

# Richland Parish Dropout Profile



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- Low Education Level of Parents
- Large Number of Siblings
- Not Living with Both Natural Parents
- Family Disruption

### **Family Engagement/Commitment to Education**

- Low Education Expectation (page 10)
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### **Social Attitudes, Values and Behaviors**

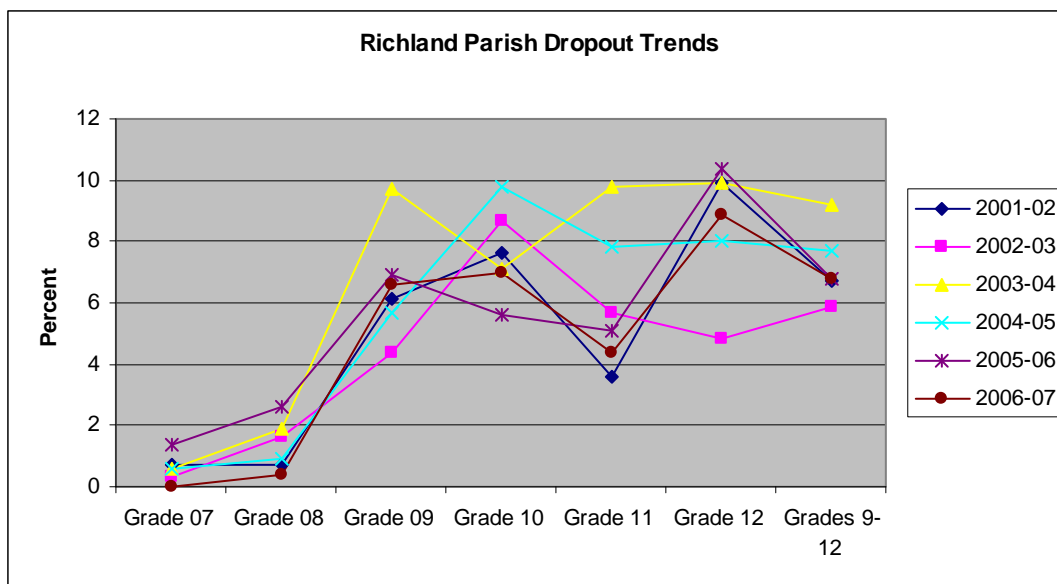
- High-Risk Peer Group
- High-Risk Social Behavior
- Highly Active Outside of School

### **Individual Background Characteristics**

- Has a Learning Disability or Emotional Disturbance

### Richland Parish Dropout Trends (Percentages)

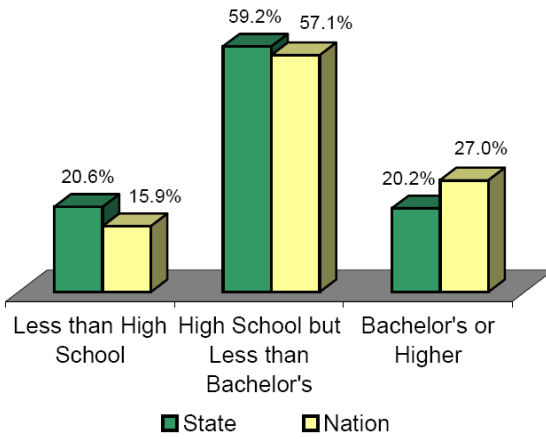
Year	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	Grades 9-12
2001-02	0.7	0.7	6.1	7.6	3.6	9.9	6.7
2002-03	0.3	1.6	4.4	8.7	5.7	4.8	5.9
2003-04	0.6	1.9	9.7	7.1	9.8	9.9	9.2
2004-05	0.6	0.9	5.7	9.8	7.8	8	7.7
2005-06	1.4	2.6	6.9	5.6	5.1	10.4	6.8
2006-07	0	0.4	6.6	7	4.4	8.9	6.8



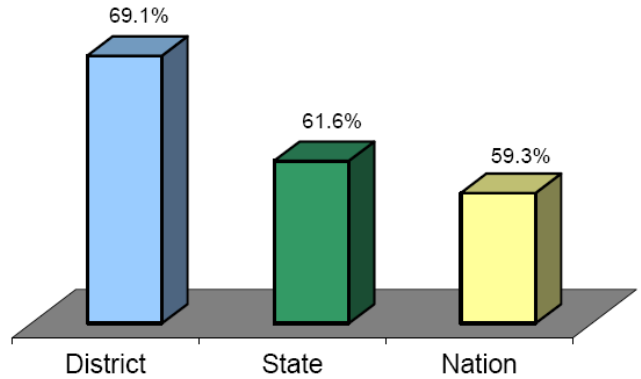
### Louisiana Dropout Trends (Percentages)

