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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

2005–2006 School Year Reports

Dear School Board Members and School Personnel:

The Maine Educational Assessment (MEA) is the State’s measure of student progress in achieving the State standards, known as *Learning Results*, adopted by the Maine Legislature in 1997. The MEA has been based on the *Learning Results* and administered to students in grades 4 and 8 to meet state assessment requirements since 1998. For the first time this year, it was administered to students in all grades 3 through 8 and aligned to Grade Level Expectations to meet the requirements of the federal No Child Left Behind Act.

Due to those changes, it was necessary to set new standards this year. These new achievement standards will be used to establish a baseline to which future scores for both groups of students and individuals can be compared. The standards are the result of a comprehensive process approved by advisory committees and informed by Maine teachers. They will stay in place until the current Maine *Learning Results* are revised according to statute, and future assessments are aligned to the revised *Learning Results*. At such time, the standard-setting process will be conducted again.

The 2005–2006 MEA Summary Reports contain the baseline status results of student performance in reading, mathematics, and science and technology reported according to the new standards and disaggregated by student and school characteristics. This report, together with MEA individual student and subject-specific class analysis reports, provides support for use in program evaluation and planning.

MEA results reflect scores based on test questions that are taken in common by the approximately 15,000 students in each grade level. Student scores in each content area are based on answers to a combination of multiple-choice questions and questions that require students to construct an answer. More information about the design of the MEA is available at www.maine.gov/education/mea/index/htm.

I look forward to working with you in support of our continued efforts to improve the quality and effectiveness of the instructional opportunities designed to help all students achieve the high standards of the *Learning Results* and demonstrate that achievement through performance on the Maine Educational Assessment.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education



School Report Grade 6

ID: 10601245
School: Freeport Middle School
District: Freeport School Department
Date: March 2006

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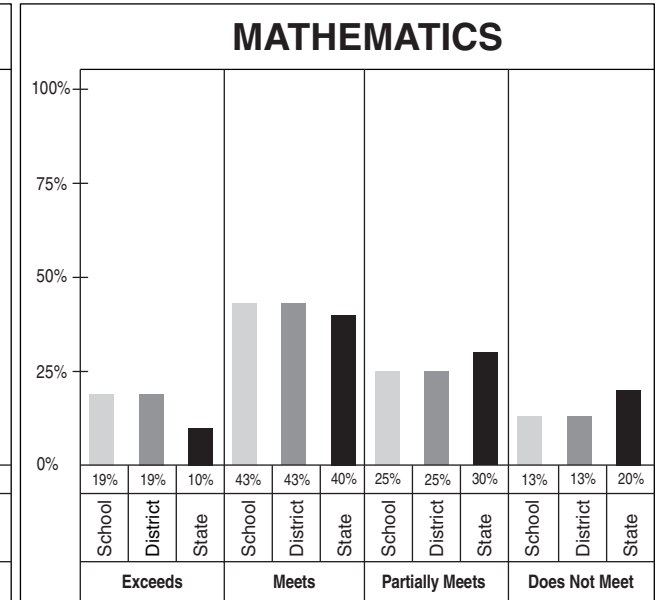
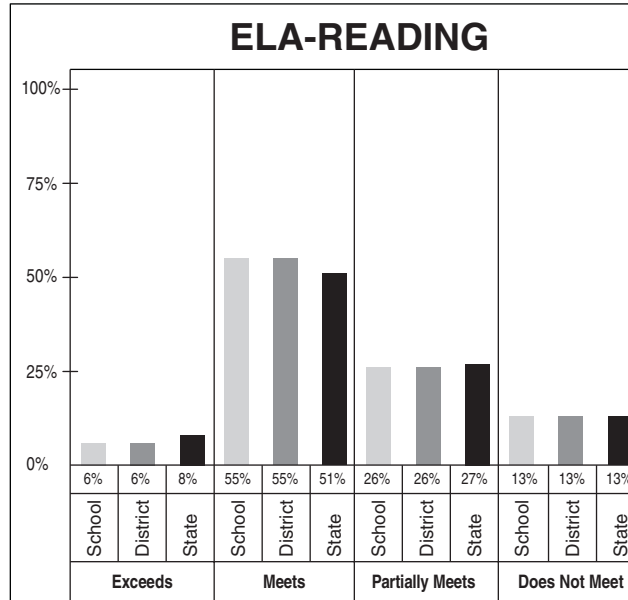


