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ANALYSIS OF STUDENT SUBGROUP PERFORMANCE

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The New York State District Report Card is an important part of the Board of Regents effort to raise learning standards for all students. It provides information to the public on student performance and other measures of district performance. Knowledge gained from the district report card on a district's strengths and weaknesses can be used to improve instruction and services to students.

The New York State District Report Card consists of three parts: the Overview of District Performance in English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science and Analysis of Student Subgroup Performance, the Comprehensive Information Report, and the Accountability Status Report. The Overview and Analysis presents performance data on measures required by the federal No Child Left Behind Act: English, mathematics, science, and graduation rate. Performance data on other State assessments can be found in the Comprehensive Information Report. The Accountability Status Report provides information as to whether a district is making adequate progress toward enabling all students to achieve proficiency in English and mathematics.

State assessments are designed to help ensure that all students reach high learning standards. They show whether students are getting the foundation knowledge they need to succeed at the elementary, middle, and commencement levels and beyond. The State requires that students who are not making appropriate progress toward the standards receive academic intervention services.

In the *Overview*, performance on the elementary- and middle-level assessments in English language arts, mathematics, and science is reported in terms of mean scores and the percentage of students scoring at each of the four levels. These levels indicate performance on the standards from seriously deficient to advanced proficiency. Regents examination scores are reported in four score ranges. Scores of 65 to 100 are passing; scores of 55 to 64 earn credit toward a local diploma (with the approval of the local board of education). Though each elementary- and middle-level assessment is administered to students in a specific grade, secondary-level assessments are taken by students when they complete the coursework for the core curriculum. Therefore, the performance of students at the secondary level is measured for a student cohort rather than a group of students at a particular grade level. Students are grouped in cohorts according to the year in which they first entered grade 9.

The assessment data in the *Overview and Analysis* are for all tested students in the district, including general-education students and students with disabilities. In the *Overview*, each district's performance is compared with that of all public schools statewide. In the *Analysis*, performance is disaggregated by race/ethnicity, disability status, gender, limited English proficient status, income level, and migrant status.

Explanations of terms referred to or symbols used in this part of the district report card may be found in the glossary on the last page. Further information on the district report card may be found in the guide, *Understanding Your School Report Card: February 2005*, available on the Information and Reporting Services Web site at www.emsc.nysed.gov/irts.

Overview of District Performance in English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science

District Profile

Superintendent: Geoffrey M. Hicks		Phone:	(716)250-1402
Organization	Grade Range		Student Enrollment
2003–04	NA		3867

2002-03 District-wide Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$12,315
2002–03 NYS Public Schools Total Expenditure per Pupil	\$13,085

2003-04 Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers*

Total Number of Core Classes	Percent Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
774	98%

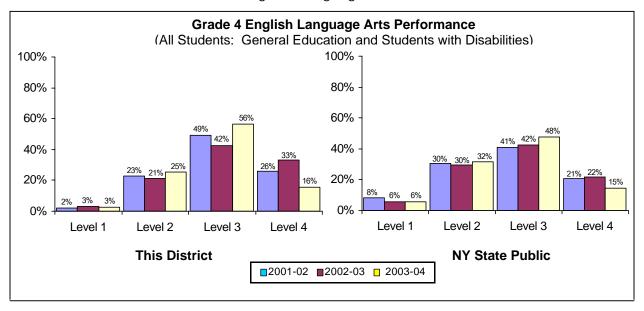
^{*}To meet the federal definition of "highly qualified," public school teachers of core academic subjects must have at least a bachelor's degree and be State certified for and demonstrate subject matter competency in the core academic subject(s) they teach.

2003-04 Teachers with No Valid Teaching Certificate*

Total Number of Teachers	Percent with No Valid Teaching Certificate
323	1%

^{*}Includes teachers with a modified temporary license.

English Language Arts



	Counts of Students						
Performance at This District	Level 1 455–602	Total Tested					
Jan-Feb 2002	6	63	136	72	277	673	
Feb 2003	9	65	128	101	303	674	
Feb 2004	8	77	172	48	305	663	

Elementa	Elementary-Level 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.					
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination.					
Level 2	These students need extra help to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination.					
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies.					

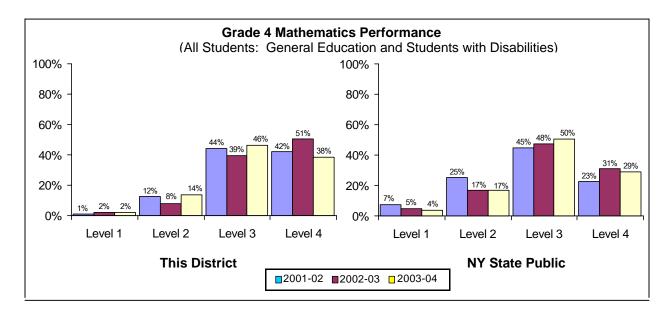
Performance of Limited English Proficient Students Taking the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT) as the Measure of English Language Arts Achievement

