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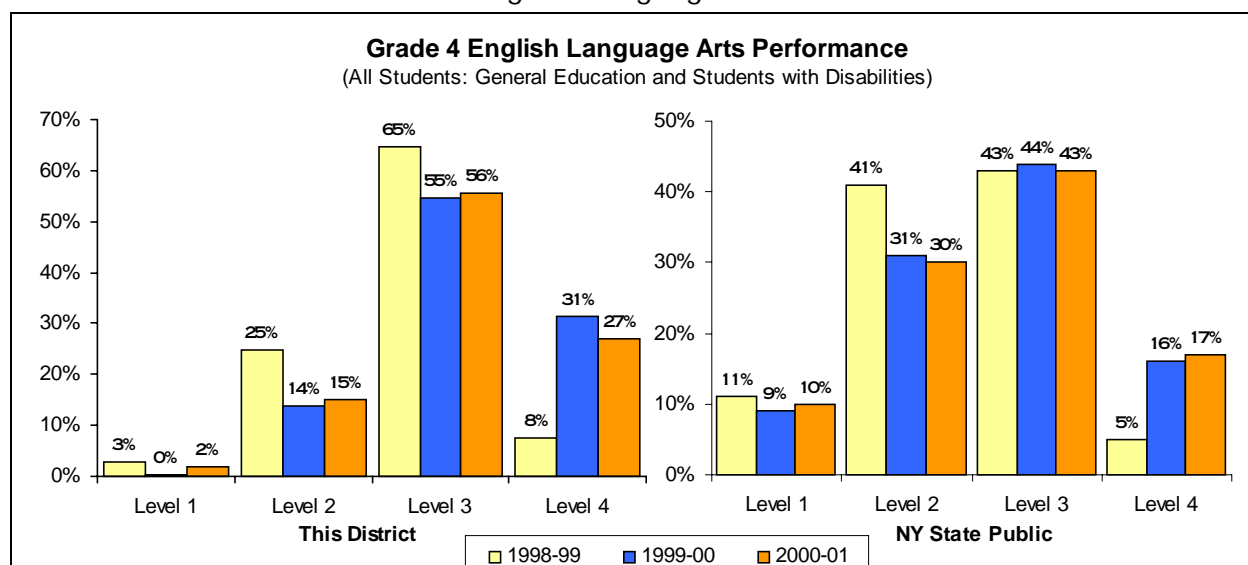
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Elementary Level

English Language Arts



Performance at This District		Counts of Students								Mean Score
		Not Tested			Tested					
		AA ¹	ELL ²	Absent ³	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	
Jan 1999	General Education		0	0	1	73	227	29	330	662
	Students with Disabilities	2	0	0	10	23	22	0	55	632
	All Students	2	0	0	11	96	249	29	385	658
Jan 2000	General Education		0	0	0	35	188	120	343	683
	Students with Disabilities	1	0	0	1	19	27	4	51	653
	All Students	1	0	0	1	54	215	124	394	679
Jan 2001	General Education		0	1	0	36	218	113	367	680
	Students with Disabilities	2	0	0	9	31	28	7	75	644
	All Students	2	0	1	9	67	246	120	442	674

Grade 4 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. All students scoring from 692 to 800 are in this level.
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from 645 to 691 are in this level.
Level 2	These students need extra help to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from 603 to 644 are in this level.
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies . All students scoring from 455 to 602 are in this level.

