

# Blackboard Awards

## Public Elementary Schools, Districts 1 to 5

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<b>District 1</b>									
15 Roberto Clemente	266	21	26	85	38	58.8	52.9	45.2	23
19 Asher Levy	387	25	38	97	26	60.7	42.9	60.4	64
20 Anna Silver	801	24	70	97	47	72	62	58.8	85
34 FDR School	426	21	37	92	33	62.1	51.7	51.6	64
63 William McKinley	229	14	25	91	22	66.7	47.6	53.9	79
64 Robert Simon	310	24	61	100	33	76.9	65.4	45.7	57
110 Florence Nightengale	577	30	47	95	36	55.3	55.3	70.7	84
134 Henrietta Szold	393	26	39	97	22	48.4	38.7	40.9	57
137 John Bernstein	371	22	32	97	59	69	65.5	43.6	60
140 Nathan Straus Prep	484	23	39	97	33	59	61.5	39.5	56
142 Amalia Castro	492	29	47	96	30	64.3	47.6	30.4	65
184 Shuang Wen	433	22	26	100	40	39.1	39.1	98.2	100
188 The Island School	415	24	36	91	26	61.3	41.9	55.6	34.5
315 E. Village Community	152	15	15	100	7	8.3	41.7	60.7	71
361 Children's Workshop	253	25	22	100	14	31.3	31.3	66.7	63
363 Neighborhood Sch.	259	24	19	95	35	47.1	64.7	70.3	87
364 Earth School	288	24	22	100	15	6.3	37.5	80	76
539 NEST+M	755	25	58	92	13	34.9	9.3	98	100

### District 2

1 Alfred E. Smith	570	24	47	93	48	68.3	57.4	75	87
2 Meyer London	682	21	61	100	45	78	48	61.1	87
3 Charette	527	37	14	100	27	77.4	61.3	86.2	88
6 Lillie D. Blake	842	29	51	98	29	n/a	n/a	87.7	92
11 William T. Harris	493	23	45	100	29	n/a	n/a	72.2	76
33 Chelsea School	281	20	26	96	30	65.2	52.2	51.2	78
40 Augustus St. Gaudens	505	23	40	100	47	73.5	47.1	89.6	95
41 Greenwich Village	670	25	51	96	26	60	40	92.9	96
42 Benjamin Altman	672	23	50	98	80	76.6	78.7	69.3	94
59 Beekman Hill	361	21	28	96	24	42.9	23.8	83.9	97
77 Lower Lab	355	n/a	22	100	36	66.7	42.9	93	95
89	418	24	36	94	28	56.5	34.8	87.9	95
111 Adolph S. Ochs	561	21	55	98	23	59.1	36.4	53.7	73
116 Mary Lindley Murray	741	23	51	100	19	65	25	93.9	96
124 Yung Wing	990	29	65	100	50	63.8	51.7	90.1	98
126 Jacob A. Riis	631	21	60	93	27	56.5	41.3	55.4	70
130 Hernando deSoto	1044	29	62	100	53	88.7	77.4	83.8	94
150 Tribeca Learning Ctr.	153	25	12	100	64	80	60	87.5	100
151 Elias Howe	285	24	30	100	28	60	50	61.4	80
158 Bayard Taylor	658	24	54	100	26	65.9	43.9	81.9	92
183 R. L. Stevenson	561	24	43	95	29	53.1	34.4	80	86
198 Isidor & Ida Strauss	470	26	44	100	16	61.3	38.7	59	76

## Reading These Charts: Elementary, Middle and High Schools, Plus Charters

**Enrollment:** Data on number of students enrolled is taken from current (2005-06) New York State Report Cards (<http://schools.nyc.gov/daa>). For K-8 schools and secondary schools that span grades 6-12, enrollment expresses total student population, across all grade levels.

**Average Class Size:** Class size data is derived from New York State Report Cards (<http://schools.nyc.gov/daa>). For high schools, class size is often determined by academic content and thus more difficult to generalize. For schools that span K-8 or 6-12, class sizes are generally smaller in the younger grades; figures cited in the chart reflect a school-wide average.

**No. of Teachers:** Data is drawn from New York State Report Cards (<http://schools.nyc.gov/daa>).

**% Certified, % with Post-Graduate Degree:** Data is drawn from New York State Report Cards

(<http://schools.nyc.gov/data>). For more on certification, see the article on page 26 of this issue.

