



2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

Region 03

H.S. 494

LAW, GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICE HIGH SCHOOL

New York City Public Schools

Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 505

Students on May 1, 2006:

School Mission Statement

The mission of the Law, Government & Community Service High School is to provide a learning environment that supports all student learners, including students with special needs and from different cultures and backgrounds to enable them to meet and exceed the state performance standards for excellence. The guiding principles to achieve the mission goals include: Open lines of communication between all Law constituents; a Safe and Clean Learning Environment; Parent and Student Involvement; High Standards of Achievement in Academic Classes and ongoing Professional Development.

Principal's Statement

We offer a small school setting focusing on academic excellence, leadership and citizenship skills to prepare students for careers in law and other public service fields. Themes of Law, Government & Community Service are infused in the curriculum. Students interested in a law related educational program must apply through the "Ed-Option" process. The selection is based on: academic achievement, test scores and attendance. Students are engaged in a challenging curriculum which leads to college admission and careers in law and public service. Students who complete 200 hours of Community Service Learning receive an annotated diploma at graduation.

Special Academic Programs

Themes of Law, Government & Community Service are infused throughout the curricula. Specialized courses include: Family, Civil, Criminal, Constitutional & Environmental Law, African-American Studies and Forensics. Advanced Placement English, U.S. Government and Science classes are offered, as well as, Honors English and Social Studies.

Extracurricular Activities

Teams include: Varsity Basketball, Football & Track; Intramural Sports; as well as, Tennis, Bowling, Swimming and other seasonal sports. Academic organizations include: Student/Senior Council; School News Magazine; Yearbook, Mock Trial, Moot Court, Model Congress, Model U.N., Lincoln-Douglas Debate and the FDNY Explorers.

Community Support

Partnerships include Law Firms, Federal Probation Department, NYS Courts & Judges, CUNY Law School, Brooklyn Law School, Hofstra Univ., Queens College, St. John's Univ., NYC Corrections Dept, NYC Fire Department, Intrepid Sails Program and New York City Police Department Outreach - 105th Precinct.

Parent/School Support

The Parent Coordinator, Parent Teacher Association and School Leadership Team coordinate evening parent workshops for college planning, career counseling, & parenting. They support school wide activities and are active members of the Campus Advisory Board Committee. A Parent Conference Center is available for parents to meet and plan events.



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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 505 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	1.6
Crimes Against Persons		6	2.6
Other Crimes		33	18.5
Non- Criminal		69	45.6

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: BUSINESS, COMPUTER APPLICATIONS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP|HUMANITIES & ARTS MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL|MATHEMATICS, SCIENCE RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL|LAW, GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICE HIGH SCHOOL, Similar-Sized Schools include all schools and consolidated locations with enrollments of 2001-2500 students

<http://schools.nyc.gov/ourschools/schoolsafety.htm>

Recent Immigrants*

Percent of enrollment	2004	2005	2006
This school	3.9	4.8	3.4
Similar schools	9.5	8.1	5.9
City schools	11.6	9.8	7.6

* 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
JAMAICA	1
HAITI	0.8
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO	0.8

Profile of Entering Ninth and Tenth Graders*

Characteristics	This School	Similar Schools	City Schools
	Percent	Percent	Percent
Gender Male	36.4	49.7	50.5
Gender Female	63.6	50.3	49.5
Part-time Special Education	3.3	6.5	5.8
Full-time Special Education	6.6	5.1	5.2
ELL	0.7	9.5	12.8
Over-age for grade	25.2	26.5	29.9
Percent eligible for free lunch	25.2	26.5	29.9
Avg. daily attend. during prior sem.	90.2	90.1	89.8
Percent meeting standard in:			
ELA (tested only)	26	30.3	32.7
Mathematics (tested only)	33.8	39.7	40.8

* 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

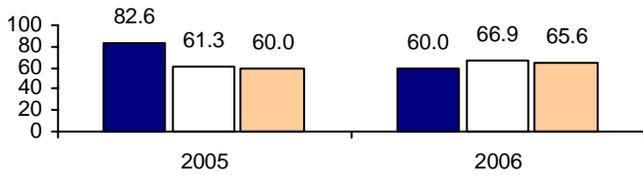
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			School Number	Percent

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

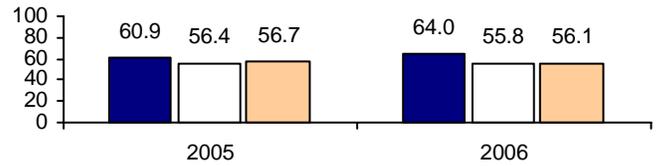
SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

TEACHERS

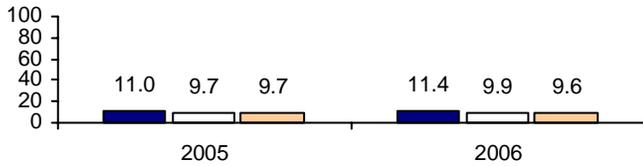
Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School



Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere



Average Days Absent



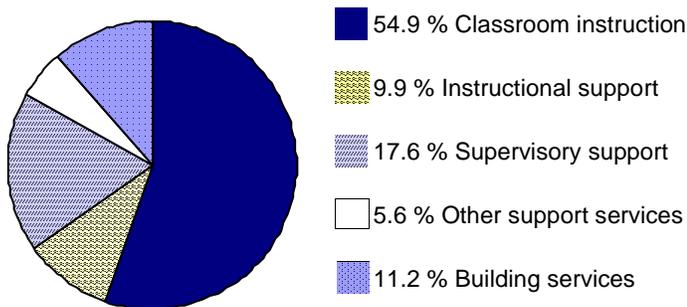
SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

Average Spending Per Student (Direct Services Only)

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$8,720	\$9,640	N/A
Similar schools	\$10,584	\$10,761	N/A
City schools	\$11,138	\$11,607	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	112.4	95.4	105.9
Similar schools	116.3	113.2	111.3
City schools	106.0	106.4	103.5

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

PERFORMANCE OF ALL STUDENTS ON REGENTS EXAMINATIONS

	2004-2005				2005-2006			
	Number	55 - 100	65 - 100	85 - 100	Number	55 - 100	65 - 100	85 - 100
	Tested	Percent	Percent	Percent	Tested	Percent	Percent	Percent
ENGLISH								
This School	85	88.2	81.2	22.4	114	88.6	72.8	21.9
Similar Schools	14182	84.5	70.4	16.0	16707	82.2	69.2	15.9
City Schools	63738	78.1	61.6	16.6	70344	77.6	62.9	16.6
MATH A								
This School	166	89.8	65.1	9.0	128	85.2	56.3	7.8
Similar Schools	17486	87.6	70.5	13.5	19092	87.5	70.0	13.2
City Schools	74616	81.2	61.0	13.6	76930	83.1	62.3	13.9
MATH B								
This School					21	52.4	14.3	0.0
Similar Schools	4387	66.0	52.1	9.7	5112	66.2	50.9	9.3
City Schools	18163	70.4	58.5	16.3	21205	68.9	56.4	15.5
CHEMISTRY								
This School	55	96.4	63.6	1.8	53	90.6	64.2	9.4
Similar Schools	5791	77.5	50.3	4.7	5848	78.0	51.8	6.2
City Schools	23988	77.5	55.9	10.5	24062	79.3	58.0	13.1
LIVING ENVIRONMENT								
This School	102	83.3	62.7	4.9	143	83.2	58.7	2.8
Similar Schools	15327	77.2	59.8	7.1	17800	78.9	59.9	6.6
City Schools	62307	72.7	55.2	10.6	65322	76.0	56.5	9.7
GLOBAL HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY								
This School	136	60.3	43.4	3.7	71	49.3	40.8	0.0
Similar Schools	17557	75.2	58.7	15.2	20047	71.7	55.0	16.1
City Schools	73666	68.8	51.1	15.3	77999	66.6	49.4	16.5
U.S. HISTORY AND GOVERNMENT								
This School	103	72.8	65.0	18.4	191	70.2	59.2	13.6
Similar Schools	14542	81.3	68.8	26.1	16603	83.1	69.5	29.2
City Schools	60352	76.4	61.9	25.6	65271	79.8	64.0	27.7
LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH								
This School	38	100.0	100.0	57.9	17	100.0	100.0	41.2
Similar Schools	5678	98.6	96.7	63.3	5412	98.4	96.7	66.7
City Schools	22273	98.1	96.3	66.7	21600	98.2	96.2	67.4

These data are based on all students, including General Education and Special Education students, regardless of services received.

OTHER INDICATORS

SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST (SAT) IN 2005-2006

Percent of 11th and 12th graders taking SAT

	This School	Similar Schools	City Schools
11th and 12th grade enrollment	146	24166	100890
Percent taking SAT	30.8	39.4	36.1

Average SAT Scores*

SAT Section	This School	Similar Schools	City Schools
Verbal	426	426	444
Mathematics	412	433	467

* Scores on each segment of this test range from 200 to 800.

STUDENT PLANS AFTER GRADUATION

Post-high school plans of the 2006 graduates*

	This School Percent	Similar Schools Percent	City Schools Percent
4-Year college	4.6	50.7	44.3
2-Year college	4.6	14.9	16.2
Employment	0	3.3	3.3
Military services	0	1.1	0.9
Other	90.8	30	35.2

** Data are not reported if the total number of 2006 graduates are less than 20.

* These are student reports, which do not include IEP diplomas or local certificates.