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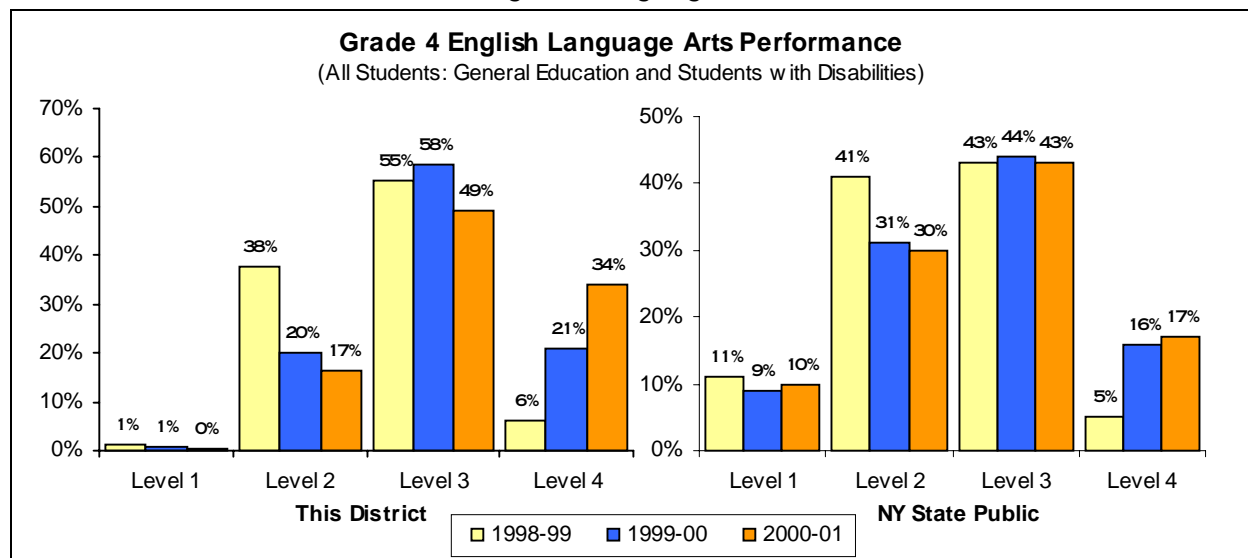
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Elementary Level English Language Arts



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		4	1	2	85	140	16	243	654
	Students with Disabilities	1	0	0	1	13	4	0	18	633
	All Students	1	4	1	3	98	144	16	261	653
Jan 2000	General Education		5	0	1	36	133	51	221	672
	Students with Disabilities	5	0	1	1	15	16	2	34	650
	All Students	5	5	1	2	51	149	53	255	669
Jan 2001	General Education		1	1	0	22	123	88	233	683
	Students with Disabilities	3	0	0	1	22	8	2	33	642
	All Students	3	1	1	1	44	131	90	266	678

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.

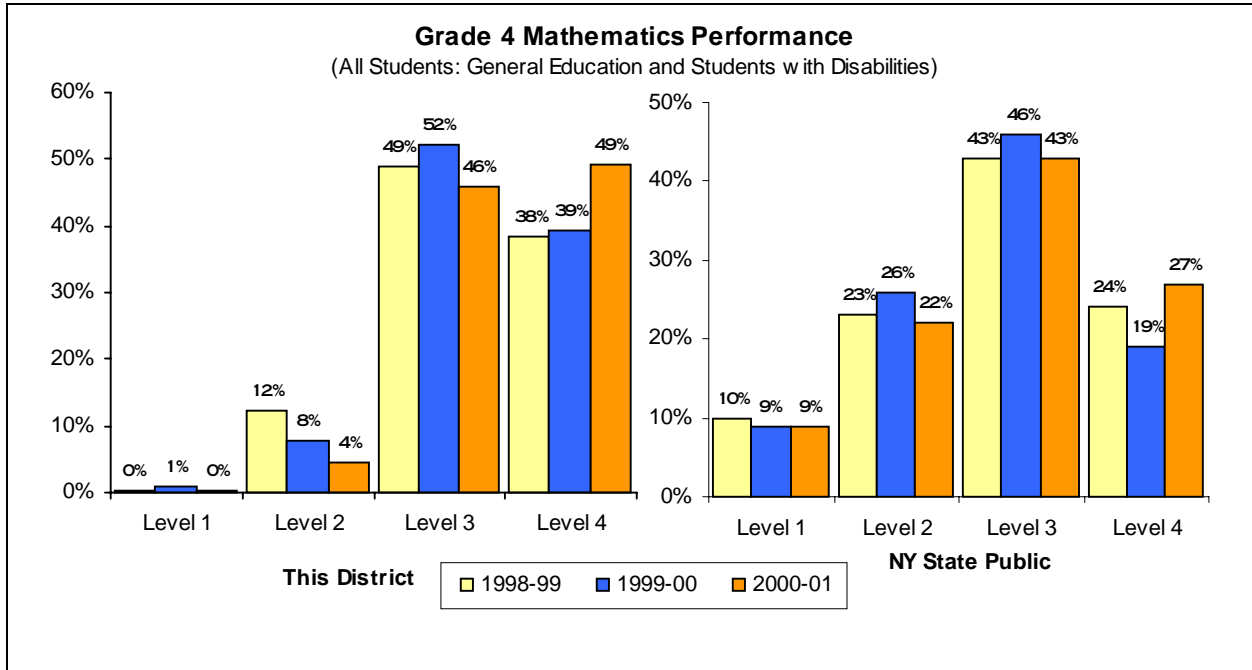
Performance of English Language Learners (ELL)

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	1	#

- 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 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.
- # 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	1	1	30	117	99	247	672
	Students with Disabilities	1	0	2	0	3	13	3	19	660
	All Students	1	0	3	1	33	130	102	266	671
May 2000	General Education		0	2	0	13	117	95	225	675
	Students with Disabilities	5	0	2	2	7	18	7	34	654
	All Students	5	0	4	2	20	135	102	259	672
May 2001	General Education		0	0	0	5	107	124	236	683
	Students with Disabilities	3	0	0	1	7	16	8	32	656
	All Students	3	0	0	1	12	123	132	268	680

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.

