

Belvidere South Middle School
Belvidere CUSD 100
Belvidere, ILLINOIS



ILLINOIS
SCHOOL
REPORT
CARD

GRADES : 6 7 8

State and federal laws require public school districts to release report cards to the public each year.

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STUDENTS

RACIAL/ETHNIC BACKGROUND AND OTHER INFORMATION

	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian/ Pacific Islander	Native American	Multi racial /Ethnic	Low- Income Rate	Limited- English- Proficient Rate	High Sch. Dropout Rate	Chronic Truancy Rate	Mobility Rate	Attendance Rate	Total Enrollment
School	61.0	2.3	29.8	1.7	0.1	5.2	31.7	7.6		0.4	12.2	95.0	966
District	62.6	2.8	29.9	1.3	0.1	3.2	36.0	8.6		2.5	15.5	94.3	9,065
State	54.0	19.2	19.9	3.9	0.2	2.7	41.1	7.5		2.5	14.9	93.3	2,074,167

Low-income students come from families receiving public aid; live in institutions for neglected or delinquent children; are supported in foster homes with public funds; or are eligible to receive free or reduced-price lunches.

Limited-English-proficient students are those students eligible for transitional bilingual programs.

Mobility rate is based on the number of times students enroll in or leave a school during the school year.

Chronic truants are students who are absent from school without valid cause for 18 or more of the last 180 school days.

INSTRUCTIONAL SETTING

PARENTAL CONTACT*

	Percent
School	94.7
District	97.8
State	96.8

STUDENT-TO-STAFF RATIOS

	Pupil- Teacher Elementary	Pupil- Teacher Secondary	Pupil- Certified Staff	Pupil- Administrator
School	--	--	--	--
District	19.8	18.9	15.7	292.4
State	18.3	18.0	13.5	211.6

* Parental contact includes parent-teacher conferences, parental visits to school, school visits to home, telephone conversations, and written correspondence.

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE (as of the first school day in May)

Grades	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9 - 12
School							22.8	23.5	23.2	
District							21.5	24.6	24.3	
State							22.2	21.6	21.5	

TIME DEVOTED TO TEACHING CORE SUBJECTS (Minutes Per Day)

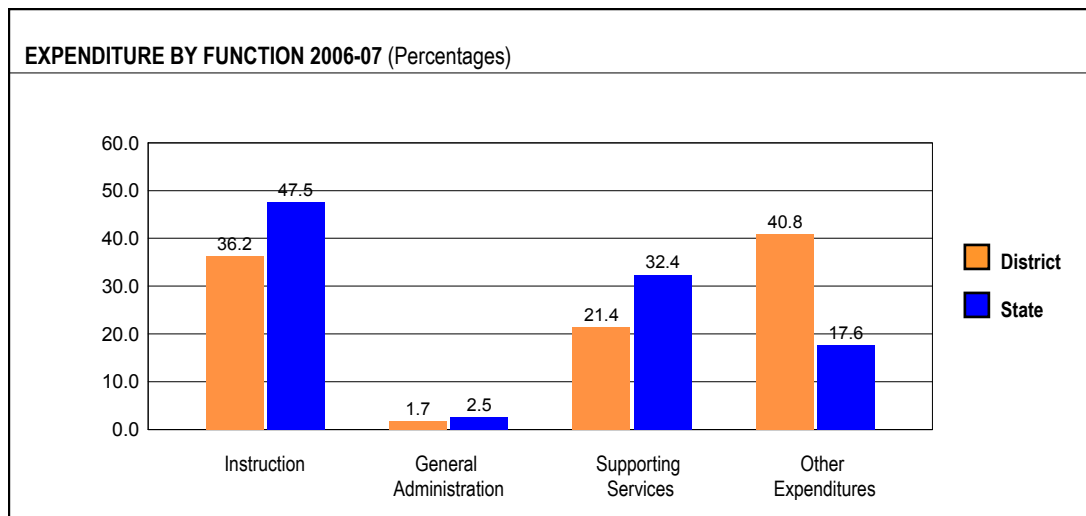
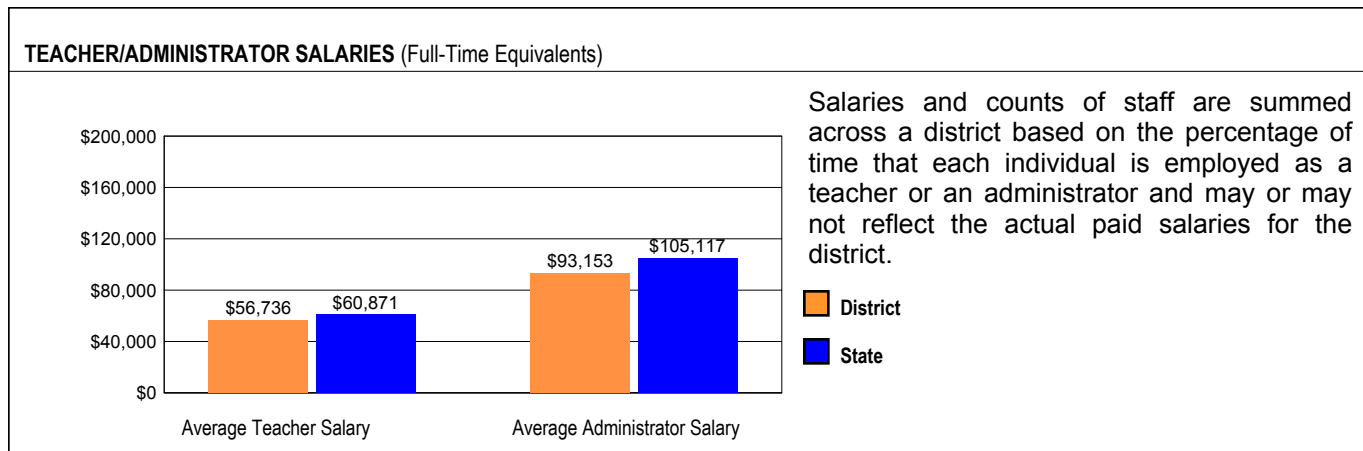
Grades	Mathematics			Science			English/Language Arts			Social Science		
	3	6	8	3	6	8	3	6	8	3	6	8
School		50	50		50	50		100	100		50	50
District		50	50		50	50		100	100		50	50
State		54	51		43	44		104	93		43	44

