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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 7

ID: 10081147
School: Ella R Hodgkins School
District: Augusta Public Schools
Date: March 2006

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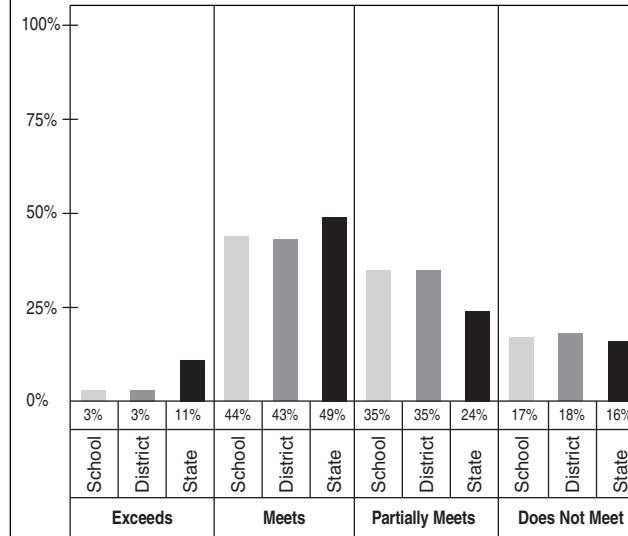
SUMMARY OF SCORES

School: Ella R Hodgkins School
 District: Augusta Public Schools
 Grade: 7
 Date: March 2006

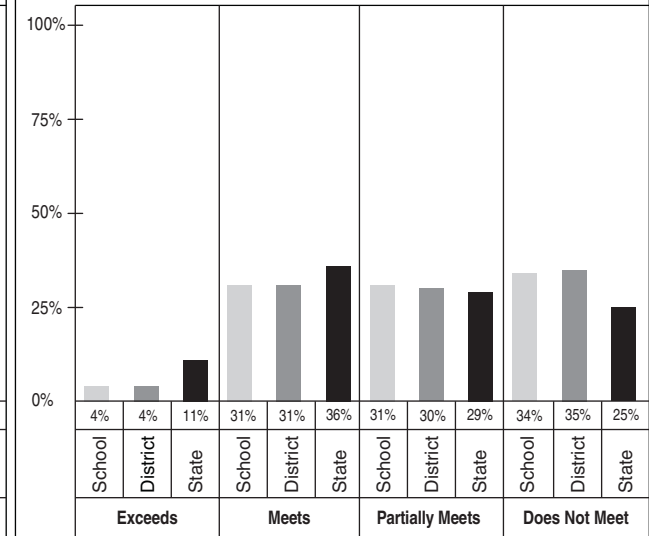
Summary of District, School and State Scores

Year	Average Scaled Score		
	School	District	State
ELA-READING 2005–2006	741	740	745
MATHEMATICS 2005–2006	734	733	740

ELA-READING



MATHEMATICS





SUMMARY OF STUDENT PARTICIPATION

School: Ella R Hodgkins School
 District: Augusta Public Schools
 Grade: 7
 Date: March 2006

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	187	100	189	100	15803	100	186	99	188	99	15617	99	185	99	187	99	15612	99						
Ethnicity																								
African American/Black	4	2	4	2	317	2	4	100	4	100	310	98	4	100	4	100	311	98						
American Indian/Native Alaskan	1	1	1	1	112	1	1	100	1	100	109	97	1	100	1	100	110	98						
Asian/Pacific Islander	3	2	3	2	181	1	3	100	3	100	175	97	3	100	3	100	177	98						
Caucasian/White	175	94	177	94	15025	95	174	99	176	99	14860	99	173	99	175	99	14849	99						
Hispanic	4	2	4	2	155	1	4	100	4	100	150	97	4	100	4	100	152	98						
Not Reported	0	0	0	0	13	0	0		0		13	100	0		0		13	100						
Identified disability	44	24	46	24	2564	16	44	100	46	100	2482	97	43	98	45	98	2476	97						
Current LEP	2	1	2	1	268	2	2	100	2	100	256	96	2	100	2	100	264	99						
Economically disadvantaged	89	48	90	48	5627	36	88	99	89	99	5526	98	87	98	88	98	5523	98						
Migrant	0	0	0	0	24	0	0		0		24	100	0		0		24	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	144	77	144	77	13199	85	149	81	149	80	13211	85												
Identified disability (PET/IEP)	5	3	5	3	541	4	10	7	10	7	542	4												
LEP	0	0	0	0	144	1	0	0	0	0	144	1												
504 plan	0	0	0	0	149	1	0	0	0	0	149	1												
Students who took the assessment with accommodations	34	18	36	19	2263	14	28	15	30	16	2243	14												
Identified disability (PET/IEP)	32	94	34	94	1796	79	26	93	28	93	1784	80												
LEP	1	3	1	3	105	5	1	4	1	3	114	5												
504 plan	0	0	0	0	31	1	0	0	0	0	30	1												
Other	2	6	2	6	356	16	2	7	2	7	339	15												
Students who would have participated through a PAAP if one had been available	8	4	8	4	155	1	8	4	8	4	158	1												
Identified disability (PET/IEP)	7	88	7	88	145	94	7	88	7	88	150	95												
LEP	1	13	1	13	7	5	1	13	1	13	6	4												
504 plan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0												

