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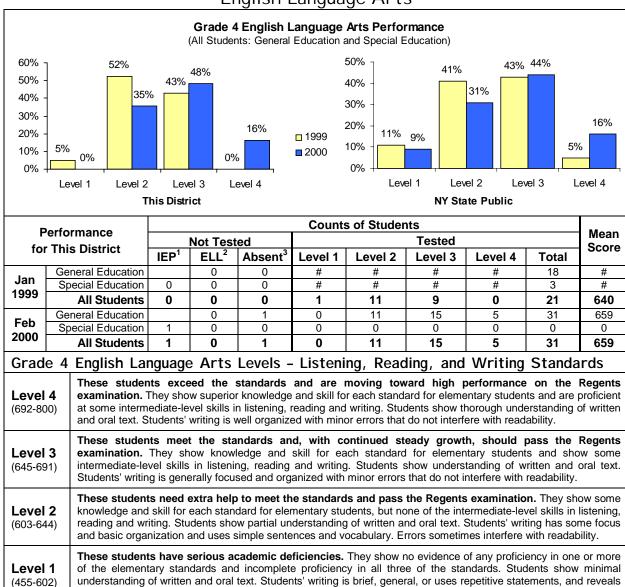
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English Language Arts



Performance of English Language Learners (ELL)

difficulty in organizing thoughts. Errors interfere with readability.

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	0	0		

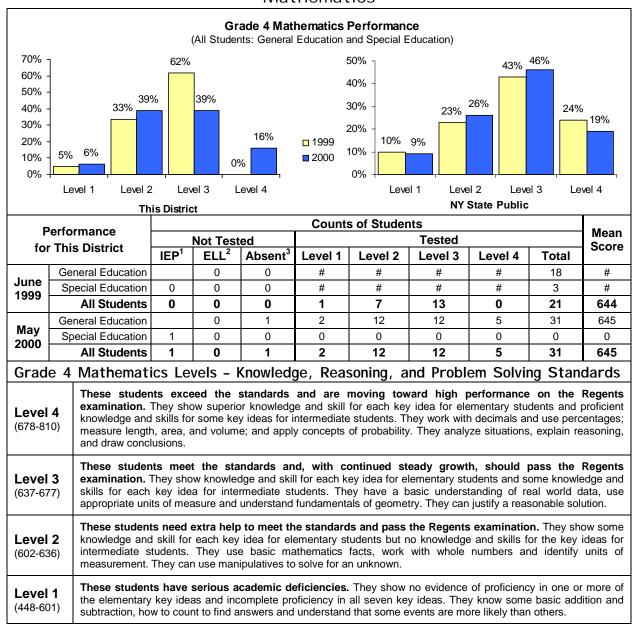
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Mathematics



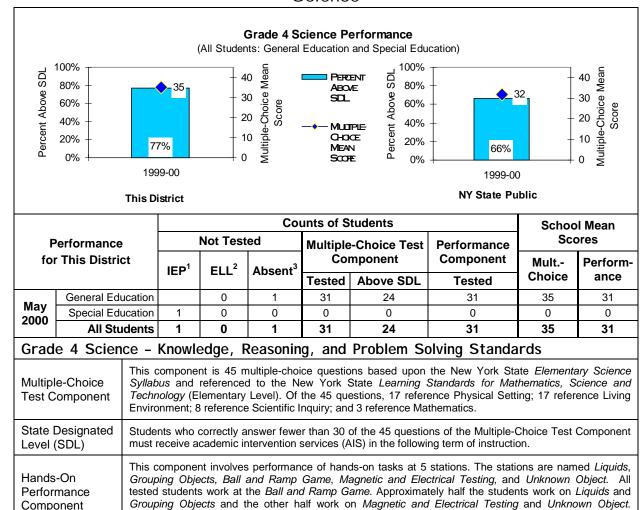
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Science



If all tested students answered all questions correctly, this score would be 45.

Schools use a statistically randomized procedure to assign students to these stations.

school mean score. If all tested students received perfect scores, this score would be 49.

For the multiple-choice test component, this is the average number of correct answers for students tested.

For the performance component, the mean scores for the stations are added together to arrive at the

School Mean Scores

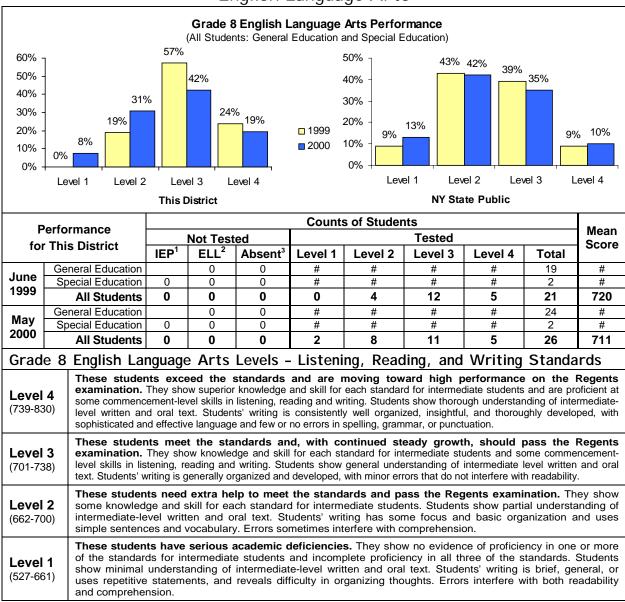
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Grade 8	English Proficiency Below Effective Participation Level	Making Appropriate Progress
June 2000	0	0

