



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

✓ Made AYP

X Did not make AYP

— There were not enough students to make an AYP determination

Elementary/Middle-Level ELA: Participation

SCHOOL: PS 171 PETER G VAN ALST

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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) 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	✓	262	100%
American Indian or Alaska Native	—	1	—
Black or African American	✓	51	100%
Hispanic or Latino	✓	124	100%
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	✓	65	100%
White	—	21	—
Multiracial	—	0	—
Students With Disabilities	✓	51	100%
Limited English Proficient	✓	64	100%
Economically Disadvantaged	✓	247	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 171 PETER G VAN ALST

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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) English Language Arts (ELA) Performance Results

Student Group	PI >= EAMO or Safe Harbor Target	Tested Students Enrolled on BEDS Day	PI	Objectives	
				EAMO	Safe Harbor Target
All Students	✗	247	134	143	140
American Indian or Alaska Native	—	1	—	—	—
Black or African American	✗	50	104	117	117
Hispanic or Latino	✓	117	139	122	122
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	✓	61	152	153	145
White	—	18	—	—	—
Multiracial	—	0	—	—	—
Students With Disabilities	✗	52†	85†	88	88
Limited English Proficient	✓	67‡	112‡	98	98
Economically Disadvantaged	✓	233	132	127	127

✓ 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	261	100%
Not Black or African American	211	100%
Not Hispanic or Latino	138	100%
Not Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	197	100%
Not White	241	100%
Not Multiracial	262	100%
General Education	211	100%
English Proficient	198	100%
Not Economically Disadvantaged	15	—
Male	122	100%
Female	140	100%
Migrant	0	—
Not Migrant	262	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	246	135
Not Black or African American	197	142
Not Hispanic or Latino	130	130
Not Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	186	128
Not White	229	134
Not Multiracial	247	134
General Education	197	148
English Proficient	189	145
Not Economically Disadvantaged	14	—
Male	114	134
Female	133	135
Migrant	0	—
Not Migrant	247	134

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Elementary/Middle-Level Math: AYP

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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): 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 Math: Participation

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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	✓	263	100%
American Indian or Alaska Native	—	1	—
Black or African American	✓	51	100%
Hispanic or Latino	✓	124	100%
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	✓	66	100%
White	—	21	—
Multiracial	—	0	—
Students With Disabilities	✓	51	100%
Limited English Proficient	✓	65	100%
Economically Disadvantaged	✓	248	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

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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: **YES**

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	✓	252	158	157	156
American Indian or Alaska Native	—	1	—	—	—
Black or African American	✓	50	136	129	129
Hispanic or Latino	✓	118	158	140	140
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	✓	65	174	173	173
White	—	18	—	—	—
Multiracial	—	0	—	—	—
Students With Disabilities	✓	52†	123†	109	109
Limited English Proficient	✓	72‡	150‡	129	129
Economically Disadvantaged	✓	238	156	144	144

✓ 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	262	100%
Not Black or African American	212	100%
Not Hispanic or Latino	139	100%
Not Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	197	100%
Not White	242	100%
Not Multiracial	263	100%
General Education	212	100%
English Proficient	198	100%
Not Economically Disadvantaged	15	—
Male	122	100%
Female	141	100%
Migrant	0	—
Not Migrant	263	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	251	158
Not Black or African American	202	163
Not Hispanic or Latino	134	157
Not Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	187	152
Not White	234	158
Not Multiracial	252	158
General Education	202	167
English Proficient	189	162
Not Economically Disadvantaged	14	—
Male	118	159
Female	134	157
Migrant	0	—
Not Migrant	252	158

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

Elementary/Middle-Level Science: AYP

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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): NO

Student Group	Made AYP
All Students	X
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

X Did not make AYP

— There were not enough students to make an AYP determination

Elementary/Middle-Level Science: Participation

SCHOOL: PS 171 PETER G VAN ALST

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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	✓	88	99%
American Indian or Alaska Native	—	1	—
Black or African American	—	19	—
Hispanic or Latino	✓	42	100%
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	—	17	—
White	—	9	—
Multiracial	—	0	—
Students With Disabilities	—	19	—
Limited English Proficient	—	22	—
Economically Disadvantaged	✓	82	99%

- ✓ 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 171 PETER G VAN ALST

SCHOOL ID: 343000010171
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 Progress Target: **NO**

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

Student Group	PI >= EAMO or Progress Target	Tested Students Enrolled on BEDS Day	PI	Objectives	
				EAMO	Progress Target
All Students	X	84	165	168	167
American Indian or Alaska Native	—	1	—	—	—
Black or African American	—	17	—	—	—
Hispanic or Latino	✓	40	155	150	150
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	—	17	—	—	—
White	—	9	—	—	—
Multiracial	—	0	—	—	—
Students With Disabilities	—	19	—	—	—
Limited English Proficient	—	22	—	—	—
Economically Disadvantaged	✓	78	163	157	157

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

X 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.

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: $\frac{((\text{Count at Level 2}) + 2(\text{Count at Level 3}) + 2(\text{Count at Level 4}))}{[\text{Count of Tested Students}]} \times 100$

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 171 PETER G VAN ALST

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DISTRICT: NYC GEOG DIST #30 - QUEENS

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	87	99%
Not Black or African American	69	100%
Not Hispanic or Latino	46	98%
Not Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	71	99%
Not White	79	99%
Not Multiracial	88	99%
General Education	69	99%
English Proficient	66	98%
Not Economically Disadvantaged	6	—
Male	41	98%
Female	47	100%
Migrant	0	—
Not Migrant	88	99%

— 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	83	166
Not Black or African American	67	161
Not Hispanic or Latino	44	175
Not Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	67	163
Not White	75	165
Not Multiracial	84	165
General Education	65	175
English Proficient	62	185
Not Economically Disadvantaged	6	—
Male	40	173
Female	44	159
Migrant	0	—
Not Migrant	84	165

— 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	134	158	—	—	146
American Indian or Alaska Native	—	—	—	—	—
Black or African American	104	136	—	—	120
Hispanic or Latino	139	158	—	—	149
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	152	174	—	—	163
White	—	—	—	—	—
Multiracial	—	—	—	—	—
Students With Disabilities	85	123	—	—	104
Limited English Proficient	112	150	—	—	131
Economically Disadvantaged	132	156	—	—	144

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