



2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

Region 02

H.S. 455

HARRY S TRUMAN HIGH SCHOOL

New York City Public Schools

Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 3,364

Students on May 1, 2006:

School Mission Statement

Harry S Truman High School is devoted to providing all students with a quality education through successful and effective teaching strategies. Learning is the number one priority for our students and our staff. We feel the best method of educating the students is by continually developing our teachers with the most current and proven teaching strategies available. Truman is committed to a progressive program of academics, arts and athletics. Our highly specialized programs, i.e., Culinary, Law, Engineering, Television Production/Media, Computer Technology/Entrepreneurship, JROTC and Health Professions ensure that learning occurs not only in the traditional academic disciplines but also in career-preparation courses. In addition, we are continually enhancing the role of technology in the classrooms in an effort to better prepare our students for life in the 21st century. It is the goal of everyone at Truman to challenge our students to be the best they can be.

Principal's Statement

Truman is a specialized school devoted to providing all students with a quality education through academic rigor as well as real-world experiences. We strive to develop the diverse talents and interests of our students through our highly specialized programs. Our state-of-the-art facilities ensure that students receive the preparation necessary to pursue their studies at higher institutions of learning as well as assist in preparing them for careers of their choice. Students are offered a remarkable educational experience in terms of a challenging academic program coupled with opportunities to participate in a wide range of extracurricular activities.

Special Academic Programs

Our state-of-the-art facilities (Planetarium, Law Library, Courtroom, TV studio, Weather Station, Fitness Center, Computer Laboratories and Kitchen) support our seven highly specialized programs: Culinary Arts, Law, Engineering, Television Production Media, Computer Technology Entrepreneurship, JROTC and Health Professions.

Extracurricular Activities

Truman offers the following activities/clubs: all Intramural Sports, Band, Building with Books, Dance, Art, Cheerleading, STEP, Chorus, Drama, Film Society, Law Team, LEGO Robotics, Literary Magazine, Multicultural, National Honor Society, School Newspaper, Poetry, Anime, Sports & Arts Program, Student Government and Yearbook.

Community Support

We are fortunate to have support from the following organizations: Brown University; Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT); Hunter College; Lehman College; Fried & Frank, Attorneys at Law; Inside Broadway; Alvin Ailey Dance Company; The Institute for Musical Arts, Inc.; The Sports and Arts Foundation; and The Grammy Foundation for Schools.

Parent/School Support

The Parents Association maintains an active parent resource center, sponsors fundraising events, assists in the Annual Family Day Celebration, and organizes political action campaigns to improve the quality of education in New York City. Truman's Parent Coordinator regularly holds parent workshops to actively engage parents school activities.

2006-07 School Accountability Status:

Requiring Academic Progress - Year 3

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 3391 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		1	1.5
Crimes Against Persons		8	3.2
Other Crimes		36	20.1
Non- Criminal		203	54.8

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: BRONX HEALTH SCIENCES HIGH SCHOOL|HARRY S TRUMAN HIGH SCHOOL, Similar-Sized Schools include all schools and consolidated locations with enrollments of 3001-4000 students

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

Recent Immigrants*

Percent of enrollment	2004	2005	2006
This school	9.3	9.0	6.5
Similar schools	13.4	11.1	8.5
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	3.6
GHANA	0.4
GUYANA	0.4

Profile of Entering Ninth and Tenth Graders*

Characteristics	This School	Similar Schools	City Schools
	Percent	Percent	Percent
Gender			
Male	59.6	52.7	50.5
Female	40.4	47.3	49.5
Part-time Special Education	8	7.1	5.8
Full-time Special Education	15.6	7.1	5.2
ELL	7	13.7	12.8
Over-age for grade	48.5	38.1	29.9
Percent eligible for free lunch	48.5	38.1	29.9
Avg. daily attend. during prior sem.	84.9	87.8	89.8
Percent meeting standard in:			
ELA (tested only)	10	17.2	32.7
Mathematics (tested only)	16.4	25.3	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

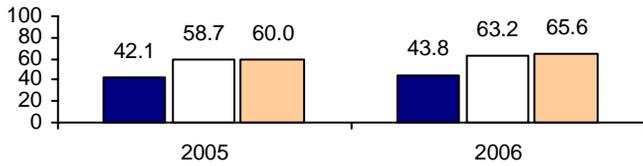
School Name	Boro	District	Leavers*	
			School Number	Percent