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: Ella R Hodgkins School
 District: Augusta Public Schools
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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 761-780)		2005–2006	6	3	6	3	11
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 741-760)		2005–2006	78	44	78	43	49
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 729-740)		2005–2006	63	35	63	35	24
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 700-728)		2005–2006	31	17	33	18	16

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	32.5	58.0	32.2	57.5	34.8	62.1
Literary Text	28	50	17.2	61.4	17.1	61.1	18.6	66.4
Informational Text	28	50	15.3	54.6	15.2	54.3	16.2	57.9

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: Ella R Hodgkins 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	42	744	51	36	12	49	747	65	23	12						
Male	58	739	44	35	21	51	743	55	25	19						
Ethnicity																
African American/Black						2	738	43	27	30						
American Indian/Native Alaskan						1	735	32	31	37						
Asian/Pacific Islander						1	746	59	26	15						
Caucasian/White	94	740	46	36	18	95	745	61	24	15						
Hispanic						1	743	57	23	20						
Not Reported						0	743	54	38	8						
Economically disadvantaged																
Yes	46	739	46	29	24	35	739	45	30	25						
No	54	742	48	41	11	65	748	68	21	10						
Title 1A targeted program																
Yes						5	738	36	39	25						
No	100	741	47	35	17	95	745	61	24	15						
Migrant																
Yes						0	741	46	29	25						
No	100	741	47	35	17	100	745	60	24	16						
Gifted/talented program																
Yes						3	761	96	3	1						
No	100	741	47	35	17	97	744	59	25	16						
Identified disability																
Yes	21	728	14	38	49	15	730	19	32	50						
No	79	744	56	35	9	85	747	67	23	9						
Limited English proficient students																
Current LEP in first 10 months						0	718	10	0	90						
Current LEP beyond first 10 months						2	732	26	33	41						
How much homework do you do on school nights?																
A. None	9	739	33	40	27	7	736	39	25	35						
B. Less than one hour	55	742	50	36	14	48	745	60	25	15						
C. One to two hours	34	741	48	33	18	40	747	65	24	11						
D. More than two hours						5	744	55	26	20						
Optional school/district question																
A.																
B.																
C.																
D.																
Do the questions that you have just been given on this MEA test match what you have learned in school about reading?																
A. Yes, the questions on the test match what I have learned in reading class.	25										25	30	748	69	11	
B. Yes, they match some of what I have learned.											50	50	745	62	13	
C. Yes, they match just a little of what I learned.											18	15	740	45	24	
D. No, there is no match.											7	5	734	32	40	
Which of the following best describes how you rate yourself as a student in reading?																
A. very good											22	27	752	81	7	
B. good											46	51	744	61	13	
C. fair											28	19	737	36	28	
D. poor											4	3	731	20	46	
How difficult was the reading part of this test?																
A. harder than my regular schoolwork											19	17	740	48	26	
B. about the same as my regular schoolwork											62	62	745	62	13	
C. easier than my regular schoolwork											19	21	747	67	11	
How difficult were the reading passages on this test?																
A. Most of the passages were harder than what I normally read.											8	9	733	27	42	
B. Most of the passages were about the same as what I normally read.											54	52	743	55	16	
C. Most of the passages were easier than what I normally read.											38	39	750	76	7	
How hard did you try on the reading part of this test?																
A. I tried harder on this test than I do on my regular schoolwork.											37	42	744	58	16	
B. I tried about the same as I do on my regular schoolwork.											53	53	746	64	13	
C. I did not try as hard on this test as I do on my regular schoolwork.											9	5	738	45	30	
How much time do you spend reading at home each day?																
A. more than one hour											20	19	749	72	10	
B. 20 minutes to an hour											37	43	747	66	11	
C. less than 20 minutes											17	14	743	54	19	
D. I rarely read at home											27	25	739	46	23	



