NJSLA Results: Spring 2024 Administrations

Closter Public Schools

October 8, 2024

NJSLA Performance Levels

For ELA and Mathematics

Level 1: Not yet meeting grade level-expectations

Level 2: Partially meeting grade level expectations

Level 3: Approaching grade level expectations

Level 4: Meeting grade level expectations

Level 5: Exceeding grade level expectations

The goal for all students

For Science

Level 1: Below proficient

Level 2: Near proficiency

Level 3: Proficient

Level 4: Advanced Proficient

Comparison of Closter's Spring 2022, 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations English Language Arts – Percentages

Level 1: Not Yet Meeting Expectations

Level 2: Partially Meeting Expectations

Level 3: Approaching Expectations

Level 4: Meeting Expectations

Level 5: Exceeding Expectations

Grade	Level 1 2022	Level 1 2023	Level 1 2024	Level 2 2022	Level 2 2023	Level 2 2024	Level 3 2022	Level 3 2023	Level 3 2024	Level 4 2022	Level 4 2023	Level 4 2024	Level 5 2022	Level 5 2023	Level 5 2024
3	4%	10%	5%	6%	8%	8%	21%	17%	19%	43%	46%	44%	26%	19%	24%
4	0%	3%	5%	2%	3%	8%	9%	8%	9%	44%	43%	32%	46%	44%	47%
5	2%	0%	2%	5%	6%	12%	12%	9%	17%	56%	61%	56%	24%	24%	14%
6	1%	3%	0%	4%	4%	3%	16%	9%	7%	49%	53%	45%	31%	31%	45%
7	3%	1%	2%	4%	3%	6%	6%	7%	6%	36%	33%	31%	51%	54%	56%
8	2%	2%	1%	1%	3%	3%	10%	6%	12%	34%	34%	38%	54%	54%	46%

Comparison of Closter's Spring 2022, 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations English Language Arts – Percentages of Level 4 & 5

NJSLA ELA - CLOSTER			
Grade	2022	2023	2024
3	69%	65%	68%
4	90%	87%	78%
5	80%	85%	70%
6	80%	84%	90%
7	87%	84%	87%
8	88%	88%	84%

Comparison of Closter's Spring 2022, 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations Mathematics – Percentages

Level 1: Not Yet Meeting Expectations
Level 2: Partially Meeting Expectations
Level 3: Approaching Expectations
Level 4: Meeting Expectations
Level 5: Exceeding Expectations

Grade	Level 1 2022	Level 1 2023	Level 1 2024	Level 2 2022	Level 2 2023	Level 2 2024	Level 3 2022	Level 3 2023	Level 3 2024	Level 4 2022	Level 4 2023	Level 4 2024	Level 5 2022	Level 5 2023	Level 5 2024
3	1%	7%	3%	7%	7%	10%	18%	17%	19%	45%	40%	36%	29%	29%	31%
4	0%	0%	5%	7%	4%	8%	12%	20%	17%	57%	52%	47%	24%	24%	24%
5	2%	0%	2%	10%	5%	9%	19%	19%	25%	40%	52%	44%	30%	24%	20%
6	3%	1%	1%	8%	11%	3%	25%	14%	18%	47%	43%	49%	18%	30%	29%
7	3%	2%	3%	11%	8%	12%	15%	29%	17%	49%	45%	47%	21%	16%	21%
8	17%	12%	11%	13%	13%	21%	32%	16%	23%	35%	55%	39%	3%	4%	6%
Algebra	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	48%	39%	53%	52%	61%	44%
Geometry	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	25%	11%	100%	75%	89%

Notes: *Some students in grade 8 participated in the NJSLA Algebra I assessment in place of the 8th grade math assessment. The NJSLA Math 8 outcomes are not representative of grade 8 performance as a whole. Percentages may not total 100 due to rounding.

