



The New York State Report Card 2011–12

School **PS 249 THE CATON**
School ID **33-17-00-01-0249**
District **NEW YORK CITY GEOGRAPHIC
DISTRICT #17**
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Grades **K-3, UE**

The New York State 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 school/district enrollment and staff, student performance, and other measures of school and district performance. Knowledge gained from the report card on a school's or district'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 supports.

This report includes:

- 1 Profile**
This section shows comprehensive data relevant to this school's or district's learning environment, including information about enrollment, attendance and suspensions, and staff.
- 2 Student Performance**
This section shows student performance on standardized assessments at the elementary, middle, and commencement levels.
- 3 Student Outcomes**
This section shows outcomes for graduates and non-completers, including post-graduation plans of completers.

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1 Profile

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Enrollment

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Pre-K	35	37	
Kindergarten	198	207	244
Grade 1	167	208	208
Grade 2	175	154	193
Grade 3	146	142	111
Grade 4	0	0	0
Grade 5	0	0	0
Grade 6	0	0	0
Ungraded Elementary	6	2	1
Grade 7	0	0	0
Grade 8	0	0	0
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	692	713	757

Average Class Size

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Common Branch	24	27	22
Grade 8			
English			
Mathematics			
Science			
Social Studies			
Grade 10			
English			
Mathematics			
Science			
Social Studies			

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 and district'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 or district's enrollment. The state public enrollment includes public school districts, charter schools, and NYSED-operated programs. Students classified by districts as "pre-first" are included in first grade counts. Kindergarten and Pre-K counts include half- and full-day students.

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.

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Demographic Factors

	2009-10		2010-11		2011-12	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Eligible for Free Lunch	531	77%	548	77%	584	77%
Reduced Price Lunch	38	5%	39	5%	41	5%
Limited English Proficient	231	33%	218	31%	218	29%
Racial/Ethnic Origin						
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0%	0	0%	3	0%
Black or African American	341	49%	335	47%	355	47%
Hispanic or Latino	317	46%	337	47%	346	46%
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	25	4%	28	4%	34	4%
White	9	1%	13	2%	19	3%
Multiracial	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

Attendance and Suspensions

	2008-09		2009-10		2010-11	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Annual Attendance Rate		94%		95%		94%
Student Suspensions	11	2%	6	1%	7	1%

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.

Attendance and Suspensions Information

Annual Attendance Rate is determined by dividing the school's (or district's) total actual attendance by the total possible attendance for a school year. A school's (or district's) actual attendance is the sum of the number of students in attendance on each day the school (or district's schools) 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 (or schools) was open during the school year. The state's *Annual Attendance Rate* is a weighted average of all district-level attendance rates.

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.

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Teacher Qualifications

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Total Number of Teachers	48	45	47
Percent with No Valid Teaching Certificate	0%	0%	0%
Percent Teaching Out of Certification	4%	9%	2%
Percent with Fewer than Three Years of Experience	10%	9%	11%
Percentage with Master's Degree Plus 30 Hours or Doctorate	17%	20%	23%
Total Number of Core Classes	61	58	70
Percent Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers in This School*	3%	7%	1%
Percent Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers in This District**	6%	7%	6%
Percent Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers in High-Poverty Schools Statewide	6%	5%	4%
Percent Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers in Low-Poverty Schools Statewide	1%	0%	1%
Total Number of Classes	62	63	83
Percent Taught by Teachers Without Appropriate Certification	3%	6%	1%

*Not available at the district or statewide level.

**Not available for charter schools or at the statewide level.

Teacher Turnover Rate

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Turnover Rate of Teachers with Fewer than Five Years of Experience	13%	22%	13%
Turnover Rate of All Teachers	19%	15%	9%

Staff Counts

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Total Other Professional Staff	2	2	2
Total Paraprofessionals*	N/A	N/A	N/A
Assistant Principals	2	2	2
Principals	1	1	1

*Not available at the school level.

Teacher Qualifications Information

The *Percent Teaching Out of Certification* for public schools is the percent doing so on more than 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 or otherwise in accordance with state standards, and show subject matter competency.