**% 2 Years at School, % Teaching 5 Years:** Data is drawn from New York City Department of Education School Report Cards (<http://schools.nyc.gov/daa/SchoolReports/default.asp>). % Teaching 2 years documents teachers who have worked at a particular school for at least two years; % Teaching 5 years documents those who have been teaching for at least five years in any school setting.

**ELA/Math Scores:** ELA scores are drawn from 2007 Department of Education data (<http://schools.nyc.gov/daa/2007ela/default.asp>). Math scores are drawn from 2005-06 NY State Report Cards (<http://schools.nyc.gov/daa>). At press time, 2006-07 state math scores were not yet released, but are slated to be published mid-June. For both ELA and math scores, values reflect the percentage of students who

meet or exceed grade level standards (scoring at levels 3 or 4) in the subject area.

**Regents, English and Math A:** Scores are drawn from the New York State Report Cards (<http://schools.nyc.gov/data>) and represent the percentage of students achieving a passing grade of 65 or higher.

Information on charter schools is drawn from [www.nystart.gov/publicweb/CharterSchool.do](http://www.nystart.gov/publicweb/CharterSchool.do).

Schools that enroll only early-childhood students (generally, pre-K or K through grade 2) do not administer ELA/math standardized exams, and thus show no scores.

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212 Midtown West	357	28	22	100	33	70	55	82.1	78
217 Roosevelt Island	431	24	37	100	32	64.5	51.6	65	73
225 Ella Baker	236	20	21	100	37	73.7	63.2	31.6	38
234 Independence	691	29	43	95	28	76.7	56.7	94.8	97
290 Manhattan New Sch.	695	28	47	98	30	50	44.1	91.2	97
ASL & English Lower Sch.	123	16	35	97	38	n/a	45.9	33.3	33

### District 3

9 Sarah Anderson	400	29	41	92	31	57.9	42.1	89.4	94
75 Emily Dickinson	850	26	62	96	39	60.4	47.2	66.4	85
76 A. Philip Randolph	400	23	38	97	26	56.3	56.3	31.3	56
84 Lillian Weber	465	25	35	97	38	83.3	61.1	49.1	72
87 William Sherman	889	26	53	100	41	77.8	57.8	95.5	90
145 Bloomingdale Sch.	560	26	54	100	54	72.9	68.8	46.8	52
149 Sojourner Truth	473	22	45	91	30	50.3	42.5	37.8	59
163 Alfred E. Smith	611	23	48	98	54	74.4	74.4	62.3	70
165 Robert E. Simon	603	25	51	96	36	73.3	60	37	59
166 R. Rogers Arts/Tech	544	27	37	100	76	66.7	51.5	71.8	84
180 Hugo Newman	401	19	44	98	30	62.5	40	58.7	93
185 John M Langston	281	20	32	97	41	77.8	57.8	49.1	90
191 Amsterdam	468	24	44	100	24	60	47.5	57.5	62
199 Jesse Isador Straus	688	26	45	98	49	78.3	65.2	94.9	96
208 Alain L. Locke	284	24	27	100	35	65.2	69.6	42.7	40
241 Family Academy	454	26	46	85	23	38.5	43.6	20.9	40
242 GP Brown Computer	259	22	24	89	21	46.7	53.3	33.9	70
333 Manh Sch for Children	591	25	41	98	17	37.8	32.4	83.1	92
334 Anderson School	506	27	25	95	29	n/a	35.3	100	100