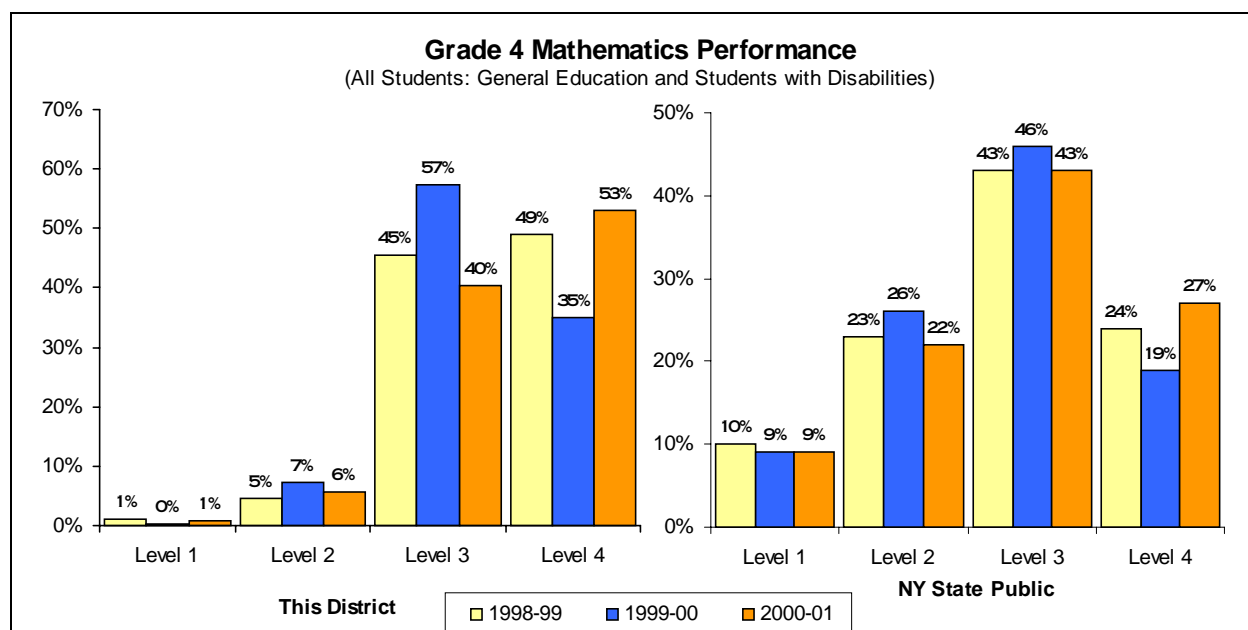
Performance of English Language Learners (ELL)

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
January 2001	0	0

- For 2001, these students were eligible for the Alternate Assessment (AA). For 2000 and 1999, these students were exempt from this test because of disability as stated in their Individualized Educational Program.
 - 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.
 - These students were enrolled at the time of testing, but were not present to complete some part of the ELA assessment.
- # To protect student confidentiality, the pound character (#) appears when fewer than five students in a group were tested. If fewer than five were tested in one subgroup, then counts appear only in the "All Students" category.

Elementary Level Mathematics



Performance at This District		Counts of Students								Mean Score
		Not Tested			Tested					
		AA ¹	ELL ²	Absent ³	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	
June 1999	General Education		0	3	0	8	149	181	338	685
	Students with Disabilities	3	0	1	4	10	29	11	54	651
	All Students	3	0	4	4	18	178	192	392	680
May 2000	General Education		0	0	0	21	192	131	344	673
	Students with Disabilities	1	0	0	1	8	35	7	51	656
	All Students	1	0	0	1	29	227	138	395	671
May 2001	General Education		0	0	1	7	144	219	371	689
	Students with Disabilities	2	0	0	3	18	36	18	75	659
	All Students	2	0	0	4	25	180	237	446	684

Grade 4 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. All students scoring from 678 to 810 are in this level.
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from 637 to 677 are in this level.
Level 2	These students need extra help to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from 602 to 636 are in this level.
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies . All students scoring from 448 to 601 are in this level.

1 For 2001, these students were eligible for the Alternate Assessment (AA). For 2000 and 1999, these students were exempt from this test because of disability as stated in their Individualized Educational Program.