In public schools, a teacher who taught one class outside of the certification area(s) is counted as *Highly Qualified* provided that 1) the teacher had been determined by the school or district through the HOUSSSE process or other state-accepted methods to have demonstrated acceptable subject knowledge and teaching skills and 2) the class in question was not the sole assignment reported. Credit for incidental teaching does not extend beyond a single assignment. Independent of *Highly Qualified Teacher* status, any assignment for which a teacher did not hold a valid certificate still registers as teaching out of certification.

In charter schools, a teacher is counted as *Highly Qualified* if the teacher has at least a Bachelor's degree, is certified to teach, and shows subject matter competency. Enabling legislation considers charter school teachers to be certified if they hold any valid teaching certificate. Enabling legislation also permits up to 30 percent (with a maximum of five) of charter school teachers to be without certification and to be considered *Highly Qualified* if they meet all remaining criteria.

High-poverty and *low-poverty* schools are those schools in the upper and lower quartiles, respectively, for percentage of students eligible for a free or reduced-price lunch.

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.

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This section contains annual assessment data for students at the elementary, middle, and commencement levels as well as the performance of secondary-level cohorts on standardized achievement assessments.

New York State Testing Program (NYSTP) Assessments

The New York State Testing Program assessments are administered in English language arts (ELA) and mathematics in grades 3 through 8. The Performance Level Descriptors for these assessments are provided below:

English Language Arts

Level 1: Below Standard

Student performance does not demonstrate an understanding of the English language arts knowledge and skills expected at this grade level.

Level 2: Meets Basic Standard

Student performance demonstrates a partial understanding of the English language arts knowledge and skills expected at this grade level.

Level 3: Meets Proficiency Standard

Student performance demonstrates an understanding of the English language arts knowledge and skills expected at this grade level.

Level 4: Exceeds Proficiency Standard

Student performance demonstrates a thorough understanding of the English language arts knowledge and skills expected at this grade level.

Mathematics

Level 1: Below Standard

Student performance does not demonstrate an understanding of the mathematics content expected at this grade level.

Level 2: Meets Basic Standard

Student performance demonstrates a partial understanding of the mathematics content expected at this grade level.

Level 3: Meets Proficiency Standard

Student performance demonstrates an understanding of the mathematics content expected at this grade level.

Level 4: Exceeds Proficiency Standard

Student performance demonstrates a thorough understanding of the mathematics content expected at this grade level.

New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA)

The New York State Alternate Assessments are administered in English language arts (ELA) and mathematics to ungraded students with severe cognitive disabilities whose ages are equivalent to graded students in grades 3 through 8 and secondary level. They are administered in science to students with disabilities age equivalent to graded students in grades 4, 8, and secondary level. And they are administered in social studies at the secondary level only.

New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Tests (NYSESLAT)

The New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Tests are administered in grades K through 12 to limited English proficient students.

Secondary-Level Cohorts

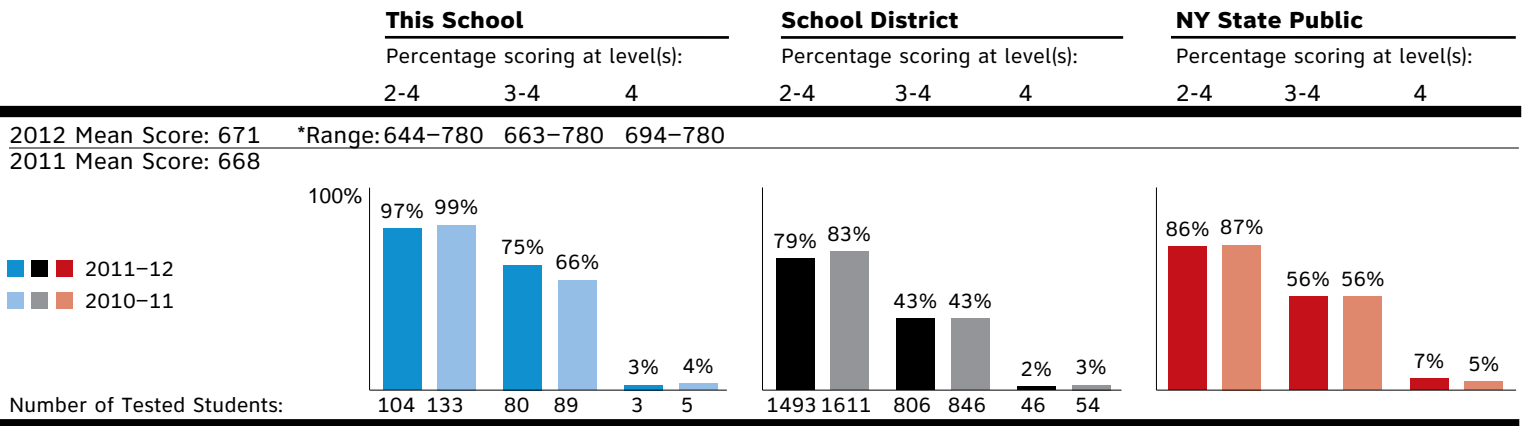
A secondary-level cohort consists of all students who first entered grade 9 anywhere or, in the case of ungraded students with disabilities, reached their seventeenth birthday in a particular year. The 2008 cohort consists of all students who first entered grade 9 anywhere or, in the case of ungraded students with disabilities, reached their seventeenth birthday between July 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009. The 2007 cohort consists of all students who first entered grade 9 anywhere or, in the case of ungraded students with disabilities, reached their seventeenth birthday between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008. For more detailed information on cohort definitions, see *Secondary-Level Cohort Definitions* at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/irs/sirs/>.

