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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](http://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*

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Commissioner of Education



School Report  
Grade 6

ID: 12261593  
School: Ashland Community High School  
District: MSAD 32  
Date: March 2006

Contents of the Report

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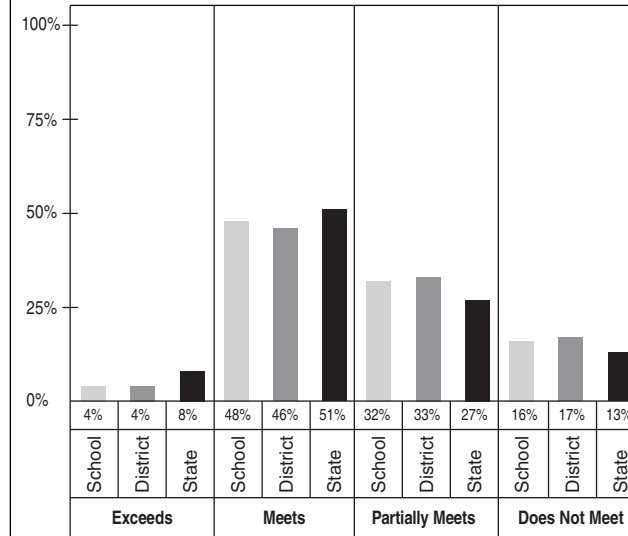
# SUMMARY OF SCORES

School: Ashland Community High School  
 District: MSAD 32  
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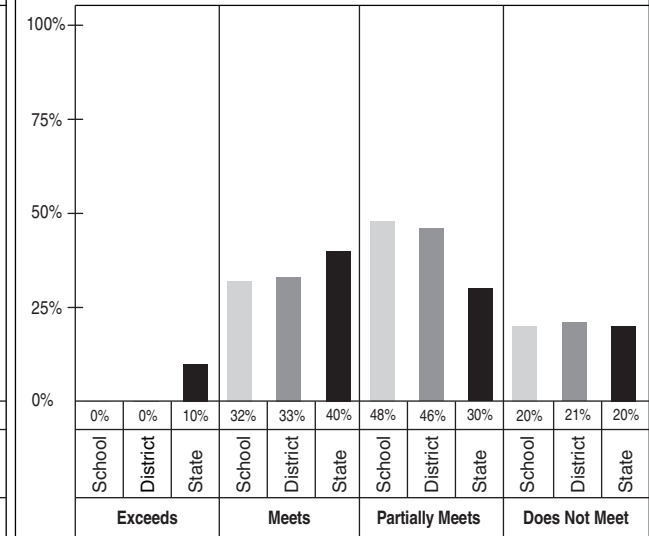
## Summary of District, School and State Scores

Year	Average Scaled Score		
	School	District	State
ELA-READING 2005–2006	642	642	644
MATHEMATICS 2005–2006	636	636	641

### ELA-READING



### MATHEMATICS





# SUMMARY OF STUDENT PARTICIPATION

School: Ashland Community High School  
 District: MSAD 32  
 Grade: 6  
 Date: March 2006

## CONTENT AREA PARTICIPATION<sup>2</sup>

CATEGORY OF PARTICIPATION	Enrollment <sup>1</sup> during testing window						CONTENT AREA PARTICIPATION <sup>2</sup>																	
	School		District		State		ELA-Reading			Mathematics														
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%				
<b>Total number of students</b>	25	100	24	100	15164	100	25	100	24	100	14994	99	25	100	24	100	15000	99						
<b>Ethnicity</b>																								
African American/Black	0	0	0	0	327	2	0		0		312	95	0		0		322	98						
American Indian/Native Alaskan	0	0	0	0	117	1	0		0		115	98	0		0		115	98						
Asian/Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	180	1	0		0		176	98	0		0		177	98						
Caucasian/White	25	100	24	100	14411	95	25	100	24	100	14264	99	25	100	24	100	14258	99						
Hispanic	0	0	0	0	117	1	0		0		116	99	0		0		116	99						
Not Reported	0	0	0	0	12	0	0		0		11	92	0		0		12	100						
<b>Identified disability</b>	0	0	0	0	2463	16	0		0		2380	97	0		0		2380	97						
<b>Current LEP</b>	0	0	0	0	287	2	0		0		271	94	0		0		282	98						
<b>Economically disadvantaged</b>	11	44	10	42	5557	37	11	100	10	100	5468	98	11	100	10	100	5472	98						
<b>Migrant</b>	0	0	0	0	29	0	0		0		29	100	0		0		29	100						