SUMMARY OF SCORES

School: **Freeport Middle School**
 District: **Freeport School Department**
 Grade: **6**
 Date: **March 2006**

Summary of District, School and State Scores

Year	Average Scaled Score		
	School	District	State
ELA-READING 2005–2006	644	644	644
MATHEMATICS 2005–2006	646	646	641





SUMMARY OF STUDENT PARTICIPATION

School: Freeport Middle School
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CONTENT AREA PARTICIPATION²

CATEGORY OF PARTICIPATION	Enrollment ¹ during testing window						CONTENT AREA PARTICIPATION ²																	
	School		District		State		ELA-Reading			Mathematics														
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%				
Total number of students	90	100	90	100	15164	100	89	99	89	99	14994	99	89	99	89	99	15000	99						
Ethnicity																								
African American/Black	2	2	2	2	327	2	2	100	2	100	312	95	2	100	2	100	322	98						
American Indian/Native Alaskan	0	0	0	0	117	1	0		0		115	98	0		0		115	98						
Asian/Pacific Islander	3	3	3	3	180	1	3	100	3	100	176	98	3	100	3	100	177	98						
Caucasian/White	84	93	84	93	14411	95	83	99	83	99	14264	99	83	99	83	99	14258	99						
Hispanic	1	1	1	1	117	1	1	100	1	100	116	99	1	100	1	100	116	99						
Not Reported	0	0	0	0	12	0	0		0		11	92	0		0		12	100						
Identified disability	20	22	20	22	2463	16	19	95	19	95	2380	97	19	95	19	95	2380	97						
Current LEP	1	1	1	1	287	2	1	100	1	100	271	94	1	100	1	100	282	98						
Economically disadvantaged	9	10	9	10	5557	37	9	100	9	100	5468	98	9	100	9	100	5472	98						
Migrant	0	0	0	0	29	0	0		0		29	100	0		0		29	100						

MODE OF PARTICIPATION ³	ELA-Reading						Mathematics																	
	School		District		State		School		District		State		School		District		State		School		District		State	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Students who took the assessment without accommodations	73	82	73	82	12532	84	73	82	73	82	12495	83												
Identified disability (PET/IEP)	5	7	5	7	507	4	5	7	5	7	504	4												
LEP	1	1	1	1	137	1	1	1	1	1	128	1												
504 plan	0	0	0	0	133	1	0	0	0	0	135	1												
Students who took the assessment with accommodations	16	18	16	18	2341	16	16	18	16	18	2390	16												
Identified disability (PET/IEP)	14	88	14	88	1764	75	14	88	14	88	1770	74												
LEP	0	0	0	0	127	5	0	0	0	0	148	6												
504 plan	0	0	0	0	47	2	0	0	0	0	45	2												
Other	2	13	2	13	419	18	2	13	2	13	443	19												
Students who would have participated through a PAAP if one had been available	0	0	0	0	121	1	0	0	0	0	115	1												
Identified disability (PET/IEP)	0		0		109	90	0		0		106	92												
LEP	0		0		7	6	0		0		6	5												
504 plan	0		0		2	2	0		0		2	2												

¹ Percents are the percentage of students enrolled in each participation category. ² Percents are the percentage of students, including those who participated through alternate assessment (PAAP), who participated in the content area.
³ Percents are the percentage of students in each content area who participated with each mode of participation.



ELA-READING RESULTS

School: Freeport Middle School
 District: Freeport School Department
 Grade: 6
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ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL DEFINITIONS	The quality of a student's work at each achievement level reflects progress in attaining Maine's Grade Level Expectations in English language arts – reading.	STUDENTS AT EACH ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL					
		School		District		State	
		N	%	N	%	%	
Exceeds the Standards - The student's work demonstrates the ability to read and interpret literary and informational texts appropriate for the grade level by drawing in-depth inferences, analyzing texts for subtle clues, synthesizing information across texts, and using his/her knowledge of text features and literary devices to make deeper connections within or across texts to increase comprehension. (Scaled Score 661-680)		2005–2006	5	6	5	6	8
Meets the Standards - The student's work demonstrates the ability to read and interpret literary and informational texts appropriate for the grade level by drawing inferences, summarizing main ideas and providing supporting details, connecting ideas within and across texts, and using his/her knowledge of text features and literary devices to increase comprehension. (Scaled Score 641-660)		2005–2006	49	55	49	55	51
Partially Meets the Standards - The student's work demonstrates an inconsistent ability to read and interpret literary and informational texts appropriate for the grade level. The student's ability to draw inferences, summarize main ideas and provide supporting details, connect ideas within and across texts, and use his/her knowledge of text features and literary devices varies depending on the texts. (Scaled Score 629-640)		2005–2006	23	26	23	26	27
Does Not Meet the Standards - The student's work demonstrates a limited ability to read and interpret literary and informational texts appropriate for the grade level. The student's responses are often vague or incorrect leaving the impression that the student found it difficult to draw inferences, summarize main ideas and provide supporting details, connect ideas within and across texts, or use his/her knowledge of text features and literary devices to support comprehension. (Scaled Score 600-628)		2005–2006	12	13	12	13	13

