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English Language Arts Grade 4 English Language Arts Performance (All Students: General Education and Special Education) 60% 50% 43% 44% 51% 41% 45% 50% 40% 31% 36% 40% 33% 30% 30% 16% 20% 14% 11% 9% 20% 1999 10% 9% 10% 5% 10% 2000 2% 0% 0% Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Level 4 Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Level 4 This District NY State Public **Counts of Students** Performance Mean Tested Not Tested Score for This District IEP¹ ELL^2 Absent³ Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Level 4 Total General Education 50 25 59 233 154 8 454 634 .lan Special Education 5 3 31 10 12 3 0 25 609 1999 5 53 56 69 245 157 479 All Students 8 633 70 449 General Education 9 31 162 209 47 649 Feb Special Education 13 25 610 5 5 10 10 4 1 2000 All Students 13 75 14 41 172 213 48 474 647 Grade 4 English Language Arts Levels - Listening, Reading, and Writing Standards These students exceed the standards and are moving toward high performance on the Regents Level 4 examination. They show superior knowledge and skill for each standard for elementary students and are proficient (692 - 800)at some intermediate-level skills in listening, reading and writing. Students show thorough understanding of written and oral text. Students' writing is well organized with minor errors that do not interfere with readability. These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents Level 3 examination. They show knowledge and skill for each standard for elementary students and show some intermediate-level skills in listening, reading and writing. Students show understanding of written and oral text. (645-691) Students' writing is generally focused and organized with minor errors that do not interfere with readability. These students need extra help to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination. They show some Level 2 knowledge and skill for each standard for elementary students, but none of the intermediate-level skills in listening, reading and writing. Students show partial understanding of written and oral text. Students' writing has some focus (603-644)and basic organization and uses simple sentences and vocabulary. Errors sometimes interfere with readability. These students have serious academic deficiencies. They show no evidence of any proficiency in one or more of the elementary standards and incomplete proficiency in all three of the standards. Students show minimal Level 1 (455-602) understanding of written and oral text. Students' writing is brief, general, or uses repetitive statements, and reveals difficulty in organizing thoughts. Errors interfere with readability.

Grade 4

Performance of English Language Learners (ELL)

ELL are students for whom English is a second language. Schools teach these students English so they can participate effectively in the academic program. ELL students without sufficient proficiency in English are not required to take the grade 4 ELA test. Their progress in learning English is measured, using standardized tests, and reported.

Grade 4	English Proficiency Below Effective Participation Level	Making Appropriate Progress	
February 2000	75	20	

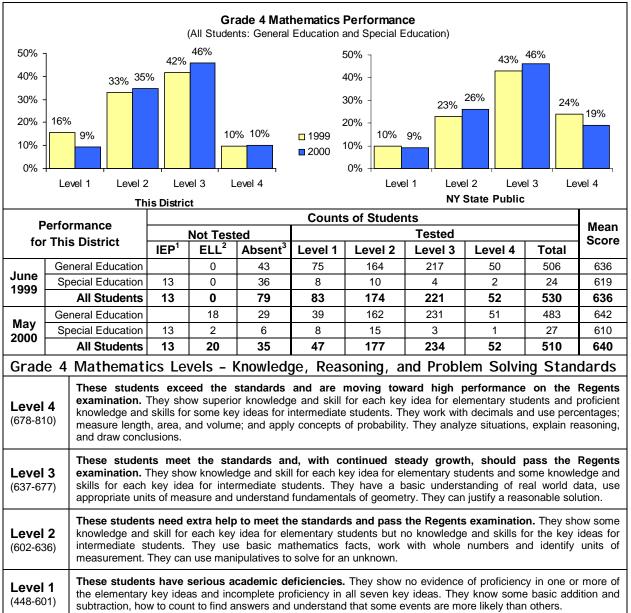
1 These students were exempt from this test because of disability as stated in their Individualized Educational Program (IEP).

2 These students were not required to take the grade 4 ELA test because they were English Language Learners (ELL) who performed below the 30th percentile on another appropriate English reading assessment.