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Results in Grade 3 English Language Arts



Results by Student Group

Results by Student Group	2011–12 School Year				2010–11 School Year			
	Total Tested	Percentage scoring at level(s): 2–4 3–4 4			Total Tested	Percentage scoring at level(s): 2–4 3–4 4		
All Students	107	97%	75%	3%	135	99%	66%	4%
Female	62	97%	69%	3%	69	99%	64%	3%
Male	45	98%	82%	2%	66	98%	68%	5%
American Indian or Alaska Native								
Black or African American	52	94%	67%	2%	65	97%	48%	2%
Hispanic or Latino	47	100%	81%	4%	63	100%	81%	6%
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	6	–	–	–	5	–	–	–
White	2	–	–	–	2	–	–	–
Multiracial								
Small Group Totals	8	100%	88%	0%	7	100%	100%	0%
General-Education Students	96	100%	78%	2%	124	99%	69%	4%
Students with Disabilities	11	73%	45%	9%	11	91%	27%	0%
English Proficient	87	98%	79%	3%	102	98%	60%	4%
Limited English Proficient	20	95%	55%	0%	33	100%	85%	3%
Economically Disadvantaged	107	97%	75%	3%	135	99%	66%	4%
Not Disadvantaged								
Migrant								
Not Migrant	107	97%	75%	3%	135	99%	66%	4%

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Other Assessments	2011–12 School Year				2010–11 School Year			
	Total	Number scoring 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 3 Equivalent	0				1	–	–	–
New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT)†: Grade 3	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total					Total			
Recently Arrived LEP Students NOT Tested on the ELA NYSTP: Grade 3	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

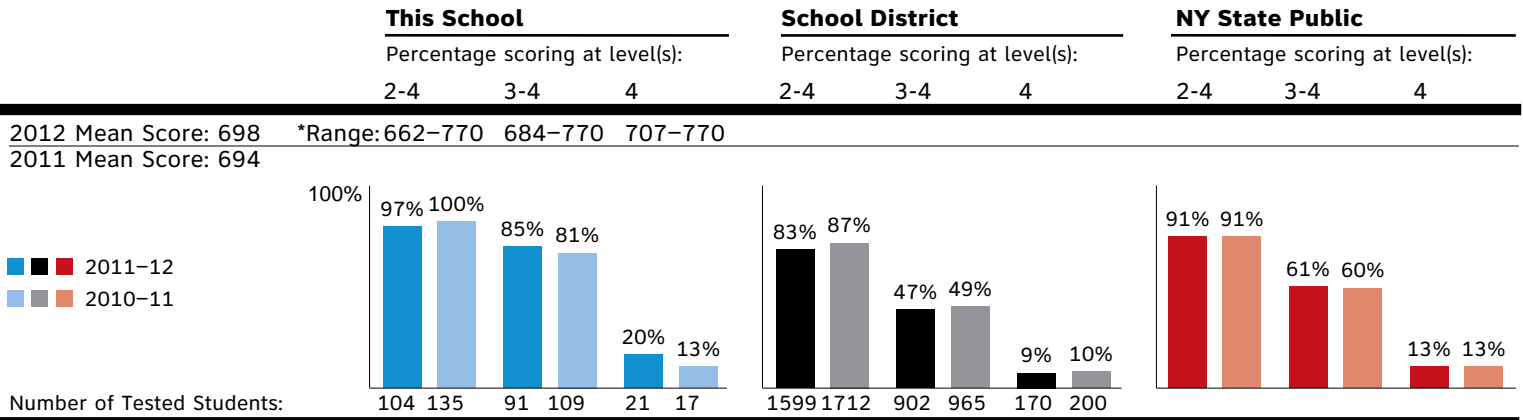
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Results in Grade 3 Mathematics



