



2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

Region 05

I.S. 55

IS 055 OCEAN HILL BROWNSVILLE

New York City Public Schools

Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 378

Students on May 1, 2006:

School Mission Statement

We are a diverse, collaborative school community dedicated to achieving excellence for all students. Students are given opportunity to construct knowledge and understanding of our world through exploration, accountable talk and standards-driven instruction. Parent engagement and involvement help create a nurturing environment which fosters civic, academic and social skill development. Through this collaborative process students will become productive members of their community and will lead successful lives.

Principal's Statement

I.S.55 is a 6th through 8th grade school in the Ocean Hill Brownsville section of Brooklyn. The school serves an ethnically diverse student population. Eighty percent are African American. This percentage includes students who are recent immigrants, or first generation Americans from Haiti and the English-speaking Caribbean Islands. Eighteen percent are Hispanic and 1.2% represent students of Asian or "other" descent. IS 55 was removed from SURR status in 2002 by exceeding their state targets in reading and mathematics. We are a committed staff of educators with the best and brightest of Ocean Hill Brownsville.

Special Academic Programs

Unique programs include: Math/Science programs; Extended day tutorial through the OASIS Program; Arista and Archon Honor Societies; collaboration with partners such as the New York Times, Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment; School Band and Chorus and Projects Arts which provides monthly cultural events for our students.

Extracurricular Activities

I.S. 55 offers a music program (band and chorus) for interested students. Other programs include New York Urban Debate league participation, English Language Arts, peer mediation, school newsletter, culinary arts, boys wrestling, boys basketball, and girls lacrosse and fencing.

Community Support

I.S. 55 supports Sight for Students- a program that provides eye exams and eyeglasses to students based on needs; P.A.L. (73rd Precinct), and Gear Up!, a CUNY Medgar Evers College initiative for grades 7 and 8, that include partnerships with Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment, YMCA, Cablevision, OASIS and the New York Times.

Parent/School Support

I.S. 55's parental engagement program includes activities to attract and retain parents in the school building throughout the school day for the entire school year. Parental workshops on various topics are sponsored throughout the school year through the Parents Association and school Parent Coordinator.

2006-07 School Accountability Status:

In Corrective Action

This school received Title I Funding in:

2004-05: YES; 2005-06: YES; 2006-07: YES

The Division of Assessment and Accountability (DAA) compiled this report primarily from central databases and information provided by this school's principal. Throughout the report, N/A indicates that information was not available or did not apply to this school. The 2005-2006 Annual School Report is a supplement to the New York State Education Department's School Report Card for New York City Schools. Consult the Parent Guide for an explanation of the data in this report. Other DAA reports can be obtained online at www.nyc.gov/daa.

STUDENTS

Involved In Police Department Incidents

The total enrollment in this consolidated location is 378 students. Please keep this number in mind as you review the numbers of incidents.

	This school	Consolidated Locations	Similar Size schools
Major Crimes			
Property Crimes		1	0.4
Crimes Against Persons		1	0.1
Other Crimes		12	1.7
Non- Criminal		19	2.9

No separate data is available for this school. Multiple schools are found at a single address, and the incident data have been consolidated so that the same data are reported for all those schools. These schools are included in this consolidated location: BROOKLYN COLLEGIATE: A COLLEGE BOARD SCHOOL|IS 055 OCEAN HILL BROWNSVILLE, Similar-Sized Schools include all schools and consolidated locations with enrollments of 501-750 students

<http://schools.nyc.gov/ourschools/schoolsafety.htm>

Recent Immigrants*

Percent of enrollment	2004	2005	2006
This school	12.0	9.6	6.6
Similar schools	11.0	9.8	7.7
City schools	9.1	8.1	6.3

* Students enrolled as of Oct. 31, 2005 who immigrated to the U.S. within the last three years.

Recent Immigrants' Place of Birth

Percent of students	2006
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	1.9
GUYANA	1.9
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO	0.8

Profile of Entering Ninth and Tenth Graders*

Characteristics	This School	Similar Schools	City Schools
	Percent	Percent	Percent
Gender Male	N/A	N/A	N/A
Gender Female	N/A	N/A	N/A
Part-time Special Education	N/A	N/A	N/A
Full-time Special Education	N/A	N/A	N/A
ELL	N/A	N/A	N/A
Over-age for grade	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent eligible for free lunch	N/A	N/A	N/A
Avg. daily attend. during prior sem.	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent meeting standard in:			
ELA (tested only)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mathematics (tested only)	N/A	N/A	N/A

* This information is for the students who were on register as new 9th and 10th graders on October 31, 2005 and came from another school.

* Not applicable to elementary and middle schools

Admission to Other Schools in September 2005

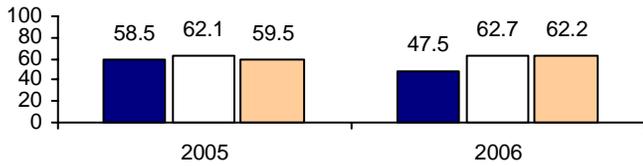
School Name	Boro	District	School Number	Leavers*	
				Number	Percent
BOYS AND GIRLS HIGH SCHO	K	16	455	19	11.3
TEACHERS PREPARATORY HI	K	23	697	11	6.5
PAUL ROBESON HIGH SCHO	K	17	625	8	4.8

* Leavers are students who left their school for any reason.

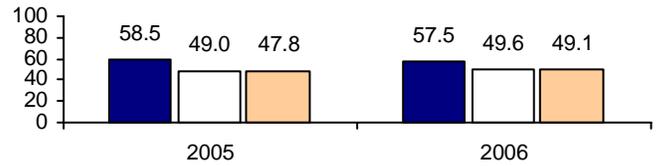
SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

TEACHERS

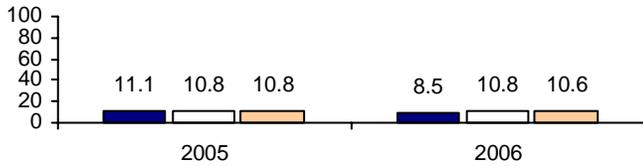
Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School



Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere



Average Days Absent



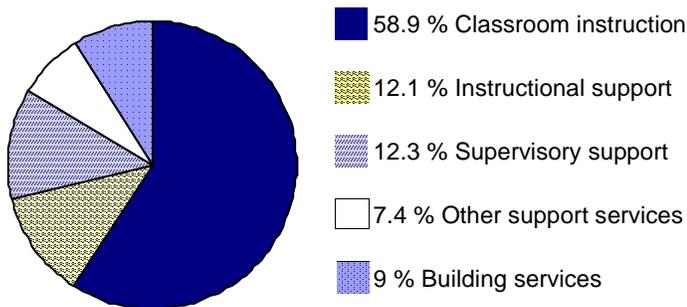
SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

Average Spending Per Student (Direct Services Only)

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$15,987	\$16,214	N/A
Similar schools	\$11,544	\$12,793	N/A
City schools	\$10,679	\$11,747	N/A

Note: The state calculation of school expenditures per student for direct and indirect services in 2004 was \$12,896 for all New York City schools. An average of \$13,085 was calculated for all New York State schools including those in New York City.

How money was spent in this school in 2005 (Direct Services Only)



0.4 % is used for District Support.

OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Capacity

Percent of utilization*	2004	2005	2006
This school	25.3	41.0	31.8
Similar schools	80.9	78.8	74.4
City schools	85.8	82.4	79.9

*When over 100%, school has exceeded official capacity.