3 These students were enrolled at the time of testing, but were not present to complete some part of the ELA assessment.

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Mathematics



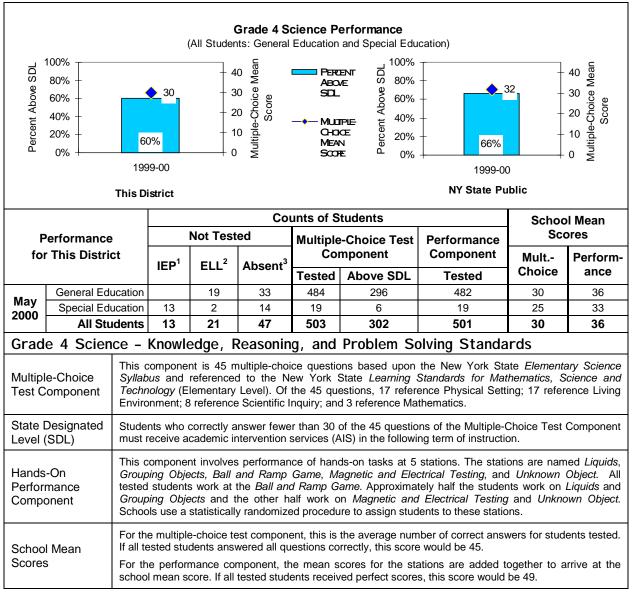
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³ These students were enrolled at the time of testing, but were not present to complete some part of this mathematics assessment.

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Science



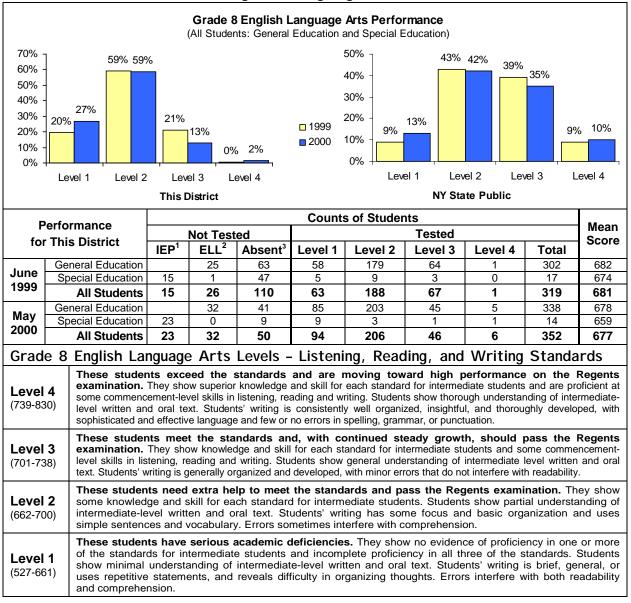
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English Language Arts



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j	English Proficiency Below Effective Participation Level	
June 2000 3	2	13