Learning Results Content Standard Cluster	Number of Points Possible		Average Points Attained (Number and Percent)					
			School		District		State	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total Reading Cluster	56	100	35.1	62.7	35.1	62.7	35.3	63.0
Literary Text	28	50	18.0	64.3	18.0	64.3	18.2	65.0
Informational Text	28	50	17.1	61.1	17.1	61.1	17.1	61.1

The Maine *Learning Results* reading cluster includes Content Standards A (Process of Reading), B (Literature and Culture), and D (Informational Texts). The MEA assesses students' reading skills based on questions related to two types of reading passages: literary and informational. Passages include both long and short authentic texts, selected from developmentally appropriate published works. Grade Level Expectations, based on Maine's *Learning Results*, are the basis for the MEA at grades 3, 5, 6, and 7 and can be found at <http://www.maine.gov/education/lsalt/gles.htm>.



ELA-READING RESULTS

(CONTINUED)

School: **Freeport Middle School**
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Reporting Categories	School					State					Questionnaire Items	Sch.		State		
	% Students in Each Category	Scaled Score	% Exceeds or Meets the Standards	% Partially Meets the Standards	% Does Not Meet the Standards	% Students in Each Category	Scaled Score	% Exceeds or Meets the Standards	% Partially Meets the Standards	% Does Not Meet the Standards		% Students in Each Category	% Students in Each Category	Scaled Score	% Exceeds or Meets the Standards	% Does Not Meet the Standards
Gender																
Female	40	648	75	22	3	48	646	64	25	11	Do the questions that you have just been given on this MEA test match what you have learned in school about reading?					
Male	60	641	51	28	21	52	642	54	30	16						
Ethnicity											A. Yes, the questions on the test match what I have learned in reading class.	38	36	646	66	10
African American/Black						2	636	36	30	33						
American Indian/Native Alaskan						1	638	33	42	25						
Asian/Pacific Islander						1	645	63	23	14						
Caucasian/White	93	644	63	25	12	95	644	60	27	13						
Hispanic						1	639	46	29	26						
Not Reported						0	641	45	18	36						
Economically disadvantaged											B. Yes, they match some of what I have learned.	52	48	645	61	11
Yes	10	645	67	22	11	36	640	45	34	21						
No	90	643	60	26	14	64	647	67	24	9						
Title 1A targeted program											C. Yes, they match just a little of what I learned.	7	12	639	43	25
Yes						6	637	32	45	23						
No	100	644	61	26	13	94	645	61	26	13						
Migrant											D. No, there is no match.	3	4	634	30	35
Yes						0	642	55	24	21						
No	100	644	61	26	13	100	644	59	27	13						
Gifted/talented program											Which of the following best describes how you rate yourself as a student in reading?	29	29	650	77	7
Yes						3	660	97	3	0						
No	100	644	61	26	13	97	644	58	28	14						
Identified disability											A. very good	53	53	644	58	12
Yes	21	632	16	53	32	15	631	20	36	44						
No	79	647	73	19	9	85	646	66	26	8						
Limited English proficient students											B. good	16	16	637	36	25
Current LEP in first 10 months																
Current LEP beyond first 10 months						2	632	26	32	42						
How much homework do you do on school nights?											C. fair	2	2	632	27	39
A. None						6	638	41	31	28						
B. Less than one hour	74	644	63	25	12	55	644	60	27	13						
C. One to two hours	25	642	55	32	14	36	645	63	27	11						
D. More than two hours						4	642	51	30	19						
Optional school/district question											D. poor	29	29	650	77	7
A.																
B.																
C.																
D.																
											How difficult was the reading part of this test?	16	15	640	48	23
											A. harder than my regular schoolwork	56	62	645	62	11
											B. about the same as my regular schoolwork	28	23	645	61	11
											C. easier than my regular schoolwork	14	9	634	29	36
											How difficult were the reading passages on this test?	41	51	643	55	14
											A. Most of the passages were more difficult than what I normally read.	45	41	648	72	7
											B. Most of the passages were about the same as what I normally read.	41	46	644	57	15
											C. Most of the passages were easier than what I normally read.	55	51	645	63	11
											How hard did you try on the reading part of this test?	5	4	638	44	26
											A. I tried harder on this test than I do on my regular schoolwork.	20	19	647	67	11
											B. I tried about the same as I do on my regular schoolwork.	52	49	646	64	10
											C. I did not try as hard on this test as I do on my regular schoolwork.	9	13	643	55	16
											How much time do you spend reading at home each day?	18	19	639	43	20
											A. more than one hour	20	19	647	67	11
											B. 20 minutes to an hour	52	49	646	64	10
											C. less than 20 minutes	9	13	643	55	16
											D. I rarely read at home	18	19	639	43	20