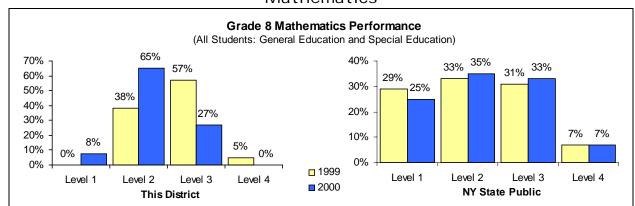
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Mathematics



	Performance	Counts of Students						Mean Score		
for This District		Not Tested		Tested						
TOI	r This District	IEP ¹	ELL ²	Absent ³	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	Score
	General Education		0	0	#	#	#	#	19	#
June 1999	Special Education	0	0	0	#	#	#	#	2	#
1999	All Students	0	0	0	0	8	12	1	21	724
	General Education		0	0	#	#	#	#	24	#
May 2000	Special Education	0	0	0	#	#	#	#	2	#
	All Students	0	0	0	2	17	7	0	26	708

Grade 8 Mathematics Levels - Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem Solving Standards

Level 4 (760-882)	These students exceed the standards and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination. They show superior knowledge and skill for each key idea for intermediate students and are proficient at some commencement-level skills. They consistently demonstrate proficiency and accuracy in processes and solutions. They clearly communicate mathematical insights, use a wide range of mathematical problem solving strategies, and identify the most efficient means to a solution.
Level 3 (716-759)	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination. They show knowledge and skill for each key idea for intermediate students and some commencement-level skills. They use prime numbers, factors, rational numbers; apply formulas; visualize three dimensional shapes; understand and use the Pythagorean theorem and trigonometric functions.
Level 2 (681-715)	These students need extra help to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination. They show some knowledge and skill for each key idea for intermediate students. They use basic reasoning, understand percentages, visualize two-dimensional shapes, understand properties of polygons and use patterns.
Level 1 (517-680)	These students have serious academic deficiencies. They show no evidence of proficiency in one or more of the key ideas for intermediate students and incomplete proficiency in all seven key ideas. They can use variables and make and use simple measurements. They may use simple operations and understand simple graphical displays. They can identify some patterns and functions.

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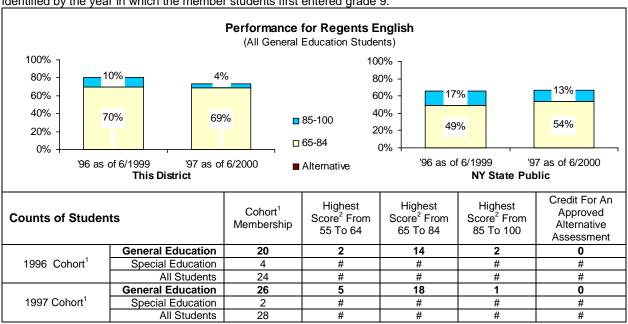
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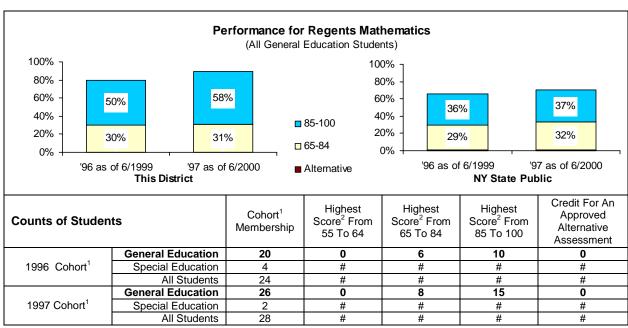
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Cohort Performance

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 cohort 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.

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: Mr. Robert L. Scofield Phone: (315)324-5931						
Organizati 1999-2000		School Staff ¹ (both full- and part-time)				
Grade Range	Student Enrollment	Count of Count of Other Teachers Professionals		Count of Paraprofessionals		
K-12	351	28	3	6		

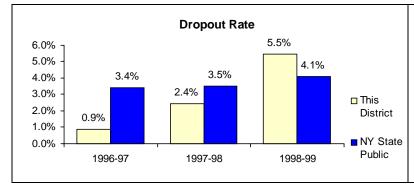
1998-99 School District-wide Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$9,445
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Student Enrollment							
Grade Level	October 1999	Grade Level	October 1999				
Pre-Kindergarten	0	Grade 7	31				
Kindergarten	24	Grade 8	25				
Grade 1	21	Grade 9	23				
Grade 2	28	Grade 10	22				
Grade 3	21	Grade 11	30				
Grade 4	32	Grade 12	26				
Grade 5	23	Ungraded Elementary with Disabilities	8				
Grade 6	37	Ungraded Secondary with Disabilities	0				

Student Demographics	1997-98		1998-99		1999-2000	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English Language Learners	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Eligible For Free Lunch	118	31.1%	120	32.6%	36	10.3%

Need-to-Resource-Capacity Index Group

This school district is in Need-to-Resource-Capacity Group 4. This district is a rural district with high needs relative to local 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.

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