



2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

Region 07

P.S. 97

PS 097 THE HIGHLAWN

New York City Public Schools
Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 878

Students on May 1, 2006:

School Mission Statement

The School's Purpose:

Public School 97 shall provide a high-quality education to every child under its care. At its core are staff, parents and the community providing a learning environment to meet the standards and to improve student performance.

The Long Range View:

Public School 97 is a collaborative school community dedicated to achieving an equitable education for all our students. Through standards-driven instruction and the development of values our students will be able to function in the community as responsible decision-makers, productive citizens and lifelong learners.

Principal's Statement

Public School 97, the "Pride of Brooklyn", is committed to providing an educational environment that affords all children the opportunity to realize their maximum potential. Our school encourages staff participation, parental involvement, and collaborative planning of goals and expectations. Students are recognized for achievement in reading, mathematics, attendance, art and other curriculum areas. In addition, opportunities for enrichment include a FOSS hands-on science lab, a school wide lending library, a computer laboratory, a multimedia center and club, Project Arts After School Theatre/Dance program and a choral program.

Special Academic Programs

This school's special academic programs include a multimedia digital editing studio which allows students to appreciate a working knowledge of computer-based editing. There is a hands-on FOSS Science Laboratory. There is an Arista Society for students achieving high academic standards. Wireless internet technology is available in all classrooms.

Extracurricular Activities

The school's nonacademic activities include chorus, art club, student government and after-school programs sponsored by the Federation of Italian-American Organizations and Project Arts Theatre/Dance program. There are Academic After School Programs for students in Grades 1-5. There is an Archon Society for students who demonstrate school service.

Community Support

We have several community based partnerships which include: Brooklyn College, College of Staten Island, Federation of Italian American Organizations, St. Joseph's College, Learning Leaders and Xaverian High School.

Parent/School Support

In order to maintain open lines of communication with parents and families we meet informally and formally to discuss common concerns about the students' educational goals, plans of instruction and personal and social development. The Parent Coordinator is available to assist parents with their concerns.

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 878 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		0.5
Crimes Against Persons	0		0.2
Other Crimes	0		3.0
Non- Criminal	0		5.0

Similar-Size Schools include all schools and consolidated locations with enrollments of 751-1000 students.

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

Recent Immigrants*

Percent of enrollment	2004	2005	2006
This school	13.4	12.5	8.1
Similar schools	10.3	8.8	6.2
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
CHINA	3.2
PAKISTAN	0.7
RUSSIA	0.7

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

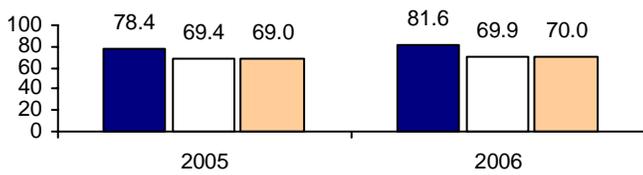
School Name	Boro	District	School Number	Leavers*	
				Number	Percent
IS 228 DAVID A BOODY	K	21	228	41	29.1
IS 096 SETH LOW	K	21	096	32	22.7
IS 281 JOSEPH B CAVALLARO	K	21	281	21	14.9

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

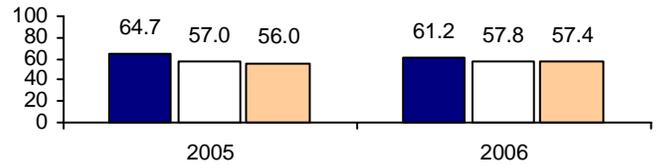
SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

TEACHERS

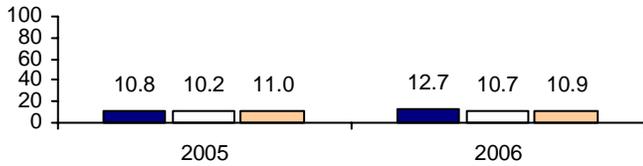
Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School



Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere



Average Days Absent



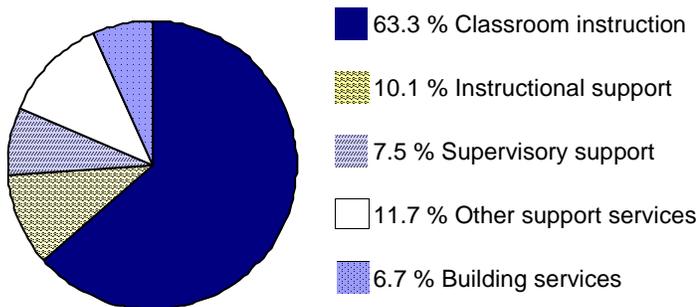
SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

Average Spending Per Student (Direct Services Only)

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$9,321	\$9,528	N/A
Similar schools	\$10,848	\$11,708	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)



0.7% is used for District Support.

OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Capacity

Percent of utilization*	2004	2005	2006
This school	111.7	109.5	120.3
Similar schools	90.2	87.6	87.5
City schools	87.1	84.8	82.8

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