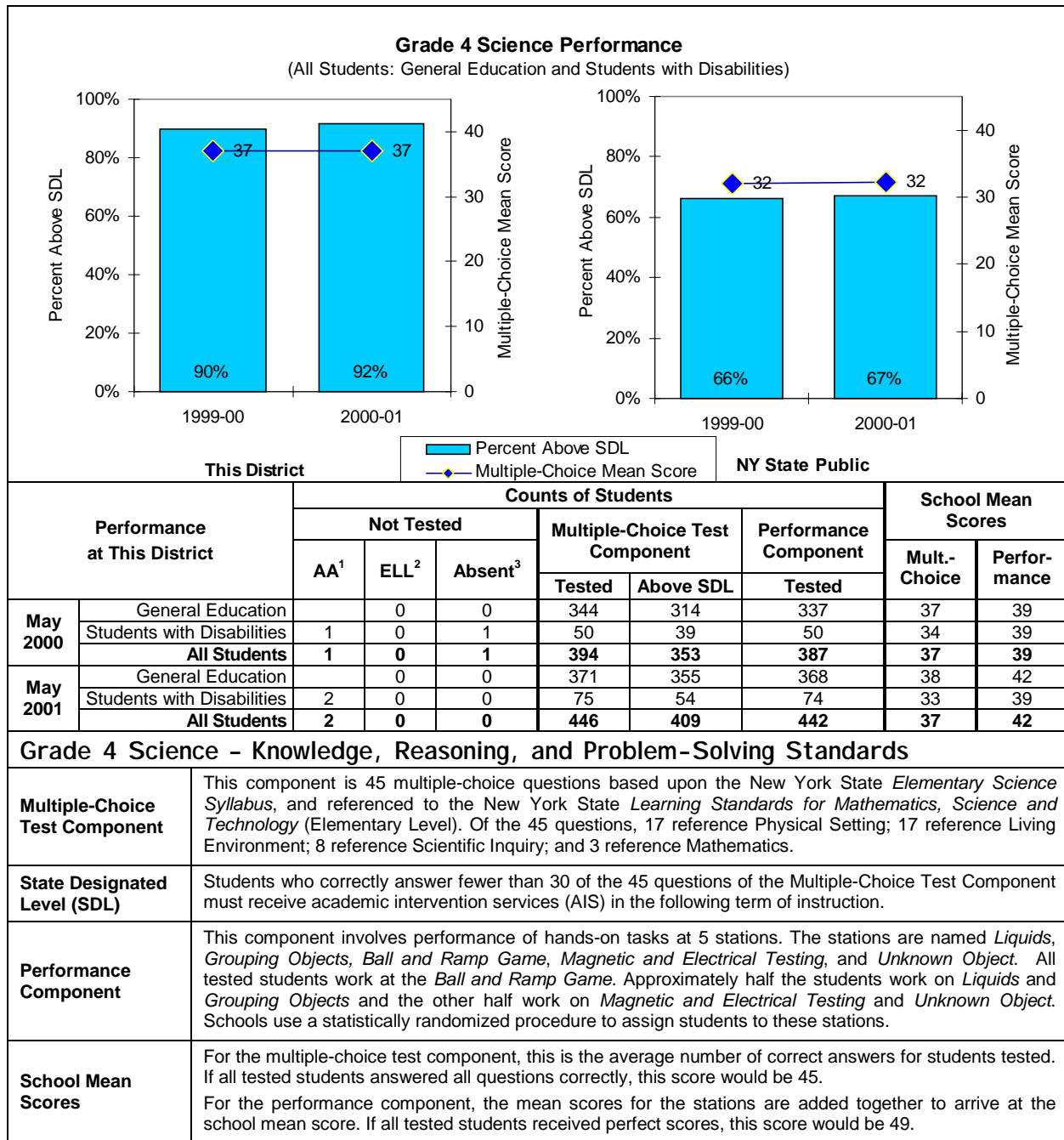
2 These students were not required to take this test because they were English language learners (ELL) who perform below the 30th percentile on an appropriate English reading assessment and there was no test form available in their native language. Other ELL students must take this test, but may take an alternative language form if such is available.

