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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

2005–2006 School Year Reports

Dear School Board Members and School Personnel:

The Maine Comprehensive Assessment System is the State’s measure of student progress in achieving the State standards, known as *Learning Results*, adopted by the Maine Legislature in 1997. Historically, the Maine Educational Assessment (MEA), based on the *Learning Results*, was the assessment administered to students in grades 4, 8 and 11 to meet these state assessment requirements. For the first time this year, the MEA was administered to students in all grades 3 through 8 and the *SAT Reasoning Test* (SAT) was administered at the high school level in place of the MEA. The move from the MEA to the SAT in grade 11 was made to encourage all students in the goal of attaining college and high-level workplace readiness as well as to measure achievement.

Due to those changes, it was necessary to set new standards across the assessment system 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 informed by Maine teachers and reviewed by advisory committees.

These 2005-2006 Maine High School Assessment Summary Reports contain the baseline status results of student performance on the SAT in critical reading, mathematics and writing reported according to the new achievement standards and disaggregated by student and school characteristics. This report, together with individual student and subject-specific student roster reports, provides support for use in program evaluation and planning. All scores contained in these reports are included for Maine state and federal reporting purposes only. While scores for many students may also be used for college admission, they may not be used for that purpose if a student received accommodations during the test administration that exceeded those made available by the College Board.

These results reflect scores based on SAT test questions that were taken by over 15,000 students who were enrolled in their third year of high school across all Maine public schools. The *SAT Reasoning Test* employs a design that requires students to create a written response to a writing prompt, generate answers to open-ended mathematics questions and select answers to multiple-choice questions. More information about the design, history and use of the SAT can be found at: http://www.maine.gov/education/sat_initiative/.

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 graduate from any Maine high school prepared for college, career and citizenship.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education



High School Report

ID: 11341360
District: Portland Public Schools
School: West School
Date: April/May 2006

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SUMMARY OF STUDENT PARTICIPATION

School: West School
District: Portland Public Schools
Date: April/May 2006

CATEGORY OF PARTICIPATION	Enrollment ¹						CONTENT AREA PARTICIPATION ²																	
	School		District		State		Critical Reading			Mathematics			Writing											
	n	%	n	%	n	%	School	District	State	School	District	State	School	District	State	School	District	State						
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%		
Total number of students	3	100	583	100	16050	100	0	0	510	87	15300	95	0	0	510	87	15299	95	0	0	510	87	15302	95
Ethnicity																								
African American/Black	0	0	80	14	263	2	0		66	83	233	89	0		66	83	234	89	0		66	83	234	89
American Indian/Native Alaskan	0	0	2	0	98	1	0		1	50	90	92	0		1	50	90	92	0		1	50	90	92
Asian/Pacific Islander	0	0	47	8	199	1	0		40	85	179	90	0		40	85	179	90	0		40	85	179	90
Caucasian/White	3	100	439	75	15362	96	0	0	393	90	14685	96	0	0	393	90	14683	96	0	0	393	90	14686	96
Hispanic	0	0	15	3	128	1	0		10	67	113	88	0		10	67	113	88	0		10	67	113	88
Not Reported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0		0		0		0		0		0		0		0	
Identified disability	3	100	66	11	1979	12	0	0	46	70	1740	88	0	0	46	70	1739	88	0	0	46	70	1742	88
Current LEP	0	0	74	13	201	1	0		60	81	163	81	0		60	81	161	80	0		60	81	163	81
Economically disadvantaged	2	67	189	32	3928	24	0	0	150	79	3641	93	0	0	150	79	3643	93	0	0	150	79	3643	93
Migrant	0	0	0	0	10	0	0		0		8	80	0		0		8	80	0		0		8	80

MODE OF PARTICIPATION ³	Critical Reading						Mathematics						Writing											
	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	0	0	450	88	13618	89	0	0	450	88	13617	89	0	0	450	88	13619	89						
Identified disability (PET/IEP)	0		25	6	582	4	0		25	6	581	4	0		25	6	582	4						
LEP	0		30	7	101	1	0		30	7	101	1	0		30	7	101	1						
504 plan	0		0	0	159	1	0		0	0	159	1	0		0	0	159	1						
Students who took the assessment with accommodations	0	0	51	10	1525	10	0	0	51	10	1525	10	0	0	51	10	1525	10						
Identified disability (PET/IEP)	0		12	24	1016	67	0		12	24	1016	67	0		12	24	1016	67						
LEP	0		29	57	56	4	0		29	57	56	4	0		29	57	56	4						
504 plan	0		0	0	41	3	0		0	0	41	3	0		0	0	41	3						
Other	0		10	20	422	28	0		10	20	422	28	0		10	20	422	28						
Students who participated through alternate assessment (PAAP)⁴	0	0	9	2	157	1	0	0	9	2	157	1	0	0	9	2	158	1						
Identified disability (PET/IEP)	0		9	100	142	90	0		9	100	142	90	0		9	100	144	91						
LEP	0		1	11	6	4	0		1	11	4	3	0		1	11	6	4						
504 plan	0		0	0	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. ⁴ Students would have participated through alternate assessment (PAAP) in writing if one had been available.