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Grade 7	1.5	1.7	1.4	1.5	2.6	1.6
Grade 8	3.3	3.6	3.4	3.3	4.2	4.2
Grade 9	6.3	7.6	7.7	7.6	7.8	7.8
Grade 10	6.8	6.5	6.6	6.2	6.2	6.2
Grade 11	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.4
Grade 12	7.0	7.5	9.0	7.6	7.1	7.1
Louisiana State Total (All Grades)	6.6	7.0	7.4	7.0	6.9	6.9

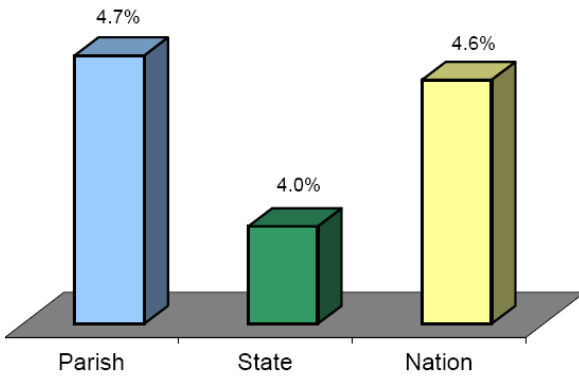
**Educational Attainment at State and National Levels**



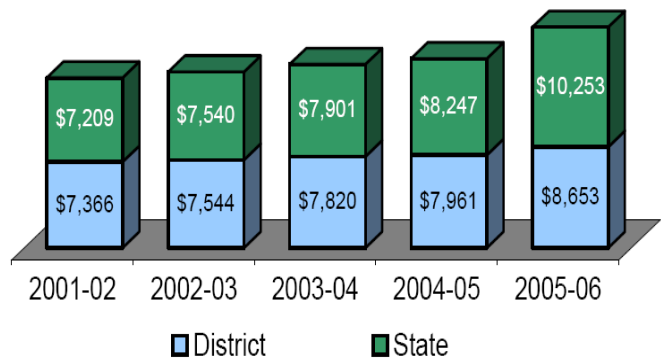
**Student Participation in the Federal Free or Reduced Price Lunch Program**



**Unemployment Rate**



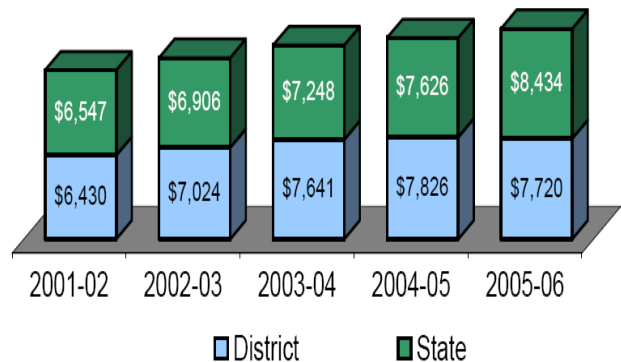
**Revenues Per Pupil (Elementary/Secondary Enrollment)**



**Income and Poverty**

	Parish	State	Nation
Median Household Income	\$25,648	\$35,216	\$44,334
Persons Below Poverty	24.7%	19.2%	12.7%
Children Below Poverty	39.5%	27.8%	18.3%