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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Elementary Level

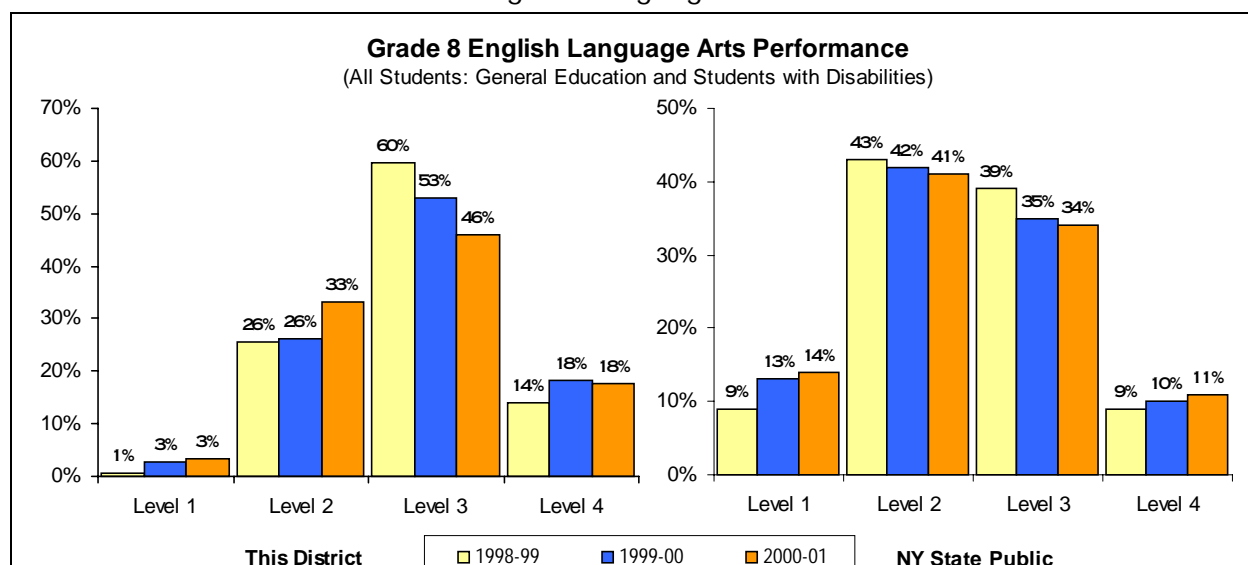
Science



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- 3 These students were enrolled at the time of testing but did not complete any part of this science assessment.
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Middle Level

English Language Arts



Performance at This District		Counts of Students								Mean Score
		Not Tested			Tested					
		AA ¹	ELL ²	Absent	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	
June 1999	General Education		1	1	0	61	233	58	352	719
	Students with Disabilities	2	0	3	3	47	18	1	69	690
	All Students	2	1	4	3	108	251	59	421	715
May 2000	General Education		1	0	0	68	203	72	343	721
	Students with Disabilities	5	0	0	11	39	13	3	66	686
	All Students	5	1	0	11	107	216	75	409	715
May 2001	General Education		0	2	1	101	189	75	366	720
	Students with Disabilities	1	0	1	13	42	9	1	65	681
	All Students	1	0	3	14	143	198	76	431	714

Grade 8 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. All students scoring from 739 to 830 are in this level.
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from 701 to 738 are in this level.
Level 2	These students need extra help to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from 662 to 700 are in this level.
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies . All students scoring from 527 to 661 are in this level.

