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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: 12431677
School: Lawrence Jr High School
District: MSAD 49
Date: March 2006

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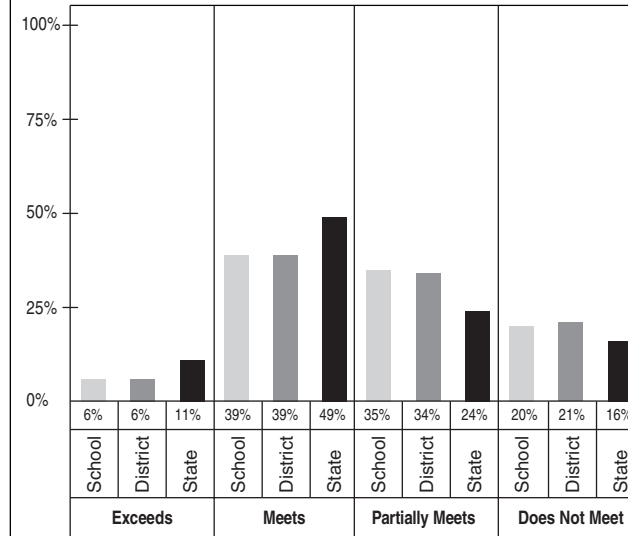
SUMMARY OF SCORES

School: Lawrence Jr High School
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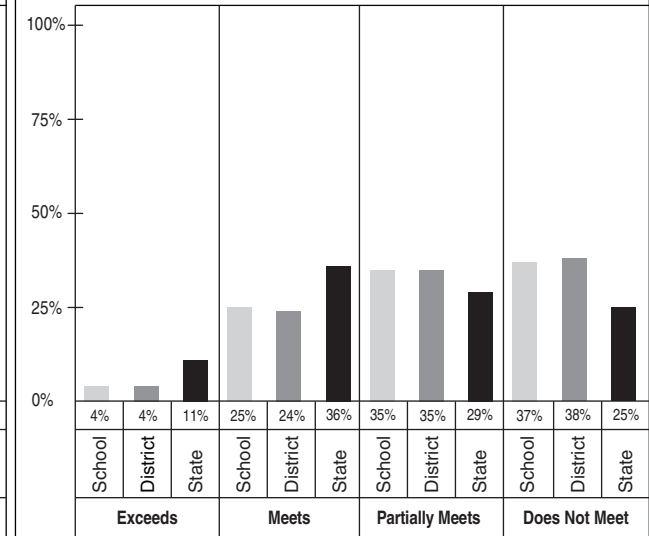
Summary of District, School and State Scores

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

ELA-READING



MATHEMATICS





SUMMARY OF STUDENT PARTICIPATION

School: Lawrence Jr High School
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CONTENT AREA PARTICIPATION²

CATEGORY OF PARTICIPATION	Enrollment ¹ during testing window					
	School		District		State	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
Total number of students	186	100	192	100	15803	100
Ethnicity						
African American/Black	6	3	7	4	317	2
American Indian/Native Alaskan	2	1	2	1	112	1
Asian/Pacific Islander	2	1	2	1	181	1
Caucasian/White	175	94	180	94	15025	95
Hispanic	1	1	1	1	155	1
Not Reported	0	0	0	0	13	0
Identified disability	45	24	50	26	2564	16
Current LEP	0	0	0	0	268	2
Economically disadvantaged	90	48	95	49	5627	36
Migrant	0	0	0	0	24	0

ELA-Reading			Mathematics														
School		District		State		School		District		State		School		District		State	
n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
185	99	191	99	15617	99	184	99	190	99	15612	99						
6	100	7	100	310	98	6	100	7	100	311	98						
2	100	2	100	109	97	2	100	2	100	110	98						
2	100	2	100	175	97	2	100	2	100	177	98						
174	99	179	99	14860	99	173	99	178	99	14849	99						
1	100	1	100	150	97	1	100	1	100	152	98						
0		0		13	100	0		0		13	100						
44	98	49	98	2482	97	43	96	48	96	2476	97						
0		0		256	96	0		0		264	99						
89	99	94	99	5526	98	88	98	93	98	5523	98						
0		0		24	100	0		0		24	100						