MODE OF PARTICIPATION <sup>3</sup>	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	%
<b>Students who took the assessment without accommodations</b>	25	100	24	100	12532	84	25	100	24	100	12495	83												
Identified disability (PET/IEP)	0	0	0	0	507	4	0	0	0	0	504	4												
LEP	0	0	0	0	137	1	0	0	0	0	128	1												
504 plan	0	0	0	0	133	1	0	0	0	0	135	1												
<b>Students who took the assessment with accommodations</b>	0	0	0	0	2341	16	0	0	0	0	2390	16												
Identified disability (PET/IEP)	0		0		1764	75	0		0		1770	74												
LEP	0		0		127	5	0		0		148	6												
504 plan	0		0		47	2	0		0		45	2												
Other	0		0		419	18	0		0		443	19												
<b>Students who would have participated through a PAAP if one had been available</b>	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												

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



# ELA-READING RESULTS

School: Ashland Community High School  
 District: MSAD 32  
 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 English language arts – reading.	STUDENTS AT EACH ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL					
		School		District		State	
		N	%	N	%	%	
<b>Exceeds the Standards</b> - 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	1	4	1	4	8
<b>Meets the Standards</b> - 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	12	48	11	46	51
<b>Partially Meets the Standards</b> - 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	8	32	8	33	27
<b>Does Not Meet the Standards</b> - 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	4	16	4	17	13

Learning Results Content Standard Cluster	Number of Points Possible		Average Points Attained (Number and Percent)					
			School		District		State	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
<b>Total Reading Cluster</b>	56	100	34.4	61.4	34.3	61.3	35.3	63.0
<b>Literary Text</b>	28	50	17.7	63.2	17.7	63.2	18.2	65.0
<b>Informational Text</b>	28	50	16.7	59.6	16.5	58.9	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:** Ashland Community High 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
<b>Gender</b>																
Female	48	642	58	25	17	48	646	64	25	11	<b>Do the questions that you have just been given on this MEA test match what you have learned in school about reading?</b> A. Yes, the questions on the test match what I have learned in reading class. B. Yes, they match some of what I have learned. C. Yes, they match just a little of what I learned. D. No, there is no match.	36	36	646	66	10
Male	52	643	46	38	15	52	642	54	30	16						
<b>Ethnicity</b>											<b>Which of the following best describes how you rate yourself as a student in reading?</b> A. very good B. good C. fair D. poor					
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	100	642	52	32	16	95	644	60	27	13						
Hispanic						1	639	46	29	26						
Not Reported						0	641	45	18	36						
<b>Economically disadvantaged</b>											<b>How difficult was the reading part of this test?</b> A. harder than my regular schoolwork B. about the same as my regular schoolwork C. easier than my regular schoolwork					
Yes	44	641	45	36	18	36	640	45	34	21						
No	56	643	57	29	14	64	647	67	24	9						
<b>Title 1A targeted program</b>											<b>How difficult were the reading passages on this test?</b> A. Most of the passages were more difficult than what I normally read. B. Most of the passages were about the same as what I normally read. C. Most of the passages were easier than what I normally read.					
Yes						6	637	32	45	23						
No	100	642	52	32	16	94	645	61	26	13						
<b>Migrant</b>											<b>How hard did you try on the reading part of this test?</b> A. I tried harder on this test than I do on my regular schoolwork. B. I tried about the same as I do on my regular schoolwork. C. I did not try as hard on this test as I do on my regular schoolwork.					
Yes						0	642	55	24	21						
No	100	642	52	32	16	100	644	59	27	13						
<b>Gifted/talented program</b>											<b>How much time do you spend reading at home each day?</b> A. more than one hour B. 20 minutes to an hour C. less than 20 minutes D. I rarely read at home					
Yes						3	660	97	3	0						
No	100	642	52	32	16	97	644	58	28	14						
<b>Identified disability</b>											<b>How much homework do you do on school nights?</b> A. None B. Less than one hour C. One to two hours D. More than two hours					
Yes						15	631	20	36	44						
No	100	642	52	32	16	85	646	66	26	8						
<b>Limited English proficient students</b>											<b>Optional school/district question</b> A. B. C. D.					
Current LEP in first 10 months																
Current LEP beyond first 10 months						2	632	26	32	42						