Results by Student Group

Results by Student Group	2011–12 School Year				2010–11 School Year			
	Total Tested	Percentage scoring at level(s): 2–4 3–4 4			Total Tested	Percentage scoring at level(s): 2–4 3–4 4		
All Students	107	97%	85%	20%	135	100%	81%	13%
Female	62	95%	81%	16%	69	100%	78%	10%
Male	45	100%	91%	24%	66	100%	83%	15%
American Indian or Alaska Native								
Black or African American	52	94%	75%	12%	65	100%	69%	6%
Hispanic or Latino	47	100%	96%	28%	63	100%	90%	19%
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	6	–	–	–	5	–	–	–
White	2	–	–	–	2	–	–	–
Multiracial								
Small Group Totals	8	100%	88%	25%	7	100%	100%	14%
General-Education Students	96	100%	90%	21%	124	100%	82%	14%
Students with Disabilities	11	73%	45%	9%	11	100%	64%	0%
English Proficient	87	98%	85%	23%	102	100%	77%	11%
Limited English Proficient	20	95%	85%	5%	33	100%	91%	18%
Economically Disadvantaged	107	97%	85%	20%	135	100%	81%	13%
Not Disadvantaged								
Migrant								
Not Migrant	107	97%	85%	20%	135	100%	81%	13%

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Other Assessments	2011–12 School Year				2010–11 School Year			
	Total	Number scoring 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 3 Equivalent	0				1	–	–	–

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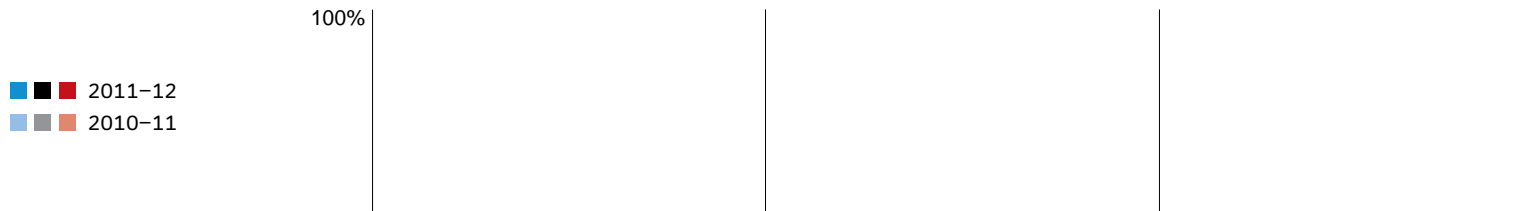
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Results in Grade 5 English Language Arts

This School			School District			NY State Public		
Percentage scoring at level(s):			Percentage scoring at level(s):			Percentage scoring at level(s):		
2-4	3-4	4	2-4	3-4	4	2-4	3-4	4

*Range:



Number of Tested Students:

Results by Student Group

Results by Student Group	2011–12 School Year				2010–11 School Year			
	Total Tested	Percentage scoring at level(s): 2–4 3–4 4			Total Tested	Percentage scoring at level(s): 2–4 3–4 4		
All Students								
Female								
Male								
American Indian or Alaska Native								
Black or African American								
Hispanic or Latino								
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander								
White								
Multiracial								
Small Group Totals								
General-Education Students								
Students with Disabilities								
English Proficient								
Limited English Proficient								
Economically Disadvantaged								
Not Disadvantaged								
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Other Assessments	2011–12 School Year				2010–11 School Year			
	Total	Number scoring 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 5 Equivalent	0				1	–	–	–
New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT) [†] : Grade 5	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total					Total			
Recently Arrived LEP Students NOT Tested on the ELA NYSTP: Grade 5	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.