TEACHER INFORMATION (Full-Time Equivalents)								
	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian/ Pacific Islander	Native American	Male	Female	Total Number
District	95.2	0.6	3.3	1.0	0.0	23.9	76.1	519
State	84.9	8.7	4.9	1.3	0.2	22.9	77.1	131,488

TEACHER INFORMATION (Continued)					
	Average Teaching Experience (Years)	% of Teachers with Bachelor's Degrees	% of Teachers with Master's & Above	% of Teachers with Emergency or Provisional Credentials	% of Classes Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
School	--	--	--	0.0	0.0
District	11.7	50.1	49.7	1.5	0.5
State	12.4	46.7	53.2	0.7	0.7

Some teacher/administrator data are not collected at the school level.

SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCES



REVENUE BY SOURCE 2006-07				EXPENDITURE BY FUND 2006-07			
	District	District %	State %		District	District %	State %
Local Property Taxes	\$22,222,053	34.9	57.6	Education	\$52,593,002	50.2	72.6
Other Local Funding	\$11,388,594	17.9	7.3	Operations & Maintenance	\$9,410,083	9.0	8.5
General State Aid	\$19,713,952	30.9	18.1	Transportation	\$5,461,867	5.2	3.9
Other State Funding	\$6,709,230	10.5	9.7	Bond and Interest	\$4,972,859	4.7	6.7
Federal Funding	\$3,667,462	5.8	7.3	Rent	\$0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	\$63,701,291			Municipal Retirement/ Social Security	\$1,170,734	1.1	1.8
				Fire Prevention & Safety	\$382,615	0.4	0.9
				Site & Construction/ Capital Improvement	\$30,716,680	29.3	5.6
				TOTAL	\$104,707,840		

OTHER FINANCIAL INDICATORS				
	2005 Equalized Assessed Valuation per Pupil	2005 Total School Tax Rate per \$100	2006-07 Instructional Expenditure per Pupil	2006-07 Operating Expenditure per Pupil
District	\$98,428	3.98	\$4,706	\$7,754
State	**	**	\$5,808	\$9,907

** Due to the way Illinois school districts are configured, state averages for equalized assessed valuation per pupil and total school tax rate per \$100 are not provided.

Equalized assessed valuation includes all computed property values upon which a district's local tax rate is calculated.

Total school tax rate is a district's total tax rate as it appears on local property tax bills.

Instructional expenditure per pupil includes the direct costs of teaching pupils or the interaction between teachers and pupils.

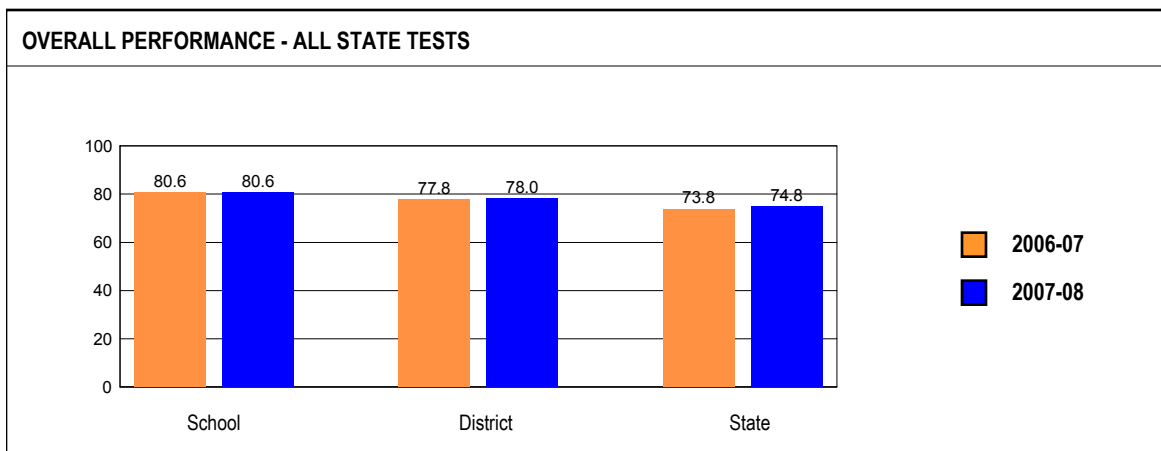
Operating expenditure per pupil includes the gross operating cost of a school district excluding summer school, adult education, bond principal retired, and capital expenditures.

