

# The New York State School Report Card

Accountability and Overview Report 2008 – 09 School STEPHEN AND HARRIET MYERS MIDDLE SCHOOL District ALBANY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT School ID 01-01-00-01-0045 Principal KIMBERLY WILKINS Telephone (518) 475-6425 Grades 6-8

# **This School's Report Card**

The New York State School 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 the school's status under the State and federal accountability systems, on student performance, and on other measures of school and district performance. Knowledge gained from the school report card on a school's strengths and weaknesses can be used to improve instruction and services to students.

State assessments are designed to help ensure that all students reach high learning standards. They show whether students are getting the knowledge and skills 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.

## Use this report to:

Get School Profile information. This section shows comprehensive data relevant to this school's learning environment.

### Review School Accountability Status.

This section indicates whether a school made adequate yearly progress (AYP) and identifies the school's accountability status.

Review an Overview
 of School Performance.
 This section has information about

the school's performance on state assessments in English, mathematics, and science.

### For more information:

Office of Information and Reporting Services New York State Education Department Room 863 EBA Albany, NY 12234 Email: RPTCARD@mail.nysed.gov

### **School Profile**

This section shows comprehensive data relevant to this school's learning environment, including information about enrollment, average class size, and teacher qualifications.

### Enrollment

	2006-07	2007-08	2008–09
Pre-K	0	0	0
Kindergarten	0	0	0
Grade 1	0	0	0
Grade 2	0	0	0
Grade 3	0	0	0
Grade 4	0	0	0
Grade 5	0	0	0
Grade 6	95	104	106
Ungraded Elementary	0	0	0
Grade 7	254	225	212
Grade 8	227	242	225
Grade 9	0	0	0
Grade 10	0	0	0
Grade 11	0	0	0
Grade 12	0	0	0
Ungraded Secondary	0	0	0
Total K–12	576	571	543

### Enrollment Information

*Enrollment* counts are as of Basic Educational Data System (BEDS) day, which is typically the first Wednesday of October of the school year. Students who attend BOCES programs on a part-time basis are included in a school's enrollment. Students who attend BOCES on a full-time basis or who are placed full time by the district in an out-of-district placement are not included in a school's enrollment. Students classified by schools as "pre-first" are included in first grade counts.

### **Average Class Size**

	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Common Branch			
Grade 8			
English	19	19	17
Mathematics	19	19	20
Science	25	25	25
Social Studies	20	20	20
Grade 10			
English			
Mathematics			
Science			
Social Studies			

### Average Class Size Information

Average Class Size is the total registration in specified classes divided by the number of those classes with registration. *Common Branch* refers to self-contained classes in Grades 1–6.

### **Demographic Factors**

	200	6-07	200	2007-08		8-09
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Eligible for Free Lunch	278	48%	254	44%	263	48%
Reduced-Price Lunch	84	15%	74	13%	67	12%
Student Stability*		94%		97%		94%
Limited English Proficient	5	1%	7	1%	9	2%
Racial/Ethnic Origin						
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Black or African American	367	64%	350	61%	312	57%
Hispanic or Latino	41	7%	51	9%	54	10%
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	19	3%	18	3%	25	5%
White	147	26%	152	27%	151	28%
Multiracial	1	0%	0	0%	1	0%

\* Available only at the school level.

### **Attendance and Suspensions**

	200	2005-06		2006-07		7-08
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Annual Attendance Rate		94%		94%		93%
Student Suspensions	135	25%	97	17%	118	21%

District ALBANY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Demographic Factors Information

Eligible for Free Lunch and Reduced-Price Lunch percentages are determined by dividing the number of approved lunch applicants by the Basic Educational Data System (BEDS) enrollment in full-day Kindergarten through Grade 12. Eligible for Free Lunch and Limited English Proficient counts are used to determine Similar Schools groupings within a Need/Resource Capacity category. Student Stability is the percentage of students in the highest grade in a school who were also enrolled in that school at any time during the previous school year. (For example, if School A, which serves Grades 6-8, has 100 students enrolled in Grade 8 this year, and 92 of those 100 students were also enrolled in School A last year, the stability rate for the school is 92 percent.)

### Attendance and Suspensions Information

Annual Attendance Rate is determined by dividing the school's total actual attendance by the total possible attendance for a school year. A school's actual attendance is the sum of the number of students in attendance on each day the school was open during the school year. Possible attendance is the sum of the number of enrolled students who should have been in attendance on each day the school was open during the school year. Student Suspension rate is determined by dividing the number of students who were suspended from school (not including in-school suspensions) for one full day or longer anytime during the school year by the Basic Educational Data System (BEDS) day enrollments for that school year. A student is counted only once, regardless of whether the student was suspended one or more times during the school year.

### **Teacher Qualifications**

	2006–07	2007-08	2008–09
Total Number of Teachers	52	50	53
Percent with No Valid Teaching Certificate	6%	4%	0%
Percent Teaching Out of Certification	8%	6%	2%
Percent with Fewer Than Three Years of Experience	4%	2%	2%
Percentage with Master's Degree Plus 30 Hours or Doctorate	6%	6%	6%
Total Number of Core Classes	190	173	206
Percent Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	13%	7%	2%
Total Number of Classes	252	238	259
Percent Taught by Teachers Without Appropriate Certification	8%	5%	2%

### **Teacher Turnover Rate**

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Turnover Rate of Teachers with Fewer than Five Years of Experience	0%	14%	0%
Turnover Rate of All Teachers	8%	8%	6%

### **Staff Counts**

	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Total Other Professional Staff	7	5	7
Total Paraprofessionals*	N/A	N/A	N/A
Assistant Principals	1	1	1
Principals	1	1	1

 $^{\star}~$  Not available at the school level.

