



2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

Region 09

P.S. 290

PS 290 MANHATTAN NEW SCHOOL

New York City Public Schools

Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 695

Students on May 1, 2006:

School Mission Statement

The Manhattan New School began its 14th year this September with an enrollment of nearly 700 children. We pride ourselves at being a highly literate community. But, we also understand our responsibility to prepare students to cope with the multiple demands of an ever-changing society. As a result, our children learn within real-world contexts. Along with reading and writing, instruction in mathematics, science, social studies, technology, music and art engages young learners in meaningful explorations that develop critical thinking skills. Our students have the opportunity to investigate a range of big ideas, to ask and answer important questions, and to develop the self-management strategies that enable them to negotiate their day. We strongly believe that this process creates a commitment to lifelong learning.

Principal's Statement

The Manhattan New School community is committed to ensuring that all students benefit from a shared educational experience. This is achieved by establishing continuity of instruction both on and across grade levels. Our priority is to align best instructional practices in all curriculum areas with positive performance outcomes for all students. To do this, we will continue to develop strategies to ensure school-wide collaboration, continuity and accountability.

Special Academic Programs

Our school offers a wide range of programs to support at-risk students. These include academic programs such as Reading Recovery, literacy and math intervention, and an extensive array of social-emotional services like specialized counseling and Project Excel.

Extracurricular Activities

The Manhattan New School offers programs in art, dance, music, physical education, science, and technology. In addition, our lunch clubs and afterschool center offer additional instruction in chess, in Italian, in cooking, in sports, in journalism, in theater, in dance, and in multimedia technology.

Community Support

Partnerships with CBOs offer our students opportunities to swim, to dance, and to study instrumental music. Our children participate in a swimming program offered at Asphalt Green Aqua Center. Our chorus and band work with the Manhattan School of Music. And, our fourth-graders study with the National Dance Institute (NDI).

Parent/School Support

We have an active PTA and SLT. They sponsor events such as our annual auction, Fest with Zest, bake sales, and gift wrap sales. These help provide the funds needed to maintain our high standards and our commitment to academic excellence. Our Parent Coordinator serves as a liaison between our school, its families, and its community.

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.

STUDENTS

Involved In Police Department Incidents

The total enrollment in this consolidated location is 695 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	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	9.2	9.9	7.5
Similar schools	5.9	5.3	4.1
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	1
JAPAN	0.7
NORWAY	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

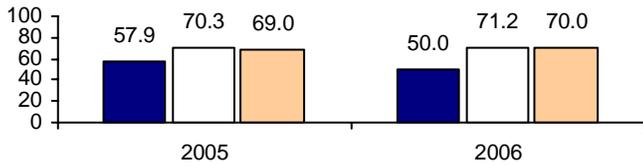
School Name	Boro	District	School Number	Leavers*	
				Number	Percent
JHS 167 ROBERT F WAGNER	M	02	167	26	30.6
EAST SIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL	M	02	114	19	22.4
SCHOOL OF THE FUTURE HIG	M	02	413	10	11.8

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

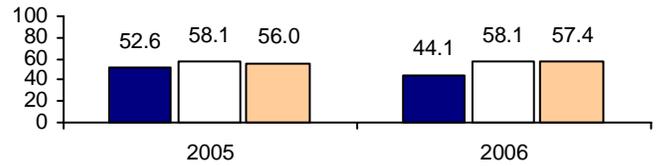
SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

TEACHERS

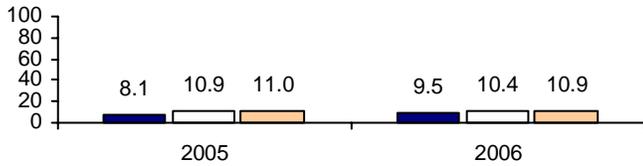
Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School



Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere



Average Days Absent



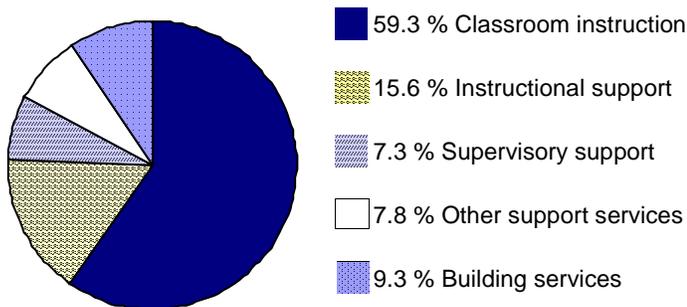
SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

Average Spending Per Student (Direct Services Only)

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$8,079	\$9,406	N/A
Similar schools	\$10,174	\$10,911	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	130.3	123.6	148.2
Similar schools	92.5	90.4	87.6
City schools	87.1	84.8	82.8

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