



2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

Region 06

P.S. 208

PS 208 ELSA EBELING

New York City Public Schools

Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 719

Students on May 1, 2006:

School Mission Statement

At PS 208, we create an environment which encourages children to become independent thinkers and problem solvers. We believe that every child is a unique, special individual who can learn and achieve our high academic expectations. We, therefore, strive to provide a challenging flexible curriculum based on standard driven instruction that will meet the needs of every student. We place strong emphasis on literacy and the personal expression of ideas. We are committed to helping children build self-esteem. We encourage parents to work as our partners to secure the best possible education for our children.

Through the Schoolwide Enrichment Model, SEM, we hope to identify the special interests and talents of each of our students.

Principal's Statement

The school's safe and caring environment, complemented by its outstanding educational staff, provides children with the opportunity to develop their maximum potential. Children at PS 208 become lifelong readers as a result of the school's literacy program. The math and science programs stress problem-solving, critical thinking and inquiry skills. Teachers are involved in extensive professional development through on-site coaches and consultants. Parent participation in the education of their children is encouraged through workshops and special events. At P.S. 208 we have an active and involved Parent's Association.

Special Academic Programs

SCIS-3 Science/Science Lab; SEM Enrichment Clusters; Book Clubs; Authors' Day; Science Fair; Computer Lab Program; Astral Gifted Program; Jump Rope for Heart; St. Jude's Mathathon; Violin residency through Project Arts; partnership with Wycoff House, MTA Vinny Voltage, Brooklyn Botanic Gardens, CASA, Peacebuilders Program

Extracurricular Activities

Student Government; Afterschool Tutorial Program; Afterschool Enrichment Programs, Carnival; Spring Concert; Peer Leadership Program; Moveable Museum (Museum of Natural History), Saturday Test Preparation Programs, Saturday Early Childhood Program, Cultural Afterschool Adventures Program

Community Support

We had the following partnerships: Brooklyn College, NYC School Volunteers Program, Music Outreach, Wycoff House, Brooklyn Botanic Gardens, MTA Vinny Voltage, New York Aquarium Aquaravan, Brooklyn Arts Council

Parent/School Support

Participation in PTA workshops, PTA meetings and School Leadership Team meetings. Parent volunteer program-Learning Leaders, fundraising. Parent workshops offered in reading, writing, homework, parenting skills, nutrition and technology. Curriculum Night, School Newsletter, Book in the Bag, Family Science, Family ELA, Family Movie Nights

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 719 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	0		0.1
Other Crimes	0		1.7
Non- Criminal	0		2.9

Similar-Size 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	8.0	6.8	5.7
Similar schools	13.3	11.5	8.7
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
JAMAICA	1.8
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO	1.1
HAITI	1

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

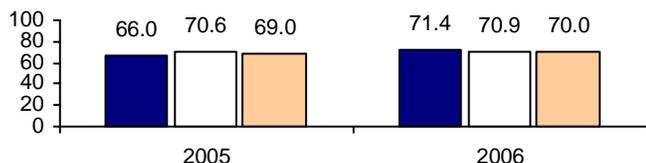
School Name	Boro	District	School Number	Leavers*	
				Number	Percent
IS 285 MEYER LEVIN	K	18	285	55	33.7
IS 232 THE WINTHROP	K	18	232	11	6.7
ANDRIES HUDDE	K	22	240	8	4.9

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

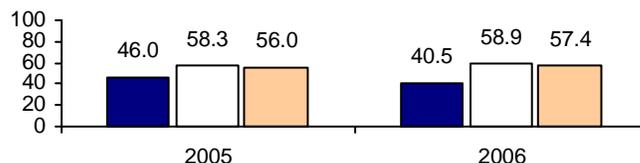
SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

TEACHERS

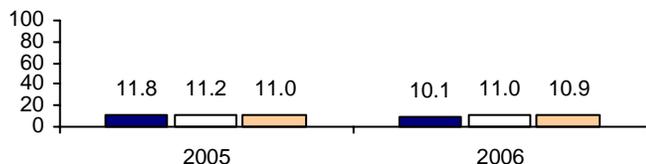
Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School



Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere



Average Days Absent



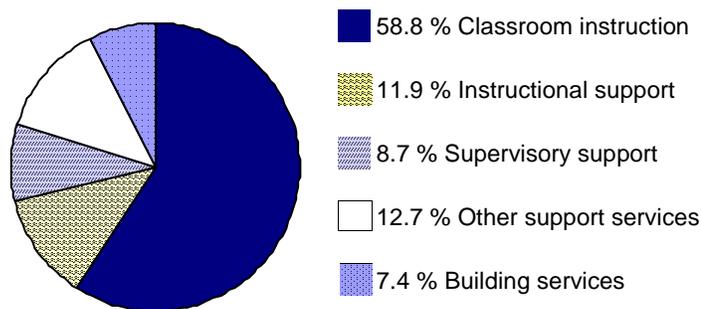
SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

Average Spending Per Student (Direct Services Only)

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$10,495	\$11,438	N/A
Similar schools	\$10,687	\$11,519	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)



0.6 % is used for District Support.

OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Capacity

Percent of utilization*	2004	2005	2006
This school	79.1	71.8	66.9
Similar schools	98.2	96.3	95.7
City schools	87.1	84.8	82.8

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