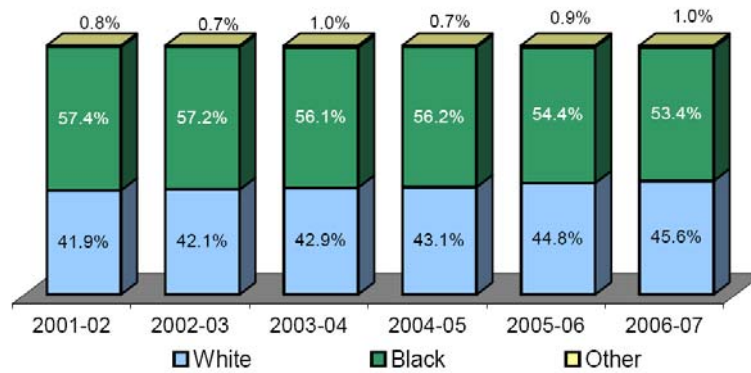
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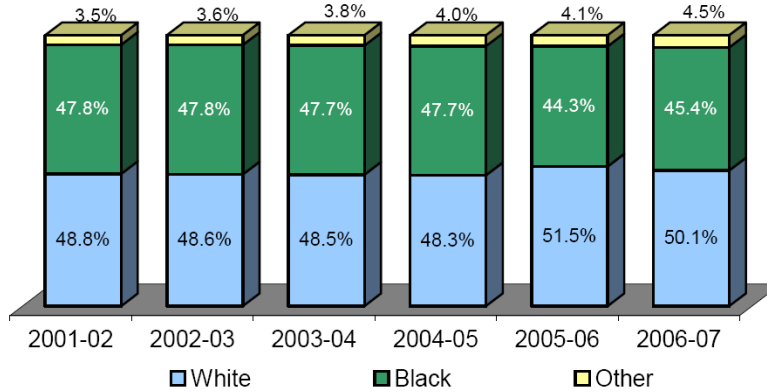
**Teenage Birth and Single Motherhood**

	Parish	State	Nation
Teenage Birth Rate	15.9%	14.4%	10.0%
Female Householders	12.1%	16.1%	12.5%

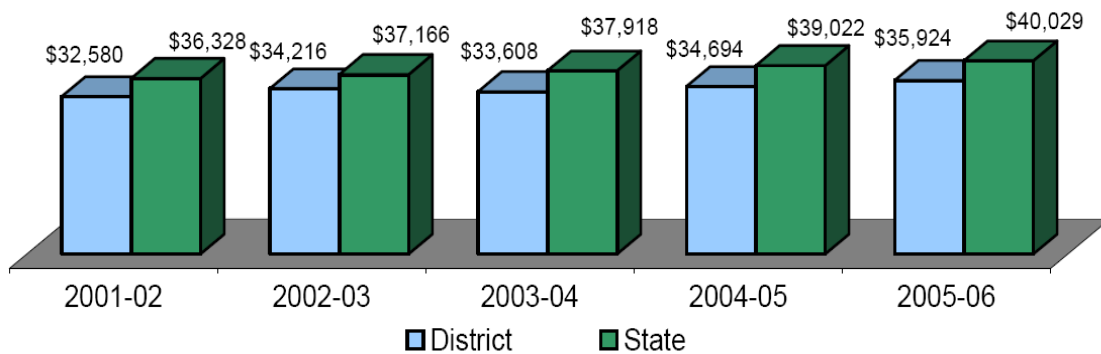
**District's Public Student Population by Ethnicity (PK-12)**