### Teacher Qualifications Information

The *Percent Teaching Out of Certification* is the percent doing so more than on an incidental basis; that is, the percent teaching for more than five periods per week outside certification.

*Core Classes* are primarily K-6 common branch, English, mathematics, science, social studies, art, music, and foreign languages. To be *Highly Qualified*, a teacher must have at least a Bachelor's degree, be certified to teach in the subject area, and show subject matter competency.

### Teacher Turnover Rate Information

Teacher Turnover Rate for a specified school year is the number of teachers in that school year who were not teaching in the following school year divided by the number of teachers in the specified school year, expressed as a percentage.

### Staff Counts Information

Other Professionals includes administrators, guidance counselors, school nurses, psychologists, and other professionals who devote more than half of their time to non-teaching duties. Teachers who are shared between buildings within a district are reported on the district report only.

### Understanding How Accountability Works in New York State

The federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act requires that states develop and report on measures of student proficiency in 1) English language arts (ELA), in 2) mathematics, and on 3) a third indicator. In New York State in 2008–09, the third indicator is science at the elementary/middle level and graduation rate at the secondary level. Schools or districts that meet predefined goals on these measures are making Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP).



For more information about accountability in New York State, visit: http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/irts/accountability/

#### 1 English Language Arts (ELA)

To make AYP in ELA, every accountability group must make AYP. For a group to make AYP, it must meet the participation *and* the performance criteria.

#### A Participation Criterion

At the elementary/middle level, 95 percent of Grades 3–8 students enrolled during the test administration period in each group with 40 or more students must be tested on the New York State Testing Program (NYSTP) in ELA or, if appropriate, the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT), or the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) in ELA. At the secondary level, 95 percent of seniors in 2008–09 in each accountability group with 40 or more students must have taken an English examination that meets the students' graduation requirement.

#### **B** Performance Criterion

At the elementary/middle level, the Performance Index (PI) of each group with 30 or more continuously enrolled tested students must equal or exceed its Effective Annual Measurable Objective (AMO) or the group must make Safe Harbor. (NYSESLAT is used only for participation.) At the secondary level, the PI of each group in the 2005 cohort with 30 or more members must equal or exceed its Effective AMO or the group must make Safe Harbor. To make Safe Harbor, the PI of the group must equal or exceed its Safe Harbor Target and the group must qualify for Safe Harbor using the third indicator, science or graduation rate.

#### 2 Mathematics

The same criteria for making AYP in ELA apply to mathematics. At the elementary/middle level, the measures used to determine AYP are the NYSTP and the NYSAA in mathematics. At the secondary level, the measures are mathematics examinations that meet the students' graduation requirement.

#### 3 Third Indicator

In addition to English language arts and mathematics, the school must also make AYP in a third area of achievement. This means meeting the criteria in science at the elementary/middle level and the criteria in graduation rate at the secondary level.

**Elementary/Middle-Level Science:** To make AYP, the All Students group must meet the participation criterion *and* the performance criterion.

#### A Participation Criterion

Eighty percent of students in Grades 4 and/or 8 enrolled during the test administration period in the All Students group, if it has 40 or more students, must be tested on an accountability measure. In Grade 4, the measures are the Grade 4 elementary-level science test and the Grade 4 NYSAA in science. In Grade 8 science, the measures are the Grade 8 middle-level science test, Regents science examinations, and the Grade 8 NYSAA in science.

#### **B** Performance Criterion

The PI of the All Students group, if it has 30 or more students, must equal or exceed the State Science Standard (100) or the Science Progress Target.

Qualifying for Safe Harbor in Elementary/Middle-Level ELA and Math: To qualify, the group must meet both the participation criterion and the performance criterion in science.

**Secondary-Level Graduation Rate:** For a school to make AYP in graduation rate, the percent of students in the 2004 graduation-rate total cohort in the All Students group earning a local or Regents diploma by August 31, 2008 must equal or exceed the Graduation-Rate Standard (55%) or the Graduation-Rate Progress Target.

Qualifying for Safe Harbor in Secondary-Level ELA and Math: To qualify, the percent of the 2004 graduation-rate total cohort earning a local or Regents diploma by August 31, 2008 must equal or exceed the Graduation-Rate Standard (55%) or the Graduation-Rate Progress Target for that group.

# **Useful Terms for Understanding Accountability**

### Accountability Cohort for English

#### and Mathematics

The 2005 school accountability cohort consists of all students who first entered Grade 9 anywhere in the 2005-06 school year, and all ungraded students with disabilities who reached their seventeenth birthday in the 2005-06 school year, who were enrolled on October 1, 2008 and did not transfer to a diploma granting program. Students who earned a high school equivalency diploma or were enrolled in an approved high school equivalency preparation program on June 30, 2009, are not included in the 2005 school accountability cohort. The 2005 district accountability cohort consists of all students in each school accountability cohort plus students who transferred within the district after BEDS day plus students who were placed outside the district by the Committee on Special Education or district administrators and who met the other requirements for cohort membership. Cohort is defined in Section 100.2 (p) (16) of the Commissioner's Regulations.

#### **Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)**

Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) indicates satisfactory progress by a district or a school toward the goal of proficiency for all students.

#### Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)

The Annual Measurable Objective (AMO) is the Performance Index (PI) value that signifies that an accountability group is making satisfactory progress toward the goal that 100 percent of students will be proficient in the State's learning standards for English language arts and mathematics by 2013–14. The AMOs for each grade level will be increased as specified in CR100.2(p)(14) and will reach 200 in 2013–14. (See Effective AMO for further information.)

#### **Continuously Enrolled Students**

At the elementary/middle level, continuously enrolled students are those enrolled in the school or district on BEDS day (usually the first Wednesday in October) of the school year until the test administration period. At the secondary level, all students who meet the criteria for inclusion in the accountability cohort are considered to be continuously enrolled.