Grade 4	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total Tested
2004	#	#	#	#	4

Performance of Students with Severe Disabilities on the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in English

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Elementary Level	AA-Level 1	AA-Level 2	AA-Level 3	AA-Level 4	Total Tested
2003-04	0	0	1	5	6

Mathematics



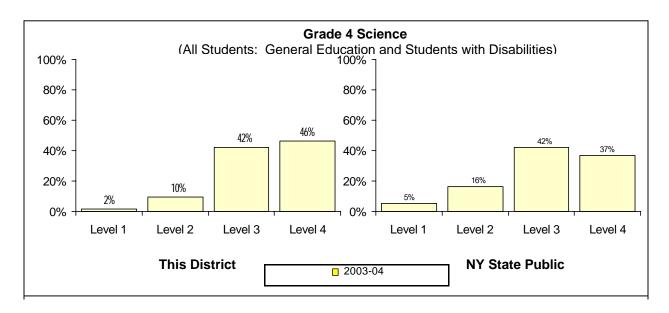
	Counts of Students					
Performance at This District	Level 1 448–601	Level 2 602–636	Level 3 637–677	Level 4 678–810	Total Tested	Mean Score
May 2002	3	35	125	119	282	672
May 2003	6	25	121	156	308	675
May 2004	6	41	140	116	303	671

	Elementary-Level 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.					
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination.					
Level 2	These students need extra help to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination.					
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies.					

Performance of Students with Severe Disabilities on the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in Mathematics

Elementary Level	AA-Level 1	AA-Level 2	AA-Level 3	AA-Level 4	Total Tested
2003-04	0	1	1	4	6

Science*



Performance at This District	Level 1 0-44	Level 2 45–64	Level 3 65–84	Level 4 85–100	Total Tested	Mean Score
May 2004	5	29	126	139	299	80

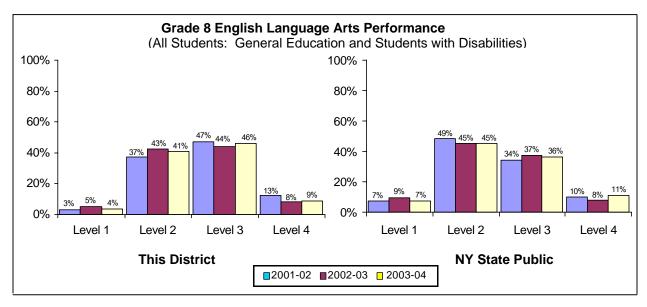
	Elementary-Level Science Levels — Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards				
Level 4 These students exceed the standards and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination.					
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination.				
Level 2	These students need extra help to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination.				
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies.				

Performance of Students with Severe Disabilities on the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in Science

Elementary Level	AA-Level 1	AA-Level 2	AA-Level 3	AA-Level 4	Total Tested
2003-04	0	0	4	2	6

^{*}Only one year of data is shown because a new assessment in elementary-level science was administered for the first time in 2003–04.

English Language Arts



Performance at This District	Level 1 527–659	Level 2 660–698	Level 3 699-737	Level 4 738-830	Total Tested	Mean Score
March 2002	10	124	157	42	333	705
	Level 1 527–657	Level 2 658–696	Level 3 697–736	Level 4 737–830	Total Tested	
January 2003	15	125	129	24	293	699
January 2004	12	127	144	28	311	702

Middle-Level 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.				
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination.			
Level 2	These students need extra help to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination.			
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies.			

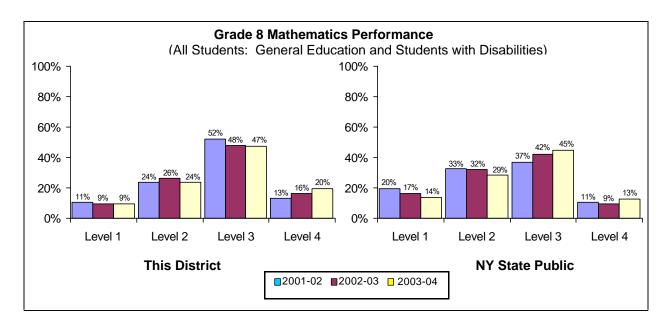
Performance of Limited English Proficient Students Taking the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT) as the Measure of English Language Arts Achievement

Grade 8	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total Tested
2004	1	1	1	5	8

Performance of Students with Severe Disabilities on the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in English

Middle Level	AA-Level 1	AA-Level 2	AA-Level 3	AA-Level 4	Total Tested
2003-04	0	0	0	0	0

Mathematics



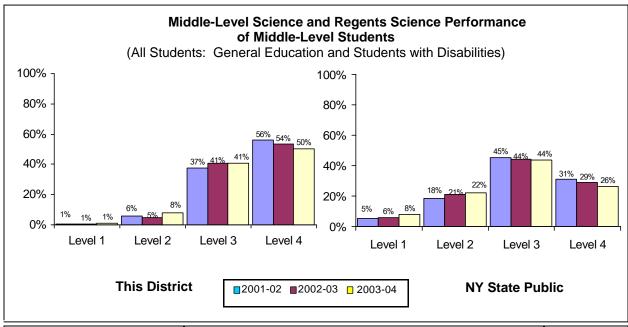
Performance at This District	Level 1 517–680	Level 2 681–715	Level 3 716–759	Level 4 760–882	Total Tested	Mean Score
May 2002	36	80	175	44	335	726
May 2003	28	78	143	49	298	727
May 2004	30	76	151	63	320	729

Middle-L	Middle-Level 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.				
Level 3	These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination.				
Level 2	These students need extra help to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination.				
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies.				