**State's Public Student Population by Ethnicity (PK-12)**



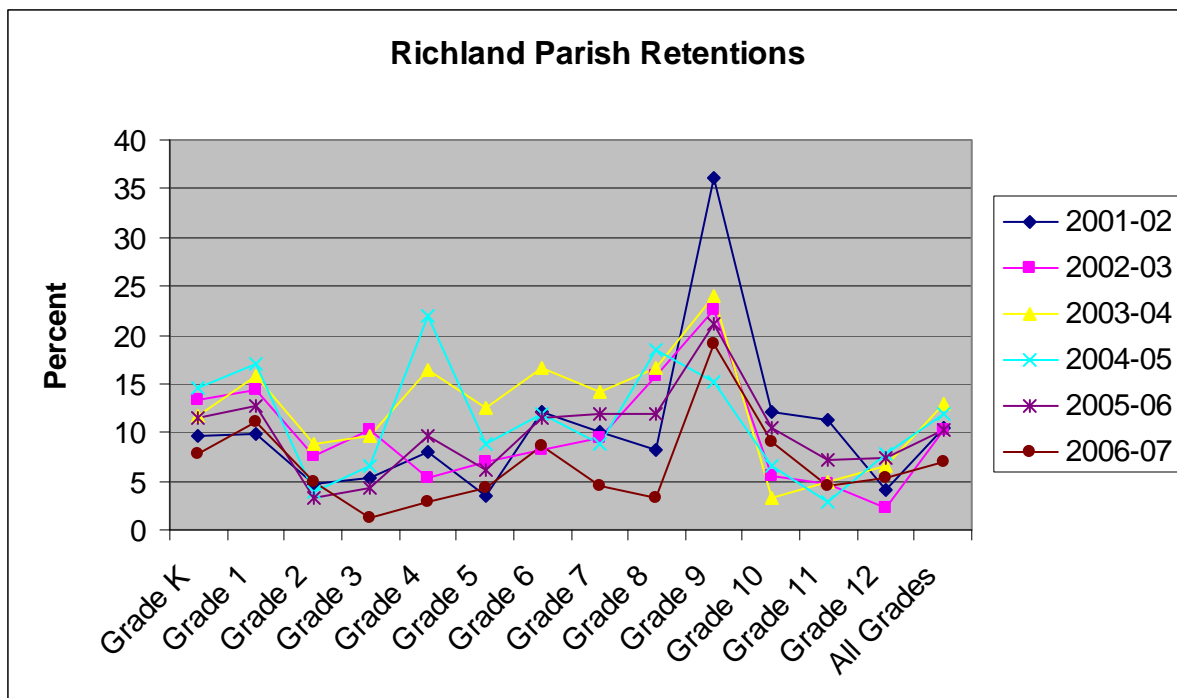
**Average Classroom Teacher Salary**



# Risk Factor: Student Retention

## Richland Parish Student Retention

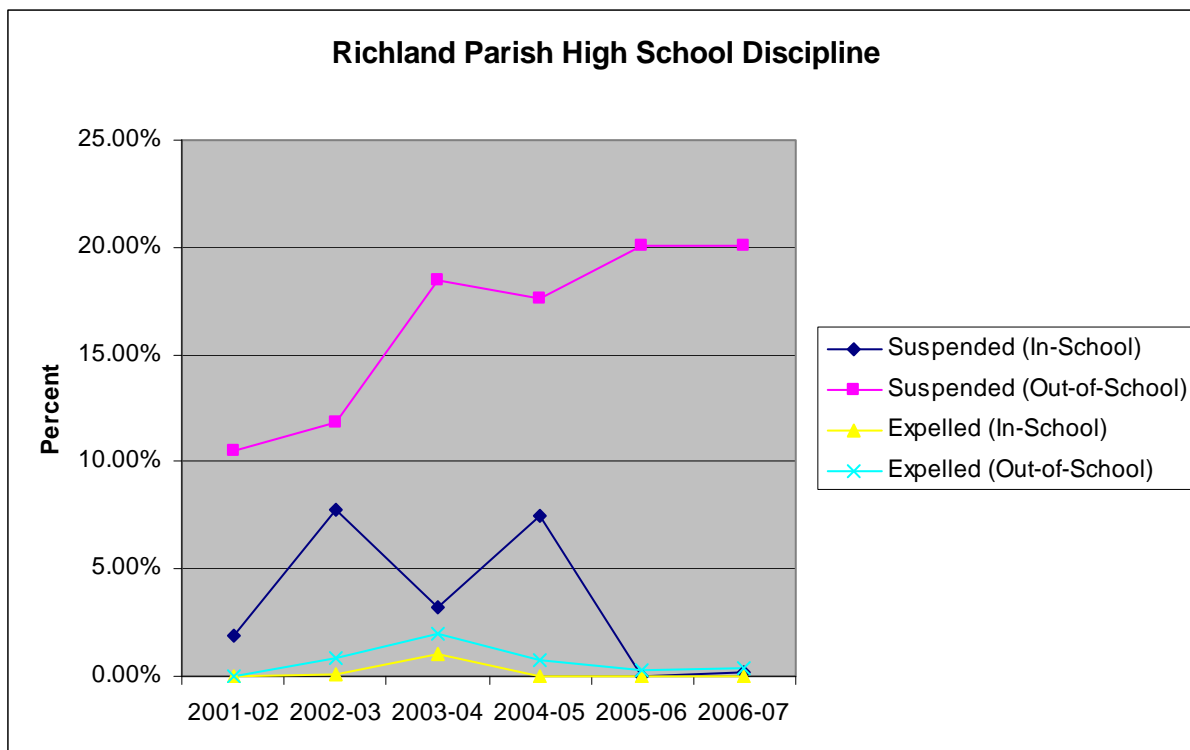
	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
Grade K	9.6	28	13.3	34	11.7	33	14.6	41	11.4	36	7.7	24
Grade 1	9.8	28	14.3	41	15.8	41	17	49	12.8	37	11	36
Grade 2	4.8	14	7.6	20	8.9	23	3.8	9	3.3	8	5	13
Grade 3	5.3	16	10.3	30	9.6	26	6.5	16	4.3	11	1.2	3
Grade 4	7.9	28	5.3	16	16.5	45	22	63	9.7	28	2.9	8
Grade 5	3.5	9	7	21	12.5	37	8.8	22	6.1	15	4.3	11
Grade 6	12.2	37	8.2	24	16.7	49	11.9	35	11.5	31	8.6	24
Grade 7	10.1	28	9.4	26	14.1	40	8.9	24	11.8	34	4.6	12
Grade 8	8.3	21	15.8	39	16.6	46	18.5	51	11.8	35	3.3	10
Grade 9	36.2	100	22.6	71	23.9	60	15.2	39	21.2	54	19	53
Grade 10	12.2	24	5.5	10	3.3	7	6.5	11	10.5	21	9	17
Grade 11	11.2	22	4.7	8	4.9	9	2.8	5	7.2	12	4.5	8
Grade 12	4.2	7	2.3	4	6.5	10	7.7	14	7.4	14	5.4	8
All Grades	10.5	362	10.3	344	12.9	426	11.8	379	10.2	336	6.9	227