# Effective Annual Measurable Objective (Effective AMO)

The Effective Annual Measurable Objective (Effective AMO) is the Performance Index (PI) value that each accountability group within a school or district is expected to achieve to make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP). The Effective AMO is the lowest PI that an accountability group of a given size can achieve in a subject for the group's PI not to be considered significantly different from the AMO for that subject. If an accountability group's PI equals or exceeds the Effective AMO, it is considered to have made AYP. A more complete definition of Effective AMO and a table showing the PI values that each group size must equal or exceed to make AYP are available at **www.emsc.nysed.gov/irts**.

#### **Graduation-Rate Total Cohort**

This term is defined on the graduation-rate accountability page.

#### **Performance Index (PI)**

A Performance Index is a value from 0 to 200 that is assigned to an accountability group, indicating how that group performed on a required State test (or approved alternative) in English language arts, mathematics, or science. Student scores on the tests are converted to four performance levels, from Level 1 to Level 4. (See performance level definitions on the Overview Summary page.) At the elementary/middle level, the PI is calculated using the following equation:

100 × [(Count of Continuously Enrolled Tested Students Performing at Levels 2, 3, and 4 + the Count at Levels 3 and 4)  $\div$  Count of All Continuously Enrolled Tested Students]

At the secondary level, the PI is calculated using the following equation:

100 × [(Count of Cohort Members Performing at

Levels 2, 3, and 4 + the Count at Levels 3 and 4)  $\div$  Count of All Cohort Members]

A list of tests used to measure student performance for accountability is available at **www.emsc.nysed.gov/irts**.

#### **Progress Target**

For accountability groups below the State Standard in science or graduation rate, the Progress Target is an alternate method for making Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) or qualifying for Safe Harbor in English language arts and mathematics based on improvement over the previous year's performance.

#### **Safe Harbor**

Safe Harbor provides an alternate means to demonstrate Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for accountability groups that do not achieve their Effective Annual Measurable Objectives (AMOs) in English or mathematics.

#### **Safe Harbor Targets**

The 2008–09 safe harbor targets were calculated using the following equation:

2007-08 PI + (200 - the 2007-08 PI) × 0.10

#### **Science Progress Target**

The elementary/middle-level 2008–09 Science Progress Target is calculated by adding one point to the 2007–08 PI. The 2009–10 Science Progress Target is calculated by adding one point to the 2008–09 PI. The 2008–09 target is provided for groups whose PI was below the State Science Standard in 2008–09.

#### **Science Standard**

The criterion value that represents a minimally satisfactory performance in science. In 2008–09, the State Science Standard at the elementary/middle level is a Performance Index (PI) of 100. The Commissioner may raise the State Science Standard at his discretion in future years.

### **Understanding Your School Accountability Status**

New York State has been approved by the United States Department of Education to participate in a differentiated accountability pilot program. Under this program, each public school in the state is assigned an accountability status "phase" (good standing, improvement, corrective action, or restructuring) based on its history of making Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and its AYP status in 2008–09. If the school is identified for improvement, corrective action, or restructuring under this program, the school is also assigned to an accountability "category" (basic, focused, or comprehensive) based on the student groups whose failure to make AYP caused the school to be identified or the "measures" for which it was identified.

Accountability measures for schools at the elementary/middle level are English language arts (ELA), mathematics, and science; at the secondary level, they are ELA, mathematics, and graduation rate. A school may be in a different accountability status phase for each measure. The school's overall status is its most advanced New York State accountability phase and its highest category within that phase.

For more information on this program and for this school's 2009–10 accountability status, see **http**://www.emsc.nysed.gov/irts/accountability/designations/.

# 2 School Accountability

School STEPHEN AND HARRIET MYERS MIDDLE SCHOOL School ID 01-01-00-01-0045

### Summary

Overall Accountability	
Status (2009–10)	For this school's 2009–10 accountability status,
Status (2009 20,	see http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/irts/accountability/designations/.

Title I Part A Funding	Iding Years the School Received Title I Part A Funding						
	2007-08	2008–09	2009–10				
	YES	YES	YES				

#### On which accountability measures did this school make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and which groups made AYP on each measure?

	Elementary/I	Middle Level		Secondary Le	evel	
Student Crowns	English			English		
Student Groups	Language Arts	Mathematics	Science	Language Arts	Mathematics	Graduation Rate
All Students	<b>v</b>	<b>~</b>	<ul> <li>Image: A set of the set of the</li></ul>			
Ethnicity						
American Indian or Alaska Native						
Black or African American	<ul> <li></li> </ul>	<b>~</b>				
Hispanic or Latino	<	✓	•••••••••••	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	-	_			••••	
White	~	✓	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	••••••••••••••••••••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Multiracial	•••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•••••••••••	•••••	••••••	
Other Groups						
Students with Disabilities	<ul> <li></li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>				
Limited English Proficient	-	–	••••••••••••••••••	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	••••••••••••••••••••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Economically Disadvantaged	<ul> <li></li> </ul>	<ul> <li></li> </ul>	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	••••••••••••••••••••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Student groups making AYP in each subject	🗸 6 of 6	🗸 6 of 6	🖌 1 of 1			

#### **AYP Status**

Made AYP

✓<sup>SH</sup> Made AYP Using Safe Harbor Target

X Did Not Make AYP

 Insufficient Number of Students to Determine AYP Status

District ALBANY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Elementary/Middle-Level English Language Arts

Accountability Status for This Subject (2009–10)		For this school's 2009–10 accountability status, see <b>http</b> :// <b>www.emsc.nysed.gov/irts/accountability/designations</b> /.
Accountability Measures	6 of 6	Student groups making AYP in English language arts
	<	Made AYP

# How did students in each accountability group perform on elementary/middle-level English language arts accountability measures?