### District 4

7 Samuel Stern	446	24	43	95	26	65.4	38.5	26.4	74
12 TAG Young Scholars	441	23	24	83	26	n/a	40	98.2	100
37 River East	183	23	18	93	20	n/a	25	66.7	30
38 Roberto Clemente	437	25	43	93	20	54.3	57.1	37.8	59
50 Vito Marcantonio	515	22	57	100	28	74.5	68.1	56	72
57 James W. Johnson	690	26	51	96	31	60	56	41.7	70
72	663	24	57	100	28	74.5	68.1	56	72
83 Munoz Luis Rivera	460	25	29	100	16	65.4	46.2	72	80
96 Joseph Lanzetta	634	25	45	98	38	76.7	62.8	50	52
101 Andrew Draper	540	24	61	94	17	61.7	53.2	25	77
102 Jacques Cartier	370	22	32	91	47	87.1	58.1	51.1	73
108 Anna M. Short	565	25	57	95	14	49	34.7	48.5	54
112 Jose Barbosa	352	21	47	98	43	73.2	65.9	n/a	n/a
155 Willaim Paca	482	33	47	98	21	77.3	63.6	42.6	59
171 Patrick Henry	496	28	39	95	38	62.2	59.5	67.5	78
182 Bilingual/Bicultural	489	27	29	93	33	89.3	82.1	65.5	92
206 Jose Celso Barbosa	441	21	37	92	17	61.1	55.6	24.2	68
497 Central Park East I	175	11	16	86	43	n/a	57.1	30.4	35
964 Central Park East II	204	28	18	95	21	n/a	61.1	30.4	54

### District 5

Thurgood Marshall Acad. Lower School	59	17	6	100	17	n/a	40	n/a	n/a
30 Raphael Hernandez/Langston Hughes Acad.	395	22	59	98	39	n/a	n/a	39.2	45
36 Margaret Douglas	474	19	47	100	34	79.2	62.5	n/a	n/a
46 Arthur Tappan	840	22	67	100	31	73.3	55	43	54
92 Mary McLeod Bethune	384	18	46	96	36	n/a	n/a	46.7	48
123 Mahalia Jackson	654	23	55	90	29	n/a	n/a	42.2	61
125 Ralph Bunche	467	27	47	96	36	n/a	n/a	38.2	69
129 John H Finley Campus	481	26	45	91	23	81.6	76.3	37.3	62
133 Fred R. Moore	380	31	34	94	42	n/a	n/a	29.7	63
154 Harriet Tubman	429	26	50	91	22	75	55	48.2	55
161 Don Pedro Albizu Campos	897	32	76	96	24	64.6	49.2	47.6	72
175 Henry Highland Garnet	382	21	31	96	21	44.4	37.9	37.5	62
194 Countee Cullen	374	31	37	91	40	64.7	73.5	39.4	54
197 John Russwurm	568	20	52	96	31	n/a	n/a	49.5	60
200 James McCune Smith	778	24	67	92	31	66.7	68.5	44	48

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<b>District 1</b>									
P.S. 34 FDR School	426	21	37	92	33	62.1	51.7	35.4	13.6
P.S. 110 Florence Nightengale	577	30	47	95	36	55.3	55.3	35	37.8
P.S. 140 Nathan Straus Prep. School for the Humanities	484	23	39	97	33	59	61.5	29.9	21.3
P.S. 184 Shuang Wen	433	22	26	100	40	39.1	39.1	82.9	n/a
P.S. 188 The Island School	415	24	36	91	26	61.3	41.9	24	19
I.S. 292 Henry Street School for International Studies	294	21	21	95	16	n/a	n/a	27.5	26.2
I.S. 332 University Neighborhood Middle School	161	27	11	88	27	n/a	n/a	30.8	33.8
H.S. 450 East Side Community School	501	22	44	100	36	60	54.3	34.9	38.7
I.S. 509 CMSP - Marte Valle Secondary School	558	17	51	88	34	61.9	57.1	22.5	41.3
P.S. 539 NEST+M Technology, Arts and Studio School	755	25	58	92	13	34.9	9.3	100	100
I.S. 839 Tompkins Square MS Extension	12	27	6	100	17	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	221	n/a	21	94	28	n/a	23.5	60.8	54.9