Performance of English Language Learners (ELL)

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Grade 8	English Proficiency Below Effective Participation Level	Making Appropriate Progress
June 2001	0	0

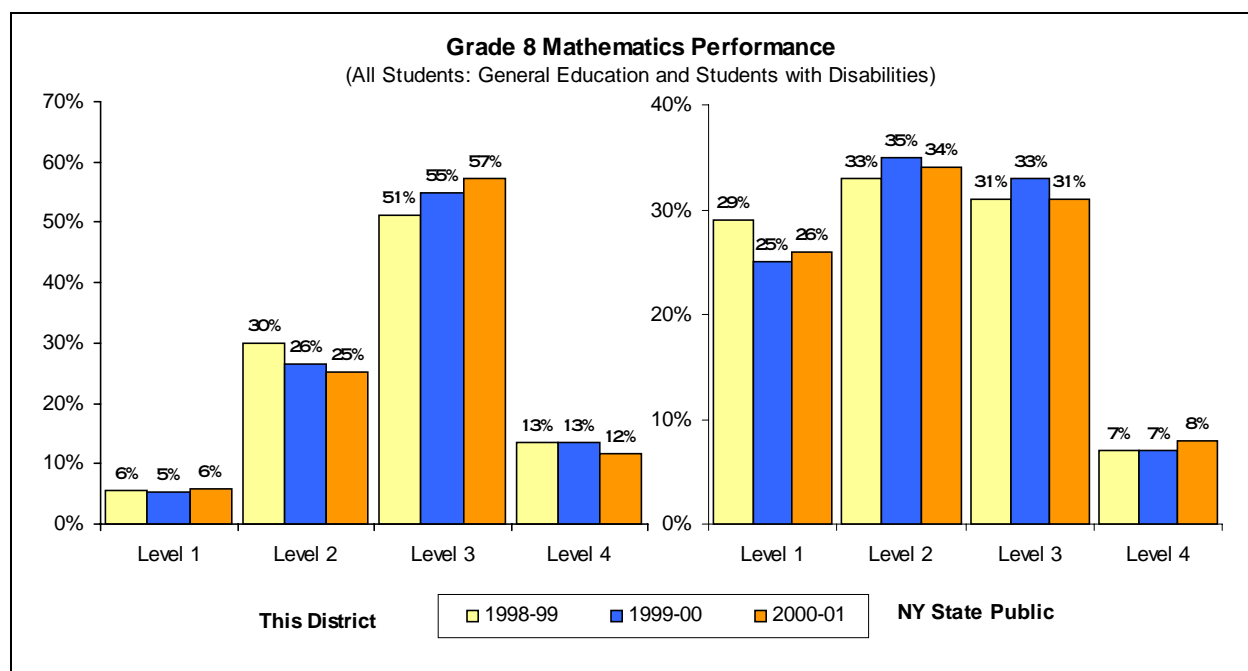
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2 These students were not required to take the grade 8 ELA test because they were English Language Learners (ELL) who performed below the 30th percentile on another appropriate English reading assessment.

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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Middle Level Mathematics



Performance at This District		Counts of Students								Mean Score
		Not Tested			Tested					
		AA ¹	ELL ²	Absent ³	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	
June 1999	General Education		0	2	3	97	195	54	349	734
	Students with Disabilities	2	0	3	20	28	19	2	69	695
	All Students	2	0	5	23	125	214	56	418	727
May 2000	General Education		0	1	5	74	210	54	343	735
	Students with Disabilities	5	0	0	17	34	14	1	66	695
	All Students	5	0	1	22	108	224	55	409	729
May 2001	General Education		0	1	8	78	231	51	368	733
	Students with Disabilities	1	0	0	17	31	18	0	66	695
	All Students	1	0	1	25	109	249	51	434	727
Grade 8 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. All students scoring from 760 to 882 are in this level.									
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from 716 to 759 are in this level.									
Level 2	These students need extra help to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination. All students scoring from 681 to 715 are in this level.									
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies . All students scoring from 517 to 680 are in this level.									