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

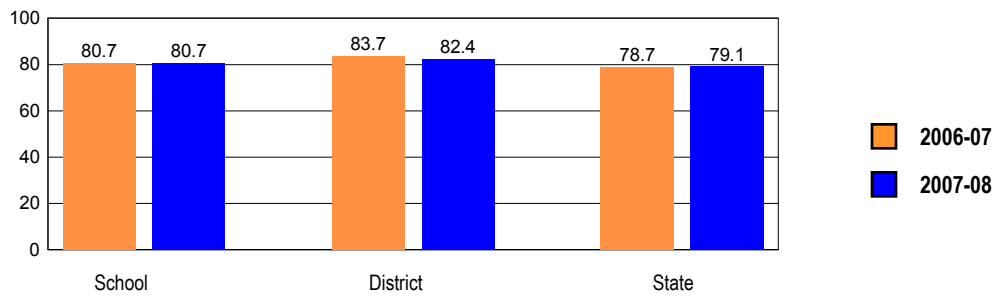
OVERALL STUDENT PERFORMANCE

These charts present the overall percentages of state test scores categorized as meeting or exceeding the Illinois Learning Standards for your school, district, and the state. They represent your school's performance in reading, mathematics, and science.

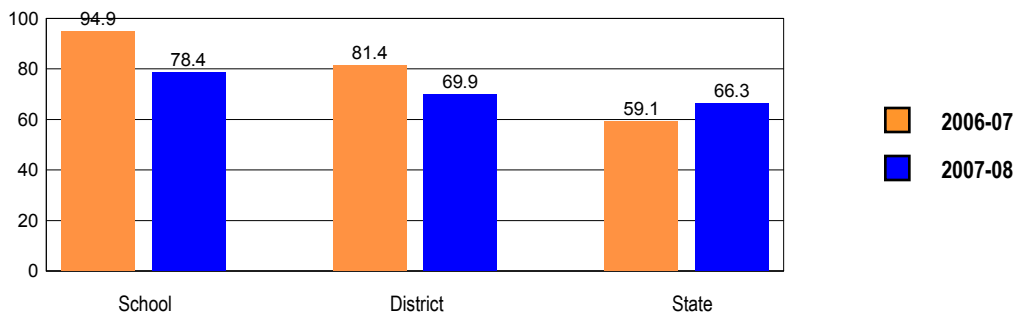
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OVERALL ILLINOIS STANDARDS ACHIEVEMENT TEST (ISAT) PERFORMANCE