### District 2

I.S. 47 American Sign Language & English School	193	26	26	97	45	n/a	45.9	28.6	9.1
M.S. 104 Simon Baruch School	1139	31	64	97	29	55.08	26.9	74.3	69.2
PS 111 Adolph S. Ochs	561	21	55	98	23	59.1	36.4	39.3	50.6
M.S. 114 East Side Middle School	347	28	22	100	29	64.7	41.2	94.4	69.1
I.S. 126 Jacob A. Riis	631	21	60	93	27	56.5	41.3	67.1	62.7
M.S. 131 Dr. Sun Yat Sen School	871	29	60	100	46	80.7	54.4	47.5	78.4
M.S. 167 Robert Wagner Middle School	1336	34	77	99	28	58.2	36.4	71.4	61.7
I.S. 217 Roosevelt Island	431	24	37	100	32	64.5	51.6	35.9	55.1
P.S. 225 Ella Baker	236	20	21	100	37	73.7	63.2	38	35.5
M.S. 255 Salk School of Science	334	24	22	100	33	28.6	21.4	81.4	92.6
M.S. 260 Clinton School For Writers and Artists	236	32	18	100	50	58.3	66.7	76.1	79.8
I.S. 289	297	31	17	94	13	56.3	31.3	82	84.2
M.S. 312 NYC Lab Middle School for Collaborative Studies	579	31	34	97	21	50	35.3	96.7	95.2
I.S. 407 Institute for Collaborative Education	421	21	29	96	12	52.4	28.6	83.3	41.4
H.S. 408 Professional Performing Arts School	420	23	24	100	25	60	45	84	57.1
M.S. 413 School of the Future	672	27	46	87	25	50	35.3	66.7	45.5
M.S. 414 NYC Museum School	387	29	28	92	13	47.6	38.1	n/a	27.3
H.S. 429 Legacy School for Integrated Studies	497	n/a	37	91	17	40.6	21.9	n/a	n/a
H.S. 442 Ballet Tech	156	19	9	100	44	100	25	89.5	78.2
I.S. 655 Life Sciences Secondary School	699	25	42	98	46	59.4	43.8	66.1	52.3
I.S. 896 Greenwich Village Middle School	194	30	13	92	23	n/a	30	65.5	48.2

### District 3

M.S. 44 William J. O'Shea Middle School	493	30	46	100	26	75	70.5	13.3	30.4
M.S. 54 Booker T. Washington School	1003	32	61	92	34	72.7	61.8	62	56.5
PS. 149 Sojourner Truth	473	22	45	91	30	50.3	42.5	9.6	15.3
PS. 191 Amsterdam	468	24	44	100	24	60	47.5	33.3	30.6
PS. 241 Family Academy	454	26	46	85	23	38.5	43.6	22	32.8
PS. 243 Center School	194	n/a	17	100	50	78.6	71.4	75	71.4
M.S. 245 The Computer School	293	32	15	94	13	60	40	73.3	64.2
M.S. 246 Crossroads	206	26	13	100	7	16.7	16.7	32.7	26.3
M.S. 247 Dual Language Middle School	173	30	14	93	7	77.8	22.2	34.2	32.1
M.S. 250 West Side Collaborative	200	22	16	94	25	64.3	50	54.6	41.2
M.S. 256 School for Academic and Athletic Excellence	191	29	17	100	7	33.3	26.7	36.7	3.6
M.S. 258 Community Action School	229	26	17	83	28	43.8	31.3	38.6	34.5
P.S. 333 Manhattan School for Children	591	25	41	98	17	37.8	32.4	78.3	48.6
P.S. 334 Anderson School	506	27	25	95	29	n/a	35.3	96.4	92.6
M.S. 415 Wadleigh Arts High School	880	26	65	90	70	44.8	46.6	20	27.6
I.S. 860 Frederick Douglass Academy II	389	29	23	73	18	0	10.5	41.1	75
M.S. 862 Mott Hall II	329	34	19	94	12	50	28.6	86.6	78.6

### District 4

P.S. 7 Samuel Stern	446	24	43	95	26	65.4	38.5	12.5	n/a
I.S. 12 TAG Young Scholars	441	23	24	83	26	n/a	40	74.5	65.7
I.S. 13 Jackie Robinson Alternative Education Complex	360	25	36	88	24	43.3	30	17.7	3.9
I.S. 45 John S. Roberts Alternative Education Complex	617	28	55	100	24	77.8	60	13.8	23.1
P.S. 57 James Weldon Johnson	690	26	51	96	31	60	56	56.7	n/a
P.S. 96 Joseph Lanzetta	634	25	45	98	38	76.7	62.8	53.9	74.1
PS. 101 Andrew Draper	540	24	61	94	17	61.7	"53,2"	17.5	3.3
I.S. 117 Tito Puente Education Complex	483	30	41	98	34	64.9	45.9	17.8	12
M.S. 224 Manhattan East School	251	30	14	100	27	33.3	33.3	81.9	76.1
H.S. 610 Young Women's Leadership Institute	398	25	27	100	25	70.4	44.4	76.3	45.9
H.S. 635 Acad. for Environmental Science Secondary Sch.	651	29	48	93	26	23.8	40.5	26.4	18