* Similar Schools are schools grouped by district and student demographic characteristics. More information is on the **School Profile** page of this report. Further explanation is available at <http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/reprcd2002/similar.html>

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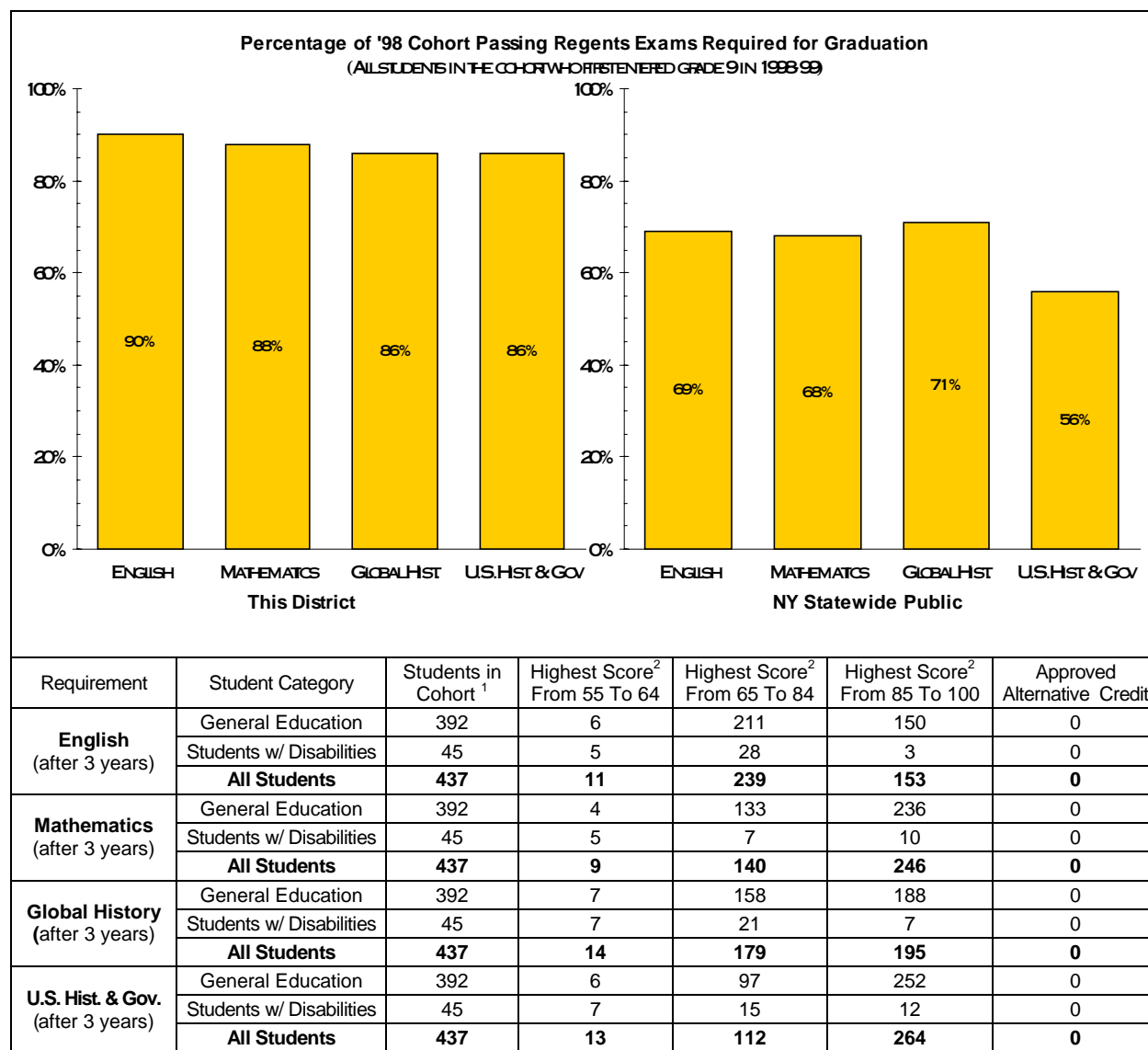
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3 These students were enrolled at the time of testing but were not present to complete some part of the mathematics assessment.

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High School Achievement - After Three Years of Instruction

This section presents the success of students on Regents examinations required for graduation. Passing is defined as scoring 65 or higher, or earning approved alternative credit. Students who earn credit through component retesting are counted as if they scored in range 55 to 64 or in range 65 to 84 as determined by the results of the component retest. This page presents information about students who first entered grade 9 in 1998-99, displaying results for these students after three years. Safety-net provisions of the graduation requirements allow some students to earn credit for graduation by alternative means. The percentage of students meeting their personal graduation requirements after four years is presented elsewhere in this report as a school accountability measure.