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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 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 761-780)		2005–2006	7	4	7	4	11
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 741-760)		2005–2006	55	31	55	31	36
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 727-740)		2005–2006	54	31	54	30	29
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 700-726)		2005–2006	61	34	63	35	25

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	19	34	8.3	43.7	8.2	43.2	9.4	49.5
Cluster 2: Shape and Size	14	25	4.8	34.3	4.7	33.6	6.3	45.0
Cluster 3: Mathematical Decision Making	8	14	4.4	55.0	4.3	53.8	4.8	60.0
Cluster 4: Patterns	15	27	6.6	44.0	6.6	44.0	7.4	49.3

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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	% 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	41	734	32	36	33	49	739	45	30	24	<p>Do the questions that you have just been given on this MEA test match what you have learned in school about mathematics?</p> <p>A. Yes, the questions on the test match what I have learned in mathematics class.</p> <p>B. Yes, they match some of what I have learned.</p> <p>C. Yes, they match just a little of what I have learned.</p> <p>D. No, there is no match.</p> <p>Which of the following best describes how you rate yourself as a student in mathematics?</p> <p>A. very good</p> <p>B. good</p> <p>C. fair</p> <p>D. poor</p> <p>How difficult was the mathematics part of this test?</p> <p>A. harder than my regular schoolwork</p> <p>B. about the same as my regular schoolwork</p> <p>C. easier than my regular schoolwork</p> <p>How hard did you try on the mathematics part of this test?</p> <p>A. I tried harder on this test than I do on my regular schoolwork.</p> <p>B. I tried about the same as I do on my regular schoolwork.</p> <p>C. I did not try as hard on this test as I do on my regular schoolwork.</p> <p>How often do you use laptops in mathematics class?</p> <p>A. almost every day</p> <p>B. two or three days a week</p> <p>C. two or three times each month</p> <p>D. never</p> <p>Which statement best describes the use of calculators in mathematics class?</p> <p>A. Calculators are used daily.</p> <p>B. Calculators are used once or twice a week.</p> <p>C. Calculators are used once or twice a month.</p> <p>D. Calculators are rarely or never used.</p> <p>On average, how many minutes a day do you spend working on mathematics in class?</p> <p>A. less than 30 minutes</p> <p>B. 30-45 minutes</p> <p>C. 45-60 minutes</p> <p>D. more than 60 minutes</p>	20	27	745	58	18
Male	59	733	38	27	36	51	740	47	28	25						
Ethnicity																
African American/Black						2	731	27	34	39						
American Indian/Native Alaskan						1	729	24	28	48						
Asian/Pacific Islander						1	743	55	25	20						
Caucasian/White	94	734	34	32	34	95	740	47	29	24						
Hispanic						1	736	37	28	35						
Not Reported						0	734	38	31	31						
Economically disadvantaged																
Yes	46	731	32	26	42	35	733	32	32	37						
No	54	736	38	34	28	65	743	54	28	18						
Title 1A targeted program																
Yes						5	732	25	37	39						
No	100	734	35	31	34	95	740	47	29	24						
Migrant																
Yes						0	737	25	33	42						
No	100	734	35	31	34	100	740	46	29	25						
Gifted/talented program																
Yes						3	762	95	5	1						
No	100	734	35	31	34	97	739	45	30	25						
Identified disability																
Yes	20	720	3	28	69	15	723	13	26	61						
No	80	737	43	31	26	85	742	52	30	18						
Limited English proficient students																
Current LEP in first 10 months						0	714	8	8	83						
Current LEP beyond first 10 months						2	728	24	31	45						
How much homework do you do on school nights?																
A. None	9	737	40	40	20	7	730	28	27	45						
B. Less than one hour	55	735	36	32	31	48	740	47	29	24						
C. One to two hours	34	732	33	27	40	40	741	49	30	21						
D. More than two hours						5	738	43	30	27						
Optional school/district question																
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