Performance of Students with Severe Disabilities on the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in Mathematics

Middle I	_evel	AA-Level 1	AA-Level 2	AA-Level 3	AA-Level 4	Total Tested
2003-	-04	0	0	0	0	0

Science



Performance at This District			Mean Score				
i enom	ance at This District	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total Tested	wean Score
June 2002	Middle-Level Science	2	20	125	188	335	83
June 2002	Regents Science	0	0	0	0	0	0
January/	Middle-Level Science	2	15	122	161	300	83
June 2003	Regents Science	0	0	0	0	0	0
January/	Middle-Level Science	3	24	125	153	305	82
June 2004	Regents Science	0	0	0	0	0	0

Middle-L	Middle-Level Science Levels — Knowledge, Reasoning, and Problem-Solving Standards*					
Level 4	These students exceed the standards on the middle-level science test and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examinations <u>or</u> score 85–100 on a Regents science examination.					
Level 3	These students meet the standards on the middle-level science test and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examinations <u>or</u> score 65–84 on a Regents science examination.					
Level 2	These students need extra help to meet the standards for middle-level science and to pass the Regents examinations <u>or</u> score 55–64 on a Regents science examination.					
Level 1	These students have serious academic deficiencies as evidenced in the middle-level science test <u>or</u> score 0–54 on a Regents science examination.					

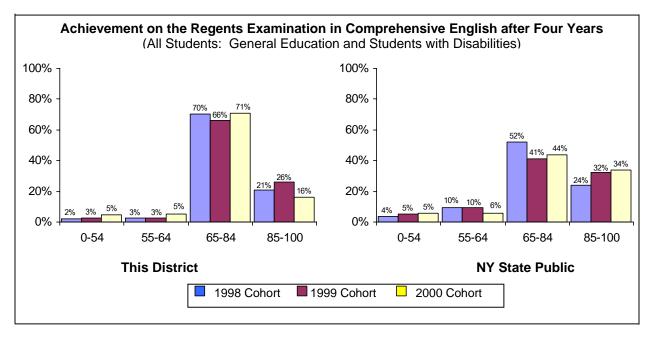
^{*}Students may demonstrate proficiency in middle-level science by scoring at Level 3 or above on the middle-level science test or by scoring 65 or above on a Regents examination in science.

Performance of Students with Severe Disabilities on the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in Science

Middle Level	AA-Level 1	AA-Level 2	AA-Level 3	AA-Level 4	Total Tested
2003–04	0	0	0	0	0

High School English Achievement after Four Years of Instruction

The graphs and tables below present performance of the 1998, 1999, and 2000 cohort members, four years after entering grade 9, in meeting the graduation assessment requirement in English. In the graph, students passing approved alternatives to this examination are counted as scoring in the 65 to 84 range. RCT results are not included in the graph. The data in these tables and charts show the performance of the cohorts as of June 30th of the fourth year after first entering grade 9. Data for the 1999 and 2000 cohorts include all students in cohorts in the district's schools, students continuously enrolled in the district who transferred between schools within the district, and students placed outside the district but who are the reporting responsibility of the district. Data for the 1998 cohort include all students in the cohort in the district's schools.



	English Graduation Requirement Achievement after Four Years of High School*										
	Cohort Members Highest Score Between 0 and 54 Highest Score Between 55 and 64 Highest Score Between 85 and 100 Alternative Creek										
1998 Cohort	260	6	7	183	54	0					
1999 Cohort	257	7	7	170	67	0					
2000 Cohort	257	12	13	182	42	0					

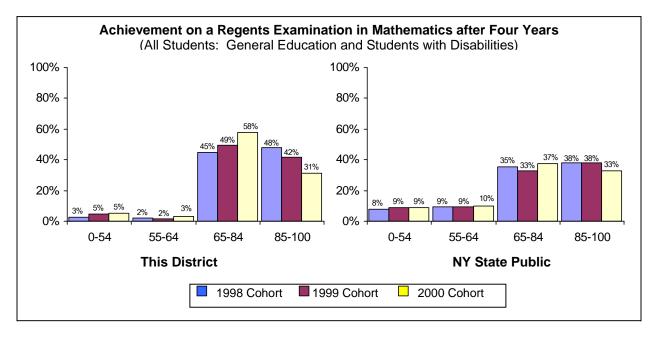
^{*}Assessments used to determine counts in this table include the Regents examination in comprehensive English, the component retest in English, and approved alternatives.