	AYP	Participat	ion <sup>2</sup>	Test Perfo	rmance <sup>3</sup>	Performance Objectives		es
Student Group		Met	J	Met	Performance	Effective	Safe Harbo	3
(Total: Continuous Enrollment) <sup>1</sup>	Status	Criterion	Tested	Criterion	Index	AMO	2008-09	2009-10
All Students (533:531)	V	<b>V</b>	100%	<b>V</b>	173	139		
Ethnicity								
American Indian or Alaska Native (0:0)								
Black or African American (304:302)	✓	~	100%	~	166	138		
Hispanic or Latino <sup>(52:52)</sup>	<	<	100%	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>	175	131	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	••••
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander (25:25)	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
White (152:152)	<	<b>~</b>	100%	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>	183	136	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	••••
Multiracial (0:0)	••••••••••••••••••••••••••••				•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••			
Other Groups								
Students with Disabilities <sup>4</sup>								
(114:113)	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	99%	~	134	134		
Limited English Proficient <sup>5</sup>	••••••••••••••••••••	•••••	••••	•••••	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	•••••	••••	••••
(9:9)	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Economically Disadvantaged (317:316)	<b>V</b>	<b>/</b>	100%	~	166	138	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Final AYP Determination	🖌 6 of 6							

#### NOTES

- <sup>1</sup> These data show the count of students enrolled during the test administration period (used for Participation) followed by the count of continuously enrolled tested students (used for Performance). For accountability calculations, at data table account a students are accounted for the count of the
- students who were excused from testing for medical reasons are not included in the enrollment count.
   <sup>2</sup> Groups with fewer than 40 students enrolled during the test administration period are not required to meet the participation criterion. If the participation rate of a group fell below 95 percent in 2008–09, the enrollment shown is the sum of 2007–08 and 2008–09 enrollments and the percent tested is the weighted average of the participation rates over those two years.
- <sup>3</sup> For schools with fewer than 30 continuously enrolled tested students in the All Students group in 2008–09, data for 2007–08 and 2008–09 were combined to determine counts and Pls. For schools with 30 or more continuously enrolled students in the All Students group in 2008–09, student groups with fewer than 30 continuously enrolled tested students are not required to meet the performance criterion.
- <sup>4</sup> If the school failed to make AYP solely because of the performance of students with disabilities, met the 95% participation requirement for this group, and would meet or exceed the AMO for this subject if 34 points were added to the PI, then the school is considered to have made AYP for students with disabilities.
- If the count of LEP students is equal to or greater than 30, former LEP students are also included in the performance calculations.
- ‡ This student group did not make AYP in science; therefore, it did not qualify for Safe Harbor.

- Made AYP
- SH Made AYP Using Safe Harbor Target
- X Did Not Make AYP
- Insufficient Number of Students to Determine AYP Status

District ALBANY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

# **Elementary/Middle-Level Mathematics**

Accountability Status for This Subject (2009–10)		For this school's 2009–10 accountability status, see http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/irts/accountability/designations/.
Accountability Measures	6 of 6	Student groups making AYP in mathematics
	<	Made AYP

#### How did students in each accountability group perform on elementary/middle-level mathematics accountability measures?

	AYP	Participation <sup>2</sup>		Test Perfo	rmance <sup>3</sup>	Performance Objectives			
Student Group		Met	Percentage	Met	Performance	Effective	Safe Harbo		
(Total: Continuous Enrollment) <sup>1</sup>	Status	Criterion	Tested	Criterion	Index	AMO	2008-09	2009-10	
All Students (530:524)	V	V	99%	<b>V</b>	174	114			
Ethnicity									
American Indian or Alaska Native (0:0)									
Black or African American (302:298)	✓	~	99%	~	166	113		••••	
Hispanic or Latino (52:52)	~	~	100%	~	177	106	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	••••	
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander (24:24)	-	-	-	-	-	-	••••••••••••••••	-	
White (152:150)	<	<b>V</b>	99%	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>	186	111	••••	••••	
Multiracial (0:0)	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••		••••		•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••		••••		
Other Groups									
Students with Disabilities <sup>4</sup>									
(115:112)	<b>V</b>	V	98%	~	128	109			
Limited English Proficient <sup>5</sup>	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	•••••	••••	•••••	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	•••••	••••	••••	
(9:9)	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	
Economically Disadvantaged (316:312)	~	~	99%	~	166	113		••••	
Final AYP Determination	🖌 6 of 6								

#### NOTES

- <sup>1</sup> These data show the count of students enrolled during the test administration period (used for Participation) followed by the count of continuously enrolled tested students (used for Performance). For accountability calculations, students who were excused from testing for medical reasons are not included in the enrollment count.
- <sup>2</sup> Groups with fewer than 40 students enrolled during the test administration period are not required to meet the participation criterion. If the participation rate of a group fell below 95 percent in 2008–09, the enrollment shown is the sum of 2007–08 and 2008–09 enrollments and the percent tested is the weighted average of the participation rates over those two years.
- <sup>3</sup> For schools with fewer than 30 continuously enrolled tested students in the All Students group in 2008–09, data for 2007–08 and 2008–09 were combined to determine counts and Pls. For schools with 30 or more continuously enrolled students in the All Students group in 2008–09, student groups with fewer than 30 continuously enrolled tested students are not required to meet the performance criterion.
- <sup>4</sup> If the school failed to make AYP solely because of the performance of students with disabilities, met the 95% participation requirement for this group, and would meet or exceed the AMO for this subject if 34 points were added to the PI, then the school is considered to have made AYP for students with disabilities.
  - If the count of LEP students is equal to or greater than 30, former LEP students are also included in the performance calculations.
- $\ddagger$  This student group did not make AYP in science; therefore, it did not qualify for Safe Harbor.