## Risk Factor: Student Discipline

### Richland Parish- High School **Discipline**

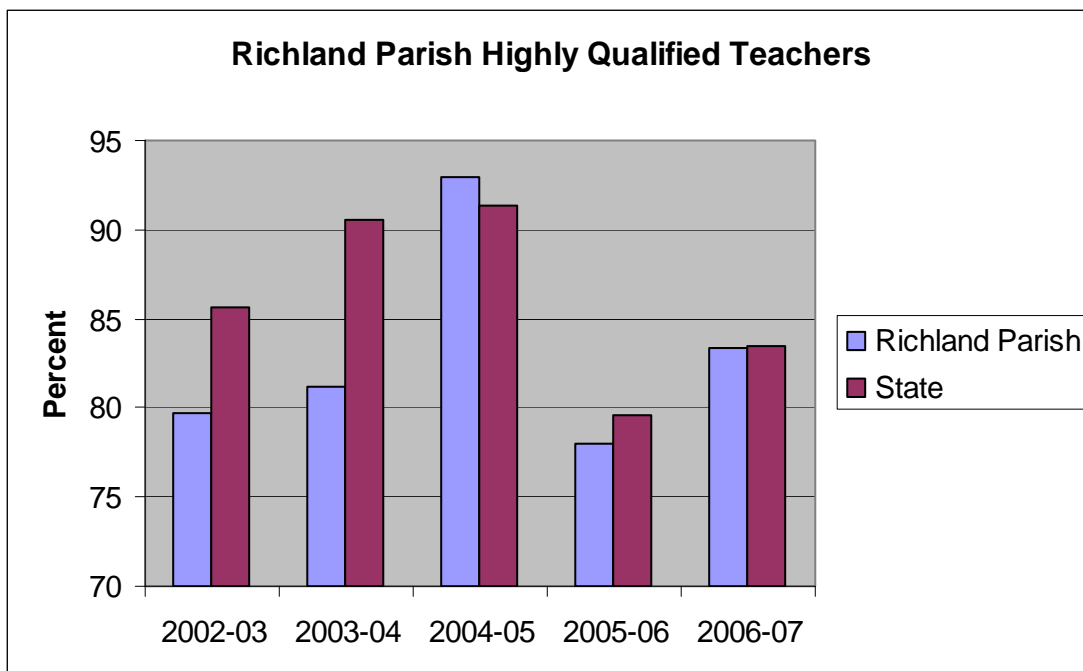
School Year	Suspension In-School		Suspension Out-of-School		Expulsion In-School		Expulsion Out-of-School	
	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
2002-03	7.72%	85	11.81%	130	0.09%	1	0.82%	9
2003-04	3.18%	35	18.42%	203	1.00%	11	2.00%	22
2004-05	7.51%	71	17.65%	167	0.00%		0.74%	7
2005-06	0.00%		20.06%	202	0.00%		0.30%	3
2006-07	0.20%	2	20.08%	199	0.00%		0.40%	4