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I.S. 825 Isaac Newton JHS for Science & Math	444	28	30	88	16	n/a	36.4	28.9	32.1

### District 5

I.S. 172 Powell Middle School for Law and Social Justice	638	27	52	83	15	43.5	41.3	3.4	2
I.S. 195 Roberto Clemente School	972	29	80	79	11	50	40.3	18.1	23.8
M.S. 286 Renaissance Military and Leadership Academy	316	26	26	71	25	36.4	45.5	10.2	5.8
H.S. 302 Kappa IV	190	n/a	11	55	0	n/a	n/a	56.3	n/a
I.S. 317 Kappa II	207	n/a	14	75	17	0	22.2	59	46.6
H.S. 469 Choir Academy of Harlem	619	83	35	83	23	41.9	48.4	13.9	6.2
H.S. 499 Frederick Douglass Academy	1387	27	91	87	22	53.2	41.8	68.7	71.4
I.S. 670 Thurgood Marshall Academy	536	28	31	94	25	73.1	61.5	47.1	59.3

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## Public High Schools

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A. Philip Randolph Campus High School	1628	30	104	97	40	50	51	74	72
Acad. of Environmental Science Secondary HS	651	27	48	93	26	23.8	40.5	70	58
American Sign Language & English Dual Language Sch.	166	n/a	26	97	45	57.1	61.9	54	50
Art and Design High School	1406	33	78	92	61	78.3	71	59	70
Ballet Tech	156	n/a	9	100	44	100	25	n/a	n/a
Bard Early College	540	19	45	74	74	84	90	98	91
Baruch College Campus High School	409	28	29	93	4	n/a	n/a	96	99
Beacon High School	1042	26	53	100	44	72.7	47.7	81	88
Bread & Roses Integrated Arts High School	488	24	39	92	32	20	45.7	30	38
Bronx High School of Science	2436	33	134	98	59	79.6	71.3	99	100
Brooklyn Technical High School	4240	32	226	98	58	73.8	71.8	99	100
Central Park East Secondary High School	328	20	27	88	20	43.5	21.7	27	31
Chelsea Career and Technical Education High School	1040	30	71	88	33	60	55	47	56
Choir Academy of Harlem	619	28	35	83	23	41.9	48.4	51	26
Coalition for Social Change	418	24	31	97	38	66.7	66.7	48	48
East Side Community School	501	21	44	100	36	60	54.3	71	60
Eleanor Roosevelt High School	468	29	30	97	41	n/a	n/a	99	98
Fiorello H. LaGuardia HS of Music & Art and Performing Arts	2464	32	151	98	59	82.5	65.7	98	99
Food and Finance High School	204	24	15	100	46	n/a	n/a	n/a	91
Frederick Douglass Academy	1387	28	91	87	22	53.2	41.8	73	89
Frederick Douglass Academy II Secondary School	389	29	23	73	18	0	10.5	85	80
Gregorio Luperon HS for Science and Mathematics	409	n/a	29	95	71	69.2	61.5	41	40
Harvey Milk High School	64	n/a	11	100	33	50	30	71	50
Henry Street School for Int'l Studies	294	24	21	95	16	n/a	n/a	n/a	54
HS for Arts, Imagination and Inquiry	110	n/a	7	100	14	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
HS for Dual Language & Asian Studies	218	16	19	100	44	22.2	38.9	68	98
HS for Environmental Studies	1474	30	78	93	27	61.5	39.7	85	89
HS for Health Careers and Sciences	595	27	46	88	36	59.5	37.8	62	54
HS for Health Professions and Human Services	1476	31	83	99	44	74.4	69.2	64	76
HS for History and Communication	183	25	14	87	7	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
HS for International Business and Finance	678	28	41	91	32	56.4	53.8	52	67
HS for Law and Public Service	598	30	40	90	45	68.4	63.2	50	55
HS for Math, Science and Engineering at City College	403	25	36	92	32	33.3	23.3	100	100
HS for Media and Communications	601	34	46	95	21	56.1	31.7	63	39
HS for the Humanites	2026	26	126	98	53	67.6	58.1	42	34
HS of American Studies at Lehman College	309	23	23	100	41	47.6	57.1	100	100
HS of Economics and Finance	760	31	45	93	37	60	50	74	92
HS of Fashion Industries	1659	30	96	96	50	77.3	63.6	92	90
HS of Graphic Communication Arts	1955	28	120	92	43	57	51.8	48	54
HS of Hospitality Management	214	19	17	100	13	n/a	n/a	n/a	85
Humanities Preparatory Academy	169	n/a	17	94	31	81.8	36.4	54	n/a
Institute for Collaborative Education	421	20	29	96	12	52.4	28.6	42	33
Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis High School	700	31	42	95	30	42.1	39.5	61	61
Landmark High School	430	25	28	93	34	72.7	50	51	43
Leadership and Public Service High School	682	29	43	97	30	60	51.4	74	63
Legacy School for Integrated Studies	497	27	37	91	17	40.6	21.9	49	44
Life Sciences Secondary School	699	34	42	98	46	59.4	43.8	59	69
Louis D. Brandeis High School	2751	31	162	96	37	63.9	49	40	53
Lower Manhattan Arts Academy	83	n/a	8	100	43	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Manhattan Bridges High School	318	27	24	90	33	35	35	39	62

