



2005-06 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT SUPPLEMENT

Region 02

H.S. 550X

HIGH SCHOOL OF WORLD CULTURES

New York City Public Schools

Joel I. Klein, Chancellor

Grade Levels:

Students on Oct. 31, 2005: 373

Students on May 1, 2006:

School Mission Statement

Our mission is to create life-long learners who possess the skills, confidence and knowledge to meet the challenges of our changing society. We believe education is essential to success regardless of age, sex, and ethnic backgrounds. Our students will be in a safe and healthy environment guided along by teachers to become responsible and well adjusted citizens. Teachers will be trained to develop their fundamental skills that allow individual creativity to ensure that all students will work not only to meet high standards, but also to exceed and maintain them. High standards will be maintained in an atmosphere where every student will have an equal opportunity based on individual performance and high expectations. Lastly, our cornerstone will be to raise a high level of instruction, to expand community outreach, to improve partnership with colleges & universities and increase parental involvement.

Principal's Statement

High School of World Cultures is a school for new comers students. We currently have 398 students, and 99% are English Language Learners. More than 90% of the students are Latinos and 10% are from all over the world. Our instructional program includes the basic subject areas for 9th to 12th grades. We have a free-standing English as a Second Language (ESL) program and a Bilingual-Spanish Program from 10-12. Our goal is to increase the number of graduates each year; from 45 in 2005 to more than 50 in 2006.

Special Academic Programs

English Language Arts Program; ESL classes; Computer-Assisted Instruction; PM School Courses; Saturday Regents Preparatory Academy; Leadership Class; Extended Day After School Program; and Holiday School.

Extracurricular Activities

Varsity Sports: "A" Division Baseball, Basketball, Volleyball, Swimming, Track & Field, Soccer and Softball; National Honor Society; Student Council; Student Advisory Committee, Field Trips; and Mission Society After School Program.

Community Support

Mission Society of New York Partnership: an After School program that enhance academic instruction and Help to acquaint the New Comers students to American Cultures

Parent/School Support

HSWC School Leadership Team; HSWC Parent Association Monthly Meetings; GED/ESL and Computer Skills Classes for Adults; HSWC Family Support Team.



2006-07 School Accountability Status:

Planning for Restructuring

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 373 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		3	2.6
Other Crimes		29	18.5
Non-Criminal		38	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: MONROE ACADEMY FOR VISUAL ARTS|HIGH SCHOOL OF WORLD CULTURES|BRONX COALITION COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL|BRONX LITTLE SCHOOL|MONROE ACADEMY FOR BUSINESS/LAW, 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	78.9	68.5	68.1
Similar schools	18.6	17.2	16.1
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
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	38.3
HONDURAS	5.6
MEXICO	5.4

Profile of Entering Ninth and Tenth Graders*

Characteristics	This School	Similar Schools	City Schools
	Percent	Percent	Percent
Gender Male	53.6	52.6	50.5
Gender Female	46.4	47.4	49.5
Part-time Special Education	0.8	4.8	5.8
Full-time Special Education	0	7.1	5.2
ELL	92	31.8	12.8
Over-age for grade	80	44.1	29.9
Percent eligible for free lunch	80	44.1	29.9
Avg. daily attend. during prior sem.	95.3	87.3	89.8
Percent meeting standard in:			
ELA (tested only)	0	14.8	32.7
Mathematics (tested only)	50	22.5	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

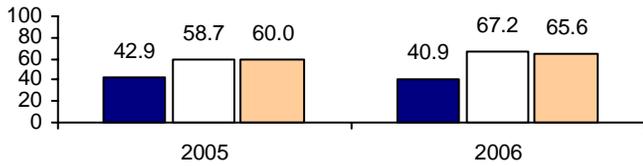
School Name	Boro	District	Leavers*	
			School Number	Percent

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

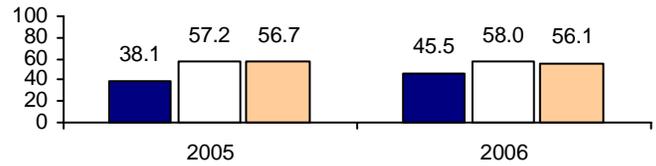
SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