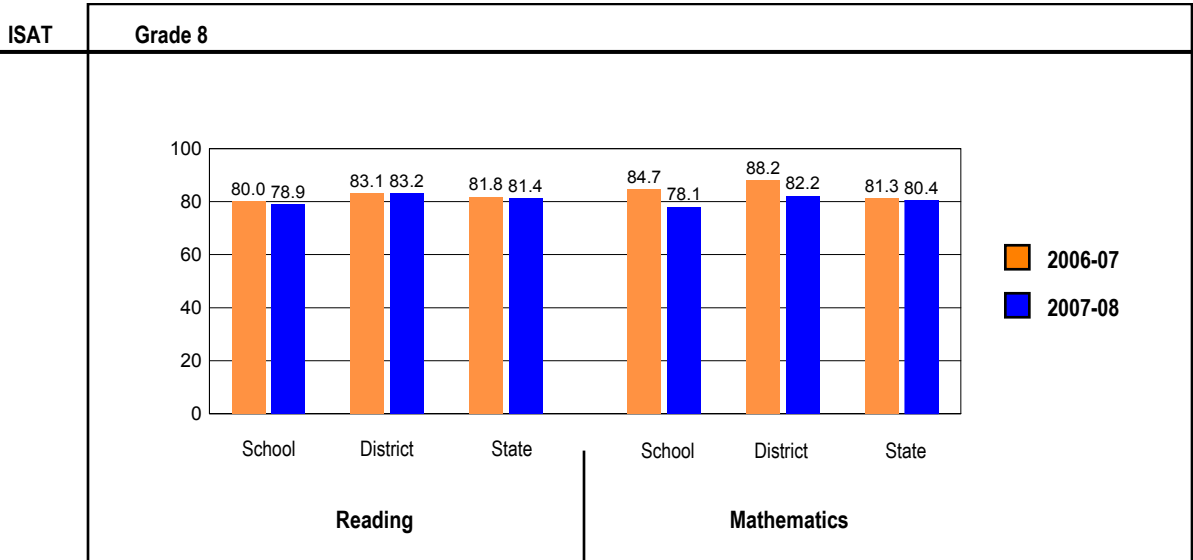
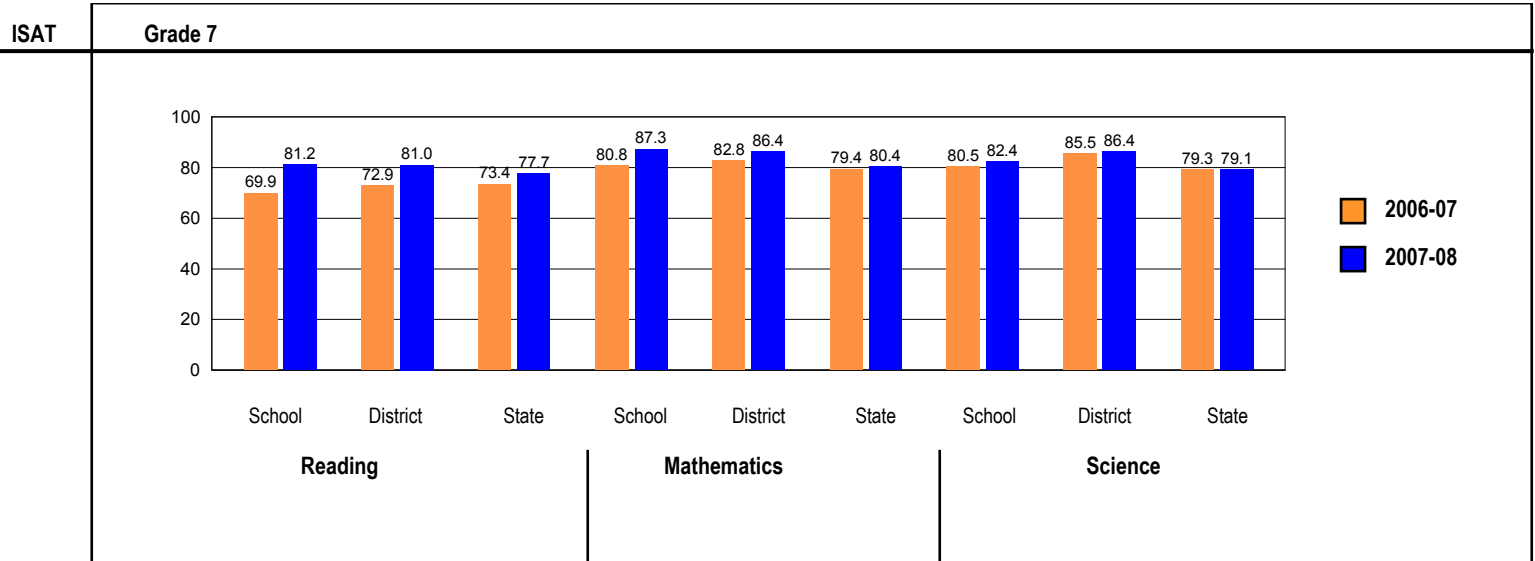
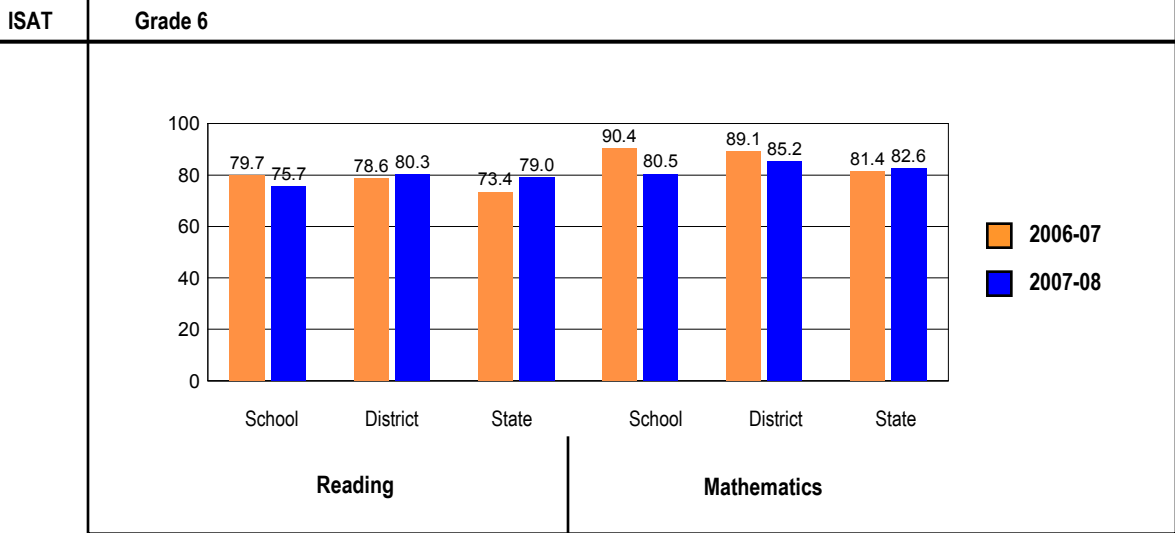
OVERALL ILLINOIS ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT (IAA) PERFORMANCE



IAA scores in the Progressing and Attaining performance levels count the same, respectively, as scores on other state assessments that meet or exceed Standards.

ISAT PERFORMANCE

These charts provide information on attainment of the Illinois Learning Standards. They show the percents of student scores meeting or exceeding Standards for the grades and subjects tested on ISAT.



PERFORMANCE ON STATE ASSESSMENTS

Federal law requires that student achievement results for reading, mathematics, and science for schools providing Title I services be reported to the general public.

The Illinois Standards Achievement Test (ISAT) is administered to students in grades 3 through 8. The Prairie State Achievement Examination (PSAE) is administered to students in grade 11. The Illinois Alternate Assessment (IAA) is administered to students with disabilities whose Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) indicate that participation in the ISAT or PSAE would not be appropriate.

