



# 2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

## Region 07

## P.S. 215

### PS 215 MORRIS H WEISS

New York City Public Schools  
Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 669

Students on May 1, 2006:

### School Mission Statement

*The faculty, parents, and students of PS 215 agree that having the highest expectations for our children is our paramount goal. We recognize that each child is different from all other children, with special needs, attitudes, interests and ways of learning. Our mission is to develop a curriculum, which will provide the strongest foundation for learning all that is necessary for citizenship, employment, and lifelong learning. This curriculum will be developed through the mutual efforts of both staff and parent involvement. "As we enter to learn, we go forth to serve our community and our world."*

### Principal's Statement

Imagine a school that allows children to build on their strengths through enrichment strategies, independent research, problem solving, science, writing, physical education, music, and art. All classrooms are print-rich and engage students in story, language and words. We have a gifted program. To promote academic success, we have implemented intervention programs such as our after school Test Ready program, Reading Recovery, Great Leaps and Wilson Reading. With the help of our Writing Coach, writing is emphasized in all grades. Author's Day is a culminating school wide event. In first grade, students learn the violin. Our band begins in grade three.

### Special Academic Programs

Balanced literacy instruction engages children in reading, writing, speaking and listening. Writer's notebooks are used by students so that they can explore and think deeply about ideas. Our new library, computer lab and iBook lab provide our students with places to do research. Our instrumental music program enhances all academic areas.

### Extracurricular Activities

We are very proud of our Kiwanis "K-Kids" Club. Students meet each week to plan activities which are dedicated to community service. We have a tennis program, a basketball team, and a cheerleading squad. In addition to this, we have a band which performs at many city and community events.

### Community Support

We have partnerships with The Kiwanis Club of Parkway East, local High Schools and Universities.

### Parent/School Support

Parent workshops are offered throughout the school year. A family room with materials for parents has been established. Parents often visit to read to our children. Our special homework planner serves a role in fostering communication between parent and teacher. The PTA and our Parent Coordinator provide parents with on-going support.

### 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](http://www.nyc.gov/daa).

# STUDENTS

## Involved In Police Department Incidents

The total enrollment in this consolidated location is 669 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	1		1.7
Non- Criminal	1		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	9.9	7.4	5.7
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
MEXICO	0.9
CHINA	0.7
HONDURAS	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

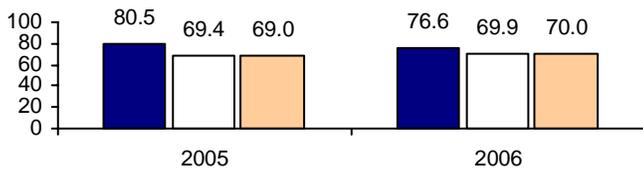
School Name	Boro	District	School Number	Leavers*	
				Number	Percent
IS 228 DAVID A BOODY	K	21	228	47	46.1
IS 239 MARK TWAIN	K	21	239	30	29.4
PS 095 THE GRAVESEND	K	21	095	2	2.0

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

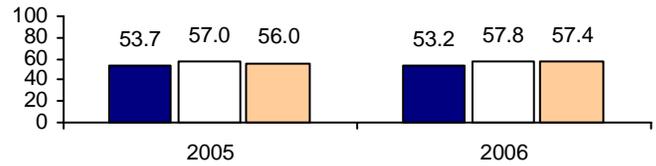
# SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

## TEACHERS

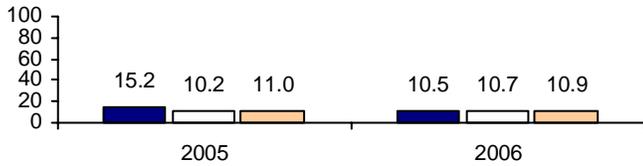
**Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School**



**Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere**



**Average Days Absent**



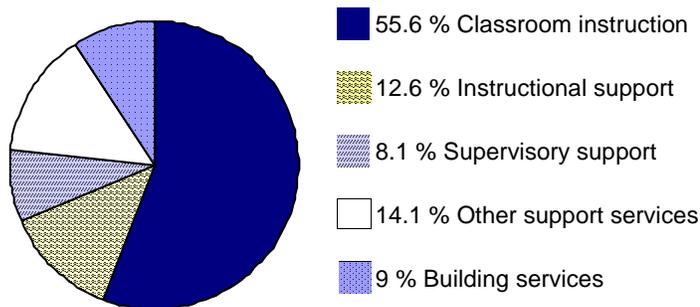
## SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

**Average Spending Per Student (Direct Services Only)**

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$9,611	\$10,949	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)**



0.6% is used for District Support.

## OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION

### School Capacity

Percent of utilization*	2004	2005	2006
This school	76.4	72.2	83.7
Similar schools	90.2	87.6	87.5
City schools	87.1	84.8	82.8

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