MATHEMATICS RESULTS

School: Freeport Middle School
 District: Freeport School Department
 Grade: 6
 Date: March 2006

ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL DEFINITIONS	The quality of a student's work at each achievement level reflects progress in attaining Maine's Grade Level Expectations in mathematics.	STUDENTS AT EACH ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL					
		School		District		State	
		N	%	N	%	%	
Exceeds the Standards – The student's work demonstrates in-depth understanding of essential concepts in mathematics, including the ability to make multiple connections among central ideas. The student's responses demonstrate the ability to synthesize information; analyze and solve difficult problems, including developing and implementing strategies, efficiently and accurately performing procedures, and recording and justifying solutions; and explain complex concepts. (Scaled Score 661-680)		2005–2006	17	19	17	19	10
Meets the Standards – The student's work demonstrates a general understanding of essential concepts in mathematics, including the ability to make connections among central ideas. The student's responses demonstrate the ability to analyze and solve problems including developing and implementing strategies, to perform procedures, and to record and explain solutions and concepts. The student's work may contain minor errors. (Scaled Score 641-660)		2005–2006	38	43	38	43	40
Partially Meets the Standards – The student's work demonstrates incomplete understanding of essential concepts in mathematics and inconsistent connections among central ideas. The student's responses demonstrate some ability to analyze and solve problems, and explain concepts. Problem solving strategies may be flawed, procedures performed inaccurately, methods not recorded and/or problems not completed. (Scaled Score 627-640)		2005–2006	22	25	22	25	30
Does Not Meet the Standards – The student's work demonstrates limited understanding of essential concepts in mathematics and infrequent or inaccurate connections among central ideas. The student's responses demonstrate minimal ability to solve problems and explain concepts. Problem solving strategies and procedures are often flawed or inappropriate and there may be many omissions. (Scaled Score 600-626)		2005–2006	12	13	12	13	20

Learning Results Content Standard Clusters	Number of Points Possible		Average Points Attained (Number and Percent)					
	N	%	School		District		State	
			N	%	N	%	N	%
Cluster 1: Numbers and Operations	18	32	10.8	60.0	10.8	60.0	9.2	51.1
Cluster 2: Shape and Size	14	25	6.8	48.6	6.8	48.6	5.7	40.7
Cluster 3: Mathematical Decision Making	9	16	4.1	45.6	4.1	45.6	4.0	44.4
Cluster 4: Patterns	15	27	10.0	66.7	10.0	66.7	9.6	64.0

Cluster 1: Numbers and Operations
 A. Numbers and Number Sense
 B. Computation
 I. Discrete Mathematics

Cluster 2: Shape and Size
 E. Geometry
 F. Measurement

Cluster 3: Mathematical Decision Making
 C. Data Analysis and Statistics
 D. Probability
 J. Mathematical Reasoning

Cluster 4: Patterns
 G. Patterns, Relations, and Functions
 H. Algebra Concepts
 K. Mathematical Communication

Each content standard in the clusters above is defined in Maine's *Learning Results*. Grade Level Expectations, based on Maine's *Learning Results*, are the basis for the MEA at grades 3, 5, 6, and 7 and can be found at <http://www.maine.gov/education/lsalt/gles.htm>.