Students with disabilities have an IEP (No Child Left Behind Act). An IEP is a written plan for a child with a disability who is eligible to receive special education services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

Reading and Mathematics are tested in grades 3 through 8 and 11. Science is tested in grades 4, 7, and 11.

In order to protect students' identities, test data for groups of fewer than ten students are not reported.

PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS NOT TESTED IN STATE TESTING PROGRAMS FOR READING AND MATHEMATICS														
		Gender			Racial/Ethnic Background						LEP	Migrant	Students with Disabilities	Economically Disadvantaged
		All	Male	Female	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian/Pacific Islander	Native American	Multi racial /Ethnic				
School	*Enrollment	946	478	468	574	22	287	15	1	47	35		151	368
	Reading	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.00	0.0		0.7	0.3
	Mathematics	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.00	0.0		0.7	0.3
District	*Enrollment	4,727	2,384	2,343	3,024	125	1,334	69	3	172	329		651	1,762
	Reading	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0		0.0	0.0		0.3	0.2
	Mathematics	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0		0.0	0.0		0.3	0.2
State	*Enrollment	1,080,912	552,428	528,334	584,551	209,802	211,723	42,677	1,747	28,936	71,592	349	153,444	459,352
	Reading	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.3
	Mathematics	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.3

* Enrollment as reported during the testing windows for grades 3 - 8 and 11.

PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS NOT TESTED IN STATE TESTING PROGRAMS FOR SCIENCE ONLY														
		Gender			Racial/Ethnic Background						LEP	Migrant	Students with Disabilities	Economically Disadvantaged
		All	Male	Female	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian/Pacific Islander	Native American	Multi racial /Ethnic				
School	*Enrollment	319	149	170	194	7	100	4		14	9		42	118
	Science	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0			0.0			0.0	0.0
District	*Enrollment	1,906	936	970	1,271	50	498	24	2	61	105		231	673
	Science	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.0		0.0	0.0		0.0	0.3
State	*Enrollment	453,766	230,339	223,387	253,443	84,573	85,001	18,167	775	11,107	24,940	141	63,312	180,194
	Science	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.2	1.3	0.6	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.7	1.1	0.7

* Enrollment as reported during the testing windows for grades 4, 7, and 11.

ILLINOIS STANDARDS ACHIEVEMENT TEST (ISAT)

The following tables show the percentages of student scores in each of four performance levels. These levels were established with the help of Illinois educators who teach the grade levels and learning areas tested. Due to rounding, the sum of the percentages in the four performance levels may not always equal 100.

Level 1 -- Academic Warning - Student work demonstrates limited knowledge and skills in the subject. Because of major gaps in learning, students apply knowledge and skills ineffectively.

Level 2 -- Below Standards - Student work demonstrates basic knowledge and skills in the subject. However, because of gaps in learning, students apply knowledge and skills in limited ways.

Level 3 -- Meets Standards - Student work demonstrates proficient knowledge and skills in the subject. Students effectively apply knowledge and skills to solve problems.

Level 4 -- Exceeds Standards - Student work demonstrates advanced knowledge and skills in the subject. Students creatively apply knowledge and skills to solve problems and evaluate the results.

Grade 6**Grade 6 - All**

Levels	Reading				Mathematics			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
School	1.4	22.9	54.6	21.1	1.4	18.1	67.9	12.5
District	0.9	18.8	58.7	21.6	0.9	13.9	70.3	14.9
State	0.3	20.7	53.4	25.7	0.6	16.7	62.0	20.7

Grade 6 - Gender

Levels	Reading				Mathematics				
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	
Male	School	2.0	25.0	52.7	20.3	1.3	16.1	68.5	14.1
	District	1.2	20.9	59.7	18.2	0.9	12.9	71.0	15.2
	State	0.4	23.9	53.0	22.7	0.8	18.4	59.9	20.9
Female	School	0.7	20.6	56.6	22.1	1.4	20.3	67.4	10.9
	District	0.6	16.5	57.6	25.3	0.9	14.9	69.6	14.6
	State	0.2	17.3	53.7	28.8	0.4	15.1	64.1	20.4

Grade 6 - Racial/Ethnic Background

Levels	Reading				Mathematics				
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	
White	School	0.6	14.7	58.8	25.9	1.8	15.2	65.5	17.5
	District	0.2	14.1	60.5	25.2	0.7	11.5	68.9	18.9
	State	0.1	11.8	53.1	35.0	0.2	8.9	63.4	27.5
Black	School	0.0	20.0	80.0	0.0	0.0	20.0	80.0	0.0
	District	0.7	35.9	53.4	10.0	1.6	34.8	56.9	6.7
	State	0.0	20.0	80.0	0.0	0.0	20.0	80.0	0.0
Hispanic	School	3.4	37.5	46.6	12.5	1.1	24.4	67.8	6.7
	District	2.9	31.0	52.0	14.0	1.7	19.8	70.6	7.9
	State	0.4	31.7	55.4	12.5	0.7	22.2	65.6	11.5
Asian/Pacific Islander	School	0.0	18.2	54.5	27.3	0.0	0.0	72.7	27.3
	District	0.1	8.2	46.1	45.7	0.1	5.1	47.3	47.5
	State	0.0	18.2	54.5	27.3	0.0	0.0	72.7	27.3
Native American	School	0.4	19.4	50.6	29.5	1.3	16.8	64.7	17.2
	District	0.4	19.4	50.6	29.5	1.3	16.8	64.7	17.2
	State	0.4	19.4	50.6	29.5	1.3	16.8	64.7	17.2
Multiracial/Ethnic	School	0.0	18.8	50.0	31.3	0.0	12.5	87.5	0.0
	District	0.0	15.4	61.5	23.1	0.0	15.4	84.6	0.0
	State	0.2	17.1	55.0	27.7	0.5	14.6	64.1	20.8