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## Public High Schools

School Number/Name	Enrollment	Average Class Size	No. of Teachers	% Certified	% with Post-Graduate Degree	% at Least 2 Years at School	% Teaching 5 Years Any School	% Passing English Regents	% Passing Math A Regents
Manhattan Center for Science and Mathematics	1583	32	86	95	48	68.8	57.5	87	93
Manhattan Comprehensive Night and Day High Sch.	843	n/a	49	94	61	83.8	70.3	77	93
Manhattan International High School	329	22	22	100	45	52.6	52.6	82	87
Manhattan Theatre Lab High School	197	n/a	14	91	36	n/a	n/a	n/a	37
Manhattan Village Academy	361	19	25	96	20	n/a	n/a	81	78
Manhattan/Hunter Science High School	320	21	25	94	16	13.6	18.2	98	93
Marta Valle Secondary School	558	19.75	51	88	34	61.9	57.1	43	78
Millennium High School	458	30	32	84	13	n/a	n/a	80	88
MLK HS for Law, Advocacy and Community Justice	521	21	46	80	25	22.5	30	42	46
MLK HS of Arts and Technology	633	24	46	83	22	16.2	21.6	57	58
Mott Hall High School	209	n/a	15	100	15	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Murry Bergtraum HS for Business Careers	2871	34	169	98	57	74.4	70.1	63	77
NEST+M	755	22	58	92	13	34.9	9.3	97	100
New Design High School	281	25	23	95	14	31.6	15.8	52	63
Norman Thomas High School	2437	31	154	96	51	67.6	61.4	47	49
NYC Lab School for Collaborative Studies	429	n/a	24	95	33	n/a	n/a	93	94
NYC Museum School	387	28	28	92	13	47.6	38.1	84	75
Pace High School	208	n/a	14	92	25	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Park East High School	346	27	29	89	32	50	23.1	43	65
Professional Performing Arts High School	420	28	24	100	25	60	45	93	90
Queens High School for Sciences at York College	376	22	27	96	46	48	68	100	100
Repertory Company High School for Theatre Arts	180	24	15	100	50	54.5	63.6	46	61
Richard R. Green High School of Teaching	708	32	56	94	38	70	52	60	66
School for the Physical City	302	23	22	94	47	53.3	46.7	42	43
School of the Future	672	n/a	46	90	25	50	35.3	n/a	n/a
Stuyvesant High School	3015	33	177	100	65	80	72.4	100	100
Talent Unlimited High School	442	26	30	95	23	60.9	39.1	86	90
The Facing History School	114	n/a	9	100	50	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
The Heritage School	304	n/a	23	96	35	40.9	55	51	52
The James Baldwin School	83	n/a	5	67	33	n/a	n/a	83	56
Thurgood Marshall Acad. for Learning and Social Change	536	28	31	94	25	73.1	61.5	35	70
Townsend Harris High School	1048	22	55	97	62	76.4	76.4	100	100
Unity Center for Urban Technologies	203	24	15	100	60	46.2	38.5	32	42
University Neighborhood	478	27	36	94	31	53.8	42.3	65	67
Urban Academy Laboratory High School	123	n/a	18	100	39	75	65	n/a	n/a
Urban Assembly School for Media Studies	216	24	10	100	10	n/a	n/a	n/a	94
Urban Assembly School of Design and Construction	208	23	10	75	8	n/a	n/a	n/a	83
Urban Assembly Academy of Government and Law	82	25	7	100	14	n/a	n/a	n/a	59
Urban Assembly School of Business for Young Women	107	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban Peace Academy	322	20	22	100	21	40	46.7	60	34
Vanguard High School	366	21	37	97	35	63.3	43.3	59	41
Wadleigh Secondary School for the Performing & Visual Arts	880	31	65	90	30	44.8	46.6	50	65
Washington Irving High School	2817	29	145	91	37	70.8	59.9	60	37
Young Women's Leadership School	398	23	27	100	25	70.4	44.4	93	88

