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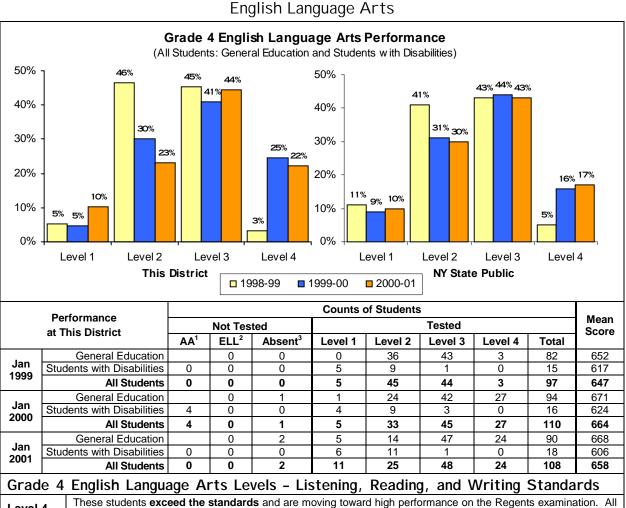
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Elementary Level

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

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.

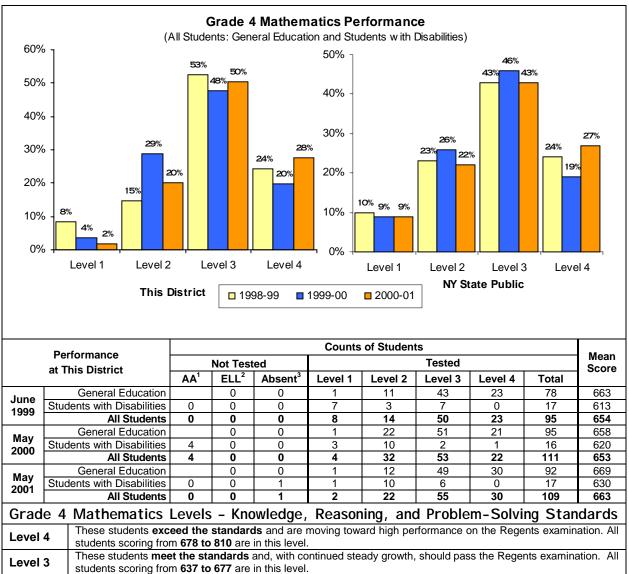
2 These students were not required to take the grade 4 ELA test because they were English Language Learners (ELL) who performed below the 30th percentile on another appropriate English reading assessment.

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



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.

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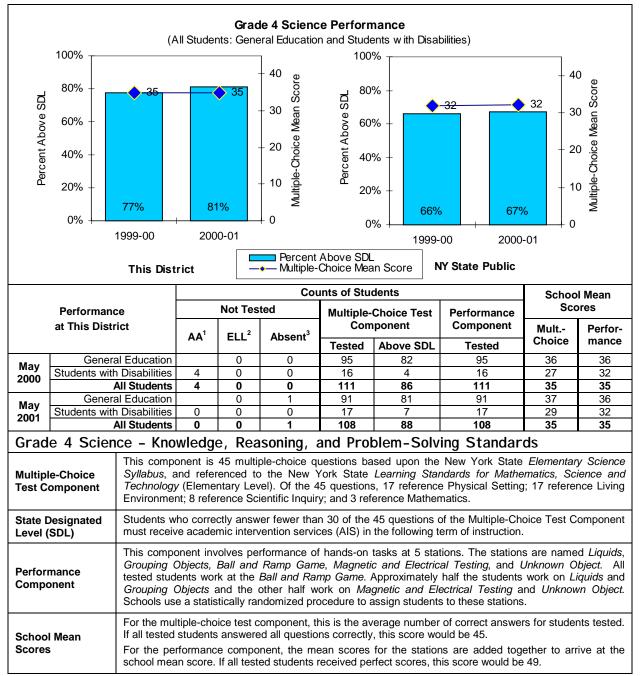
² These students were not required to take this test because they were English language learners (ELL) who perform below the 30th percentile on an appropriate English reading assessment and there was no test form available in their native language. Other ELL students must take this test, but may take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

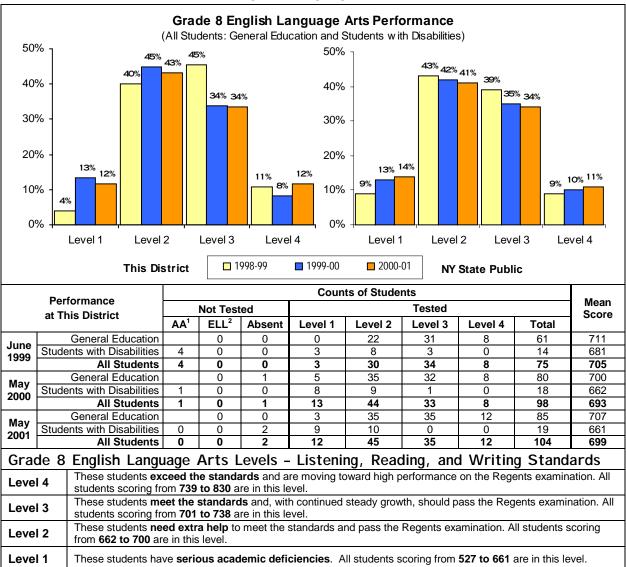


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³ These students were enrolled at the time of testing but did not complete any part of this science assessment.