TEACHERS

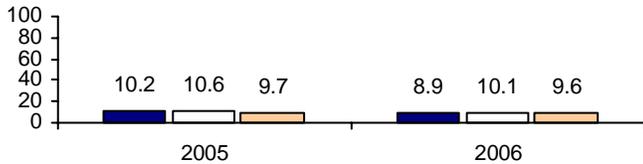
Percent More Than Two Years Teaching in This School



Percent More Than Five Years Teaching Anywhere



Average Days Absent



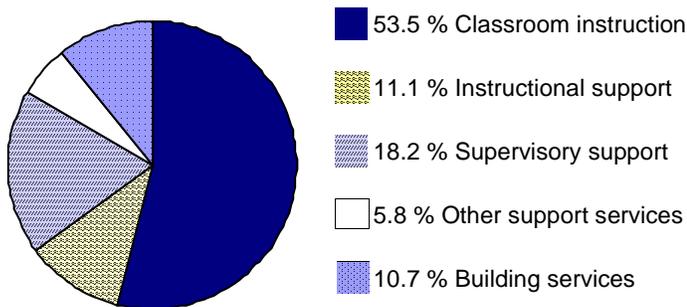
SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

Average Spending Per Student (Direct Services Only)

	2004	2005	2006
This school	\$9,394	\$11,101	N/A
Similar schools	\$12,305	\$13,341	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	117.3	122.7	115.5
Similar schools	112.6	111.4	100.6
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	121	28.9	15.7	0.0	186	39.8	22.0	1.1
Similar Schools	9697	65.0	43.4	5.6	10106	64.8	44.3	4.9
City Schools	63738	78.1	61.6	16.6	70344	77.6	62.9	16.6
MATH A								
This School	184	50.5	29.3	3.8	154	70.8	37.7	2.6
Similar Schools	11806	73.8	49.1	5.9	11040	76.6	50.8	6.4
City Schools	74616	81.2	61.0	13.6	76930	83.1	62.3	13.9
MATH B								
This School								
Similar Schools	1381	45.3	31.6	6.4	1646	48.5	35.8	7.9
City Schools	18163	70.4	58.5	16.3	21205	68.9	56.4	15.5
CHEMISTRY								
This School	19	15.8	10.5	0.0	1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Similar Schools	1506	54.5	29.6	3.3	1256	62.9	36.3	4.1
City Schools	23988	77.5	55.9	10.5	24062	79.3	58.0	13.1
LIVING ENVIRONMENT								
This School	112	39.3	20.5	2.7	105	69.5	39.0	1.9
Similar Schools	8523	59.1	37.9	2.5	8198	66.8	42.2	2.8
City Schools	62307	72.7	55.2	10.6	65322	76.0	56.5	9.7
GLOBAL HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY								
This School	163	30.1	17.2	1.2	146	38.4	23.3	1.4
Similar Schools	11391	55.7	33.8	5.3	10341	55.5	33.8	6.6
City Schools	73666	68.8	51.1	15.3	77999	66.6	49.4	16.5
U.S. HISTORY AND GOVERNMENT								
This School	148	25.7	18.2	2.0	124	60.5	38.7	4.8
Similar Schools	8448	64.3	43.4	10.1	9336	70.5	48.1	12.0
City Schools	60352	76.4	61.9	25.6	65271	79.8	64.0	27.7
LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH								
This School					57	94.7	89.5	57.9
Similar Schools	2296	96.7	95.1	71.0	2414	97.5	94.7	71.5
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	140	12924	100890
Percent taking SAT	4.3	28.7	36.1

Average SAT Scores*

SAT Section	This School	Similar Schools	City Schools
Verbal	293	371	444
Mathematics	345	385	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	27.4	25.7	44.3
2-Year college	27.4	28.5	16.2
Employment	0	3.2	3.3
Military services	0	0.7	0.9
Other	45.2	41.9	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.