



# 2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

## Region 04

## I.S. 235

### ACADEMY FOR NEW AMERICANS

New York City Public Schools

Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 169

Students on May 1, 2006:

#### School Mission Statement

*I.S. 235, the Academy for New Americans in Community School District 30, Region 4, provides a programmatic option designed to assist newly arrived immigrant adolescent students and their families to successfully adapt to their new environment and to cope effectively with the many challenges that accompany immigration to New York City. The Academy provides an excellent array of educational, counseling and human services on a transitional basis to help meet the linguistic, instructional, and other needs of its students and their families.*

#### Principal's Statement

I.S. 235, Academy for New Americans, is a unique school in Region 4 designed to acclimate newly arrived immigrant students and their families to the New York City public school system. Our open enrollment policy makes it possible for us to accept new arrivals throughout the school year. Students attend no more than one school year. The Academy serves as a "bridge" from their native countries to their zoned schools. We emphasize English Language Acquisition, family and student support services and acculturation to American society. As a result, the majority of students achieve mandated gains in English Language Skills.

#### Special Academic Programs

Extensive E.S.L. instruction, mathematics, social studies, science, family living, art, music, physical education, computer education and content area instruction in the native language. Activities: Science Lab experiments, current events, thematic units, literacy in content areas, book-writing, Annual International Night Celebration.

#### Extracurricular Activities

After-school Math, Reading, and E.S.L. Program. The Saturday Academy for S.I.F.E. students provides assistance in ESL, Literacy, and Math. In nearby schools, our seventh grade students tutor elementary students in the Peer Tutoring Program. Extracurricular activities include drama, guitar, art, sewing, soccer, basketball and gardening classes.

#### Community Support

In collaboration with NICE (New Immigrants For Community Empowerment), and the Leadership Project, we offer student enrichment and parent outreach. We work closely with Western Queens Community Hospital, Western Queens Consultation and Pediatric Centers in Queens.

#### Parent/School Support

Computer and E.S.L. classes for parents. Parents are encouraged to attend monthly workshops and meetings. Discussions focus on assessment, standards and helping students build skills as readers/writers. P.A. provides support through volunteer services in school's activities. Leadership Programs provides parent workshops on important issues.

#### 2006-07 School Accountability Status:

In Corrective Action

#### 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 169 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	0.5
Crimes Against Persons		0	0.2
Other Crimes		1	3.0
Non- Criminal		0	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: P.S. 234|ACADEMY FOR NEW AMERICANS, 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	91.8	93.4	88.8
Similar schools	11.4	10.8	9.8
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
ECUADOR	17.2
MEXICO	11.2
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	8.9

## 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

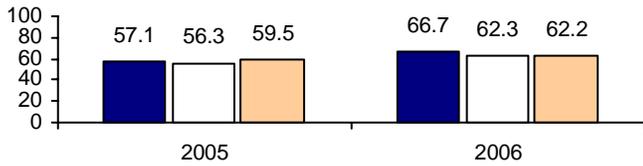
School Name	Boro	District	School Number	Leavers*	
				Number	Percent
IS 145 JOSEPH PULITZER	Q	30	145	29	15.8
IS 010 HORACE GREELEY	Q	30	010	21	11.5
IS 204 OLIVER W HOLMES	Q	30	204	18	9.8

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

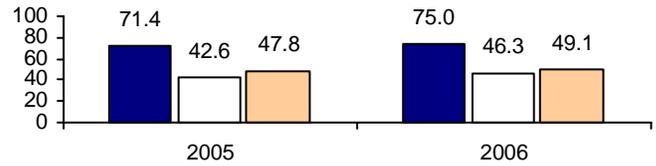
# SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

## TEACHERS

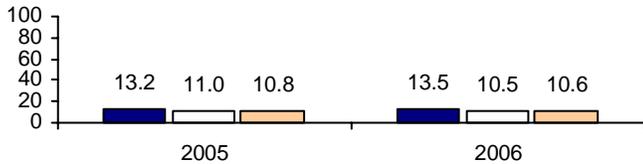
**Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School**



**Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere**



**Average Days Absent**



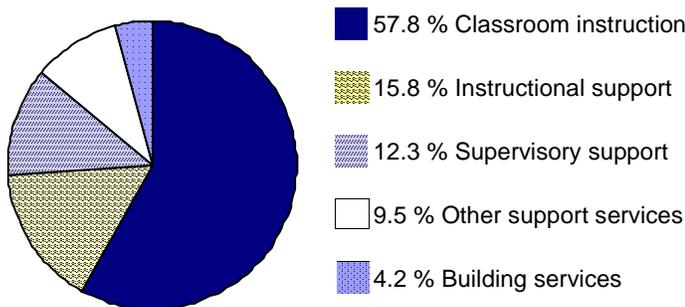
## SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

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

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$11,808	\$15,565	N/A
Similar schools	\$11,669	\$13,157	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)**



0.4 % is used for District Support.

## OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION

**School Capacity**

Percent of utilization*	2004	2005	2006
This school	58.0	49.4	53.7
Similar schools	79.1	71.9	68.1
City schools	85.8	82.4	79.9

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