Comparison of Closter's Spring 2022, 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations Mathematics – Percentages of Level 4 & 5

NJSLA MATH - CLOSTER			
Grade	2022	2023	2024
3	74%	69%	67%
4	81%	76%	71%
5	70%	76%	64%
6	65%	73%	78%
7	70%	61%	68%
8	70%	59%	45%
Algebra	100%	100%	97%
Geometry	100%	100%	100%

Comparison of Closter's Spring 2022, 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations Science – Percentages

Level 1: Below Proficient
Level 2: Near Proficiency
Level 3: Proficient
Level 4: Advanced Proficiency

Grade	Level 1 2022	Level 1 2023	Level 1 2024	Level 2 2022	Level 2 2023	Level 2 2024	Level 3 2022	Level 3 2023	Level 3 2024	Level 4 2022	Level 4 2023	Level 4 2024
5	15%	8%	17%	28%	33%	33%	31%	40%	37%	26%	20%	13%
8	10%	10%	9%	39%	34%	32%	33%	30%	28%	18%	26%	30%

Comparison of Closter's Spring 2022, 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations Science – Percentages of Level 3 & 4

NJSLA Science - CLOSTER			
Grade	2022	2023	20234
5	57%	60%	50%
8	51%	56%	58%

Comparison of Closter's Spring 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations English Language Arts – Percentages (Levels 1 and 2)

Level 1: Not Yet Meeting Expectations

Level 2: Partially Meeting Expectations

Grade	Level 1 2023 District	Level 1 2023 State	Level 1 2024 District	Level 1 2024 State	Level 2 2023 District	Level 2 2023 State	Level 2 2024 District	Level 2 2024 State
3	10.4%	20.7%	5.1%	19.8%	8.1%	14.9%	7.7%	15.2%
4	2.6%	12.8%	4.9%	13%	3.4%	14.6%	7.7%	14.3%
5	0%	12.3%	1.6%	13%	5.6%	14.1%	12.1%	13.8%
6	2.8%	12.0%	0%	10.7%	4.2%	14.4%	2.6%	14.0%
7	1.4%	11.7%	2.1%	13.0%	3.4%	12.7%	5.6%	12.3%
8	2.1%	12.9%	1.4%	13.7%	3.4%	11.6%	2.8%	13.6%

Comparison of Closter's Spring 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations English Language Arts – Percentages (Levels 3 and 4)

Level 3: Approaching Expectations Level 4: Meeting Expectations

Grade	Level 3 2023 District	Level 3 2023 State	Level 3 2024 District	Level 3 2024 State	Level 4 2023 District	Level 4 2023 State	Level 4 2024 District	Level 4 2024 State
3	17.0%	22.5%	18.8%	21.4%	45.9%	36.7%	44.4%	37.2%
4	7.7%	21.3%	9.2%	21.9%	42.7%	36.5%	31.7%	34.6%
5	9.1%	20.3%	16.9%	21.0%	60.8%	43.3%	55.6%	40.4%
6	9.2%	24.6%	6.6%	22.2%	52.8%	37.6%	45.4%	37.4%
7	7.4%	19.9%	5.6%	20.7%	33.1%	32.5%	30.6%	31.5%
8	6.2%	20.1%	11.7%	19.8%	33.8%	35.8%	37.9%	35.2%

Comparison of Closter's Spring 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations English Language Arts – Percentages (Level 5)

Level 5: Exceeding Expectations

Grade	Level 5 2023 District	Level 5 2023 State	Level 5 2024 District	Level 5 2024 State
3	18.5%	5.35%	23.9%	6.4%
4	43.6%	14.8%	46.5%	16.2%
5	24.5%	9.9%	13.7%	11.9%
6	31%	11.4%	45.4%	15.8%
7	54.7%	23.2%	56.3%	22.4%
8	54.5%	19.5%	46.2%	17.7%

Comparison of Closter's Spring 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations Mathematics– Percentages (Levels 1 and 2)