Grade 6 - Limited-English-Proficient

Levels	Reading				Mathematics			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
School	12.5	81.3	6.3	0.0	0.0	47.1	52.9	0.0
District	11.1	77.8	11.1	0.0	3.2	41.9	54.8	0.0
State	1.0	62.0	34.6	2.3	1.6	40.5	54.2	3.7

Grade 6 - Students with Disabilities

Levels	Reading				Mathematics				
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	
IEP	School	4.7	41.9	46.5	7.0	4.5	29.5	61.4	4.5
	District	3.4	44.3	47.7	4.5	3.4	37.1	56.2	3.4
	State	1.6	55.4	37.0	5.9	3.1	44.9	47.3	4.8
Non-IEP	School	0.8	19.5	56.0	23.7	0.8	16.0	69.1	14.0
	District	0.5	14.8	60.4	24.3	0.5	10.3	72.5	16.7
	State	0.1	15.3	55.9	28.7	0.2	12.5	64.2	23.1

Grade 6 - Economically Disadvantaged

Levels	Reading				Mathematics				
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	
Free/Reduced Price Lunch	School	2.4	32.0	56.0	9.6	0.8	29.4	63.5	6.3
	District	2.0	27.1	60.7	10.1	1.2	19.9	71.3	7.6
	State	0.5	33.1	54.7	11.7	1.1	27.3	62.3	9.3
Not Eligible	School	0.6	15.7	53.5	30.2	1.9	9.3	71.4	17.4
	District	0.2	13.7	57.5	28.6	0.7	10.2	69.7	19.4
	State	0.1	10.9	52.3	36.7	0.2	8.4	61.7	29.7

Grade 7**Grade 7 - All**

Levels	Reading				Mathematics				Science			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
School	0.6	18.2	69.3	11.8	0.6	12.1	66.0	21.3	6.1	11.5	58.5	24.0
District	0.4	18.6	64.9	16.0	0.7	12.9	61.1	25.3	4.9	8.7	62.5	23.9
State	0.5	21.8	59.1	18.6	1.8	17.8	54.5	25.9	6.4	14.5	55.8	23.4

Grade 7 - Gender

Levels	Reading				Mathematics				Science				
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	
Male	School	1.4	18.6	71.0	9.0	0.7	11.0	67.6	20.7	4.1	8.3	56.6	31.0
	District	0.6	19.8	64.4	15.2	1.2	12.7	59.6	26.5	3.9	8.4	58.7	28.9
	State	0.8	25.5	57.8	16.0	2.2	18.7	52.1	26.9	7.0	13.6	53.3	26.1
Female	School	0.0	17.9	67.9	14.3	0.6	12.9	64.7	21.8	7.7	14.3	60.1	17.9
	District	0.3	17.6	65.4	16.8	0.3	13.0	62.5	24.2	5.7	9.0	65.8	19.4
	State	0.3	17.9	60.4	21.4	1.3	16.8	56.9	24.9	5.8	15.3	58.4	20.5

Grade 7 - Racial/Ethnic Background

Levels		Reading				Mathematics				Science			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
White	School	0.5	14.6	72.4	12.5	0.0	8.9	65.6	25.5	2.6	7.8	61.5	28.1
	District	0.2	14.1	67.9	17.8	0.0	10.3	58.8	31.0	1.8	5.2	62.9	30.1
	State	0.3	14.2	60.3	25.2	0.8	10.3	53.9	34.9	2.8	7.5	55.5	34.2
Black	School	0.0	21.1	68.4	10.5	10.5	26.3	52.6	10.5	5.3	26.3	63.2	5.3
	District	1.0	35.3	56.3	7.4	4.4	35.9	52.0	7.7	13.9	27.3	53.7	5.1
	State												
Hispanic	School	1.0	24.0	65.6	9.4	0.0	17.3	69.4	13.3	12.5	15.6	54.2	17.7
	District	1.0	27.5	59.5	12.0	1.0	15.9	68.8	14.4	11.7	13.1	62.1	13.1
	State	0.8	31.6	59.7	7.9	2.0	22.7	61.1	14.3	9.8	22.6	59.1	8.4
Asian/Pacific Islander	School												
	District												
	State	0.2	8.3	54.1	37.4	0.6	5.3	39.2	54.9	2.1	6.0	50.7	41.2
Native American	School												
	District												
	State	0.0	20.4	63.7	15.9	0.8	17.3	60.2	21.7	4.4	9.7	64.5	21.4
Multiracial/Ethnic	School	0.0	28.6	57.1	14.3	7.1	14.3	71.4	7.1	7.1	21.4	71.4	0.0
	District	0.0	25.9	59.3	14.8	3.7	22.2	51.9	22.2	3.7	18.5	66.7	11.1
	State	0.4	19.9	59.3	20.4	1.4	16.8	57.4	24.4	5.6	12.8	59.6	22.1