## Teacher Quality

### Highly Qualified Teachers (Percentages)

	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Richland Parish Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	79.7	81.2	92.9	78	83.4
Louisiana Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	85.6	90.5	91.4	79.6	83.5



## Risk Factor: Student Engagement and Family Background

### Richland Parish **Dropout Reasons**

	Count	Percent
No Reason Given	63	75.0
Academic Difficulty	3	3.6
Behavioral Difficulty	0	0
Dislike of School Experience	0	0
Employment	4	4.8
Entered Criminal Justice System	0	0
Health Problems	0	0
Military	0	0
Needed at Home	3	3.6
Parent/Guardian Influence	1	1.2
Pregnancy	1	1.2
Reason Unknown	9	10.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>100</b>

### Richland Dropout **Truancy**

	Frequency	Percent
Non-Truant	31	36.9
Truant	53	63.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>100</b>
Louisiana Truant-Dropout Total	5,890	36.0

### Richland Parish Dropout: **Options Program Participation**

	Count	Percent
Non-Options Participant	55	65.5
Option 3 (GED Program)	29	34.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>100</b>
Louisiana Dropout Option 3 Participants	1,924	11.7

### Richland Dropout **Homelessness**

	Richland Counts	Richland Percent	Louisiana Dropout Counts	Louisiana Dropout Percents
Non-Homeless	84	100	15,834	96.6
Hotels/Motels	0	0	8	.0
Shelters	0	0	28	.2
Sharing Housing with Others	0	0	412	2.5
Unsheltered/FEMA	0	0	55	.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>16,383</b>	<b>100</b>

## Risk Factor: Family Characteristics

### Richland Parish Dropouts by **Gender**

	Count	Percent
Female	33	39.3
Male	51	60.7
Total	84	100

### Louisiana Dropouts by **Gender**

	Count	Percent
Female	6,686	40.8
Male	9,697	59.2
Total	16,383	100

### Richland Parish Dropout **Poverty**

	Count	Percent
Paid Lunch	26	31.0
Free Lunch	57	67.9
Reduced Lunch	1	1.2
Total	84	100

### Louisiana Dropout **Poverty**

	Count	Percent
Paid Lunch	6,883	42.0
Free Lunch	8,954	54.7
Reduced Lunch	546	3.3
Total	16,383	100

### Richland Parish Dropouts by **Ethnicity**

	Count	Percent
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	0	0
Asian/Pacific Islander	0	0
African American	56	66.7
Hispanic	1	1.2
Caucasian	27	32.1
Total	84	100

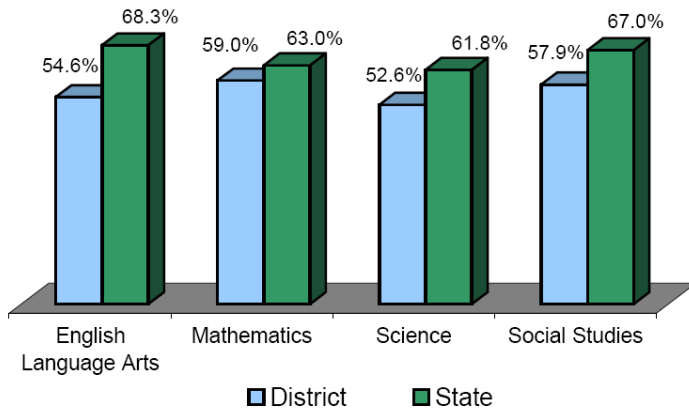
### Louisiana Dropouts by **Ethnicity**

	Count	Percent
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	120	.7
Asian/Pacific Islander	164	1.0
African American	10,439	63.7
Hispanic	452	2.8
Caucasian	5,208	31.8
Total	16,383	100

## Risk Factor: School Performance

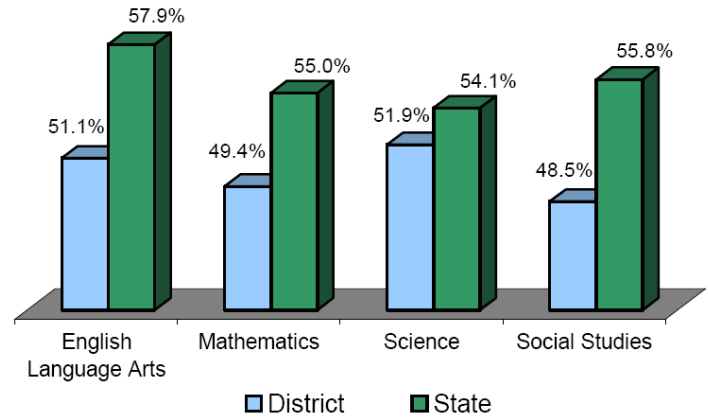
### Grade 4 LEAP Test Results

Percent Scoring at Basic & Above  
(2006-2007)