Level 1: Not Yet Meeting Expectations

Level 2: Partially Meeting Expectations

Grade	Level 1 2023 District	Level 1 2023 State	Level 1 2024 District	Level 1 2024 State	Level 2 2023 District	Level 2 2023 State	Level 2 2024 District	Level 2 2024 State
3	6.6%	12.5%	3.4%	11.8%	7.3%	16.7%	10.1%	16.0%
4	0.0%	13.1%	4.9%	11.6%	4.2%	17.8%	7.6%	19.0%
5	0.0%	13.1%	2.4%	12.2%	4.8%	21.4%	8.7%	22.3%
6	0.7%	14.2%	1.3%	14.2%	11.2%	23.2%	2.6%	23.5%
7	2.2%	12.7%	3.1%	10.7%	7.9%	22.8%	11.8%	23.9%
8	12.5%	33.9%	11.2%	30.2%	12.5%	26.9%	21.3%	28.9%
Algebra 1	0.0%	15.8%	0.0%	17.0%	0.0%	25.8%	0.0%	21.4%
Geometry	0.0%	5.3%	0.0%	6.2%	0.0%	13.8%	0.0%	14.4%

Comparison of Closter's Spring 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations Mathematics– Percentages (Levels 3 and 4)

Level 3: Approaching Expectations Level 4: Meeting Expectations

Grade	Level 3 2023 District	Level 3 2023 State	Level 3 2024 District	Level 3 2024 State	Level 4 2023 District	Level 4 2023 State	Level 4 2024 District	Level 4 2024 State
3	16.8%	24.8%	19.3%	24.6%	40.1%	34.0%	36.1%	34.6%
4	20.0%	24.7%	16.7%	24.5%	51.7%	37.2%	47.2%	37.5%
5	18.5%	25.5%	25.4%	25.3%	52.7%	31.4%	43.7$	31.0%
6	14.7%	28.3%	18.2%	26.1%	43.4%	27.7%	49.4%	29.0%
7	28.8%	30.7%	16.5%	28.0%	45.3%	29.0%	47.2%	31.0%
8	16.3%	21.4%	22.5%	21.5%	55.0%	16.7%	39.3%	17.9%
Algebra 1	0.0%	23.2%	3.1%	22.2%	38.8%	29.8%	53.1%	35.6%
Geometry	0.0%	29.7%	0.0%	30.3%	25%	41.7%	11.1%	41.4%

Comparison of Closter's Spring 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations Mathematics– Percentages (Level 5)

Level 5: Exceeding Expectations

Grade	Level 5 2023 District	Level 5 2023 State	Level 5 2024 District	Level 5 2024 State
3	29.2%	11.9%	31.1%	13.0%
4	24.2%	7.1%	23.6%	7.5%
5	24. 0%	8.7%	19.8%	9.1%
6	30.1%	6.6%	28.6%	7.2%
7	15.8%	4.8%	21.3%	6.5%
8	3.8%	1.1%	5.6%	1.5%
Algebra 1	61.2%	5.3%	43.8%	3.9%
Geometry	75%	9.5%	88.9%	7.7%

Comparison of Closter's Spring 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations Science– Percentages (Levels 1 and 2)

Level 1: Below Proficient

Level 2: Near Proficiency

Grade	Level 1 2023 District	Level 1 2023 State	Level 1 2024 District	Level 1 2024 State	Level 2 2023 District	Level 2 2023 State	Level 2 2024 District	Level 2 2024 State
5	7.5%	38.4%	16.7%	35.3%	32.9%	34.8%	33.3%	37.1%
8	10.3%	40.0%	9.0%	36.1%	33.6%	41.5%	32.4%	45.2%

Level 3: Proficient

Level 4: Advanced Proficiency

Grade	Level 3 2023 District	Level 3 2023 State	Level 3 2024 District	Level 3 2024 State	Level 4 2023 District	Level 4 2023 State	Level 4 2024 District	Level 4 2024 State
5	39.7%	21.1%	37.3%	21.1%	19.9%	5.7%	12.7%	6.4%
8	30.1%	14.2%	28.3%	13.9%	26%	4.4%	30.3%	4.9%

Comparison of Closter's Student Tested Spring 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations English Language Arts – Percentages

Number of Students Tested (Rate of Participation)

