

This Progress Report is for:

SCHOOL	The Gordon Parks School (29Q270)
PRINCIPAL	Eleanor S. Andrew
ENROLLMENT	636
SCHOOL TYPE	K-8
PEER INDEX	43.54

Progress Report Grade

A

What does this grade mean?

Schools are assigned letter grades based on their overall Progress Report score. Schools that get As and Bs are eligible for rewards. Schools that get Ds and Fs, or 3 Cs in a row, face consequences, including change in school leadership or school closure.

How did this school perform?

- This school's overall score for 2008-09 is 68.4
- This score places the School in the 17 percentile of all K-8 schools Citywide—i.e., 17 percent of those schools scored lower than this school

Category	Calculated Score	Category Grade
School Environment	11.0 out of 15	A
Student Performance	19.7 out of 25	A
Student Progress	36.2 out of 60	B
Additional Credit	1.5 (15 max)	
Overall Score	68.4 out of 100	A

Quality Review Score

This school's 2007-08 Quality Review score is: Well Developed
To see this school's Quality Review report, find the school's Web site at <http://schools.nyc.gov/>, click 'Statistics' and scroll down to Quality Review Report.

State Accountability Status

Based on its 2008-09 performance, this school is: In Good Standing
This status is determined by the New York State Department of Education under the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act. It is separate from the school's Progress Report Grade.

How scores translate to grades:

- Schools receive letter grades based on their overall score
- Schools with an overall score between 68.0-100 receive a letter grade of A
- 85% of schools earned an A in 2008-09

K-8 School Table – Overall Grades

Grade	Score range	City summary
A	68.0-100	85.4% of schools
B	54-67.9	13.1% of schools
C	43.0-53.9	1.5% of schools
D	33.0-42.9	0% of schools
F	0-32.9	0% of schools

In This Report:

Each school's Progress Report (1) measures student year-to-year progress, (2) compares the school to peer schools and (3) rewards success in moving all children forward, especially children with the greatest needs. The Progress Report measures four areas:

School Environment

uses parent, teacher and secondary student surveys and other data to measure necessary conditions for learning: attendance, academic expectations, communication, engagement and safety and respect.

Student Performance

measures student skill levels in English Language Arts and Math.

Student Progress

measures average student improvement from last year to this year in English Language Arts and Math.

Closing the Achievement Gap

gives schools additional credit for exemplary gains among high-need students.

The back page provides specific information about how the school performed in each of these areas.

Additional Information

Closing the Achievement Gap

Schools earn additional credit when their high-need students make exemplary gains. These gains are based on the percentage of high-need students who improve by at least one-half of a proficiency level in English Language Arts or Math (e.g., student improves from 2.25 to 2.75 in ELA, or 3.20 to 3.70 in Math).

This component can only improve a school's Progress Report grade. It cannot lower a school's grade.

Credit	Exemplary Proficiency Gains	Student Group
		English Language Arts
	-	English Language Learners
	16.2%	Special Education Students
	-	Hispanic Students in the Lowest Third Citywide
+1.5	48.4%	Black Students in the Lowest Third Citywide
	-	Other Students in the Lowest Third Citywide
		Mathematics
	-	English Language Learners
	21.6%	Special Education Students
	-	Hispanic Students in the Lowest Third Citywide
	19.4%	Black Students in the Lowest Third Citywide
	-	Other Students in the Lowest Third Citywide

(-) indicates less than 15 students in this category

Peer Schools

Each school's performance is compared to the performance of schools in its peer group. Peer schools are those New York City public schools with a student population most like this school's population. Each school has up to 40 peer schools.

For Elementary and K-8 Schools, peer schools are determined based on the percentage of students at each school that are English Language Learners, Special Education, Black/Hispanic and Title I eligible.

For Middle Schools, peer schools are determined based on the average ELA and Math proficiency levels of the school's students before they entered Middle School.

The peer schools for The Gordon Parks School are:

DBN	School Name	DBN	School Name
21K095	P.S. 095 The Gravesend	29Q156	P.S. 156 Laurelton
25Q164	P.S. 164 Queens Valley	84K356	Achievement First- Crown Heights Charter School
21K226	P.S. 226 Alfred De B.Mason	27Q225	P.S. 225 Seaside
84M704	Harbor Sciences and Arts Charter School	18K066	P.S. 66
24Q087	P.S. 087 Middle Village	29Q147	P.S. 147 Ronald Mcnair
21K225	P.S. K225 - The Eileen E. Zaglin	84K703	Beginning With Children Charter School
21K099	P.S. 099 Isaac Asimov	21K238	P.S. 238 Anne Sullivan
27Q124	P.S. 124 Osmond A Church	84M284	Harlem Children's Zone/Promise Academy Charter School
21K121	P.S. 121 Nelson A. Rockefeller	10X280	P.S. 280 Mosholu Parkway
04M012	Tag Young Scholars	84X717	Carl C. Icahn Charter School
25Q200	P.S. 200 Pomonok		
02M126	P.S. 126 Jacob August Riis		
02M225	Ella Baker School		
11X083	P.S. 083 Donald Hertz		
18K235	P.S. 235 Lenox		
06M187	P.S. 187 Hudson Cliffs		
06M223	The Mott Hall School		
84M861	Future Leaders Institute Charter School		
29Q268	P.S. 268		
25Q219	P.S. 219 Paul Klapper		