#### **AYP Status**

- Made AYP
- SH Made AYP Using Safe Harbor Target
- X Did Not Make AYP
- Insufficient Number of Students to Determine AYP Status

District ALBANY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Elementary/Middle-Level Science

Accountability Status for This Subject (2009–10)		For this school's 2009–10 accountability status, see <b>http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/irts/accountability/designations/</b> .
Accountability Measures	1 of 1	Student groups making AYP in science
	~	Made AYP

# How did students in each accountability group perform on elementary/middle-level science accountability measures?

	AYP		Participat	ion <sup>2</sup>	Test Perfo	rmance <sup>3</sup>	Performance Objectives		
<b>Student Group</b> (Total: Continuous Enrollment) <sup>1</sup>	Status	Safe Harbor Qualification	Met Criterion	Percentage Tested	Met Criterion	Performance Index	State Standard	Progress Tar 2008–09 20	<u> </u>
All Students (224:220)	~	Qualified	~	99%	~	159	100		
Ethnicity									
American Indian or Alaska Native (0:0)									
Black or African American (124:121)		Qualified	~	99%	~	140	100		
Hispanic or Latino (20:19)		_	_	-	-	-	-		-
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander (10:10)		-	-	-	-	-	-		_
White (70:70)		Qualified	~	100%	~	187	100		
Multiracial (0:0)	• • • • • • • • • • • •		• •••••••••••••••••••••	••••		••••			
Other Groups									
Students with Disabilities (52:50)		Qualified	~	98%	~	124	100		
imited English Proficient <sup>4</sup> 1:1)		_	_	-	-	-	-		-
Economically Disadvantaged (124:121)		Qualified	~	98%	~	145	100		
Final AYP Determination	🖌 1 o	f 1							
		NOTES							
AYP Status Made AYP		followed b students w <sup>2</sup> Groups wit the particij	y the count of co ho were excuse h fewer than 40 pation criterion.	ontinuously enroll d from testing for r students enrolled If the participation	ed tested studer medical reasons during the test n rate of a group	est administration p nts (used for Perforn s are not included ir administration peri o fell below 80 perc the percent tested	mance). For a n the enrollme od are not rec ent in 2008–0	ccountability ca ent count. juired to meet 19, the enrollme	Iculatio

participation rates over those two years.

in the performance calculations.

were combined to determine counts and performance indices.

 $^{3}$  Groups with fewer than 30 continuously enrolled tested students are not required to meet the performance criterion.

For schools with fewer than 30 continuously enrolled tested students in 2008–09, data for 2007–08 and 2008–09

<sup>4</sup> If the count of LEP students is equal to or greater than 30, former LEP students are also included

✓<sup>SH</sup> Made AYP Using Safe Harbor Target

X Did Not Make AYP

Insufficient Number of Students

to Determine AYP Status

### Summary of 2008–09 School Performance

Performance on the State assessments in English language arts, mathematics, and science at the elementary and middle levels is reported in terms of mean scores and the percentage of tested students scoring at or above Level 2, Level 3, and Level 4. Performance on the State assessments in ELA and mathematics at the secondary level is reported in terms of the percentage of students in a cohort scoring at these levels.

	Percentage o scored at or	Total Tested	
English Language Arts	0%	50%	100%
Grade 6	76%		102
Grade 7	84%		200
Grade 8	62%		220
Mathematics			
Grade 6	71%		101
Grade 7	85%		197
Grade 8	79%		217
Science			
Grade 8	65%		219

District ALBANY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### About the Performance Level Descriptors

#### Level 1: Not Meeting Learning Standards.

Student performance does not demonstrate an understanding of the content expected in the subject and grade level.

#### Level 2: Partially Meeting Learning Standards.

Student performance demonstrates a partial understanding of the content expected in the subject and grade level.

#### Level 3: Meeting Learning Standards.

Student performance demonstrates an understanding of the content expected in the subject and grade level.

#### Level 4: Meeting Learning Standards with Distinction.

Student performance demonstrates a thorough understanding of the content expected in the subject and grade level.

# How are Need/Resource Capacity (N/RC) categories determined?

Districts are divided into high, average, and low need categories based on their ability to meet the special needs of their students with local resources. Districts in the high need category are subdivided into four categories based on enrollment size and, in some cases, number of students per square mile. More information about the categories can be found in the *Report to the Governor and the Legislature on the Educational Status of the State's Schools* at **www.emsc.nysed.gov/irts**.

#### What are Similar Schools?

In this section, this school's performance is compared with that of similar schools.

Within each N/RC category, the Department identifies Similar Schools: schools that serve similar students and have similar resources. Each school report card compares the school's performance with that of similar schools. The following factors are considered in grouping schools: a) the grade level served by the school and b) rates of student poverty and limited English proficiency. Student poverty levels are indicated by determining the percentage of children in each school who participate in the free-lunch program. By combining these factors, a measure of student need is created and used to place schools into relatively low (lowest quartile), relatively high (highest quartile), and typical (mid-range) groups.

#### This School's Similar Schools Group: 26

All schools in this group are middle level schools in urban or suburban school districts with high student needs in relation to district resources.

