



2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

Region 07

H.S. 450

CURTIS HIGH SCHOOL

New York City Public Schools

Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 2,707

Students on May 1, 2006:

School Mission Statement

"Curtis High School will be a nurturing community where all of its members will have the desire and opportunity to Achieve Their Fullest Potential." This mission remains as true today as it was when parents, staff and students created the statement over fifteen years ago! We are committed to meeting the needs of all learners who come through our doors. Simply stated, "Curtis Cares".

Principal's Statement

Curtis is a comprehensive academic school consisting of 10 small learning communities (SLC) designed to meet the needs of the diverse student body. The strength and success of our school can be attributed in large part to these SLCs. Each SLC has unique electives that students take each term beginning in the freshman year. All students pursue rigorous academic curricula that prepare them to be competitive in the college application process. Extracurricular activities and community service are significant assets in the total development of our students. Our success lies in a daily commitment by all of our members to fulfill our mission statement.

Special Academic Programs

International Baccalaureate (IB)/Scholarship program with accelerated curriculum, IB and advanced placement (AP) courses; magnet programs in Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN), Medical Technology, NJROTC, Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Business & Computers Technology, Human & Legal Studies, Journalism Institute and School for International Studies.

Extracurricular Activities

CHS has 43 varsity and junior varsity teams, a Robotics Team, National Honor Society, Chess Club, Black and Hispanic Awareness Clubs, Moot Court, Drama, Jazz Band, Orchestra, Dance, Symphonic Band, The Log (newspaper), The Crosswinds (yearbook), Math Team, Criminal Law and Justice Mentoring Program, Peer Mediation and Conflict Resolution Programs.

Community Support

Partnerships with Mix FM 102.7, O'Melveny & Myers Law Firm, Liberty Partnership Mentoring Program (CSI), Discovery Institute (CSI), Federal Reserve Bank Mentoring Program, Brooklyn Polytechnic University Center for Youth in Engineering and Science, Curtis HS Career Connections, Seaview and S.I. University Hospitals and Global Ambassadors.

Parent/School Support

Parents collaborate with the school's administration and its staff through: the Parent Coordinator, monthly PTA meetings, PTA newsletters, School Leadership Team meetings, Principal's Consultative Council, Health Fair, HIV Aids Team, the Football, Track & Performing Arts Parents Clubs.



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2006-07 School Accountability Status:

In Need of Improvement - Year 1

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.

STUDENTS

Involved In Police Department Incidents

The total enrollment in this consolidated location is 2707 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		2.1
Crimes Against Persons	3		2.4
Other Crimes	21		18.0
Non- Criminal	47		64.4

Similar-Size Schools include all schools and consolidated locations with enrollments of 2501-3000 students.

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

Recent Immigrants*

Percent of enrollment	2004	2005	2006
This school	8.1	7.0	4.9
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
MEXICO	0.6
LIBERIA	0.5
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	0.3

Profile of Entering Ninth and Tenth Graders*

Characteristics	This School	Similar Schools	City Schools
	Percent	Percent	Percent
Gender Male	46.9	49.7	50.5
Gender Female	53.1	50.3	49.5
Part-time Special Education	5.8	6.5	5.8
Full-time Special Education	6.8	5.1	5.2
ELL	7.3	9.5	12.8
Over-age for grade	18.9	26.5	29.9
Percent eligible for free lunch	18.9	26.5	29.9
Avg. daily attend. during prior sem.	90	90.1	89.8
Percent meeting standard in:			
ELA (tested only)	32.8	30.3	32.7
Mathematics (tested only)	34.6	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

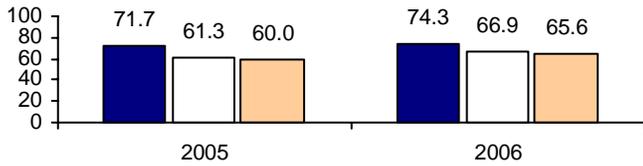
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			School Number	Percent

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

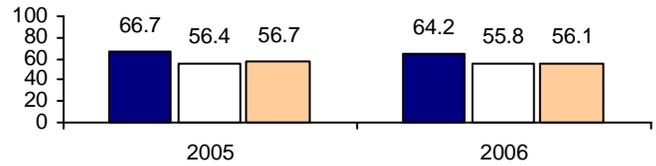
SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

TEACHERS

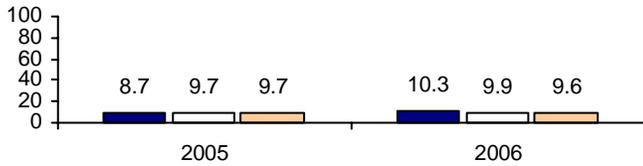
Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School



Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere



Average Days Absent



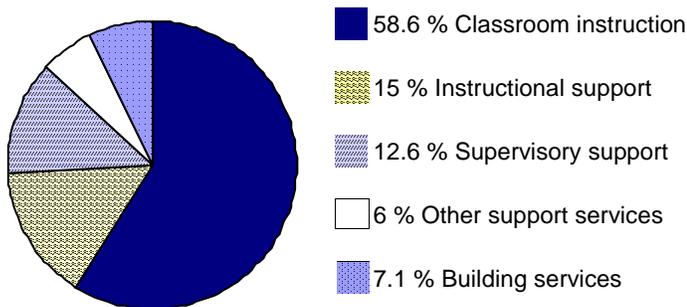
SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

Average Spending Per Student (Direct Services Only)

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$9,379	\$10,059	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	157.9	149.3	148.6
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	619	89.3	80.5	27.6	671	86.7	78.8	21.5
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	636	92.1	80.7	18.4	670	90.3	74.5	10.9
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	180	80.6	63.3	5.0	262	70.6	50.0	6.9
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	301	81.4	62.1	3.7	286	81.5	55.6	7.0
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	804	70.6	56.1	7.0	767	78.1	62.7	7.8
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	760	77.5	61.1	20.3	666	75.8	59.6	24.0
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	540	88.5	75.4	38.7	600	89.5	78.2	45.7
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	264	98.9	96.2	50.8	220	99.5	98.2	56.4
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	932	24166	100890
Percent taking SAT	48.1	39.4	36.1

Average SAT Scores*

SAT Section	This School	Similar Schools	City Schools
Verbal	445	426	444
Mathematics	445	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	Similar Schools	City Schools
	Percent	Percent	Percent
4-Year college	0	50.7	44.3
2-Year college	0.2	14.9	16.2
Employment	0	3.3	3.3
Military services	0	1.1	0.9
Other	99.8	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.