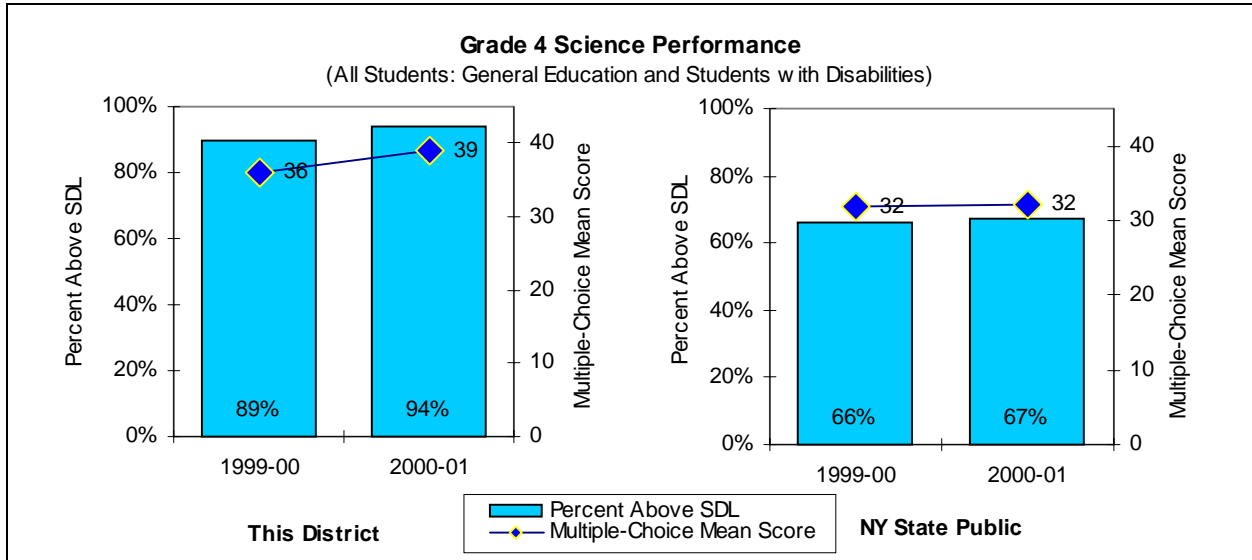
1 For 2001, these students were eligible for the Alternate Assessment (AA). For 2000 and 1999, these students were exempt from this test because of disability as stated in their Individualized Educational Program.

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



Performance at This District		Counts of Students					School Mean Scores		
		Not Tested			Multiple-Choice Test Component		Performance Component	Mult.-Choice	Performance
		AA ¹	ELL ²	Absent ³	Tested	Above SDL			
May 2000	General Education		0	3	224	208	224	37	38
	Students with Disabilities	6	0	2	33	22	33	32	40
	All Students	6	0	5	257	230	257	36	39
May 2001	General Education		1	0	235	228	235	39	41
	Students with Disabilities	4	0	0	31	22	31	33	35
	All Students	4	1	0	266	250	266	39	40

Grade 4 Science - Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards

Multiple-Choice Test Component	This component is 45 multiple-choice questions based upon the New York State <i>Elementary Science Syllabus</i> , and referenced to the New York State <i>Learning Standards for Mathematics, Science and Technology</i> (Elementary Level). Of the 45 questions, 17 reference Physical Setting; 17 reference Living Environment; 8 reference Scientific Inquiry; and 3 reference Mathematics.
State Designated Level (SDL)	Students who correctly answer fewer than 30 of the 45 questions of the Multiple-Choice Test Component must receive academic intervention services (AIS) in the following term of instruction.
Performance Component	This component involves performance of hands-on tasks at 5 stations. The stations are named <i>Liquids</i> , <i>Grouping Objects</i> , <i>Ball and Ramp Game</i> , <i>Magnetic and Electrical Testing</i> , and <i>Unknown Object</i> . All tested students work at the <i>Ball and Ramp Game</i> . Approximately half the students work on <i>Liquids</i> and <i>Grouping Objects</i> and the other half work on <i>Magnetic and Electrical Testing</i> and <i>Unknown Object</i> . Schools use a statistically randomized procedure to assign students to these stations.
School Mean Scores	For the multiple-choice test component, this is the average number of correct answers for students tested. If all tested students answered all questions correctly, this score would be 45. For the performance component, the mean scores for the stations are added together to arrive at the school mean score. If all tested students received perfect scores, this score would be 49.

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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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School District Profile

Superintendent: Dr. Timothy E. Lafferty		Phone: (516)481-4100		
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-6	1,866	132	13	25

1999-00 School District Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$10,608
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	0
Kindergarten	214	Grade 8	0
Grade 1	241	Grade 9	0
Grade 2	259	Grade 10	0
Grade 3	293	Grade 11	0
Grade 4	260	Grade 12	0
Grade 5	264	Ungraded Elementary with Disabilities	72
Grade 6	263	Ungraded Secondary with Disabilities	0

Student Demographics	1998-99		1999-2000		2000-01	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English Language Learners	78	4.2%	86	4.6%	75	4.0%
Eligible For Free Lunch	93	5.7%	95	5.7%	87	5.3%

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.