



The New York State Accountability Report 2011-12

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Data in this report are those reported by districts in the Student Information Repository System as of August 24, 2012.

On May 29, 2012, the United States Department of Education (USDE) approved New York's Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) waiver. This waiver provides New York with increased flexibility to help close the achievement gap and assist students in becoming college and career ready. New York's waiver introduced a system of identifying districts and/or schools as **Reward, Focus, or Priority**, based on performance in English language arts (ELA), mathematics, and science at the elementary/middle level and in ELA, mathematics, and graduation rate at the secondary level. More information on the waiver is available at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/esea-waiver/>.

Data in The New York State Accountability Report are those used to determine **Performance Indices (PIs)** and make **Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)** determinations which, in turn, are used to assist in identifying districts and schools as Reward, Focus, and Priority. Explanations of how the data are used to make the determinations are available at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/accountability/ESEAMaterials.html>.

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Adequate Yearly Progress and Performance Indices

Performance Indices (PIs) and Unweighted Combined PIs are used to determine if a district or school is Priority or Focus. Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for accountability groups (all students, racial/ethnic groups, students with disabilities, limited English proficient students, and economically disadvantaged students) and PIs for accountability groups and non-AYP groups (non-racial/ethnic groups, general-education students, English proficient students, not economically disadvantaged students, male and female students, and migrant and non-migrant students) are used to determine if a district or school is Reward or a school requires a Local Assistance Plan. For more information, see http://www.p12.nysed.gov/accountability/documents/NYSESEAFlexibilityWaiver_REVISED.pdf

Adequate Yearly Progress

In accordance with federal and State laws, the New York State Education Department must determine and report on the performance of students in the following areas:

- 1) Elementary/middle-level (grades 3 - 8) English Language Arts (ELA)
- 2) Elementary/middle-level (grades 3 - 8) Mathematics
- 3) Elementary/middle-level (grades 4 and 8) Science
- 4) Secondary-level (grades 9-12) ELA
- 5) Secondary-level (grades 9-12) Mathematics
- 6) Graduation Rate

This performance is determined by identifying whether or not a district or school made "**Adequate Yearly Progress**" (AYP). AYP indicates satisfactory progress by a district or a school toward the goal of proficiency for all students. In ELA, mathematics, and science, AYP is determined by comparing the percentage of students tested and the performance of tested students against defined standards. In graduation rate, AYP is determined by comparing the percentage of students graduating against defined standards.

Standards for English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science

Participation: In ELA and mathematics, 95% of students in each accountability group with 40 or more members must be tested to meet the participation criterion. In science, 80% must be tested.

Performance: In ELA and mathematics, a calculated measure of performance called the "**Performance Index**" (PI) for each accountability group with 30 or more members must equal or exceed a preset objective called an "**Effective Annual Measurable Objective**" (EAMO) or a safety net objective called a "**Safe Harbor Target.**" In science, the criterion for performance is the same but the safety net is referred to as a "**Progress Target.**"

Districts and schools must meet both the participation and performance criteria for all groups with sufficient numbers to make AYP.

Standards for Graduation Rate

Districts and schools with secondary-level grades are also held to certain standards for the percentage of students who graduated. To make AYP in graduation rate, every accountability group with 30 or more members must make AYP. For a group to make AYP, the graduation rate of the 4-year graduation-rate total cohort or the 5-year graduation-rate total cohort must equal or exceed the Graduation-Rate Standard of 80% or the group's Progress Target. A cohort is a group of students who entered grade 9 anywhere in a particular school year. Graduation rates for these cohorts are then determined 4 and 5 years after the students first enter grade 9.

For more information on how AYP and PIs are determined, see "Determining AYP in 2011-12" under Understanding Accountability in New York State at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/irs/accountability/>.

Elementary/Middle-Level ELA: AYP

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Adequate Yearly Progress: In elementary/middle-level (grades 3 - 8) English language arts (ELA), districts and schools must meet both the participation and performance criteria to make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP).

Participation: To meet the participation criterion, at least 95% of students in each accountability group with 40 or more members must be tested on an appropriate ELA assessment.

Performance: To meet the performance criterion, the Performance Index (PI) of students in each accountability group with 30 or more members must be equal to or greater than the Effective Annual Measurable Objective (EAMO) or the Safe Harbor Target.