	Performance of Students Who Took the Regents Competency Tests in Reading and Writing to Meet the Graduation Requirement*								
Passed the RCTs Failed RCT in Reading and/or Writing									
1998 Cohort	2	1							
1999 Cohort	6	1							
2000 Cohort	9	1							

^{*}Includes only students eligible for the safety net who did not score 55 or higher on the Regents examination or an approved alternative. Some students in the "Passed the RCTs" counts are also included in the 0–54 counts in the graph above.

High School Mathematics Achievement after Four Years of Instruction

The graphs and tables below present performance of the 1998, 1999, and 2000 cohort members, four years after entering grade 9, in meeting the graduation assessment requirement in mathematics. In the graph, students passing approved alternatives to these examinations are counted as scoring in the 65 to 84 range. RCT results are not included in the graph. The data in these tables and charts show the performance of the cohorts as of June 30th of the fourth year after first entering grade 9. Data for the 1999 and 2000 cohorts include all students in cohorts in the district's schools, students continuously enrolled in the district who transferred between schools within the district, and students placed outside the district but who are the reporting responsibility of the district. Data for the 1998 cohort include all students in the cohort in the district's schools.



	Mathematics Graduation Requirement Achievement after Four Years of High School*										
	Cohort Members All Students	Highest Score Between 0 and 54	Highest Score Between 55 and 64	Highest Score Between 65 and 84	Highest Score Between 85 and 100	Approved Alternative Credit					
1998 Cohort	260	7	6	116	125	0					
1999 Cohort	257	12	4	127	107	0					
2000 Cohort	257	13	8	148	80	0					

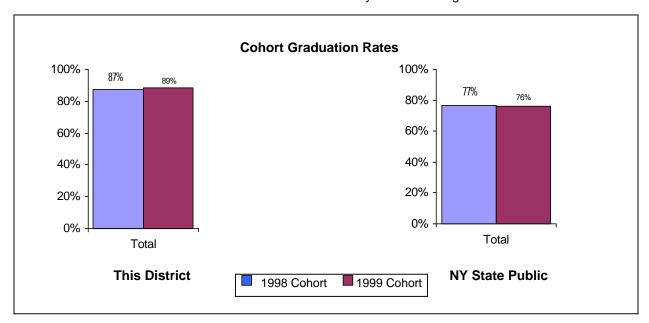
^{*}Assessments used to determine counts in this table include a Regents examination in mathematics, the component retest in mathematics, and approved alternatives.

Performance of Students Who Took the Regents Competency Test in Mathematics to Meet the Graduation Requirement*							
	Passed the RCT	Failed at Least One RCT					
1998 Cohort	1	0					
1999 Cohort	9	0					
2000 Cohort	6	0					

^{*}Includes only students eligible for the safety net who did not score 55 or higher on the Regents examination or an approved alternative. Some students in the "Passed the RCTs" counts are also included in the 0–54 counts in the graph above.

Cohort Graduation Rates

Students were counted as graduates if they earned a local diploma with or without a Regents endorsement by August 31st of the fourth year after first entering grade 9. The graduation-rate cohort includes students who transferred to general education development (GED) programs. These students were not counted in the 1998 and 1999 school accountability cohort for English and mathematics.



	Cohort Graduation Rates								
	Cohort Members* (a)	Transfers to GED (b)	Graduation Rate Cohort Members (a+b)	Number Graduated					
1998 Cohort	260	16	276	241					
1999 Cohort	253	17	270	239					

^{*}Count as of August 31st of the fourth year after first entering grade 9.

Analysis of Student Subgroup Performance

Historically, on State assessments the average performance of Black, Hispanic, and Native American students has been lower than that of White and Asian students. Similarly, students from low-income families have not performed as well as those from higher income families. A high priority of the Board of Regents is to eliminate these gaps in student performance. In addition, Title I of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act includes explicit requirements "to ensure that students served by Title I are given the same opportunity to achieve to high standards and are held to the same high expectations as all students in each State."

This section of the district report card provides performance data for two years by racial/ethnic group, disability status, gender, English proficiency status, income level, and migrant status. The purpose of the student subgroup analyses is to determine if students who perform below the standards in any school tend to fall into particular groups, such as minority students, limited English proficient students, or economically disadvantaged students. If these analyses provide evidence that students in one of the groups achieve at a lower level than other students, the district should examine the reasons for this lower performance and make necessary changes in curriculum, instruction, and student support services to remedy these performance gaps. If your district did not report data for the 2003–04 school year for a subject and grade, a table showing data for subgroups in that subject and grade will not be included in the *Analysis*.