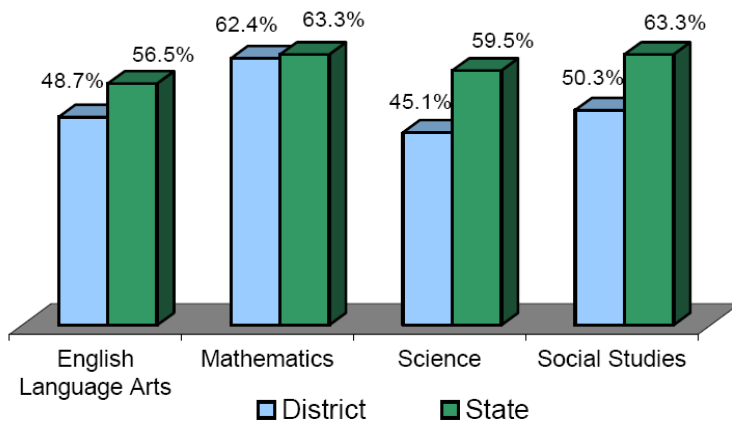
### Grade 8 LEAP Test Results

Percent Scoring at Basic & Above  
(2006-2007)



### GEE Test Results

Percent Scoring at Basic & Above  
(2006-2007)



## District Indicator Results *Student Achievement*

Grade 4 LEAP Test Results													
		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
		Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
<b>District</b>													
<b>English Language Arts</b>													
Advanced	1.3	4	0.4	1	2.1	6	2.7	8	2.2	6	0.8	2	2
Mastery*	11.0	34	8.8	24	12.9	37	16.3	48	12.8	35	10.9	27	27
Basic	30.3	94	40.9	112	37.1	106	40.3	119	37.0	101	42.9	106	106
Approaching Basic	37.7	117	27.0	74	30.4	87	26.4	78	23.4	64	20.6	51	51
Unsatisfactory	19.7	61	23.0	63	17.5	50	14.2	42	24.5	67	24.7	61	61
<b>Mathematics</b>													
Advanced	2.3	7	2.9	8	1.7	5	2.7	8	2.6	7	3.2	8	8
Mastery*	9.0	28	10.6	29	12.9	37	12.5	37	14.7	40	11.7	29	29
Basic	31.6	98	34.3	94	28.7	82	48.6	144	40.7	111	44.1	109	109
Approaching Basic	28.7	89	21.5	59	28.0	80	20.3	60	23.4	64	17.4	43	43
Unsatisfactory	28.4	88	30.7	84	28.7	82	15.9	47	18.7	51	23.5	58	58
<b>Science</b>													
Advanced	2.6	8	2.6	7	1.8	5	3.0	9	0.7	2	1.6	4	4
Mastery*	8.1	25	12.4	34	10.9	31	10.1	30	8.4	23	6.9	17	17
Basic	44.8	139	29.2	80	42.1	120	50.3	149	44.7	122	44.1	109	109
Approaching Basic	31.3	97	42.0	115	32.6	93	29.1	86	30.8	84	28.3	70	70
Unsatisfactory	13.2	41	13.9	38	12.6	36	7.4	22	15.4	42	19.0	47	47
<b>Social Studies</b>													
Advanced	1.3	4	2.6	7	1.1	3	1.0	3	1.1	3	2.0	5	5
Mastery*	6.8	21	10.2	28	9.5	27	6.8	20	9.5	26	13.0	32	32
Basic	40.6	126	33.2	91	40.0	114	42.2	125	45.8	125	42.9	106	106
Approaching Basic	24.8	77	28.1	77	24.2	69	31.8	94	26.0	71	19.0	47	47
Unsatisfactory	26.5	82	25.9	71	25.3	72	18.2	54	17.6	48	23.1	57	57

