



2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

Region 06

M.S. 61

M S 061 GLADSTONE H. ATWELL

New York City Public Schools

Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 1,126

Students on May 1, 2006:

School Mission Statement

The Dr. Gladstone H. Atwell Middle School 61 Star Academy, being part of a culturally diverse community, is dedicated to having all students, including English Language Learners and Special Education students, achieve academic and social excellence. Through Performance Standards-driven instruction, parental support, and a nurturing environment, our children will develop into lifelong learners and productive citizens.

Principal's Statement

M.S. 61 Star Academy, the pulse of Crown Heights Brooklyn, is a school community committed to providing middle school students with choices that reflect excellence in education. Our goal is to maintain an educational environment which promotes academic and social growth, while providing the nurturing and support needed to ensure success. Through the implementation of extended day programs, and Saturday, recess, "early bird", and "Chew'N'Do" classes, we have achieved consistent academic growth. With "excellence in education" as our #1 priority, M.S. 61 is truly an environment where ALL children are given the opportunity to realize their potential.

Special Academic Programs

M.S. 61's special programs include, but are not limited to: The Britou Moore Academy, Johns Hopkins SAT Prep, Regents courses in Mathematics, Biology, Foreign Language and Global Studies, Medgar Evers STEP, Youth Court, The Scholars Program, Investment Literacy, Student Council, Advanced Arts History, Arista, Just For girls and Manhood Training.

Extracurricular Activities

Chorus, "Adopt-A-Child", boys and girls basketball teams, track team, Star Academy step Team, cheerleaders, and tennis; Stock Market Team, Conflict Resolution, Drama Ensemble, Steel Pan, "Reflection" Dance Ensemble, Art, Martial Arts, Student Government, Tap Dancing, Chess, Pep Squad, and Crown Heights Mediation Center Youth Court.

Community Support

Many already established community relationships are expanding. We have maintained solid partnerships with the Crown Heights Mediation Center, Jackie Robinson Center for Physical Culture, Medgar Evers College, Chase Bank, Johns Hopkins University CTY, and BAMSS.

Parent/School Support

The relationship between the school and parents is steadily improving as parents participate as partners in the decision making process on various committees. Our Parent Coordinator serves as both a vital link to the parent community and a bridge between parents and staff. Our School Leadership Team, PA and PAC continue to progress.

2006-07 School Accountability Status:

Restructuring - Year 2

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 1126 students. Please keep this number in mind as you review the numbers of incidents.

This school	Consolidated Locations	Similar Size schools
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Major Crimes

Property Crimes	1	0.7
Crimes Against Persons	1	0.5
Other Crimes	5	4.9
Non- Criminal	9	7.0

Similar-Size Schools include all schools and consolidated locations with enrollments of 1001-1250 students.

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

Recent Immigrants*

Percent of enrollment	2004	2005	2006
This school	9.6	8.1	5.4
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
JAMAICA	1.2
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO	1.1
HAITI	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

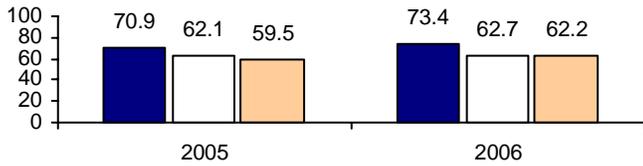
School Name	Boro	District	School Number	Leavers*	
				Number	Percent
SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY AND	K	17	543	33	8.1
BOYS AND GIRLS HIGH SCHO	K	16	455	31	7.6
CLARA BARTON HIGH SCHOOL	K	17	600	20	4.9

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

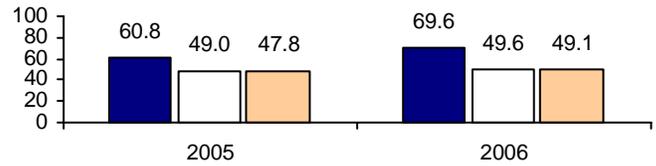
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TEACHERS

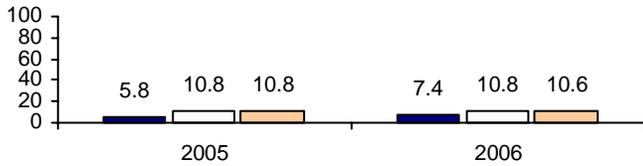
Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School



Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere



Average Days Absent



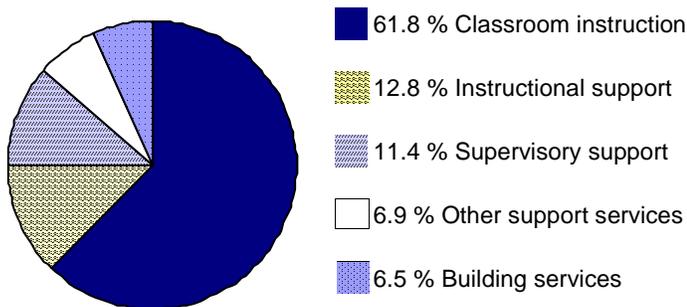
SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

Average Spending Per Student (Direct Services Only)

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$9,375	\$10,646	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)



0.6 % is used for District Support.

OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Capacity

Percent of utilization*	2004	2005	2006
This school	89.0	85.6	74.0
Similar schools	80.9	78.8	74.4
City schools	85.8	82.4	79.9

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