Grade	2023	2024	Difference
3	135/138 (98%)	117/118 (99%)	+1%
4	117/120 (98%)	142/147 (97%)	-1%
5	143/146 (98%)	124/126 (98%)	0%
6	142/143 (99%)	152/154 (99%)	0%
7	148/150 (99%)	144/144 (100%)	+1%
8	145/148 (98%)	145/145 (100%)	+2%

Comparison of Closter's Student Tested Spring 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations Mathematics– Percentages

Number of Students Tested (Rate of Participation)

Grade	2023	2024	Difference
3	137/138 (99%)	119/118 (100%)	+1%
4	120/120 (100%)	144/147 (98%)	-2%
5	146/146 (100%)	126/126 (100%)	0%
6	143/143 (100%)	154/154 (100%)	0%
7	139/141 (99%)	127/127 (100%)	+1%
8*	80/80 (100%)	89/89 (100%)	0%
Algebra 1	67/67 (100%)	64/64 (100%)	0%
Geometry	8/9 (89%)	9/9 (100%)	+11%

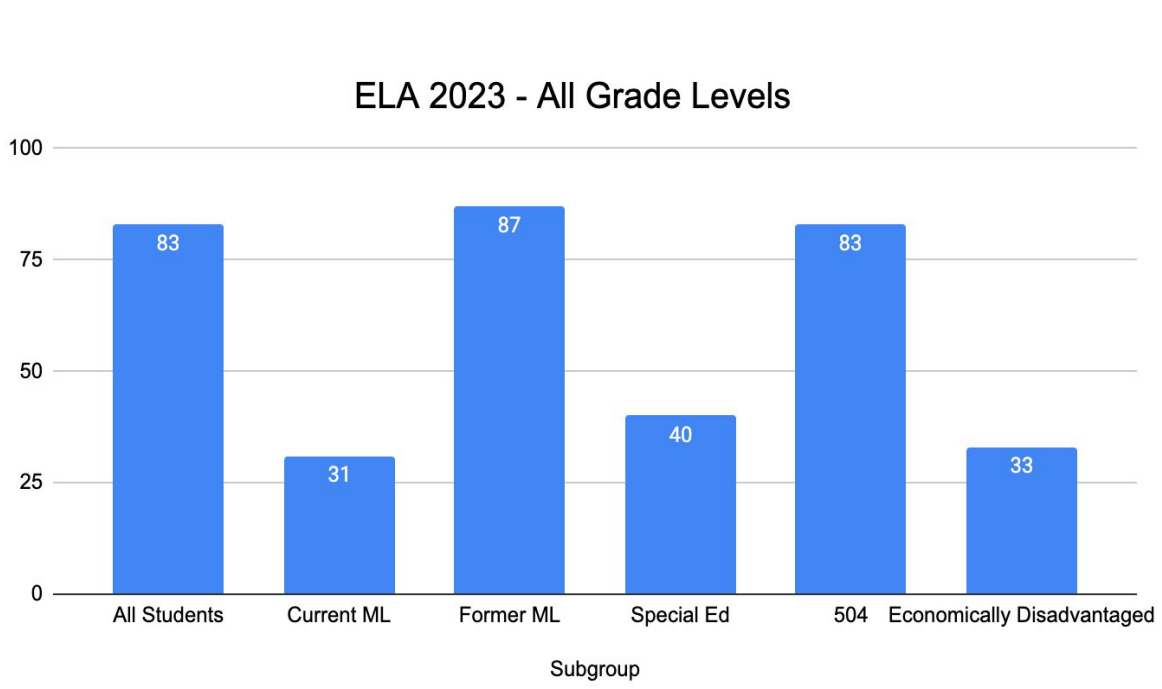
Note: *Some students in grades 7 & 8 participated in the NJSLA Algebra I or Geometry assessment in place of the 8th grade math assessment.