English Language Arts

			12-03	<u> </u>		2003	3–04	
Student Subgroup	Total Tested Students Scoring at Levels				Total Tested	Percentages of Tested Students Scoring at Levels		
	restea	2–4	3–4	4	restea	2–4	3–4	4
Results by Race/Ethnicity								
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Black	31	94%	58%	16%	47	98%	64%	6%
Hispanic	4	S	s	s	5	80%	40%	0%
Asian or Pacific Islander	15	S	S	S	9	100%	100%	44%
White	253	97%	79%	34%	244	98%	73%	17%
Total	303	97%	76%	33%	305	97%	72%	16%
Small Group Totals (s)	19	100%	63%	47%	0	0%	0%	0%
Results by Disability Status								
General-education students	286	99%	79%	35%	290	99%	76%	17%
Students with disabilities	17	65%	12%	0%	15	60%	7%	0%
Total	303	97%	76%	33%	305	97%	72%	16%
Results by Gender								
Female	159	97%	81%	42%	138	99%	72%	20%
Male	144	97%	69%	24%	167	96%	72%	13%
Total	303	97%	76%	33%	305	97%	72%	16%
Results by English Proficiency	Status							
English proficient	301	S	S	S	305	97%	72%	16%
Limited English proficient	2	S	S	S	0	0%	0%	0%
Total	303	97%	76%	33%	305	97%	72%	16%
Results by Income Level								
Economically disadvantaged	21	95%	71%	24%	84	96%	56%	4%
Not disadvantaged	282	97%	76%	34%	221	98%	78%	20%
Total	303	97%	76%	33%	305	97%	72%	16%
Results by Migrant Status								
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	303	97%	76%	33%	305	97%	72%	16%
Total	303	97%	76%	33%	305	97%	72%	16%

Mathematics

			2-03			2003–04				
Student Subgroup	Total Students Scoring at Levels			Total Tested	Percentages of Tested Students Scoring at Levels					
	Testeu	2–4	3–4	4	resteu	2–4	3–4	4		
Results by Race/Ethnicity										
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%		
Black	33	97%	79%	30%	46	96%	74%	13%		
Hispanic	5	100%	100%	40%	5	100%	60%	0%		
Asian or Pacific Islander	17	94%	88%	53%	11	100%	82%	73%		
White	253	98%	91%	53%	241	98%	87%	42%		
Total	308	98%	90%	51%	303	98%	84%	38%		
Small Group Totals (s)	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%		
Results by Disability Status										
General-education students	291	99%	92%	54%	287	99%	88%	40%		
Students with disabilities	17	82%	53%	0%	16	75%	25%	6%		
Total	308	98%	90%	51%	303	98%	84%	38%		
Results by Gender										
Female	161	99%	93%	57%	134	99%	86%	39%		
Male	147	97%	87%	44%	169	97%	83%	38%		
Total	308	98%	90%	51%	303	98%	84%	38%		
Results by English Proficiency	Status									
English proficient	301	99%	90%	51%	298	98%	85%	38%		
Limited English proficient	7	71%	71%	29%	5	100%	40%	40%		
Total	308	98%	90%	51%	303	98%	84%	38%		
Results by Income Level										
Economically disadvantaged	23	96%	83%	35%	85	98%	73%	21%		
Not disadvantaged	285	98%	91%	52%	218	98%	89%	45%		
Total	308	98%	90%	51%	303	98%	84%	38%		
Results by Migrant Status										
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%		
Not migrant family	308	98%	90%	51%	303	98%	84%	38%		
Total	308	98%	90%	51%	303	98%	84%	38%		

Science*

		200	3–04	
Student Subgroup	Total Tested		ntages of s	
	resteu	2–4	3–4	4
Results by Race/Ethnicity				
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0%	0%	0%
Black	46	91%	76%	26%
Hispanic	5	100%	100%	20%
Asian or Pacific Islander	11	100%	91%	64%
White	237	100%	91%	50%
Total	299	98%	89%	46%
Small Group Totals (s)	0	0%	0%	0%
Results by Disability Status				
General-education students	283	99%	90%	48%
Students with disabilities	16	94%	56%	19%
Total	299	98%	89%	46%
Results by Gender		•		
Female	133	99%	84%	41%
Male	166	98%	92%	51%
Total	299	98%	89%	46%
Results by English Proficiency S	Status			
English proficient	294	99%	89%	47%
Limited English proficient	5	80%	60%	20%
Total	299	98%	89%	46%
Results by Income Level				
Economically disadvantaged	85	96%	78%	26%
Not disadvantaged	214	99%	93%	55%
Total	299	98%	89%	46%
Results by Migrant Status				
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	299	98%	89%	46%
Total	299	98%	89%	46%

^{*}Only one year of data is shown because a new assessment in elementary-level science was administered for the first time in 2003–04.