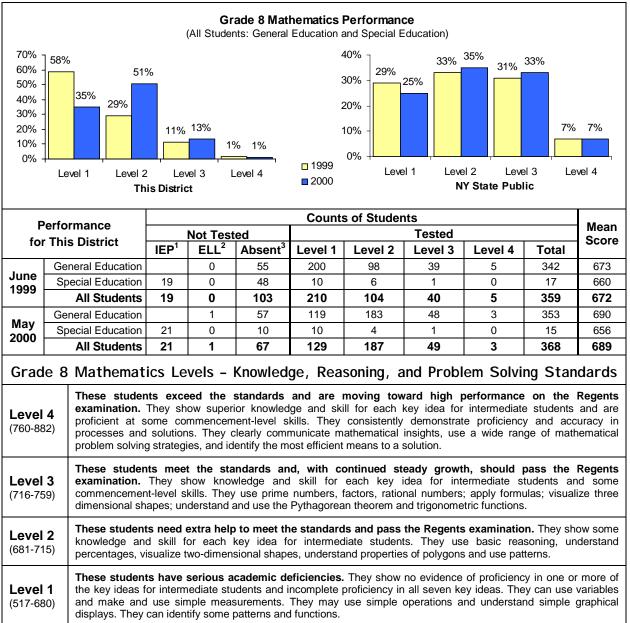
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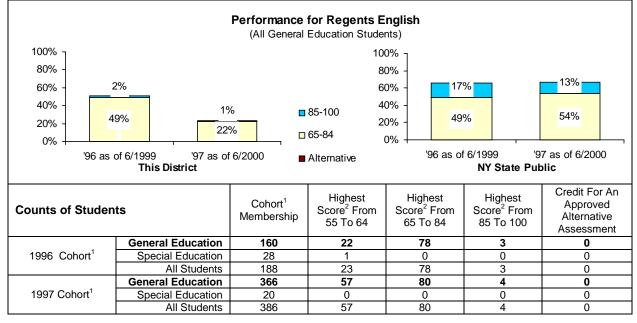
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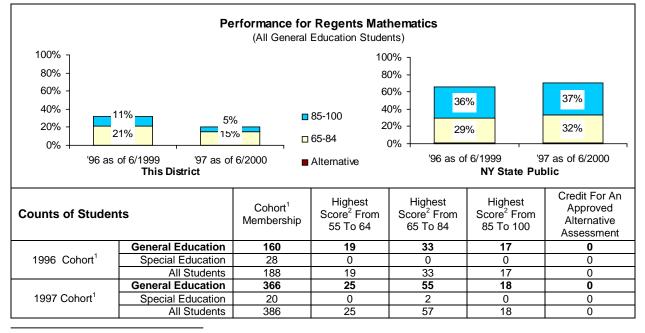
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Cohort Performance

This section presents the success of students in this school district on Regents examinations after three years of high school. The first block presents information about success on the Regents examination in comprehensive English. The second block presents information about success on any Regents examination in mathematics. A cohort¹ is identified by the year in which the member students first entered grade 9.





¹ The cohort is defined in Section 100.2 (p) (8) (iii) of Commissioner's Regulations as of July 2000.

² Only the highest score of each student is counted, regardless of how many times the student may have taken the examination.

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School District Profile

Superintendent: Dr. Nathaniel Clay Phone: (516)292-700				e: (516)292-7001	
Organization 1999-2000		School Staff ¹ (both full- and part-time)			
Grade Range	Student Enrollment	Count of Teachers	Count of Other Professionals	Count of Paraprofessionals	
K-12	6,473	440	79	162	

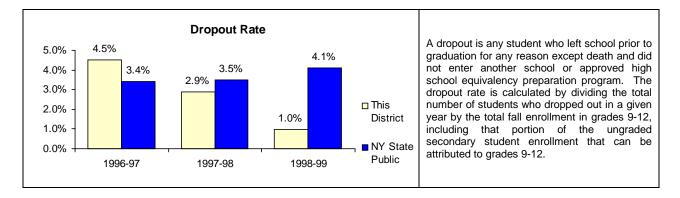
\$14,075

1998-99 School District-wide Total Expenditure per Pupil

Student Enrollment					
Grade Level	October 1999	Grade Level	October 1999		
Pre-Kindergarten	287	Grade 7	452		
Kindergarten	531	Grade 8	440		
Grade 1	679	Grade 9	539		
Grade 2	662	Grade 10	352		
Grade 3	612	Grade 11	303		
Grade 4	546	Grade 12	168		
Grade 5	538	Ungraded Elementary with Disabilities	96		
Grade 6	456	Ungraded Secondary with Disabilities	99		

Student Demographics	1997-98		1998-99		1999-2000	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English Language Learners	1065	16.4%	1106	16.0%	1482	21.9%
Eligible For Free Lunch	5099	88.5%	4390	71.1%	3456	58.2%

Need-to-Resource-Capacity
Index GroupThis school district is in Need-to-Resource-Capacity Group 3. This district is an urban or
suburban district with high needs relative to local resource capacity.



¹ Some district-employed staff serve in more than one school. These shared people are not reported here.