## District Indicator Results *Student Achievement*

Grade 8 LEAP Test Results												
	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
<b>District</b>												
<b>English Language Arts</b>												
Advanced	2.2	5	1.9	5	0.0	0	1.0	3	0.0	0	0.0	0
Mastery*	13.4	31	13.9	37	4.8	13	13.4	39	5.8	16	9.0	21
Basic	36.4	84	33.5	89	26.4	71	37.5	109	34.2	94	42.1	98
Approaching Basic	38.5	89	30.8	82	47.2	127	32.6	95	38.2	105	39.9	93
Unsatisfactory	9.5	22	19.9	53	21.6	58	15.5	45	21.8	60	9.0	21
<b>Mathematics</b>												
Advanced	0.9	2	2.3	6	1.9	5	2.4	7	1.4	4	3.0	7
Mastery*	2.2	5	3.4	9	2.2	6	5.9	17	1.7	5	4.3	10
Basic	39.0	90	39.8	106	36.1	97	47.6	138	43.0	126	42.1	98
Approaching Basic	29.4	68	19.2	51	26.8	72	19.7	57	24.6	72	28.8	67
Unsatisfactory	28.6	66	35.3	94	33.1	89	24.5	71	29.4	86	21.9	51
<b>Science</b>												
Advanced	0.0	0	0.7	2	0.0	0	3.4	10	0.4	1	1.3	3
Mastery*	13.0	30	9.3	25	11.2	30	12.8	37	9.1	25	12.4	29
Basic	35.1	81	34.0	91	31.6	85	34.1	99	28.1	77	38.2	89
Approaching Basic	29.4	68	26.1	70	26.8	72	31.0	90	35.0	96	33.5	78
Unsatisfactory	22.5	52	29.9	80	30.5	82	18.6	54	27.4	75	14.6	34
<b>Social Studies</b>												
Advanced	0.0	0	0.4	1	0.4	1	1.7	5	0.7	2	0.0	0
Mastery*	3.9	9	6.0	16	5.9	16	8.9	26	4.0	11	8.6	20
Basic	48.9	113	35.1	94	32.0	86	44.0	128	34.3	94	39.9	93
Approaching Basic	23.8	55	29.9	80	36.1	97	19.2	56	30.3	83	35.6	83
Unsatisfactory	23.4	54	28.7	77	25.7	69	26.1	76	30.7	84	15.9	37

## District Indicator Results *Student Achievement*

Graduation Exit Examination (GEE) Results											
		2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07				
		Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
<b>District</b>											
<b>English Language Arts</b>											
	Advanced	2.8	5	0.9	2	1.1	2	1.0	2	0.6	1
	Mastery*	13.3	24	5.1	11	9.0	17	8.4	17	7.3	13
	Basic	41.1	74	38.0	82	37.2	70	40.6	82	42.4	75
	Approaching Basic	23.3	42	34.3	74	23.9	45	25.2	51	25.4	45
	Unsatisfactory	19.4	35	21.8	47	28.7	54	24.8	50	24.3	43
<b>Mathematics</b>											
	Advanced	5.5	10	3.7	8	4.3	8	5.0	10	2.8	5
	Mastery*	11.6	21	8.8	19	11.8	22	10.9	22	11.1	20
	Basic	32.6	59	44.2	95	39.0	73	38.6	78	38.9	70
	Approaching Basic	14.9	27	20.0	43	13.4	25	11.9	24	15.0	27
	Unsatisfactory	35.4	64	23.3	50	31.6	59	33.7	68	32.2	58
<b>Science</b>											
	Advanced	0.6	1	1.5	3	1.2	2	0.7	1	2.4	4
	Mastery*	13.0	23	12.6	25	8.8	15	12.1	17	4.7	8
	Basic	26.0	46	38.4	76	34.1	58	41.4	58	40.0	68
	Approaching Basic	29.9	53	25.3	50	34.7	59	28.6	40	31.2	53
	Unsatisfactory	30.5	54	22.2	44	21.2	36	17.1	24	21.8	37
<b>Social Studies</b>											
	Advanced	0.6	1	1.5	3	0.0	0	1.4	2	1.2	2
	Mastery*	8.0	14	7.6	15	5.3	9	2.9	4	4.8	8
	Basic	33.0	58	39.4	78	48.8	83	45.7	64	43.7	73
	Approaching Basic	28.4	50	28.3	56	24.1	41	28.6	40	25.7	43
	Unsatisfactory	30.1	53	23.2	46	21.8	37	21.4	30	24.6	41