# This School's Results in Grade 6 English Language Arts

		This School			Similar Schools Percentage scoring at level(s):			
		Percentage sco	ring at level(s):					
		2-4	3-4	4	2-4	3-4	4	
2009 Mean Score: 664	Range:	598-785	650-785	696-785*				
2008 Mean Score: 661	100%	100% 99%	76% 67%		100% 98%	75%		
2008-09								
2007-08				6% 4%			5% 2%	
Number of Tested Students:		102 101	78 68	6 4				
			1.57					

Doculto by	2008-09	School Yea	r	2007–08 School Year				
Results by Student Group	Total Tested	Percentag 2-4	e scoring at 3−4	level(s): 4	Total Tested	Percentage scoring at level(s): 2-4 3-4 4		
All Students	102	100%	76%	6%	102	99%	67%	4%
Female	46	100%	76%	11%	51	100%	71%	4%
Male	56	100%	77%	2%	51	98%	63%	4%
American Indian or Alaska Native								
Black or African American	59	100%	73%	2%	57	98%	63%	0%
Hispanic or Latino	12	100%	75%	0%	7	100%	71%	0%
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	5	100%	100%	40%	5	100%	100%	20%
White	26	100%	81%	12%	33	100%	67%	9%
Multiracial			••••••	•••••			••••••	•••••
Small Group Totals	••••••			•••••			••••••	•••••
General-Education Students	83	100%	88%	7%	85	100%	80%	5%
Students with Disabilities	19	100%	26%	0%	17	94%	0%	0%
English Proficient	98	-	-	-	100	-	-	-
Limited English Proficient	4	-	-	–	2	-	-	-
Economically Disadvantaged	65	100%	71%	3%	62	98%	53%	0%
Not Disadvantaged	37	100%	86%	11%	40	100%	88%	10%
Migrant								
Not Migrant	102	100%	76%	6%	102	99%	67%	4%

**NOTES** The – symbol indicates that data for a group of students have been suppressed. If a group has fewer than five students, data for that group and the next smallest group(s) are suppressed to protect the privacy of individual students.

\* Level 4 range is for 2008-09 only. The 2007-08 range is 705-785.

Other	2008–09 School Year				2007–08 School Year			
Assessments	Total	Number sco	ring at leve	l(s):	Total	Number sco	oring at leve	el(s):
	Tested	2-4	3-4	4	Tested	2-4	3-4	4
New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA): Grade 6 Equivalent	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT)†: Grade 6	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

\* These counts represent recently arrived LEP students who used the NYSESLAT to fulfill the English language arts participation requirement.

# This School's Results in Grade 6 Mathematics

		This School			Similar Schools           Percentage scoring at level(s):				
		Percentage scori	ng at level(s):						
		2-4	3-4	4	2-4	3-4	4		
2009 Mean Score: 662	Range:	616-780	650-780	696-780					
2008 Mean Score: 668	100%	98% 93%	71% 71%		95% 93%	77% 73%			
2008-09 2007-08				8%			16% 15%		
Number of Tested Students:		99 92	72 70	8 18					

Poculte by	2008-09	School Yea	r	2007–08 School Year				
Results by	Total	Percentage	e scoring at	level(s):	Total	Percentage scoring at level(s):		
Student Group	Tested	2-4	3-4	4	Tested	2-4	3-4	4
All Students	101	98%	71%	<b>8</b> %	99	93%	71%	18%
Female	45	96%	67%	4%	49	90%	69%	14%
Male	56	100%	75%	11%	50	96%	72%	22%
American Indian or Alaska Native								
Black or African American	59	97%	73%	3%	54	91%	61%	11%
Hispanic or Latino	12	-	-	-	7	100%	86%	0%
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	4	-	-	-	5	100%	100%	60%
White	26	100%	73%	19%	33	94%	79%	27%
Multiracial	•••••		•••••				•••••	
Small Group Totals	16	100%	63%	6%				
General-Education Students	82	100%	79%	10%	83	96%	80%	22%
Students with Disabilities	19	89%	37%	0%	16	75%	25%	0%
English Proficient	97	-	-	-	97	-	-	-
Limited English Proficient	4	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
Economically Disadvantaged	64	97%	69%	3%	60	90%	60%	7%
Not Disadvantaged	37	100%	76%	16%	39	97%	87%	36%
Migrant								
Not Migrant	101	98%	71%	8%	99	93%	71%	18%

**NOTES** The – symbol indicates that data for a group of students have been suppressed. If a group has fewer than five students, data for that group and the next smallest group(s) are suppressed to protect the privacy of individual students.

Other	2008-09 <b>S</b> e	chool Year			2007–08 School Year			
Assessments	Total	Number sco	ring at level	.(s):	Total	Number scoring at level(s):		
	Tested	2-4	3-4	4	Tested	2-4	3-4	4
New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA): Grade 6 Equivalent	1	_	_	_	1	-	_	-

# This School's Results in Grade 7 English Language Arts

		This School			Similar Schools Percentage scoring at level(s):			
		Percentage scor	ing at level(s):					
		2-4	3-4	4	2-4	3-4	4	
2009 Mean Score: 670	Range:	600-790	650-790	705-790*				
2008 Mean Score: 662	100%	100% 99%	84% 63%		100% 98%	74% 61%		
2008–09 2007–08				10% 2%			3% 1%	
Number of Tested Students:		200 216	167 137	19 5				
						1 1 1 1		

Poculto by	2008-09	School Yea	r		2007–08 <b>S</b>	2007-08 School YearTotalPercentage scoring at level(s):Tested2-43-4Open (Conf (					
Results by	Total	Percentage	e scoring at	level(s):	Total	Percentag	e scoring at	level(s):			
Student Group	Tested	2-4	3-4	4	Tested	2-4	3-4	4			
All Students	200	100%	84%	10%	218	99%	63%	2%			
Female	97	100%	86%	11%	96	98%	63%	1%			
Male	103	100%	82%	8%	122	100%	63%	3%			
American Indian or Alaska Native											
Black or African American	114	100%	77%	4%	121	99%	53%	0%			
Hispanic or Latino	20	100%	95%	5%	22	100%	68%	5%			
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	10	100%	80%	10%	8	100%	88%	0%			
White	56	100%	93%	21%	67	99%	76%	6%			
Multiracial	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		•••••	•••••		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	••••••				
Small Group Totals	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		•••••	••••••		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•••••••				
General-Education Students	163	100%	93%	12%	173	100%	75%	3%			
Students with Disabilities	37	100%	43%	0%	45	96%	18%	0%			
English Proficient	196	-	-	-	216	-	-	-			
Limited English Proficient	4	-	-	-	2	-	–	-			
Economically Disadvantaged	124	100%	79%	3%	128	99%	52%	1%			
Not Disadvantaged	76	100%	91%	20%	90	99%	78%	4%			
Migrant											
Not Migrant	200	100%	84%	10%	218	99%	63%	2%			

**NOTES** The – symbol indicates that data for a group of students have been suppressed. If a group has fewer than five students, data for that group and the next smallest group(s) are suppressed to protect the privacy of individual students.

