass the Regents English examination may meet this graduation requirement by passing the Regents Competency Tests in both reading and writing. Students in this cohort are not required to pass a Regents mathematics examination to earn a local diploma.





¹ Students who score 55 to 64 may earn a local diploma with the approval of the local school board. Only the highest score of each student is counted, regardless of how many times or in which years the student may have taken the examination.

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School District Profile

Organizat 1998-99	ion	School Staff (both full- and part-time)			
Grade Range	Student Enrollment	Count of Teachers	Count of Other Professionals	Count of Paraprofessionals	
K-12	6,106	446	83	83	

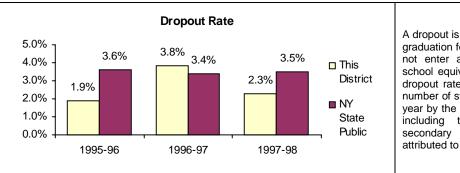
Public Total Expenditure per Pupil	1997-98
This School District	\$8,832
New York State	\$9,810

District Student Enrollment					
Grade Levels	October 1998	Grade Levels	October 1998		
Pre-Kindergarten	91	Grade 7	514		
Kindergarten	458	Grade 8	435		
Grade 1	457	Grade 9	474		
Grade 2	475	Grade 10	412		
Grade 3	438	Grade 11	404		
Grade 4	430	Grade 12	417		
Grade 5	452	Ungraded Elementary with Disabilities	138		
Grade 6	467	Ungraded Secondary with Disabilities	135		

Student Demographics	1996-97		1997-98		1998-99		
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	NY Statewide Public Percent
English Language Learners	22	0.3%	33	0.5%	30	0.5%	7.5%
Eligible For Free Lunch	1497	25.4%	1330	22.8%	1324	23.4%	38.5%

Need / Resource Capacity Group

The Education Department groups school districts for policy analysis based on certain demographic factors. This is an urban or suburban school district with high student needs in relation to district resource capacity.



A dropout is any student who left school prior to graduation for any reason except death and did not enter another school or approved high school equivalency preparation program. The dropout rate is calculated by dividing the total number of students who dropped out in a given year by the total fall enrollment in grades 9-12, including that portion of the ungraded secondary student enrollment that can be attributed to grades 9-12.