English Language Arts

			2–03	<u> </u>		200	2003–04			
Student Subgroup	Total Students Scoring at Levels			Total Tested	Percentages of Tested Students Scoring at Levels					
	resteu	2–4	3–4	4	resteu	2–4	3–4	4		
Results by Race/Ethnicity										
American Indian/Alaskan Native	3	S	s	S	0	0%	0%	0%		
Black	18	78%	39%	0%	40	90%	30%	3%		
Hispanic	1	S	s	s	5	s	s	s		
Asian or Pacific Islander	7	S	S	s	3	S	s	S		
White	264	96%	53%	9%	263	97%	60%	10%		
Total	293	95%	52%	8%	311	96%	55%	9%		
Small Group Totals (s)	11	100%	64%	0%	8	100%	38%	13%		
Results by Disability Status										
General-education students	263	98%	57%	9%	273	99%	63%	10%		
Students with disabilities	30	70%	7%	0%	38	76%	3%	0%		
Total	293	95%	52%	8%	311	96%	55%	9%		
Results by Gender										
Female	134	98%	57%	13%	152	99%	63%	13%		
Male	159	92%	48%	4%	159	94%	48%	5%		
Total	293	95%	52%	8%	311	96%	55%	9%		
Results by English Proficiency	Status									
English proficient	293	95%	52%	8%	311	96%	55%	9%		
Limited English proficient	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%		
Total	293	95%	52%	8%	311	96%	55%	9%		
Results by Income Level										
Economically disadvantaged	60	88%	33%	3%	81	94%	37%	0%		
Not disadvantaged	233	97%	57%	9%	230	97%	62%	12%		
Total	293	95%	52%	8%	311	96%	55%	9%		
Results by Migrant Status										
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%		
Not migrant family	293	95%	52%	8%	311	96%	55%	9%		
Total	293	95%	52%	8%	311	96%	55%	9%		

Mathematics

		200	2-03			2003–04				
Student Subgroup	Total Tested Students Scoring at Levels			Total Tested	Percentages of Tested Students Scoring at Levels					
	resteu	2–4	3–4	4	resteu	2–4	3–4	4		
Results by Race/Ethnicity										
American Indian/Alaskan Native	4	S	s	s	0	0%	0%	0%		
Black	17	76%	35%	0%	42	76%	33%	5%		
Hispanic	1	s	s	s	6	S	s	S		
Asian or Pacific Islander	10	100%	90%	30%	4	S	s	S		
White	266	91%	65%	17%	268	93%	72%	22%		
Total	298	91%	64%	16%	320	91%	67%	20%		
Small Group Totals (s)	5	80%	60%	40%	10	100%	60%	30%		
Results by Disability Status										
General-education students	269	94%	69%	18%	282	96%	75%	22%		
Students with disabilities	29	62%	21%	0%	38	47%	5%	0%		
Total	298	91%	64%	16%	320	91%	67%	20%		
Results by Gender										
Female	133	92%	66%	20%	155	95%	73%	21%		
Male	165	90%	63%	13%	165	87%	61%	19%		
Total	298	91%	64%	16%	320	91%	67%	20%		
Results by English Proficiency	Status									
English proficient	293	90%	64%	16%	313	91%	67%	20%		
Limited English proficient	5	100%	80%	20%	7	86%	57%	14%		
Total	298	91%	64%	16%	320	91%	67%	20%		
Results by Income Level										
Economically disadvantaged	59	85%	49%	5%	87	80%	48%	11%		
Not disadvantaged	239	92%	68%	19%	233	94%	74%	23%		
Total	298	91%	64%	16%	320	91%	67%	20%		
Results by Migrant Status										
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%		
Not migrant family	298	91%	64%	16%	320	91%	67%	20%		
Total	298	91%	64%	16%	320	91%	67%	20%		

Science

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			2–03		2003–04			
Student Subgroup	Total Tested		entages of T s Scoring a		Total Tested	Percentages of Tested Students Scoring at Levels		
	resteu	2–4	3–4	4	resteu	2–4	3–4	4
Results by Race/Ethnicity								
American Indian/Alaskan Native	4	S	S	S	0	0%	0%	0%
Black	18	94%	78%	22%	40	98%	70%	20%
Hispanic	1	S	S	S	6	S	S	S
Asian or Pacific Islander	9	100%	100%	78%	4	S	S	S
White	268	100%	96%	55%	255	99%	95%	56%
Total	300	99%	94%	54%	305	99%	91%	50%
Small Group Totals (s)	5	100%	80%	40%	10	100%	80%	30%
Results by Disability Status								
General-education students	269	99%	97%	59%	269	99%	95%	56%
Students with disabilities	31	100%	74%	10%	36	97%	64%	6%
Total	300	99%	94%	54%	305	99%	91%	50%
Results by Gender								
Female	135	100%	95%	54%	153	99%	93%	51%
Male	165	99%	94%	53%	152	99%	89%	49%
Total	300	99%	94%	54%	305	99%	91%	50%
Results by English Proficiency State	us							
English proficient	296	S	S	S	298	99%	92%	51%
Limited English proficient	4	S	S	S	7	100%	71%	0%
Total	300	99%	94%	54%	305	99%	91%	50%
Results by Income Level			•					
Economically disadvantaged	60	98%	90%	32%	79	99%	85%	30%
Not disadvantaged	240	100%	95%	59%	226	99%	93%	57%
Total	300	99%	94%	54%	305	99%	91%	50%
Results by Migrant Status								
Migrant family	0	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
Not migrant family	300	99%	94%	54%	305	99%	91%	50%
Total	300	99%	94%	54%	305	99%	91%	50%

