



# 2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

## Region 09

## M.S. 255

### MS 255 SALK SCHOOL OF SCIENCE

New York City Public Schools

Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 334

Students on May 1, 2006:

### School Mission Statement

*Our mission is to engage students in learning that is personally meaningful, socially relevant, and environmentally responsible. We aim to help students use ideas in ways that enrich their experiences with new meanings and promote critical thinking. Students will graduate better able to solve problems by developing their knowledge about the natural and social world.*

### Principal's Statement

Established in 1995, the Salk School is a unique partnership between District 2 and the NYU School of Medicine (NYUSM), one of the nation's premier medical schools. We offer students a rigorous, hands-on science curriculum as well as a rich and varied curriculum in other subjects. Our qualified teaching staff is augmented by NYUSOM researchers and students, who see students both on-site and at NYU. Additionally, the Salk School was selected in 2006 by the Urban Advantage program as a model site for science teaching and learning. As part of the program, we work with eight cultural institutions, including the American Museum of Natural History.

### Special Academic Programs

Science taught by Salk faculty and NYU researchers and students; grade-wide science fairs and exit projects; electives program offering dance, film, technology, and more; afterschool programs offering chess, math team, sports, drama and more; advisory; overnight and day trips; art, Spanish, drama, technology, and physical education programs.

### Extracurricular Activities

Math Team; Drama; Chess; Intramural Basketball and Soccer; Track Team; Literary Magazine; Yearbook; Student Council; Book Club; Technology Club; Drawing and Painting; Homework Help; Extended Day Math and Literacy Support.

### Community Support

A strong corps of committed volunteers from NYU School of Medicine, as well as student teachers and volunteers from the graduate departments of NYU, Columbia Teachers College and Fordham University, work with our students.

### Parent/School Support

The Salk PTA is an active group of parents and extended families who support our school as volunteers in the classroom and during school functions. Active as members of the School Leadership Team, they also assist in fundraising and grant writing.

### 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 334 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		3	0.5
Crimes Against Persons		0	0.2
Other Crimes		3	3.0
Non- Criminal		2	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 255 SALK SCHOOL OF SCIENCE|PS 040 AUGUSTUS ST-GAUDENS, 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	1.8	2.5	1.8
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
RUSSIA	0.6
AUSTRALIA	0.3
CANADA	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

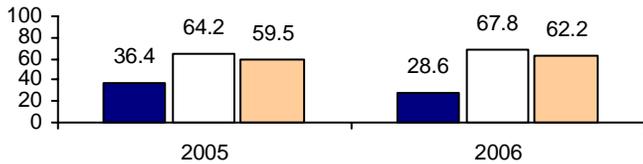
School Name	Boro	District	School Number	Leavers*	
				Number	Percent
BARUCH COLLEGE CAMPUS HI M		02	411	9	18.8
STUYVESANT HIGH SCHOOL M		02	475	8	16.7
NYC LAB SCHOOL FOR COLLA M		02	412	4	8.3

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

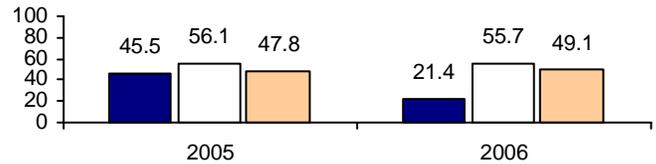
# SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

## TEACHERS

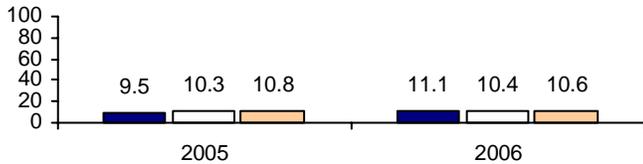
**Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School**



**Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere**



**Average Days Absent**



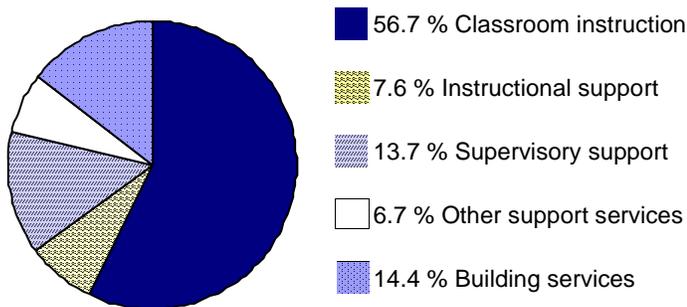
## SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

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

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$7,820	\$9,250	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)**



0.8 % is used for District Support.

## OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION

**School Capacity**

Percent of utilization*	2004	2005	2006
This school	55.4	71.8	99.7
Similar schools	93.0	89.7	86.9
City schools	85.8	82.4	79.9

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