All accountability groups met the participation and performance criteria (made AYP): NO

Student Group	Made AYP
All Students	✓
American Indian or Alaska Native	—
Black or African American	—
Hispanic or Latino	✓
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	✗
White	✓
Multiracial	—
Students With Disabilities	✓
Limited English Proficient	✓
Economically Disadvantaged	✓

✓ Made AYP

✗ Did not make AYP

— There were not enough students to make an AYP determination

Elementary/Middle-Level ELA: Participation

SCHOOL: PS 70

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DISTRICT: NYC GEOG DIST #30 - QUEENS

All accountability groups with 40 or more members tested at least 95% of students enrolled during the test administration period: **YES**

Elementary/Middle-Level (Grades 3 - 8) English Language Arts (ELA) Participation Results

Student Group	Tested 95%	Students Enrolled During the Test Administration Period	Percent of Enrolled Students with Valid Test Scores
All Students	✓	510	100%
American Indian or Alaska Native	—	2	—
Black or African American	—	13	—
Hispanic or Latino	✓	204	100%
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	✓	112	100%
White	✓	178	100%
Multiracial	—	1	—
Students With Disabilities	✓	59	100%
Limited English Proficient	✓	105	100%
Economically Disadvantaged	✓	436	100%

- ✓ At least 95% of students enrolled during the test administration period were tested.
- ✗ Less than 95% of students enrolled during the test administration period were tested.
- There were fewer than 40 students enrolled during the test administration period.

Medically Excused:

Students who were excused from testing for medical reasons in accordance with federal No Child Left Behind guidance are not included in these calculations.

Elementary/Middle-Level ELA: Performance

SCHOOL: PS 70

SCHOOL ID: 343000010070
DISTRICT: NYC GEOG DIST #30 - QUEENS

All accountability groups with 30 or more members had a PI greater than or equal to the EAMO or Safe Harbor Target: **NO**

Elementary/Middle-Level (Grades 3 - 8) English Language Arts (ELA) Performance Results

Student Group	PI \geq EAMO or Safe Harbor Target	Tested Students Enrolled on BEDS Day	PI	Objectives	
				EAMO	Safe Harbor Target
All Students	✓	485	154	145	145
American Indian or Alaska Native	—	2	—	—	—
Black or African American	—	12	—	—	—
Hispanic or Latino	✓	195	146	124	124
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	✗	108	150	155	155
White	✓	167	165	156	156
Multiracial	—	1	—	—	—
Students With Disabilities	✓	64†	122†	89	89
Limited English Proficient	✓	142‡	118‡	101	101
Economically Disadvantaged	✓	414	151	129	129

✓ Performance Index is equal to or greater than Effective Annual Measurable Objective.

✗ Performance Index is less than Effective Annual Measurable Objective and Safe Harbor Target.

— There were fewer than 30 tested students enrolled on BEDS day and during the test administration period.

† Includes former students with disabilities because the number of students with disabilities in the current year is equal to or greater than 30.

‡ Includes former limited English proficient students because the number of limited English proficient students in the current year is equal to or greater than 30.

BEDS Day (Basic Educational Data System Day): BEDS Day is the first Wednesday in October of the school year.

Performance Index (PI): A PI 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). Student scores on the tests are converted to six performance levels: Level 1 On Track, Level 1 Not On Track, Level 2 On Track, Level 2 Not On Track, Level 3, and Level 4. A PI is calculated using the levels and the following equation: $([2(\text{Count at Level 1 On Track}) + \text{Count at Level 2 Not On Track} + 2(\text{Count at Level 2 On Track}) + 2(\text{Count at Level 3}) + 2(\text{Count at Level 4})] \div [\text{Count of Tested Students}]) \times 100$

Effective Annual Measurable Objective (EAMO): The EAMO is the PI value that each accountability group of a given size within a district or school is expected to achieve to meet the performance criterion. The EAMO table is available at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/irs/accountability/> under the header "Annual Measurable Objectives."

Safe Harbor Target: Safe Harbor provides an alternate means to meet the performance criterion for accountability groups whose PIs are less than their EAMOs. The 2011-12 Safe Harbor Target is calculated using the following formula: $2010-11 \text{ PI} + (200 - \text{the } 2010-11 \text{ PI}) \times 0.10$.

Elementary/Middle-Level ELA: Non-AYP Groups

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Participation and performance for the following groups are *NOT* used to determine AYP.