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## Manhattan Charter Schools

School Number/Name	Enrollment	Average Class Size	No. of Teachers	% Certified	% with Post-Graduate Degree	% at Level 3&4 on ELA, Grade 4, Unless Noted	% at Level 3&4 on Math, Grade 4, Unless Noted	Notes
Amber Charter	342	24	19	79	0	46	69	
Future Leaders Institute	299	23	23	91	26	57	87	
Girls Prep (K, 1)	90	23	6	0	0	n/a	n/a	
Harbor Science and Arts	215	27	20	67	6	96	96	
Harlem Children's Zone Promise Academy	383	20	21	79	18	29	46	Grade 6 scores
Harlem Children's Zone Promise Academy II	77	15	6	83	0	n/a	n/a	
Harlem Day	231	20	15	82	6	51	72	
Harlem Link (K, 1)	108	27	10	70	0	n/a	n/a	
John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy	424	n/a	18	74	37	n/a	n/a	High school, grades 9-12
KIPP Infinity	79	n/a	4	50	0	84	100	Grade 5 scores
KIPP Success	245	n/a	14	66	0	65	82	Middle school '04 data, grade 7 scores
Leadership Village Academy	55	30	6	86	0	69	80	Grade 5 scores
Manhattan Charter	52	20	4	100	0	n/a	n/a	
New York Center for Autism	4	n/a	1	100	0	n/a	n/a	

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## Independent Schools

School Number/Name	Enrollment	Average Class Size	Average Student-Teacher Ratio	No. of Teachers on Staff	No. of Part-Time Teachers	% Teaching at Least 2 Years at School	% Teaching 5 Years Any School	Min. Criteria for Hiring Teachers	# of Teachers with at Least a Master's Degree
Abraham Joshua Heschel School	750	11-25	5:1	150	<10%	n/a	n/a	BA/BS; MA for head teachers and high school	n/a
Ascension School	305	16-25	8-25:1	34	6	50	41	BA/BS	14
Bank Street School for Children	424	20	7:1	58	2	67	57	BA/BS	50
Beekman School/The Tutoring School	80	7	5:1	17	7	82	65	BA/BS	13
Berkeley Carroll School	800	6-16	7:1	120	n/a	n/a	n/a	BA/BS	>100
Brearley School	686	12	5.9:1	134	40	67	74	n/a	63%
Cathedral School of St. John the Divine	264	13-16	7:1	40	8	n/a	n/a	BA/BS	n/a
Churchill School	406	12	6:1	108	1	84	37	BA/BS; MA for head teachers	36
Columbia Grammar and Prep	1135	12	6.6:1	165	25	>90	80	BA/BS, MA in grades 7-12	>90%
Convent of the Sacred Heart	672	17	10:1	120	n/a	92	87	MA for head teachers	Everyone but asst. teachers
Corpus Christi Parish Elementary	195	18	18:1	13	3	100	92	BA/BS	2
Dalton School	1279	n/a	n/a	178	25	n/a	n/a	n/a	206
De La Salle Academy	150	15-18	18:1	15	5	100	87	MA	15
Epiphany School	530	25	18:1	30	10	93	87	BA/BS	14
Ethical Culture Fieldston School	539	17	7.5:1	82	17	83	87	BA/BS	70
Friends Seminary	670	16	10:1	90	6	93	92	BA/BS	70
Geneva School of Manhattan	131	11	11:1	22	16	23	32	Professing Christian, BA/BS	6
IDEAL School (opened 2006-07)	20	15	7:1	15	5	n/a	40	BA/BS	10
Little Red School House and Elisabeth Irwin HS	570	6-20	6:1	100	n/a	90	n/a	BA + experience + demonstrated interest in subject area of teaching	Majority
Lycée Français de New York	1325	20-22	20:1	134	n/a	36	29	MA or working toward one + experience	68 (includes advanced French degrees)
Manhattan Country Day School	200	18-20	7:1	30 + 20 more at school's farm	5 (of 30 in Manhattan campus)	90 (at Manhattan campus)	83 (at Manhattan campus)	Prefer MA + experience	n/a
Manhattan Day School	500	18	n/a	90	n/a	83	70	MA + certification	100%
Marymount School of New York	550	18-20	6:1	93	n/a	65	57	BA/BS for asst. teacher; MA+ experience for head teacher	62
Nightingale-Bamford School	558	14	7:1	85	n/a	n/a	n/a	BA + certification	68
Philosophy Day School	86	14	8:1	11	5	36	n/a	BA/BS for asst. teacher	At least 6
School at Columbia University	444	n/a	K-4, 4:1; 4-8, 3:1	100	n/a	63	68	BA + experience	61
School of the Blessed Sacrament	250	25	10:1	16	3	88	69	BA/BS	6
Solomon Schechter School of Manhattan	152	12.7	4.8:1	38	13	58	39	K-5: BA, bilingual (English & Hebrew), a dual credential (Hebrew and gen. studies)	20