\* Level 4 range is for 2008-09 only. The 2007-08 range is 712-790.

Other	2008-09 <b>S</b> e	chool Year			2007–08 School Year				
Assessments	Total Tested	Number sco 2–4	oring at leve 3–4	l(s): 4	Total Tested	Number sco 2–4	oring at leve 3–4	el(s): 4	
New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA): Grade 7 Equivalent	6	6	6	6	3	-	_		
New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT)†: Grade 7	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	

+ These counts represent recently arrived LEP students who used the NYSESLAT to fulfill the English language arts participation requirement.

## This School's Results in Grade 7 Mathematics

		This Schoo	l			Similar Sch	ools		
		Percentage s	coring at leve	el(s):		Percentage sco	oring at leve	l(s):	
		2-4	3-4	4	ļ	2-4	3-4	4	
2009 Mean Score: 675	Range:	611-800	650-8	300 6	593-800				
2008 Mean Score: 675	100%	95% 95%	85% 7	9%		98% 95%	84%	1%	
<ul> <li>2008-09</li> <li>2007-08</li> </ul>				2	25% 28%	н.		17	% 15%
Number of Tested Students:		188 203	167 1	.68	49 59				
Pocults by		2008–09 <b>S</b> e	chool Yea	r		2007–08 S	chool Yea	ır	
Results by		Total	Percentage	e scoring a	t level(s):	Total	Percentag	e scoring at	t level(s):
<b>Student Group</b>		Tested	2-4	3-4	4	Tested	2-4	3-4	4
All Students		197	95%	85%	25%	214	95%	79%	28%
Female		95	96%	85%	22%	94	97%	79%	24%
Male		102	95%	84%	27%	120	93%	78%	30%
American Indian or Alaska Nativ	/e								
Black or African American		112	94%	78%	14%	118	92%	69%	14%

Black or African American	112	94%	78%	14%	118	92%	69%	14%
Hispanic or Latino	20	95%	95%	20%	21	95%	86%	10%
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	10	100%	100%	60%	8	100%	100%	75%
White	55	98%	93%	42%	67	99%	90%	52%
Multiracial								
Small Group Totals								
General-Education Students	161	99%	93%	30%	172	99%	87%	32%
Students with Disabilities	36	78%	47%	3%	42	79%	45%	10%
English Proficient	193	-	-	-	212	-	-	-
Limited English Proficient	4	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
Economically Disadvantaged	121	95%	79%	13%	125	93%	70%	14%
Not Disadvantaged	76	96%	93%	43%	89	98%	90%	46%
Migrant								
Not Migrant	197	95%	85%	25%	214	95%	79%	28%

NOTES The - symbol indicates that data for a group of students have been suppressed. If a group has fewer than five students,

data for that group and the next smallest group(s) are suppressed to protect the privacy of individual students.

Other	2008-09 <b>S</b> o	chool Year			2007–08 School Year			
Assessments	Total	Number sco	ring at level	(s):	Total	Number scoring at level(s):		
Assessments	Tested	2-4	3-4	4	Tested	2-4	3-4	4
New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA): Grade 7 Equivalent	6	6	6	4	3	-	-	-

# This School's Results in Grade 8 English Language Arts

		This School			Similar Scho	ols	
		Percentage scori	ng at level(s):		Percentage scor	ing at level(s):	
		2-4	3-4	4	2-4	3-4	4
2009 Mean Score: 659	Range:	602-790	650-790	715-790			
2008 Mean Score: 645	100%	99% 92%	62%		98% <sub>93%</sub>	58%	
<ul><li>2008-09</li><li>2007-08</li></ul>			42%	5% 4%		44%	2% 2%
Number of Tested Students:		217 208	136 95	12 8			

Doculto by	2008–09	School Yea	r		2007–08 School Year					
Results by	Total	Percentage	e scoring at	level(s):	Total	Percentage	e scoring at	level(s):		
Student Group	Tested	2-4	3-4	4	Tested	2-4	3-4	4		
 All Students	220	99%	62%	5%	227	92%	42%	4%		
Female	97	100%	63%	7%	107	99%	51%	4%		
Male	123	98%	61%	4%	120	85%	33%	3%		
American Indian or Alaska Native										
Black or African American	122	98%	54%	3%	158	90%	33%	0%		
Hispanic or Latino	20	100%	55%	0%	21	-	-	-		
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	10	100%	80%	0%	4	-	-	-		
White	68	100%	75%	12%	44	98%	61%	11%		
Multiracial	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		••••••			•••••••••	•••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		
Small Group Totals	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		••••••	•••••	25	92%	64%	12%		
General-Education Students	173	100%	72%	7%	185	98%	49%	4%		
Students with Disabilities	47	94%	26%	0%	42	64%	10%	0%		
English Proficient	219	-	-	-	224	-	-	-		
Limited English Proficient	1	-	-	–	3	–	-	-		
Economically Disadvantaged	119	98%	51%	2%	138	88%	32%	1%		
Not Disadvantaged	101	99%	74%	10%	89	97%	57%	8%		
Migrant										
Not Migrant	220	99%	62%	5%	227	92%	42%	4%		

**NOTES** The – symbol indicates that data for a group of students have been suppressed. If a group has fewer than five students, data for that group and the next smallest group(s) are suppressed to protect the privacy of individual students.

