



# 2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

## Region 10

## M.S. 245

### MS 245M THE COMPUTER SCHOOL

New York City Public Schools

Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 293

Students on May 1, 2006:

### School Mission Statement

*THE COMPUTER SCHOOL - A VISION SHARED: Our vision derives from the sense that the defining notion and judgment of a school is what it produces. It adheres to the questions: What do we want our students to get out of their tenure here? What are they expected to know and be able to do? What kind of people do we want them to be? These questions must be answered as an ideal, and it is essential that we maintain that ideal as our vision.*

### Principal's Statement

The Computer School, one of the most sought after and highly regarded middle schools in Manhattan, features a genuinely accelerated, thoroughly interdisciplinary curriculum with a real balance among the arts, sciences, and humanities. Our ethnically, racially, and socio-economically diverse student body has full access to an extensive array of computer technology, the adventure of overnight camping and field trips, and the many arts and cultural institutions with which we have programs. We recently received from the Westside Spirit their Blackboard Award as the best middle school in Manhattan.

### Special Academic Programs

Accelerated English Language Arts, High School Regents Math, High School Regents Earth Science, Lincoln Center Institute Focus Project, Community Works/Fordham University Writing Project, The Constitution Works Moot Court, Facing History, Urban Advantage, Museum of Natural History visitations, New York Historical Society collaboration.

### Extracurricular Activities

Girls and boys basketball teams; PA sponsored after-school program including chess, dance, drama, photography, robotics, web-site development, various sports for all, and academic enrichment; skating in Central Park, jogging in Van Cortlandt; grade-wide overnight trips to Montauk, Taconic State Park, Camp Mariah, and Camp Ramapo.

### Community Support

Development of "A Long Walk to Freedom," in conjunction with Community Works, a community service agency; seventeen year Lincoln Center Institute member with Focus School designation since 1998; Teachers College and NYU student internship placement school; Fordham University Urban Teaching Fellows; Columbia University GK-12 science internship

### Parent/School Support

Parent involvement in major curricular projects such as Community Works; writing for Parents As Art Partners grants; financial support for Lincoln Center Institute programming; support of staff through PA donations of money and materials; breakfast with the principal; instrumental music; and PA sponsored thecomputerschool.org web site.

### 2006-07 School Accountability Status:

In Good Standing

### This school received Title I Funding in:

2004-05: NO; 2005-06: NO; 2006-07: NO

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

	This school	Consolidated Locations	Similar Size schools
<b>Major Crimes</b>			
Property Crimes		5	0.5
Crimes Against Persons		6	0.2
Other Crimes		9	3.0
Non- Criminal		12	5.0

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: MS 245M THE COMPUTER SCHOOL|MS 244M COLUMBUS MIDDLE SCHOOL|JHS 044 WILLIAM J O'SHEA, Similar-Sized 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	4.0	3.8	1.4
Similar schools	4.7	4.2	3.0
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
COLOMBIA	0.3
ECUADOR	0.3
JAPAN	0.3

## 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

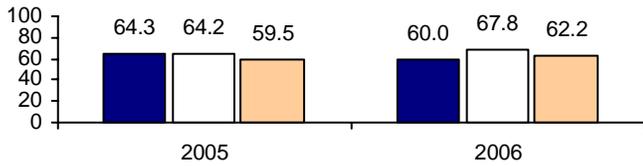
School Name	Boro	District	School Number	Leavers*	
				Number	Percent
BEACON HIGH SCHOOL	M	03	479	16	21.6
FIORIELLO H. LAGUARDIA HIG	M	03	485	8	10.8
THE FACING HISTORY SCHOO	M	02	303	7	9.5

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

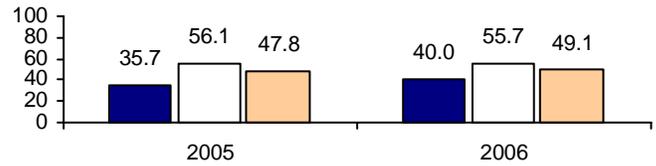
# SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

## TEACHERS

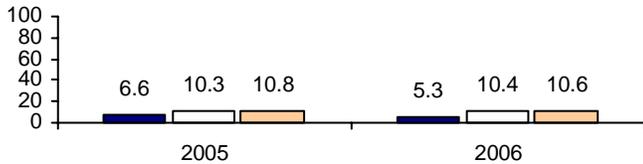
**Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School**



**Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere**



**Average Days Absent**



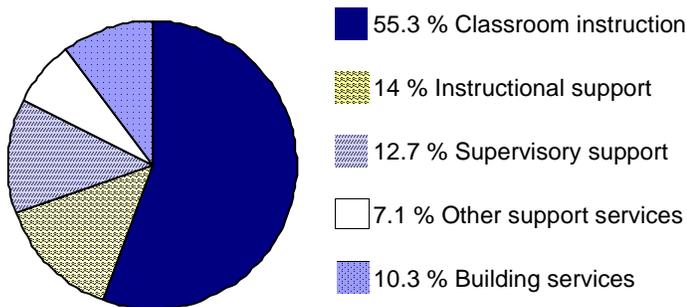
## SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

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

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$8,471	\$8,928	N/A
Similar schools	\$8,896	\$9,678	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)**



0.7 % is used for District Support.

## OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION

**School Capacity**

Percent of utilization*	2004	2005	2006
This school	130.7	128.1	102.1
Similar schools	93.0	89.7	86.9
City schools	85.8	82.4	79.9

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