



2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

Region 01

P.S. 81

PS 081 ROBERT J. CHRISTEN

New York City Public Schools

Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 624

Students on May 1, 2006:

School Mission Statement

P.S. 81, The Robert J. Christen School, is a school of excellence. Our vision is to maintain a safe and nurturing child centered learning atmosphere. We focus on implementing educational programs that promote a high standard of performance, and a love of learning that will contribute to the growth of well adjusted children. Our philosophy is to treat children as individuals. We provide a variety of strategies to meet the needs of each child, from those who exceed the standards to those children in need of continuing support services. We celebrate our cultural and ethnic diversity. As a community, we strive to create an atmosphere of tolerance that will be a foundation for our children's future lives. Working in partnerships with our children, staff, parents and community, our educational program prepares our children to be productive, literate members of their community and our democratic society.

Principal's Statement

We are an exceptional school priding itself on communal respect, promoting students independence, scholarship and excellence. Ranked as one of the top 100 schools in NYC, our "mini United Nations" is home to a diverse student body. Our educational plan promotes student active engagement in their learning, student critical thinking across all subjects and provides enrichment opportunities as well as tutoring programs for students in need of support. Our Professional Learning Community is comprised of highly qualified and experienced staff. The richness our school parent-partnership brings to us, is a crucial component to the success of our school.

Special Academic Programs

Our students' critical learning skills are enhanced by the infusion of the special programs into our curriculum. Students participate in writers' workshop, book clubs, math-a-thons, science inquiry, residencies in the arts, instrumental music, performances, a computer lab and visit our well stocked library. Our goal is to foster a love of learning.

Extracurricular Activities

We have a Debate Team, two intergenerational programs, big brother/sister, and student government. We have a fifth grade sports program, a Saturday Enrichment Program and many of our students are involved in local community events and activities.

Community Support

Our collaboration with Learner Centered Initiatives helps to focus our instructional plan on high expectations and critical thinking.

Other partnerships include: Manhattan College, The College of Mt. St. Vincent, Lincoln Center, The American Globe Theater, Music Outreach, Project Leap, Isadore Duncan and Henry Street Settlement.

Parent/School Support

Our parent/school partnership is very effective. Our SLT plays a major role in our school. Principal liaison serves as a forum for parents to share ideas and voice concerns. Parents conduct book fairs, produce a newsletter and calendar. The parents' talent show, children's show and international dinner are some of our culminating 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 624 students. Please keep this number in mind as you review the numbers of incidents.

This school	Consolidated Locations	Similar Size schools
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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	9.8	9.3	9.6
Similar schools	7.2	6.4	5.0
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
RUSSIA	3
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	1.3
KOREA, SOUTH	0.6

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

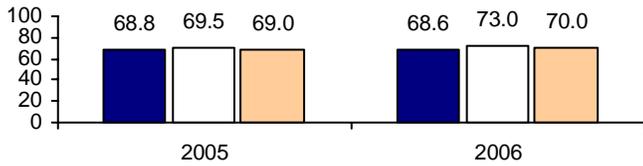
School Name	Boro	District	School Number	Leavers*	
				Number	Percent
RIVERDALE/KINGSBRIDGE AC X	10	10	141	60	63.8
MS 224 MANHATTAN E.SCHOO M	04	04	224	7	7.4
IN-TECH ACADEMY (MS/HS 368 X	10	10	368	4	4.3

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

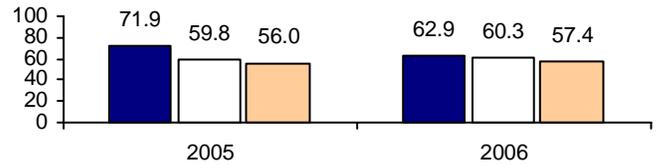
SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

TEACHERS

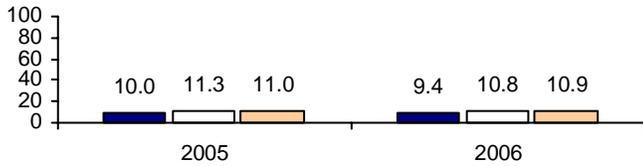
Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School



Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere



Average Days Absent



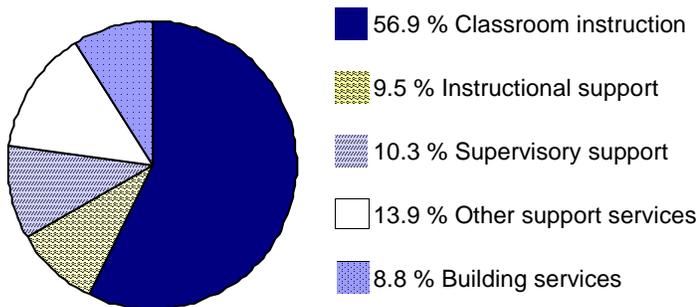
SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

Average Spending Per Student (Direct Services Only)

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$12,376	\$11,947	N/A
Similar schools	\$11,034	\$11,836	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)



0.5 % is used for District Support.

OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Capacity

Percent of utilization*	2004	2005	2006
This school	102.0	102.0	100.0
Similar schools	91.5	89.9	87.2
City schools	87.1	84.8	82.8

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