



2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

Region 08

P.S. 56

PS 056 LEWIS H LATIMER

New York City Public Schools
Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 408

Students on May 1, 2006:

School Mission Statement

TO CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE LEARNING IS RESPECTED AND ENJOYED:

As a community, we have committed ourselves to developing a culture of lifelong learners. We strive to provide an environment where children are constantly engaged in those activities that foster educationally sound and academically appropriate learning experiences. We strive to nurture the growth of the child, the family and subsequently the community at large.

Principal's Statement

The Lewis H. Latimer School has gone through a major renaissance. For several years we have been working to create an environment that supports student growth through inquiry and project based learning. As students' scores on the standardized tests have improved, we are realizing the simple mission of creating an environment where learning is respected and enjoyed! P.S. 56 is rapidly becoming the hub of academic and social development within the community.

Special Academic Programs

We believe that by infusing the arts with our academic instruction we provide well rounded learning opportunities for our students. Thus we provide creative arts instruction in the form of music, voice and theatre. 56 offers several clubs arranged around student interest; the science club, math club; and journalism are the most popular.

Extracurricular Activities

Virtual Y (YMCA); Debate Team; Girl Scouts; Math Team; Art Club, Science Club, Dance Club, student chorus, and a school band for both students, teachers and parents. Our upper grade students are also engaged in a community service program with the neighborhood nursing home.

Community Support

Brooklyn DA (Legal Lives); New York Cares; Creative Outlet; Arts Connection; Clinton Hill Community Supported Agriculture Project; New Horizons; Pratt Institute; Virtual Y; Claver Youth Program; School News Nationwide Afterschool Program; Acorn High School Tutoring Program.

Parent/School Support

Parent Teachers Association; Learning Leaders Program; Parent-Teacher band; Family Literacy Seminars; Parent Technology Training; School Leadership Team; C.A.R.E. Team (Children Are Reason Enough). HIP (Helping Involve Parents) schools program.

2006-07 School Accountability Status:

In Good Standing

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 408 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		0	0.4
Crimes Against Persons		0	0.1
Other Crimes		3	1.7
Non- Criminal		0	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: SATELLITE THREE|PS 056 LEWIS H LATIMER, 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	3.7	4.9	2.0
Similar schools	8.0	7.8	5.8
City schools	9.2	8.4	6.5

* 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
NIGERIA	0.5
YEMEN	0.5
BANGLADESH	0.2

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

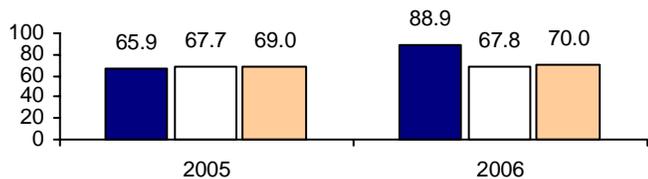
School Name	Boro	District	School Number	Leavers*	
				Number	Percent
SATELLITE THREE	K	13	103	15	14.9
JHS 113/OLD 294 EDMONDS C	K	13	113	14	13.9
JHS 117 FRANCIS SCOTT KEY	K	13	117	14	13.9

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

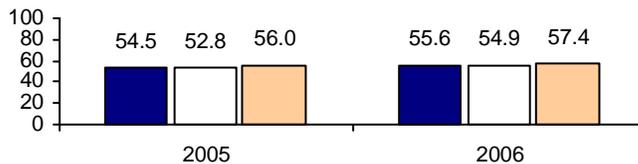
SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

TEACHERS

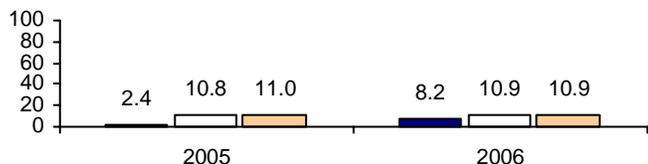
Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School



Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere



Average Days Absent



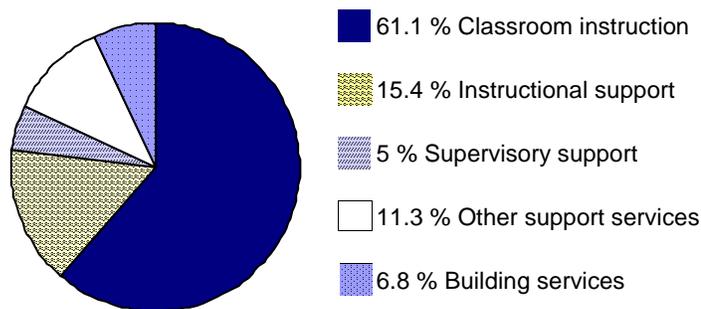
SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

Average Spending Per Student (Direct Services Only)

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$14,230	\$15,092	N/A
Similar schools	\$12,350	\$13,231	N/A
City schools	\$11,608	\$12,511	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)



0.5 % is used for District Support.

OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Capacity

Percent of utilization*	2004	2005	2006
This school	71.4	64.9	63.8
Similar schools	86.5	83.2	79.8
City schools	87.1	84.8	82.8

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