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Middle Level

English Language Arts

Performance 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 8 ELA test. Their progress in learning English is measured, using standardized tests, and reported.

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

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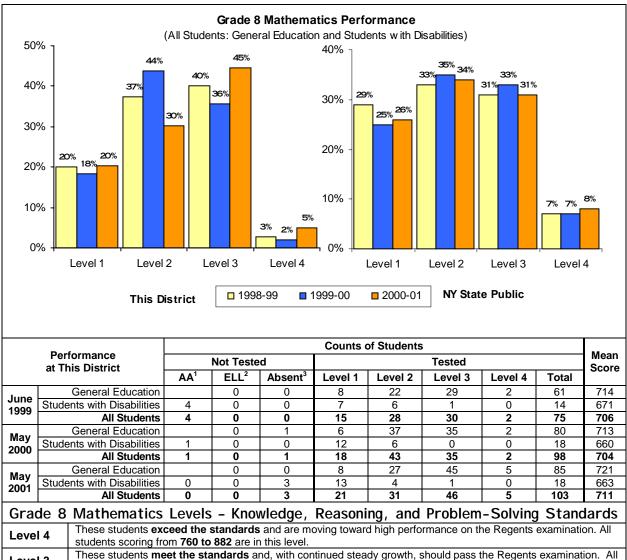
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Middle Level

Mathematics



 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 <u>http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/repcrd2002/similar.html</u>

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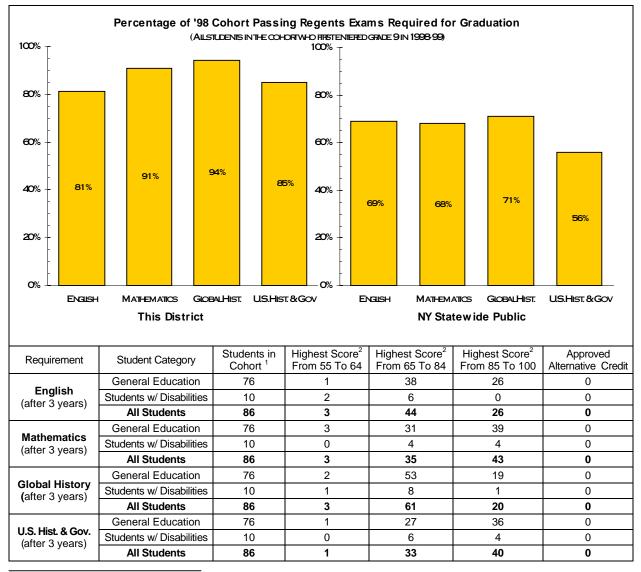
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High School Achievement - After Three Years of Instruction

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

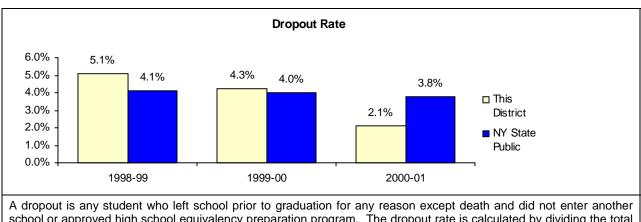
Superintendent: Mr. George C. Vanderzell Phone: (845)985-2296				
Organization 2000-01		School District Staff ¹ (both full- and part-time)		
Grade Range	Student Enrollment	Count of Teachers	Count of Other Professionals	Count of Paraprofessionals
K-12	1,192	110	16	30

1999-00 School District Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$13,037
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	104			
Kindergarten	78	Grade 8	99			
Grade 1	86	Grade 9	94			
Grade 2	97	Grade 10	80			
Grade 3	88	Grade 11	92			
Grade 4	109	Grade 12	66			
Grade 5	97	Ungraded Elementary with Disabilities	0			
Grade 6	102	Ungraded Secondary with Disabilities	0			

Student Demographics	1998-99		1999-2000		2000-01	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English Language Learners	6	0.5%	11	0.9%	2	0.2%
Eligible For Free Lunch	306	25.6%	282	22.9%	196	16.4%

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 5. This district has average 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 included in counts reported here.