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Results in Grade 5 Mathematics

This School			School District			NY State Public		
Percentage scoring at level(s):			Percentage scoring at level(s):			Percentage scoring at level(s):		
2-4	3-4	4	2-4	3-4	4	2-4	3-4	4

*Range:

100%

■ ■ ■ 2011-12
■ ■ ■ 2010-11

Number of Tested Students:

Results by Student Group

Results by Student Group	2011–12 School Year				2010–11 School Year			
	Total Tested	Percentage scoring at level(s): 2–4 3–4 4			Total Tested	Percentage scoring at level(s): 2–4 3–4 4		
All Students								
Female								
Male								
American Indian or Alaska Native								
Black or African American								
Hispanic or Latino								
Asian or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander								
White								
Multiracial								
Small Group Totals								
General-Education Students								
Students with Disabilities								
English Proficient								
Limited English Proficient								
Economically Disadvantaged								
Not Disadvantaged								
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Other

Assessments

Other Assessments	2011-12 School Year				2010-11 School Year			
	Total	Number scoring 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 5 Equivalent	0				1	–	–	–

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New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT)

		All Students					General-Education Students					Students with Disabilities				
		Total Tested	Percent of students scoring in each performance level:				Total Tested	Percent of students scoring in each performance level:				Total Tested	Percent of students scoring in each performance level:			
			Begin.	Interm.	Adv.	Prof.		Begin.	Interm.	Adv.	Prof.		Begin.	Interm.	Adv.	Prof.
Listening and Speaking (Grades K–1)	2011–12	147	5%	31%	50%	15%	134	5%	31%	49%	14%	13	0%	23%	54%	23%
	2010–11	141	3%	21%	50%	26%	124	2%	21%	51%	26%	17	6%	18%	47%	29%
	2009–10	129	5%	22%	41%	32%	117	5%	22%	39%	33%	12	0%	25%	58%	17%
Reading and Writing (Grades K–1)	2011–12	147	35%	29%	11%	25%	134	34%	29%	10%	26%	13	46%	23%	15%	15%
	2010–11	141	25%	24%	20%	31%	124	23%	26%	19%	31%	17	35%	12%	24%	29%
	2009–10	129	26%	29%	14%	30%	117	26%	29%	12%	33%	12	33%	33%	33%	0%
Listening and Speaking (Grades 2–4)	2011–12	62	2%	0%	18%	81%	50	2%	0%	12%	86%	12	0%	0%	42%	58%
	2010–11	65	0%	0%	37%	63%	57	0%	0%	37%	63%	8	0%	0%	38%	63%
	2009–10	93	1%	1%	20%	77%	86	1%	1%	20%	78%	7	0%	0%	29%	71%
Reading and Writing (Grades 2–4)	2011–12	62	5%	19%	53%	23%	50	2%	18%	56%	24%	12	17%	25%	42%	17%
	2010–11	65	6%	11%	55%	28%	57	4%	9%	56%	32%	8	25%	25%	50%	0%
	2009–10	93	5%	14%	51%	30%	86	2%	14%	52%	31%	7	43%	14%	29%	14%
Listening and Speaking (Grades 5–6)	2011–12	0					0					0				
	2010–11	0					0					0				
	2009–10	0					0					0				
Reading and Writing (Grades 5–6)	2011–12	0					0					0				
	2010–11	0					0					0				
	2009–10	0					0					0				
Listening and Speaking (Grades 7–8)	2011–12	0					0					0				
	2010–11	0					0					0				
	2009–10	0					0					0				
Reading and Writing (Grades 7–8)	2011–12	0					0					0				
	2010–11	0					0					0				
	2009–10	0					0					0				
Listening and Speaking (Grades 9–12)	2011–12	0					0					0				
	2010–11	0					0					0				
	2009–10	0					0					0				
Reading and Writing (Grades 9–12)	2011–12	0					0					0				
	2010–11	0					0					0				
	2009–10	0					0					0				

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