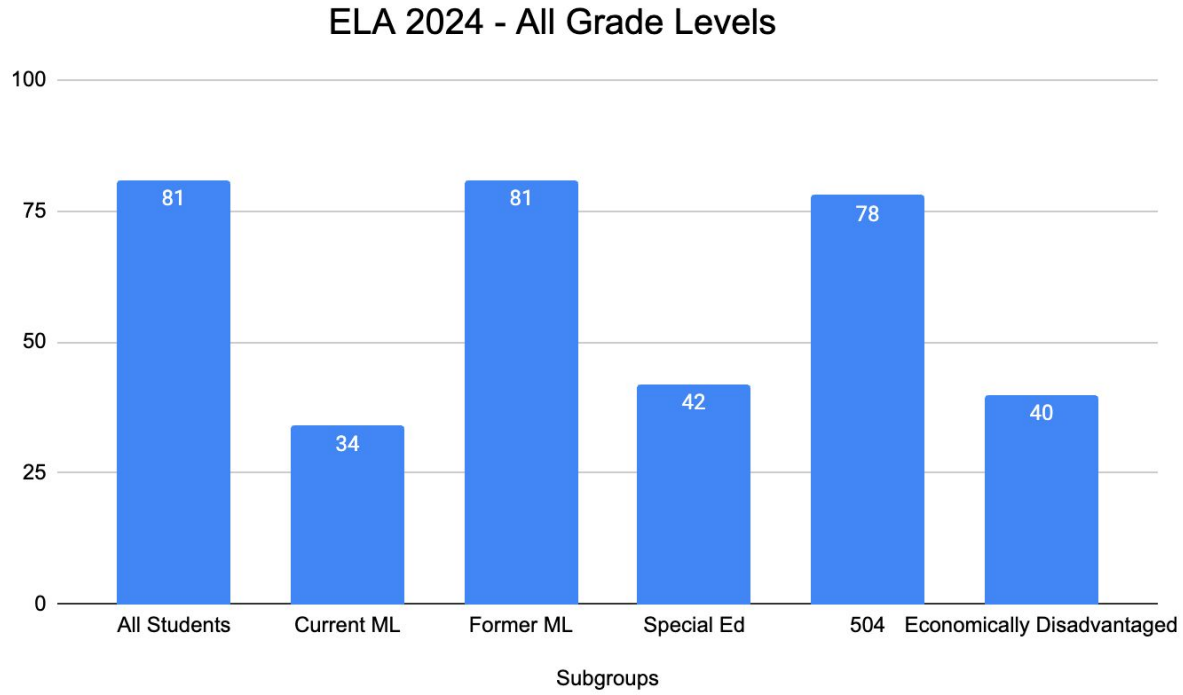
Comparison of Closter's Student Tested Spring 2023 and 2024 NJSLA Administrations Science– Percentages

Number of Students Tested (Rate of Participation)

Grade	2023	2024	Difference
5	146/146 (100%)	126/126 (100%)	0%
8	146/148 (99%)	145/145 (100%)	0%

Comparison of Closter's Subgroup Spring 2023 and Spring 2024 NJSLA Administration English Language Arts - Percentages (Meeting or Exceeding)