1999 and 2000 High School Cohorts

General-education students who first entered ninth grade in 1999 or 2000 must score 55 or higher on Regents English and mathematics examinations to graduate. During the phase-in of the Regents examination graduation requirements, all students (with district board of education approval) may qualify for a local diploma by earning a score of 55–64 on the required Regents examinations; a score of 65 or higher is required for a Regents diploma. Students with disabilities and certain students with a Section 504 Accomodation Plan may qualify for a local diploma by passing Regents competency tests. The data in these tables show the performance of the cohorts as of June 30th of the fourth year after first entering grade 9.

Performance on the English Assessment Requirement for Graduation after Four Years of High School

1999 Cohort 2000 Cohort										
Student Subgroup		Count of Students by Score			Percent Meeting	Students	Count of Students by Score			Percent Meeting
	Students in Cohort	55- 64	65-	Pass- ed RCTs	Gradu- ation Require-	in Cohort	Reg 55– 64	65- 100	Pass- ed RCTs	Gradua- tion Require-
		04	100	KCIS	ment		04	100	KC13	ment
Results by Race/Ethnicity										
American Indian/Alaskan Native	1	S	S	S	S	0	0	0	0	0%
Black	13	0	12	0	92%	22	2	17	0	86%
Hispanic	2	S	S	S	S	3	S	S	S	S
Asian or Pacific Islander	7	S	S	S	S	11	S	S	S	S
White	234	3	217	6	97%	221	11	194	8	96%
Total	257	5	237	6	96%	257	13	224	9	96%
Small Group Totals (s)	10	2	8	0	100%	14	0	13	1	100%
Results by Disability Status										
General-education students	228	4	220	0	98%	237	9	220	0	97%
Students with disabilities	29	1	17	6	83%	20	4	4	9	85%
Total	257	5	237	6	96%	257	13	224	9	96%
Results by Gender										
Female	106	4	96	4	98%	133	6	123	2	98%
Male	151	1	141	2	95%	124	7	101	7	93%
Total	257	5	237	6	96%	257	13	224	9	96%
Results by English Proficiency	/ Status									
English proficient	256	s	S	S	s	255	S	S	S	S
Limited English proficient	1	s	S	S	s	2	S	S	s	S
Total	257	5	237	6	96%	257	13	224	9	96%
Results by Income Level										
Economically disadvantaged	32	1	28	2	97%	44	1	39	2	95%
Not disadvantaged	225	4	209	4	96%	213	12	185	7	96%
Total	257	5	237	6	96%	257	13	224	9	96%
Results by Migrant Status										
Migrant family	0	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
Not migrant family	257	5	237	6	96%	257	13	224	9	96%
Total	257	5	237	6	96%	257	13	224	9	96%

Performance on the Mathematics Assessment Requirement for Graduation after Four Years of High School

	1999 Cohort					2000 Cohort				
Student Subgroup		Count of Students Percent						Count of Students		Percent Meeting
	Students in Cohort	by Score			Meeting	Students	by Score			
		Regents Pas		Pass-	Gradu-	in	Regents		Pass-	Gradua-
		55– 64	65– 100	ed RCTs	ation Require- ment	Cohort	55– 64	65– 100	ed RCTs	tion Require- ment
Results by Race/Ethnicity										
American Indian/Alaskan Native	1	s	S	s	s	0	0	0	0	0%
Black	13	1	11	1	100%	22	1	18	1	91%
Hispanic	2	S	S	S	S	3	S	S	S	S
Asian or Pacific Islander	7	s	s	S	S	11	S	S	S	S
White	234	3	214	8	96%	221	7	197	5	95%
Total	257	4	234	9	96%	257	8	228	6	94%
Small Group Totals (s)	10	0	9	0	90%	14	0	13	0	93%
Results by Disability Status										
General-education students	228	1	224	1	99%	237	6	224	1	97%
Students with disabilities	29	3	10	8	72%	20	2	4	5	55%
Total	257	4	234	9	96%	257	8	228	6	94%
Results by Gender	•	•								
Female	106	1	96	6	97%	133	4	123	1	96%
Male	151	3	138	3	95%	124	4	105	5	92%
Total	257	4	234	9	96%	257	8	228	6	94%
Results by English Proficiency	Status	I								
English proficient	256	S	S	S	S	255	S	S	S	S
Limited English proficient	1	S	S	S	s	2	S	S	S	s
Total	257	4	234	9	96%	257	8	228	6	94%
Results by Income Level			•		1					
Economically disadvantaged	32	3	23	3	91%	44	0	39	1	91%
Not disadvantaged	225	1	211	6	97%	213	8	189	5	95%
Total	257	4	234	9	96%	257	8	228	6	94%
Results by Migrant Status			•		•			•		
Migrant family	0	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
Not migrant family	257	4	234	9	96%	257	8	228	6	94%
Total	257	4	234	9	96%	257	8	228	6	94%

Cohort Graduation Rates

Students were counted as graduates if they earned a local diploma with or without a Regents endorsement by August 31st of the fourth year after first entering grade 9. The graduation-rate cohort includes students who transferred to general education development (GED) programs. These students were not counted in the district accountability cohort for English and mathematics.