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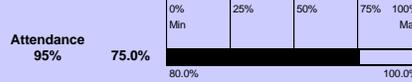
Results by Category

SCHOOL The Gordon Parks School
PRINCIPAL Eleanor S. Andrew

HOW TO INTERPRET THIS CHART

A school is evaluated by asking how far its score in each category has moved along the range of scores for all schools. These charts show that movement as a percentage. In the example to the right, the school's score is 75% of the way from the lowest to the highest score in the City.

If a school performs at the top end of the range, the bar will be fully shaded. If a school performs at the low end of the range, the bar will not be shaded. If a school performs in the middle of the range, half the bar will be shaded.



In this example, the school's attendance is 95%. This is 75% of the way from the lowest attendance at any school (80%) to the highest attendance (100%).

Below, the green charts on the left compare the school to its peer group. The blue charts on the right compare the school to schools Citywide. Peer scores count three times as much as City scores. Peer and City ranges are based on the outcomes of schools from 2005-08.

School Environment

Comprises 15% of the Overall Score

This Year's Score:	Survey Scores (10 points)	Your School's Score	Your School Relative to Peer Horizon:	Your School Relative to City Horizon:	Number of students
11 out of 15					
A	Academic Expectations:	7.7	63.6% 6.3 - 8.5	66.7% 6.1 - 8.5	
	Communication:	6.8	59.1% 5.5 - 7.7	63.6% 5.4 - 7.6	
	Engagement:	7.1	65.4% 5.4 - 8.0	69.2% 5.3 - 7.9	
	Safety and Respect:	7.3	51.7% 5.8 - 8.7	59.4% 5.4 - 8.6	
	Attendance (5 points)	96.9%	97.3% 89.6% - 97.1%	98.0% 86.9% - 97.1%	

Student Performance

Comprises 25% of the Overall Score

This Year's Score:	English Language Arts	Your School's Score	Your School Relative to Peer Horizon:	Your School Relative to City Horizon:	Number of students
19.7 out of 25					
A	Percentage of Students at Proficiency (Level 3 or 4):	84.4%	90.2% 33.7% - 89.9%	91.6% 18.3% - 90.5%	475
	Median Student Proficiency (1.00-4.50):	3.31	79.1% 2.78 - 3.45	78.0% 2.53 - 3.53	475
	Mathematics				
	Percentage of Students at Proficiency (Level 3 or 4):	88.8%	77.9% 49.4% - 100.0%	82.6% 35.7% - 100.0%	475
	Median Student Proficiency (1.00-4.50):	3.60	65.5% 2.86 - 3.99	70.3% 2.56 - 4.04	475

Student Progress

Comprises 60% of the Overall Score

This Year's Score:	English Language Arts	Your School's Score	Your School Relative to Peer Horizon:	Your School Relative to City Horizon:	Number of students
36.2 out of 60					
B	Percentage of Students Making at Least 1 Year of Progress	62.1%	69.9% 45.4% - 69.3%	65.8% 44.6% - 71.2%	424
	Percentage of Students in School's Lowest 1/3 Students Making at Least 1 Year of Progress	78.9%	51.3% 65.1% - 92.0%	50.6% 65.6% - 91.9%	147
	Average Change in Student Proficiency for Level 1 and Level 2 Students	0.29	51.7% 0.14 - 0.43	53.3% 0.13 - 0.43	76
	Average Change in Student Proficiency for Level 3 and Level 4 Students	0.03	95.5% (0.18) - 0.04	90.0% (0.24) - 0.06	348
Mathematics					
Percentage of Students Making at Least 1 Year of Progress	60.4%	43.8% 45.5% - 79.5%	48.3% 39.5% - 82.8%	424	
Percentage of Students in School's Lowest 1/3 Students Making at Least 1 Year of Progress	64.8%	36.0% 52.4% - 86.8%	40.2% 49.8% - 87.1%	145	
Average Change in Student Proficiency for Level 1 and Level 2 Students	0.35	56.9% 0.06 - 0.57	56.0% 0.07 - 0.57	44	
Average Change in Student Proficiency for Level 3 and Level 4 Students	(0.01)	51.6% (0.17) - 0.14	57.5% (0.24) - 0.16	380	