Participation

Student Group	Students Enrolled During the Test Administration Period	Percent of Enrolled Students with Valid Test Scores
Not American Indian or Alaska Native	508	100%
Not Black or African American	497	100%
Not Hispanic or Latino	306	100%
Not Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	398	100%
Not White	332	100%
Not Multiracial	509	100%
General Education	451	100%
English Proficient	405	100%
Not Economically Disadvantaged	74	100%
Male	278	100%
Female	232	100%
Migrant	0	—
Not Migrant	510	100%

— There were fewer than 40 students enrolled during the test administration period.

Performance

Student Group	Tested Students Enrolled on BEDS Day	PI
Not American Indian or Alaska Native	483	153
Not Black or African American	473	154
Not Hispanic or Latino	290	159
Not Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	377	155
Not White	318	147
Not Multiracial	484	154
General Education	429	159
English Proficient	397	166
Not Economically Disadvantaged	71	169
Male	265	150
Female	220	158
Migrant	0	—
Not Migrant	485	154

— There were fewer than 30 tested students enrolled on BEDS day and during the test administration period.

Elementary/Middle-Level Math: AYP

SCHOOL: PS 70

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Adequate Yearly Progress: In elementary/middle-level (grades 3 - 8) mathematics, districts and schools must meet both the participation and performance criteria to make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP).

Participation: To meet the participation criterion, at least 95% of students in each accountability group with 40 or more members must be tested on an appropriate math assessment.

Performance: To meet the performance criterion, the Performance Index (PI) of students in each accountability group with 30 or more members must be equal to or greater than the Effective Annual Measurable Objective (EAMO) or the Safe Harbor Target.

All accountability groups met the participation and performance criteria (made AYP): NO

Student Group	Made AYP
All Students	✓
American Indian or Alaska Native	—
Black or African American	—
Hispanic or Latino	✓
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	✗
White	✓
Multiracial	—
Students With Disabilities	✓
Limited English Proficient	✓
Economically Disadvantaged	✓

✓ Made AYP

✗ Did not make AYP

— There were not enough students to make an AYP determination

Elementary/Middle-Level Math: Participation

SCHOOL: PS 70

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All accountability groups with 40 or more members tested at least 95% of students enrolled during the test administration period: **YES**

Elementary/Middle-Level (Grades 3 - 8) Math Participation Results

Student Group	Tested 95%	Students Enrolled During the Test Administration Period	Percent of Enrolled Students with Valid Test Scores
All Students	✓	508	100%
American Indian or Alaska Native	—	2	—
Black or African American	—	13	—
Hispanic or Latino	✓	202	100%
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	✓	112	100%
White	✓	178	99%
Multiracial	—	1	—
Students With Disabilities	✓	59	98%
Limited English Proficient	✓	105	100%
Economically Disadvantaged	✓	434	100%

- ✓ At least 95% of students enrolled during the test administration period were tested.
- ✗ Less than 95% of students enrolled during the test administration period were tested.
- There were fewer than 40 students enrolled during the test administration period.

Medically Excused:

Students who were excused from testing for medical reasons in accordance with federal No Child Left Behind guidance are not included in these calculations.

Elementary/Middle-Level Math: Performance

SCHOOL: PS 70

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All accountability groups with 30 or more members had a PI greater than or equal to the EAMO or Safe Harbor Target: **NO**

Elementary/Middle-Level (Grades 3 - 8) Math Performance Results

Student Group	PI >= EAMO or Safe Harbor Target	Tested Students Enrolled on BEDS Day	PI	Objectives	
				EAMO	Safe Harbor Target
All Students	✓	488	162	159	159
American Indian or Alaska Native	—	2	—	—	—
Black or African American	—	12	—	—	—
Hispanic or Latino	✓	194	150	142	142
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	✗	108	174	175	175
White	✓	171	168	166	166
Multiracial	—	1	—	—	—
Students With Disabilities	✓	63†	137†	110	110
Limited English Proficient	✓	148‡	145‡	131	131
Economically Disadvantaged	✓	417	163	146	146

✓ Performance Index is equal to or greater than Effective Annual Measurable Objective.

✗ Performance Index is less than Effective Annual Measurable Objective and Safe Harbor Target.

— There were fewer than 30 tested students enrolled on BEDS day and during the test administration period.

† Includes former students with disabilities because the number of students with disabilities in the current year is equal to or greater than 30.

‡ Includes former limited English proficient students because the number of limited English proficient students in the current year is equal to or greater than 30.

BEDS Day (Basic Educational Data System Day): BEDS Day is the first Wednesday in October of the school year.