	1998 Col	ort as of	1999 Cohort as of August 31, 2003			
	August	31, 2002				
Student Subgroup	Graduation Rate Cohort	Graduation Rate	Graduation Rate Cohort	Graduation Rate		
Results by Race/Ethnicity						
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0%	1	S		
Black	14	93%	14	86%		
Hispanic	1	S	2	S		
Asian or Pacific Islander	13	S	7	S		
White	248	88%	246	89%		
Total	276	87%	270	89%		
Small Group Totals (s)	14	71%	10	90%		
Results by Disability Status						
General-education students	254	89%	240	91%		
Students with disabilities	22	64%	30	70%		
Total	276	87%	270	89%		
Results by Gender						
Female	131	93%	110	93%		
Male	145	82%	160	86%		
Total	276	87%	270	89%		
Results by English Proficiency St	atus					
English proficient	274	S	269	S		
Limited English proficient	2	S	1	S		
Total	276	87%	270	89%		
Results by Income Level						
Economically disadvantaged	1	S	32	88%		
Not disadvantaged	275	S	238	89%		
Total	276	87%	270	89%		
Results by Migrant Status						
Migrant family	0	0%	0	0%		
Not migrant family	276	87%	270	89%		
Total	276	87%	270	89%		

Glossary

Accountability Cohort: An accountability cohort is all students, regardless of grade status, who were enrolled in school on BEDS day two years after the year in which they first entered grade 9, or, in the case of ungraded students with disabilities, the year in which they reached their seventeenth birthday. (For example, the 1999 accountability cohort consists of all students who first entered grade 9 in the fall of 1999 who were enrolled on October 3, 2001). Certain students are not included in the school accountability cohort. Cohort is defined in Section 100.2 (p) (8) of the Commissioner's Regulations.

Component Retests: Component retests were offered in Regents English and Mathematics A to certain students who were at risk of not meeting the State learning standards. Component retesting is the process by which a student who has failed a Regents examination in English or Mathematics A twice is retested only on the areas of the learning standards in which the student has been proven deficient. Component retesting eliminates the need for the student to retake the full Regents examination multiple times. Students who earn credit through component retesting are counted as if they scored in the 55–64 range or in the 65–84 range on the Regents examination, as determined by the component retest results.

Counts of Students Tested: "Counts of Students Tested" includes only students who completed sufficient test questions to receive a score.

Graduation-Rate Cohort: Graduation-rate cohort for each year includes all students in the accountability cohort in the previous year plus all students excluded from that accountability cohort solely because they transferred to a general education development (GED) program.

Limited English Proficient (LEP) Students: Schools provide special English instruction to students for whom English is a second language so they can participate effectively in the academic program. In 2002–03 and in previous years, students were considered LEP if, by reason of foreign birth or ancestry, they spoke a language other than English and (1) either understood and spoke little or no English or (2) scored at or below the 40th percentile on an English language assessment instrument. Beginning in 2003–04, students are considered LEP if, by reason of foreign birth or ancestry, they speak a language other than English and (1) either understand and speak little or no English or (2) score below a state-designated level of proficiency on the Language Assessment Battery-Revised (LAB-R) or the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT). The United States Department of Education has approved the use of the NYSESLAT as the required measure of language arts proficiency for LEP students in grades 4 and 8 who have attended school in the United States (not including Puerto Rico) for fewer than three consecutive years and for LEP students who have attended for four or five years and have received an exemption from the general assessment requirement.

New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA): The district Committee on Special Education designates students with severe disabilities who meet criteria established in Commissioner's Regulations to take the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA).

Student Confidentiality/Suppressed Data (# and s): To ensure student confidentiality, the Department does <u>not</u> publish data for groups with fewer than five students or data that would allow readers to easily determine the performance of a group with fewer than five students. In the *Overview*, the pound character (#) appears when fewer than five students in a group were tested. In the *Analysis*, when fewer than five students in a group (e.g., Hispanic) were tested, percentages of tested students scoring at various levels are suppressed for that group and the next smallest group. Suppressed data are indicated with an **(s)**. However, the performance of tested students in these groups is aggregated and shown in the Small Group Total row.

Validity and Reliability of Small Group Data: It is important that programmatic decisions are based on valid and reliable data. Data for fewer than 30 students in a group may be neither valid nor reliable. If a school does not have 30 students in a grade or a subgroup in a given year, the school should evaluate results for students in this group over a period of years to make programmatic decisions.