## Reading This Chart

Reporters for the 2007 Blackboard Awards polled more than 80 independent and religious schools by telephone and Internet survey. Many graciously responded to our inquiries, generously sharing their time and insights. Others declined to participate, most often citing privacy concerns and calendar pressures.

Blackboard reporters were also interested in learning about how independent and religious schools support at-risk students and those with academic or social-emotional special needs. A few schools are wholly dedicated to serving children with learning challenges—see the IDEAL School and the Churchill School for two examples—and most of our respondents said they support students of varying needs, either with in-house specialists or off-site consultation/therapy referrals.

It's important to recognize that these schools can, to a certain extent, determine the need level of their student body via the application-review process; many schools that lack sufficient curriculum resources or special education-certified staff do not accept children with special needs. Many say they're not equipped to work with children with profound special needs, but retain specialists to help struggling learners master alternative learning strategies and critical skills. Others may discover learning difficulties during a student's tenure at the school; whether a challenged student remains at a school or is invited to find another academic setting remains at the discretion of the individual institution.

For more information on special needs teaching, see the article on page 38.

**This chart presents data from participating schools in the following categories:**

**Enrollment:** Data on number of students enrolled derived from telephone interview and/or Internet surveys.

**Average Class Size:** Class size data are derived from telephone interviews and/or Internet surveys. Schools that span K-12 have smaller classes, and smaller student-teacher ratios, in the younger grades, and often have two teachers in each classroom through the early elementary years (through grades 1 or 2, depending on the school). In middle and high school,

class size varies depending on enrollment: core academics tend to be most fully subscribed, while advanced classes or specialized courses of study can have as few as six students. Many schools offer independent study options, where student work is monitored and guided by a faculty mentor.

**Average Student:Teacher Ratio:** Data are drawn from telephone interviews and Internet surveys; ratios vary depending on grade level, with much smaller ratios in the early-childhood years (nursery, pre-K and K, and often extending into grades 1 and 2).

**No. of Teachers/ No. of Part-Time Teachers:** Data are drawn from telephone interviews and Internet surveys.

**% Teaching 2 years, % Teaching 5 years:** Data are drawn from telephone interviews and Internet surveys. Some schools reported data as a percent whereas others reported raw numbers; we converted all figures to percents.

**Minimum Hiring Criteria:** Every school we spoke with required teachers to hold a BA/BS degree, either in the subject area taught or in education, depending on the school and the grade-level taught. Teaching experience or training was not a universal requirement. Many independent schools have "head" and "assistant" teachers, for whom hiring requirements differ. Most often, head teachers hold or are working on master's degrees. And schools affiliated with institutions of higher education, like The School at Columbia University and The Bank Street School, tend to have a greater proportion of staff with advanced degrees.

**N/A** indicates information schools did not wish to provide, or data that were unavailable to school authorities at the time of the interview.

—Helen Zelon and Laura Zingmond