Grade 7 - Students with Disabilities

Levels		Reading				Mathematics				Science			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
IEP	School	0.0	55.3	44.7	0.0	5.3	21.1	73.7	0.0	7.9	26.3	63.2	2.6
	District	1.3	55.7	43.0	0.0	3.8	34.6	60.3	1.3	11.5	24.4	61.5	2.6
	State	2.8	59.2	34.9	3.2	8.8	46.0	39.8	5.4	22.3	28.4	42.8	6.5
Non-IEP	School	0.7	13.1	72.7	13.5	0.0	10.8	65.0	24.2	5.8	9.5	57.8	26.9
	District	0.3	13.8	67.8	18.1	0.3	10.1	61.3	28.3	4.0	6.8	62.6	26.6
	State	0.2	16.1	62.8	21.0	0.7	13.5	56.7	29.0	4.0	12.3	57.7	25.9

Grade 7 - Economically Disadvantaged

Levels		Reading				Mathematics				Science			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Free/Reduced Price Lunch	School	0.9	20.2	71.9	7.0	0.9	14.8	70.4	13.9	11.4	15.8	57.9	14.9
	District	0.8	24.2	66.3	8.7	1.2	17.5	66.9	14.4	8.2	12.9	65.6	13.3
	State	0.9	33.8	57.5	7.7	3.1	28.5	57.0	11.4	11.3	23.7	56.7	8.2
Not Eligible	School	0.5	17.1	67.8	14.6	0.5	10.5	63.5	25.5	3.0	9.0	58.8	29.1
	District	0.2	15.4	64.2	20.2	0.5	10.2	57.8	31.6	2.9	6.3	60.6	30.1
	State	0.2	12.8	60.3	26.7	0.8	9.8	52.6	36.8	2.7	7.6	55.1	34.6

Grade 8

Grade 8 - All

Levels		Reading				Mathematics			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
School		0.3	20.8	71.7	7.2	0.9	20.9	51.6	26.6
District		0.1	16.6	76.0	7.3	1.1	16.7	54.0	28.2
State		0.4	18.2	73.0	8.4	1.6	18.0	53.1	27.2

Grade 8 - Gender

Levels		Reading				Mathematics			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Male	School	0.6	24.2	67.9	7.3	1.8	19.3	50.0	28.9
	District	0.3	20.2	72.6	6.9	1.4	17.2	53.2	28.2
	State	0.5	22.0	69.8	7.7	1.9	18.9	51.2	28.0
Female	School	0.0	17.0	75.8	7.2	0.0	22.7	53.2	24.0
	District	0.0	13.3	79.1	7.6	0.8	16.1	54.8	28.2
	State	0.2	14.3	76.4	9.1	1.4	17.0	55.2	26.5

Grade 8 - Racial/Ethnic Background

Levels		Reading				Mathematics			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
White	School	0.5	16.5	73.7	9.3	0.5	14.9	52.1	32.5
	District	0.2	12.0	78.2	9.6	0.4	12.2	52.6	34.7
	State	0.2	11.6	76.4	11.8	0.8	10.3	52.3	36.6
Black	School	0.0	20.0	80.0	0.0	0.0	30.0	50.0	20.0
	District	0.0	20.0	80.0	0.0	0.0	25.0	55.0	20.0
	State	0.8	30.5	66.7	2.0	3.8	35.3	51.9	9.1
Hispanic	School	0.0	33.0	64.9	2.1	1.1	35.8	50.5	12.6
	District	0.0	28.3	69.8	2.0	1.9	27.5	57.5	13.0
	State	0.4	26.1	70.3	3.2	1.9	23.6	59.9	14.6
Asian/Pacific Islander	School								
	District	0.0	0.0	90.0	10.0	0.0	0.0	50.0	50.0
	State	0.1	7.5	72.4	20.1	0.5	5.6	37.2	56.6
Native American	School								
	District								
	State	0.8	17.4	74.3	7.5	1.2	16.5	61.2	21.1
Multiracial/Ethnic	School	0.0	6.7	73.3	20.0	6.3	6.3	50.0	37.5
	District	0.0	8.7	78.3	13.0	8.0	8.0	52.0	32.0
	State	0.3	15.0	75.0	9.7	1.6	17.1	55.0	26.3

Grade 8 - Students with Disabilities

Levels		Reading				Mathematics			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
IEP	School	2.2	64.4	33.3	0.0	2.2	55.6	42.2	0.0
	District	1.2	59.3	38.4	1.2	3.5	52.3	43.0	1.2
	State	2.0	55.7	41.4	0.9	7.6	49.2	38.7	4.5
Non-IEP	School	0.0	13.6	78.0	8.4	0.7	15.3	53.1	30.9
	District	0.0	10.8	81.1	8.1	0.8	11.8	55.5	31.9
	State	0.1	12.4	77.9	9.5	0.7	13.2	55.4	30.7

Grade 8 - Economically Disadvantaged

Levels		Reading				Mathematics			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Free/Reduced Price Lunch	School	0.9	27.4	67.3	4.4	0.9	24.6	57.0	17.5
	District	0.4	23.9	72.4	3.4	1.5	23.3	57.4	17.8
	State	0.7	28.9	67.8	2.6	2.8	29.0	56.1	12.2
Not Eligible	School	0.0	17.1	74.1	8.8	1.0	18.9	48.5	31.6
	District	0.0	12.3	78.1	9.6	0.9	12.7	52.0	34.4
	State	0.2	10.5	76.8	12.6	0.8	10.0	51.0	38.1