¹ Cohort is defined in Section 100.2 (p) (8) (iii) of Commissioner's Regulations.

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

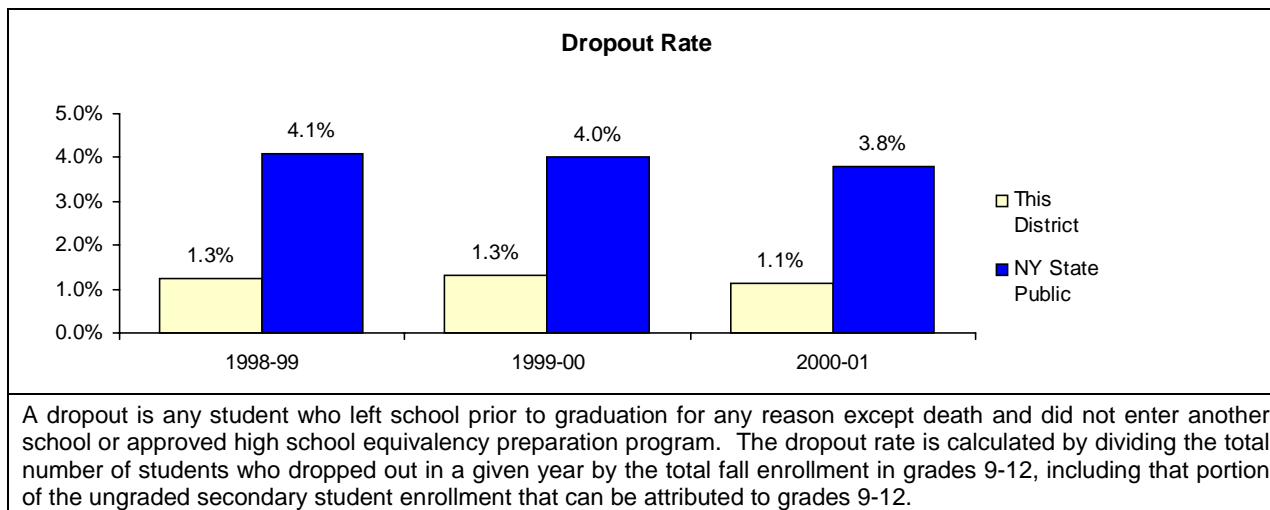
Superintendent: Dr. Charles L. Stoddart			Phone: (716)209-6280	
Organization 2000-01		School District Staff ¹ (both full- and part-time)		
Grade Range	Student Enrollment	Count of Teachers	Count of Other Professionals	Count of Paraprofessionals
K-12	5,337	400	38	82

1999-00 School District Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$9,723
1999-00 NY State Public Schools Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$11,040

Student Enrollment			
Grade Level	October 2000	Grade Level	October 2000
Pre-Kindergarten	0	Grade 7	432
Kindergarten	353	Grade 8	420
Grade 1	378	Grade 9	420
Grade 2	386	Grade 10	430
Grade 3	419	Grade 11	427
Grade 4	443	Grade 12	393
Grade 5	396	Ungraded Elementary with Disabilities	28
Grade 6	374	Ungraded Secondary with Disabilities	38

Student Demographics	1998-99		1999-2000		2000-01	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English Language Learners	9	0.2%	9	0.2%	11	0.2%
Eligible For Free Lunch	208	3.9%	151	2.8%	162	3.0%

Need to Resource Capacity (N/RC) Group	The State Education Department assigns each school district to a comparison group based on student demographics and the resource capacity of the district. This district is in N/RC Group 6. This district has low needs relative to local resource capacity.
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¹ Some district-employed staff serve in more than one school. These shared people are included in counts reported here.