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

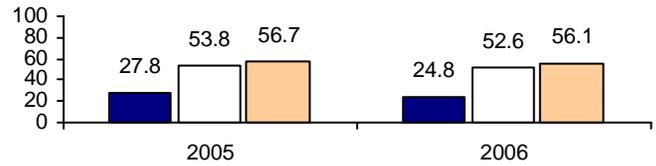
SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

TEACHERS

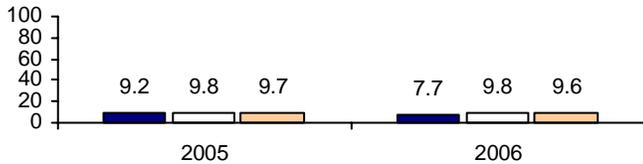
Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School



Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere



Average Days Absent



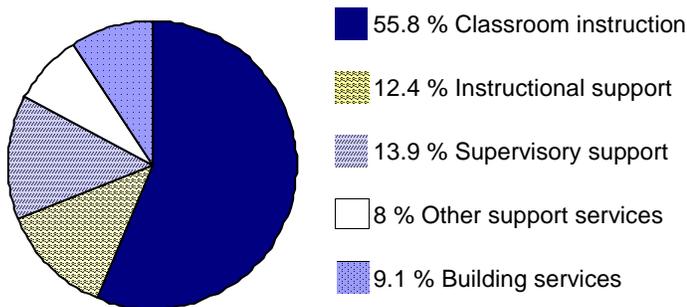
SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

Average Spending Per Student (Direct Services Only)

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$7,937	\$8,752	N/A
Similar schools	\$10,651	\$11,055	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)



0.8 % is used for District Support.

OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Capacity

Percent of utilization*	2004	2005	2006
This school	70.5	92.6	99.8
Similar schools	100.7	102.2	96.8
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	1100	53.0	31.6	2.5	1149	62.8	49.6	3.3
Similar Schools	21585	71.3	50.5	8.1	24495	70.9	52.7	8.5
City Schools	63738	78.1	61.6	16.6	70344	77.6	62.9	16.6
MATH A								
This School	874	55.5	29.4	0.9	955	78.0	51.6	2.8
Similar Schools	26130	74.9	49.3	5.1	27815	77.4	50.6	4.8
City Schools	74616	81.2	61.0	13.6	76930	83.1	62.3	13.9
MATH B								
This School	65	27.7	16.9	0.0	89	39.3	25.8	1.1
Similar Schools	3146	55.0	41.6	8.6	4042	52.7	39.0	7.5
City Schools	18163	70.4	58.5	16.3	21205	68.9	56.4	15.5
CHEMISTRY								
This School	234	57.7	24.8	0.4	142	76.8	53.5	2.8
Similar Schools	5679	59.9	34.4	3.3	5133	60.8	35.1	3.8
City Schools	23988	77.5	55.9	10.5	24062	79.3	58.0	13.1
LIVING ENVIRONMENT								
This School	785	61.9	41.8	1.9	732	63.5	37.7	1.5
Similar Schools	20061	63.9	41.8	2.8	21169	67.3	42.9	2.6
City Schools	62307	72.7	55.2	10.6	65322	76.0	56.5	9.7
GLOBAL HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY								
This School	991	44.2	28.9	1.9	1006	51.4	33.5	3.7
Similar Schools	24901	59.8	38.8	6.5	27371	55.6	36.1	7.0
City Schools	73666	68.8	51.1	15.3	77999	66.6	49.4	16.5
U.S. HISTORY AND GOVERNMENT								
This School	582	57.6	41.2	6.4	679	69.1	46.7	6.9
Similar Schools	18654	67.9	49.5	13.8	21232	73.2	53.3	15.1
City Schools	60352	76.4	61.9	25.6	65271	79.8	64.0	27.7
LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH								
This School	172	98.3	97.7	59.3	88	95.5	88.6	50.0
Similar Schools	4973	97.0	94.0	63.0	4777	96.9	93.7	64.7
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	764	27984	100890
Percent taking SAT	40.8	33.6	36.1

Average SAT Scores*

SAT Section	This School	Similar Schools	City Schools
Verbal	411	391	444
Mathematics	406	396	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	52.5	36.9	44.3
2-Year college	23.9	17.6	16.2
Employment	3.4	4.5	3.3
Military services	0.5	1.4	0.9
Other	19.7	39.6	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.