Performance Index (PI): A PI 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). Student scores on the tests are converted to six performance levels: Level 1 On Track, Level 1 Not On Track, Level 2 On Track, Level 2 Not On Track, Level 3, and Level 4. A PI is calculated using the levels and the following equation: $([2(\text{Count at Level 1 On Track}) + \text{Count at Level 2 Not On Track} + 2(\text{Count at Level 2 On Track}) + 2(\text{Count at Level 3}) + 2(\text{Count at Level 4})] \div [\text{Count of Tested Students}]) \times 100$

Effective Annual Measurable Objective (EAMO): The EAMO is the PI value that each accountability group of a given size within a district or school is expected to achieve to meet the performance criterion. The EAMO table is available at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/irs/accountability/> under the header "Annual Measurable Objectives."

Safe Harbor Target: Safe Harbor provides an alternate means to meet the performance criterion for accountability groups whose PIs are less than their EAMOs. The 2011-12 Safe Harbor Target is calculated using the following formula: $2010-11 \text{ PI} + (200 - \text{the } 2010-11 \text{ PI}) \times 0.10$.

Elementary/Middle-Level Math: Non-AYP Groups

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Participation and performance for the following groups are *NOT* used to determine AYP.

Participation

Student Group	Students Enrolled During the Test Administration Period	Percent of Enrolled Students with Valid Test Scores
Not American Indian or Alaska Native	506	100%
Not Black or African American	495	100%
Not Hispanic or Latino	306	100%
Not Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	396	100%
Not White	330	100%
Not Multiracial	507	100%
General Education	449	100%
English Proficient	403	100%
Not Economically Disadvantaged	74	100%
Male	277	100%
Female	231	100%
Migrant	0	—
Not Migrant	508	100%

— There were fewer than 40 students enrolled during the test administration period.

Performance

Student Group	Tested Students Enrolled on BEDS Day	PI
Not American Indian or Alaska Native	486	162
Not Black or African American	476	162
Not Hispanic or Latino	294	170
Not Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	380	159
Not White	317	159
Not Multiracial	487	162
General Education	433	166
English Proficient	394	170
Not Economically Disadvantaged	71	158
Male	264	164
Female	224	159
Migrant	0	—
Not Migrant	488	162

— There were fewer than 30 tested students enrolled on BEDS day and during the test administration period.

Elementary/Middle-Level Science: AYP

SCHOOL: PS 70

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Adequate Yearly Progress: In elementary/middle-level (grades 4 & 8) science, districts and schools must meet both the participation and performance criteria to make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP).

Participation: To meet the participation criterion, at least 80% of students in each accountability group with 40 or more members must be tested on an appropriate science assessment.

Performance: To meet the performance criterion, the Performance Index (PI) of students in each accountability group with 30 or more members must be equal to or greater than the Effective Annual Measurable Objective (EAMO) or the Progress Target.

All accountability groups met the participation and performance criteria (made AYP): YES

Student Group	Made AYP
All Students	✓
American Indian or Alaska Native	—
Black or African American	—
Hispanic or Latino	✓
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	✓
White	✓
Multiracial	—
Students With Disabilities	—
Limited English Proficient	✓
Economically Disadvantaged	✓

✓ Made AYP

✗ Did not make AYP

— There were not enough students to make an AYP determination

Elementary/Middle-Level Science: Participation

SCHOOL: PS 70

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All accountability groups with 40 or more members tested at least 80% of students enrolled during the test administration period: **YES**

Elementary/Middle-Level (Grades 4 & 8) Science Participation Results

Student Group	Tested 80%	Students Enrolled During the Test Administration Period	Percent of Enrolled Students with Valid Test Scores
All Students	✓	178	100%
American Indian or Alaska Native	—	0	—
Black or African American	—	8	—
Hispanic or Latino	✓	68	100%
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	—	35	—
White	✓	67	100%
Multiracial	—	0	—
Students With Disabilities	—	18	—
Limited English Proficient	✓	46	100%
Economically Disadvantaged	✓	152	100%

- ✓ At least 80% of students enrolled during the test administration period were tested.
- ✗ Less than 80% of students enrolled during the test administration period were tested.
- There were fewer than 40 students enrolled during the test administration period.

Medically Excused:

Students who were excused from testing for medical reasons in accordance with federal No Child Left Behind guidance are not included in these calculations.