Other	2008–09 <b>S</b> e	chool Year			2007–08 School Year			
Assessments	Total Tested	Number sco 2–4	oring at leve	el(s): 4	Total Tested	Number sco 2–4	oring at leve 3–4	el(s): 4
New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA): Grade 8 Equivalent	3		_	_	5	5	3	2
New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT)†: Grade 8	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

+ These counts represent recently arrived LEP students who used the NYSESLAT to fulfill the English language arts participation requirement.

# This School's Results in Grade 8 Mathematics

		This School			Similar Scho	ols	
		Percentage scori	ng at level(s):		Percentage scor	ing at level(s):	
		2-4	3-4	4	2-4	3-4	4
2009 Mean Score: 668	Range:	616-775	650-775	701-775			
2008 Mean Score: 658 ■ 2008-09 ■ 2007-08	100%	92% 90%	79% 65%	11% 12%	96% 89%	72% 56%	10% 8%
Number of Tested Students:	<u> </u>	199 205	171 148	24 27			

Poculto by	2008-09	School Yea	r		2007–08 <b>S</b> o	hool Yea	r	
Results by	Total	Percentag	e scoring at	level(s):	Total	Percentage	e scoring at	level(s):
Student Group	Tested	2-4	3-4	4	Tested	2-4	3-4	4
All Students	217	92%	79%	11%	227	90%	65%	12%
Female	93	92%	76%	16%	108	97%	77%	12%
Male	124	91%	81%	7%	119	84%	55%	12%
American Indian or Alaska Native								
Black or African American	120	87%	71%	5%	158	87%	58%	7%
Hispanic or Latino	20	100%	80%	5%	22	-	-	-
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	10	100%	100%	30%	4	-	-	-
White	67	97%	90%	21%	43	98%	84%	26%
Multiracial								
Small Group Totals	•••••			•••••	26	96%	81%	19%
General-Education Students	169	98%	87%	14%	185	97%	76%	15%
Students with Disabilities	48	69%	50%	0%	42	60%	19%	0%
English Proficient	216	-	-	-	224	-	-	-
Limited English Proficient	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	-
Economically Disadvantaged	120	87%	69%	6%	139	88%	57%	6%
Not Disadvantaged	97	98%	91%	18%	88	94%	78%	22%
Migrant								
Not Migrant	217	92%	79%	11%	227	90%	65%	12%

**NOTES** The – symbol indicates that data for a group of students have been suppressed. If a group has fewer than five students, data for that group and the next smallest group(s) are suppressed to protect the privacy of individual students.

Other Assessments	2008-09 <b>S</b> e	chool Year			2007–08 School Year			
	Total Number scoring at level(s):				Total	Number sco	oring at level	l(s):
Assessments	Tested	2-4	3-4	4	Tested	2-4	3-4	4
New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA): Grade 8 Equivalent	3	_	_	_	4	-	_	-

### **This School's Results in Grade 8 Science**

	This Scho	ol			Similar Scl	hools		
	122         87%         52%         5%         158         94%         58%           19         100%         63%         16%         22         95%         82%           10         100%         90%         30%         5         80%         80%           68         100%         87%         35%         43         100%         86%           171         96%         73%         20%         186         97%         74%							
	2-4	3-4	4		2-4	3-4	4	
100%	6							
	93%				94%			
		65%				64%		
2008-09								
2007-08			1	5%			15	0/
				570			13	70
Number of Tested Students:	203 –	143	- 3	36 –				
Docults by	2008-09							
Results by	Total	Percentage	e scoring at	level(s):	Total	Percentag	e scoring at	level(s):
Student Group	Tested	2-4	3-4	4	Tested	2-4	3-4	4
 All Students	219	93%	65%	16%	228	95%	66%	20%
Female	95	95%	58%	15%	109	97%	71%	17%
Male	124	91%	71%	18%	119	92%	61%	22%
American Indian or Alaska Native								
Black or African American	122	87%	52%	5%	158	94%	58%	9%
Hispanic or Latino	19	100%	63%	16%	22	95%	82%	36%
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other	10	1000/	0.00/	200/	E	900/	<u>900/</u>	60%
Pacific Islander		100%	90%	30%	C	80%	80%	60%
White	68	100%	87%	35%	43	100%	86%	47%
Multiracial								
Small Group Totals								
General-Education Students	171	96%	73%	20%	186	97%	74%	24%
Students with Disabilities	48	79%	38%	4%	42	86%	31%	0%

Students with Disabilities	40	1970	2070	4 /0	42	0070	JT /0	070
English Proficient	218	-	-	-	224	-	-	-
Limited English Proficient	1	-	-	-	4	-	-	-
Economically Disadvantaged	119	88%	54%	5%	140	94%	56%	9%
Not Disadvantaged	100	98%	79%	30%	88	97%	81%	38%
Migrant								
Not Migrant	219	93%	65%	16%	228	95%	66%	20%

NOTES The - symbol indicates that data for a group of students have been suppressed. If a group has fewer than five students,

data for that group and the next smallest group(s) are suppressed to protect the privacy of individual students.

Other Assessments	2008–09 School Year				2007–08 School Year			
	Total Tested	Number scoring at level(s):			Total	Number scoring at level(s):		
		2-4	3-4	4	Tested	2-4	3-4	4
New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA): Grade 8 Equivalent	3	-	-	-	4	-	-	-
Regents Science	0				1	-	-	-