



Press Release

Connecticut Mastery Test

Bridgeport, CT, July 13, 2011: With the release of the 2011 Connecticut Mastery Test Scores, the Bridgeport Public School district has witnessed minimal gains made in both % At/Above Proficiency and % At/Above Goal.

In **mathematics**, in At/Above Proficiency the results remain stagnant with no significant increase in any grade. Grades 3, 5, 7 through 8 had positive gains in % of At/Above Goal.

MATHEMATICS									
PERCENT BY LEVEL									
Grade	Year	Number Tested	Below Basic	Basic	Proficient	Goal	Advanced	% At/Above Proficiency	% At/Above Goal
3	2010	1515	25	17.8	29.8	20.6	6.7	57.2	27.3
3	2011	1623	26.7	17.6	28.2	21.4	6.1	55.7	27.5
4	2010	1543	22.2	18.8	26.4	26.2	6.4	59	32.6
4	2011	1496	24.4	20.3	25.1	23.3	6.9	55.3	30.2
5	2010	1400	14.6	18.9	26.3	31.6	8.6	66.5	40.2
5	2011	1473	18.3	16.9	24.2	31.3	9.3	64.8	40.6
6	2010	1395	12.3	14.7	22.9	35.1	15	73	50
6	2011	1301	11.9	16.3	26.0	33.3	12.5	71.8	45.8
7	2010	1268	13.4	21.2	28.2	28.7	8.4	65.4	37.1
7	2011	1319	13.1	21.6	26.8	27.5	10.9	65.3	38.4
8	2010	1347	14.9	23.5	31	23.5	7.1	61.6	30.6
8	2011	1236	18.0	21.4	29.6	24.4	6.6	60.7	31.1

Writing showed positive growth in grades 6 through 8 in both % of At/Above Proficiency and in % of At/Above Goal.

WRITING									
PERCENT BY LEVEL									
Grade	Year	Number Tested	Below Basic	Basic	Proficient	Goal	Advanced	Writing % At/Above Proficiency	Writing % At/Above Goal
3	2010	1507	20.8	19.8	27.3	25.5	6.7	59.5	32.2
3	2011	1611	23.2	22.2	25.0	25.3	4.3	54.6	29.7
4	2010	1591	15.7	17	31.7	29.9	5.7	67.3	35.6
4	2011	1533	15.4	21.4	29.9	28.2	5.0	63.2	33.3
5	2010	1456	10.9	18.1	30.8	35	5.2	71	40.2
5	2011	1533	14.4	16.6	32.7	30.3	5.9	68.9	36.2
6	2010	1459	9	20.7	30.3	33.9	6.2	70.3	40
6	2011	1348	8.4	18.4	31.6	34.2	7.4	73.2	41.6
7	2010	1330	20.7	23.8	28.4	21.7	5.4	55.6	27.1
7	2011	1383	23.1	23.6	27.9	20.3	5.1	53.3	25.4
8	2010	1400	22.5	23.9	25.4	24.6	3.6	53.6	28.1
8	2011	1299	21.3	23.5	26.1	26.3	2.8	55.2	29.1

Reading in grades 5, 6, and 8 showed gains in % of At/Above Proficiency and grades 5, 7, and 8 showed growth in % of At/Above Goal.

READING									
PERCENT BY LEVEL									
Grade	Year	Number Tested	Below Basic	Basic	Proficient	Goal	Advanced	Reading % At/Above Proficiency	Reading % At/Above Goal
3	2010	1497	42.8	16	16.6	21.8	2.8	41.2	24.6
3	2011	1604	45.9	13.4	18.1	20.0	2.5	40.6	22.5
4	2010	1518	41.7	16.7	15.5	24.1	2	41.6	26.1
4	2011	1470	43.3	15.7	15.2	23.5	2.4	41.0	25.9
5	2010	1391	48.8	11.7	14.8	22	2.7	39.5	24.7
5	2011	1454	47.0	12.1	15.5	22.2	3.1	40.9	25.3
6	2010	1373	22.1	13.5	15.2	41.5	7.6	64.4	49.2
6	2011	1293	22.1	13.4	17.9	40.3	6.3	64.5	46.6
7	2010	1277	25.6	10.5	17.1	38.4	8.4	63.9	46.8
7	2011	1304	25.3	11.7	13.3	39.3	10.4	63.0	49.7
8	2010	1348	33.6	14.1	13.6	33.3	5.3	52.3	38.6
8	2011	1239	28.8	12.8	15.2	37.4	5.7	58.4	43.2

Science is in its fourth year of testing had gains made in grades 5 in both % of At/Above Proficiency and % of At/Above Goal. Grade 8 showed a decline in both areas. We will analyze the decrease in grade 8.

SCIENCE									
PERCENT BY LEVEL									
Grade	Year	Number Tested	Below Basic	Basic	Proficient	Goal	Advanced	Science % At/Above Proficiency	Science % At/Above Goal
5	2010	1451	25	24.9	30.5	17.1	2.5	50	19.6
5	2011	1544	26.8	22.0	28.4	20.5	2.4	51.2	22.9
8	2010	1393	38.3	18.2	17.9	24.3	1.2	43.4	25.5
8	2011	1296	39.4	18.8	16.3	23.7	1.9	41.8	25.5

The district plans to use data-driven decision making strategies to target areas of weakness and refocus so that teachers and staff are not spending an inordinate amount of time on skills students already know.