Elementary/Middle-Level Science: Performance

SCHOOL: PS 70

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All accountability groups with 30 or more members had a PI greater than or equal to the EAMO or Progress Target: **YES**

Elementary/Middle-Level (Grades 4 & 8) Science Performance Results

Student Group	PI \geq EAMO or Progress Target	Tested Students Enrolled on BEDS Day	PI	Objectives	
				EAMO	Progress Target
All Students	✓	169	196	171	171
American Indian or Alaska Native	—	0	—	—	—
Black or African American	—	8	—	—	—
Hispanic or Latino	✓	63	192	153	153
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	✓	33	200	170	170
White	✓	65	198	179	179
Multiracial	—	0	—	—	—
Students With Disabilities	—	18	—	—	—
Limited English Proficient	✓	57‡	191‡	137	1
Economically Disadvantaged	✓	144	196	159	159

✓ Performance Index is equal to or greater than Effective Annual Measurable Objective.

✗ Performance Index is less than Effective Annual Measurable Objective and Progress Target.

— There were fewer than 30 tested students enrolled on BEDS day and during the test administration period.

‡ Includes former limited English proficient students because the number of limited English proficient students in the current year is equal to or greater than 30.

BEDS Day (Basic Educational Data System Day): BEDS Day is the first Wednesday in October of the school year.

Performance Index (PI): A PI 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). Student scores on the tests are converted to four performance levels, from Level 1 to Level 4. A PI is calculated using the levels and the following equation: $\frac{1(\text{Count at Level 2}) + 2(\text{Count at Level 3}) + 3(\text{Count at Level 4})}{\text{Count of Tested Students}} \times 100$

Effective Annual Measurable Objective (EAMO): The EAMO is the PI value that each accountability group of a given size within a district or school is expected to achieve to meet the performance criterion. The EAMO table is available at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/irs/accountability/> under the header "Annual Measurable Objectives."

Progress Target: A Progress Target provides an alternate means to meet the performance criterion for accountability groups whose PIs are less than their EAMOs. The 2011-12 Progress Target is calculated by adding 1 point to the previous year's PI.

Elementary/Middle-Level Science: Non-AYP Groups

SCHOOL: PS 70

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Participation and performance for the following groups are *NOT* used to determine AYP.

Participation

Student Group	Students Enrolled During the Test Administration Period	Percent of Enrolled Students with Valid Test Scores
Not American Indian or Alaska Native	178	100%
Not Black or African American	170	100%
Not Hispanic or Latino	110	100%
Not Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	143	100%
Not White	111	100%
Not Multiracial	178	100%
General Education	160	100%
English Proficient	132	100%
Not Economically Disadvantaged	26	—
Male	103	100%
Female	75	100%
Migrant	0	—
Not Migrant	178	100%

— There were fewer than 40 students enrolled during the test administration period.

Performance

Student Group	Tested Students Enrolled on BEDS Day	PI
Not American Indian or Alaska Native	169	196
Not Black or African American	161	196
Not Hispanic or Latino	106	199
Not Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	136	196
Not White	104	195
Not Multiracial	169	196
General Education	151	196
English Proficient	129	199
Not Economically Disadvantaged	25	—
Male	96	197
Female	73	196
Migrant	0	—
Not Migrant	169	196

— There were fewer than 30 tested students enrolled on BEDS day and during the test administration period.

Unweighted Combined ELA and Math PIs

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Unweighted Combined ELA and Math Performance Indices (PIs)

The unweighted combined ELA and math Performance Index (PI) is the sum of the PIs for all measures for which the school/district has 30 or more students in the group divided by the number of measures for which the school/district has 30 or more students in the group. For example, EM ELA = 150, EM Math = 180, HS ELA = 140, HS Math = 160: $(150 + 180 + 140 + 160) \div 4 = 157.5 = 158$.

Student Group	Elementary/ Middle-Level ELA PI	Elementary/ Middle-Level Math PI	Secondary-Level ELA PI	Secondary-Level Math PI	Unweighted Combined PI
All Students	154	162	—	—	158
American Indian or Alaska Native	—	—	—	—	—
Black or African American	—	—	—	—	—
Hispanic or Latino	146	150	—	—	148
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	150	174	—	—	162
White	165	168	—	—	167
Multiracial	—	—	—	—	—
Students With Disabilities	122	137	—	—	130
Limited English Proficient	118	145	—	—	132
Economically Disadvantaged	151	163	—	—	157

— There was not enough students to determine a Performance Index.