# MATHEMATICS RESULTS

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 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	%	%	
<b>Exceeds the Standards</b> – 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	0	0	0	0	10
<b>Meets the Standards</b> – 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	8	32	8	33	40
<b>Partially Meets the Standards</b> – 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	12	48	11	46	30
<b>Does Not Meet the Standards</b> – 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	5	20	5	21	20

Learning Results Content Standard Clusters	Number of Points Possible		Average Points Attained (Number and Percent)					
	N	%	School		District		State	
			N	%	N	%	N	%
<b>Cluster 1: Numbers and Operations</b>	18	32	8.5	47.2	8.6	47.8	9.2	51.1
<b>Cluster 2: Shape and Size</b>	14	25	4.9	35.0	5.0	35.7	5.7	40.7
<b>Cluster 3: Mathematical Decision Making</b>	9	16	2.8	31.1	2.8	31.1	4.0	44.4
<b>Cluster 4: Patterns</b>	15	27	8.7	58.0	8.7	58.0	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>.



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<b>Gender</b>																	
Female	48	637	42	50	8	49	641	50	31	20	<b>Do the questions that you have just been given on this MEA test match what you have learned in school about mathematics?</b> A. Yes, the questions on the test match what I have learned in mathematics class. B. Yes, they match some of what I have learned. C. Yes, they match just a little of what I have learned. D. No, there is no match.  <b>Which of the following best describes how you rate yourself as a student in mathematics?</b> A. very good B. good C. fair D. poor  <b>How difficult was the mathematics part of this test?</b> A. harder than my regular schoolwork B. about the same as my regular schoolwork C. easier than my regular schoolwork  <b>How hard did you try on the mathematics part of this test?</b> A. I tried harder on this test than I do on my regular schoolwork. B. I tried about the same as I do on my regular schoolwork. C. I did not try as hard on this test as I do on my regular schoolwork.  <b>Which statement best describes the use of calculators in mathematics class?</b> A. Calculators are used daily. B. Calculators are used once or twice a week. C. Calculators are used once or twice a month. D. Calculators are rarely or never used.  <b>On average, how many minutes a day do you spend working on mathematics in class?</b> A. less than 30 minutes B. 30-45 minutes C. 45-60 minutes D. more than 60 minutes						
Male	52	634	23	46	31	51	641	49	30	21		20	40	644	57	16	
<b>Ethnicity</b>																	
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<b>Economically disadvantaged</b>																	
Yes	44	630	18	45	36	36	635	37	34	29							
No	56	640	43	50	7	64	644	57	28	15							
<b>Title 1A targeted program</b>																	
Yes						6	633	26	40	34							
No	100	636	32	48	20	94	641	51	30	19							
<b>Migrant</b>																	
Yes						0	639	48	28	24							
No	100	636	32	48	20	100	641	50	30	20							
<b>Gifted/talented program</b>																	
Yes						3	661	95	4	1							
No	100	636	32	48	20	97	640	48	31	21							
<b>Identified disability</b>																	
Yes						15	626	17	30	53							
No	100	636	32	48	20	85	643	55	30	14							
<b>Limited English proficient students</b>																	
Current LEP in first 10 months						0	613	14	0	86							
Current LEP beyond first 10 months						2	629	26	30	44							
<b>How much homework do you do on school nights?</b>																	
A. None						6	633	35	29	36							
B. Less than one hour	52	636	46	31	23	55	641	51	30	19							
C. One to two hours	40	637	20	70	10	36	642	51	31	18							
D. More than two hours						4	637	41	31	28							
<b>Optional school/district question</b>																	
A.																	
B.																	
C.																	
D.																	