2008 ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS (AYP) Status Report

Is this school making Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)?	Yes	Has this school been identified for School Improvement according to the AYP specifications of the federal No Child Left Behind Act?	No
Is this school making AYP in Reading?	Yes	2008-09 Federal Improvement Status	
Is this school making AYP in Mathematics?	Yes	2008-09 State Improvement Status	

	Percent Tested on State Tests				Percent Meeting/Exceeding Standards *						Other Indicators			
	Reading		Mathematics		Reading			Mathematics			Attendance Rate		Graduation Rate	
	%	Met AYP	%	Met AYP	%	Safe Harbor Target **	Met AYP	%	Safe Harbor Target **	Met AYP	%	Met AYP	%	Met AYP
State AYP Minimum Target	95.0		95.0		62.5			62.5			90.0		75.0	
All	99.9	Yes	99.9	Yes	81.0		Yes	83.0		Yes	95.0	Yes		
White	99.8	Yes	99.8	Yes	85.7		Yes	87.0		Yes				
Black														
Hispanic	100.0	Yes	100.0	Yes	68.6		Yes	73.2		Yes				
Asian/Pacific Islander														
Native American														
Multiracial /Ethnic	100.0	Yes	100.0	Yes										
LEP														
Students with Disabilities	99.3	Yes	99.3	Yes	50.4	43.8	Yes	63.2		Yes	95.6			
Economically Disadvantaged	99.7	Yes	99.7	Yes	76.4		Yes	79.0		Yes				

Four Conditions Are Required For Making Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP):

1. At least 95% tested in reading and mathematics for every student group. If the current year participation rate is less than 95%, this condition may be met if the average of the current and preceding year rates is at least 95%, or if the average of the current and two preceding years is at least 95%. Only actual participation rates are printed. If the participation rate printed is less than 95% and yet this school makes AYP, it means that the 95% condition was met by averaging.
2. At least 62.5% meeting/exceeding standards in reading and mathematics for every group. For any group with less than 62.5% meeting/exceeding standards, a 95% confidence interval was applied. Subgroups may meet this condition through Safe Harbor provisions. ***
3. For schools not making AYP solely because the IEP group fails to have 62.5% meeting/exceeding standards, 14% may be added to this variable in accordance with the federal 2% flexibility provision.
4. At least 90% attendance rate for non-high schools and at least 75% graduation rate for high schools.

* Includes only students enrolled as of 05/01/2007.

** Safe Harbor Targets of 62.5% or above are not printed.

*** Subgroups with fewer than 45 students are not reported. Safe Harbor only applies to subgroups of 45 or more. In order for Safe Harbor to apply, a subgroup must decrease by 10% the percentage of scores that did not meet state standards from the previous year plus meet the other indicators (attendance rate for non-high schools and graduation rate for high schools) for the subgroup. For subgroups that do not meet their Safe Harbor Targets, a 75% confidence interval is applied. Safe Harbor allows schools an alternate method to meet subgroup minimum targets on achievement.

PLANNED IMPROVEMENT FOR THE SCHOOL AND DISTRICT

This is the final section of the school report card in which your school and district provide information below on areas of success and areas for planned improvement based on your school's improvement plan.

(For report cards disseminated electronically, this information may be provided in a separate document due to differences in the software used. If you are unable to locate this document, please contact your local school or district office.)

The 2007-2008 school year was the ninth year students in the state of Illinois took the Illinois Standard Achievement Test (ISAT). This test was administered in grades 6, 7 and 8 in the areas of reading and mathematics. An additional test was administered in the area of science at the 7th grade level.

The ISAT measures how well students are meeting the Illinois Learning Standards in the areas listed above. These standards present a specific set of expectation that are required of students and teachers.

To determine if students are meeting the standards, their progress must be measured over a period of time. The ISAT provides one such measurement of determining academic success. Other measures are just as important such as classrooms where teachers can observe progress in many ways: by reviewing assignments, testing or judging projects, and performances.

Belvidere South Middle School is pleased to report it made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in both the areas of READING and MATH for 2008. In addition, our school was recently identified by the Illinois State Board of Education on its list of HONOR ROLL SCHOOLS for showing exemplary academic improvement.

In addition to making AYP for the entire school population, Belvidere South Middle School also met the requirements in order to meet AYP in the following sub groups:

- Hispanic Students in the area of Reading and Math Instruction*
- Economically disadvantaged students in the area of Reading and Math Instruction*
- Students with disabilities in the area of Reading and Math Instruction*

Belvidere South Middle School will continue to analyze and monitor student achievement as it relates to the Illinois Learning Standards. Improvement strategies have included but have not been limited to the following:

- The hiring of additional teaching staff in the areas of Special Education and English Language Learner Instruction
- Careful analysis and encouragement of daily student attendance as a means of increasing student achievement.
- An effective after school homework club for students who need additional support.
- Quarterly data analysis/assessments as a means of increasing student achievement.
- Encouraging teacher participation in staff development opportunities.

We are confident these strategies will continue to result in improved educational opportunities for our students and increases in the area of student achievement.