MODE OF PARTICIPATION ³	ELA-Reading			Mathematics														
	School		District		State		School		District		State		School		District		State	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Students who took the assessment without accommodations	150	81	151	79	13199	85	148	80	149	78	13211	85						
Identified disability (PET/IEP)	13	9	13	9	541	4	11	7	11	7	542	4						
LEP	0	0	0	0	144	1	0	0	0	0	144	1						
504 plan	4	3	4	3	149	1	4	3	4	3	149	1						
Students who took the assessment with accommodations	34	18	39	20	2263	14	35	19	40	21	2243	14						
Identified disability (PET/IEP)	30	88	35	90	1796	79	31	89	36	90	1784	80						
LEP	0	0	0	0	105	5	0	0	0	0	114	5						
504 plan	1	3	1	3	31	1	1	3	1	3	30	1						
Other	3	9	3	8	356	16	3	9	3	8	339	15						
Students who would have participated through a PAAP if one had been available	1	1	1	1	155	1	1	1	1	1	158	1						
Identified disability (PET/IEP)	1	100	1	100	145	94	1	100	1	100	150	95						
LEP	0	0	0	0	7	5	0	0	0	0	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: Lawrence Jr High School
 District: MSAD 49
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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	11	6	11	6	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	72	39	74	39	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	64	35	65	34	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	37	20	40	21	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	32.1	57.3	32.0	57.1	34.8	62.1
Literary Text	28	50	17.7	63.2	17.6	62.9	18.6	66.4
Informational Text	28	50	14.4	51.4	14.4	51.4	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>.



MATHEMATICS RESULTS

School: Lawrence Jr High School
 District: MSAD 49
 Grade: 7
 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 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	45	25	45	24	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	64	35	66	35	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	67	37	71	38	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	7.8	41.1	7.7	40.5	9.4	49.5
Cluster 2: Shape and Size	14	25	5.3	37.9	5.3	37.9	6.3	45.0
Cluster 3: Mathematical Decision Making	8	14	4.5	56.3	4.4	55.0	4.8	60.0
Cluster 4: Patterns	15	27	5.9	39.3	5.8	38.7	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>.



MATHEMATICS RESULTS

(CONTINUED)

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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	44	729	17	33	49	49	739	45	30	24	Do the questions that you have just been given on this MEA test match what you have learned in school about mathematics? 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. Which of the following best describes how you rate yourself as a student in mathematics? A. very good B. good C. fair D. poor How difficult was the mathematics part of this test? A. harder than my regular schoolwork B. about the same as my regular schoolwork C. easier than my regular schoolwork How hard did you try on the mathematics part of this test? 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. How often do you use laptops in mathematics class? A. almost every day B. two or three days a week C. two or three times each month D. never Which statement best describes the use of calculators in mathematics class? 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. On average, how many minutes a day do you spend working on mathematics in class? A. less than 30 minutes B. 30-45 minutes C. 45-60 minutes D. more than 60 minutes						
Male	56	737	37	36	26	51	740	47	28	25		36	27	745	58	18	
Ethnicity																	
African American/Black	3	733	33	33	33	2	731	27	34	39		44	46	741	49	21	
American Indian/Native Alaskan						1	729	24	28	48		16	21	734	33	32	
Asian/Pacific Islander						1	743	55	25	20		4	6	726	19	54	
Caucasian/White	94	733	28	35	37	95	740	47	29	24							
Hispanic						1	736	37	28	35							
Not Reported						0	734	38	31	31							
Economically disadvantaged																	
Yes	48	731	23	33	44	35	733	32	32	37		25	22	751	73	11	
No	52	735	34	37	29	65	743	54	28	18		42	46	741	51	20	
Title 1A targeted program																	
Yes						5	732	25	37	39		24	27	732	26	36	
No	100	733	28	35	37	95	740	47	29	24		10	6	725	10	55	
Migrant																	
Yes						0	737	25	33	42							
No	100	733	28	35	37	100	740	46	29	25							
Gifted/talented program																	
Yes						3	762	95	5	1		49	45	739	45	25	
No	100	733	28	35	37	97	739	45	30	25		44	49	741	50	22	
Identified disability																	
Yes	23	728	17	38	45	15	723	13	26	61		7	6	733	29	37	
No	77	735	32	34	34	85	742	52	30	18							
Limited English proficient students																	
Current LEP in first 10 months						0	714	8	8	83	8	7	736	41	32		
Current LEP beyond first 10 months						2	728	24	31	45	63	17	738	43	26		
How much homework do you do on school nights?																	
A. None	13	733	26	39	35	7	730	28	27	45	23	41	741	50	20		
B. Less than one hour	56	734	31	34	35	48	740	47	29	24	6	35	739	46	26		
C. One to two hours	27	733	27	35	38	40	741	49	30	21							
D. More than two hours	5	730	22	33	44	5	738	43	30	27	26	23	742	51	23		
Optional school/district question																	
A.	25	743	67	0	33						47	35	741	48	23		
B.	38	727	11	44	44						14	18	739	46	23		
C.	21	727	20	20	60						13	24	737	41	28		
D.																	