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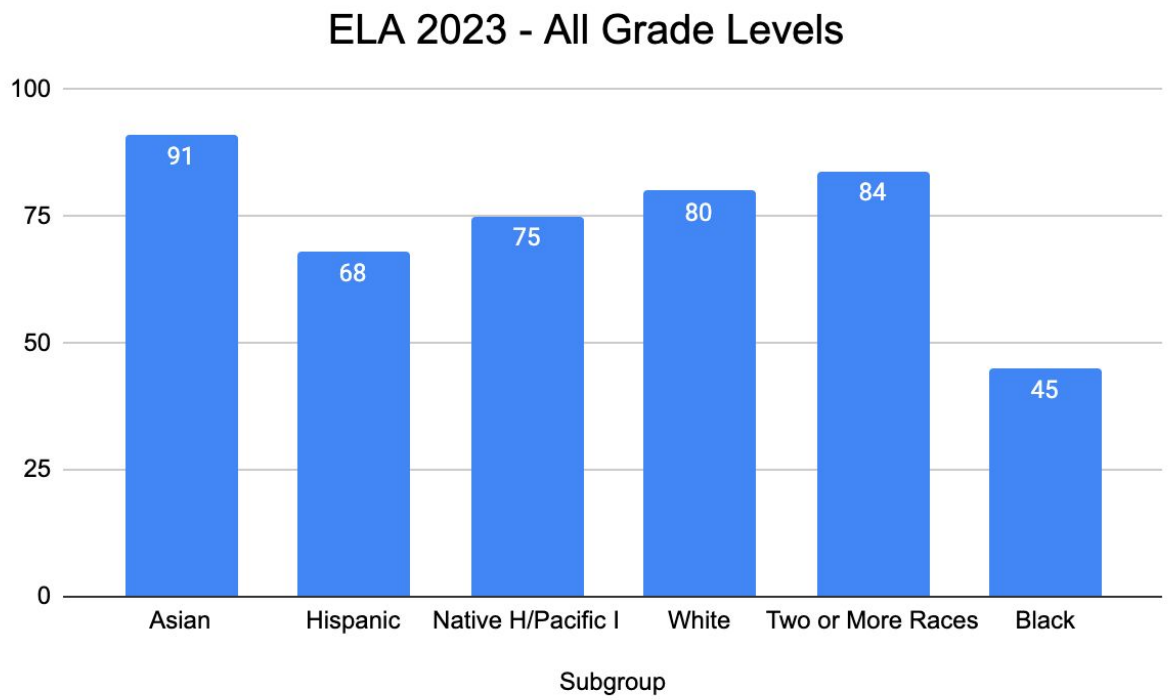

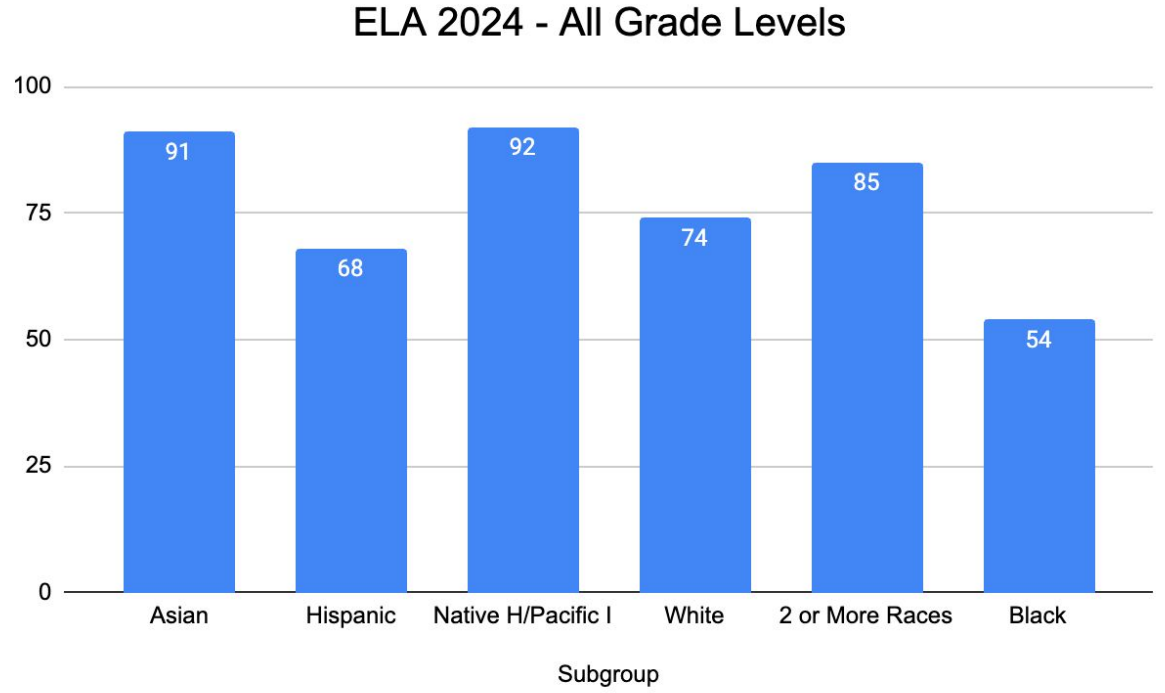

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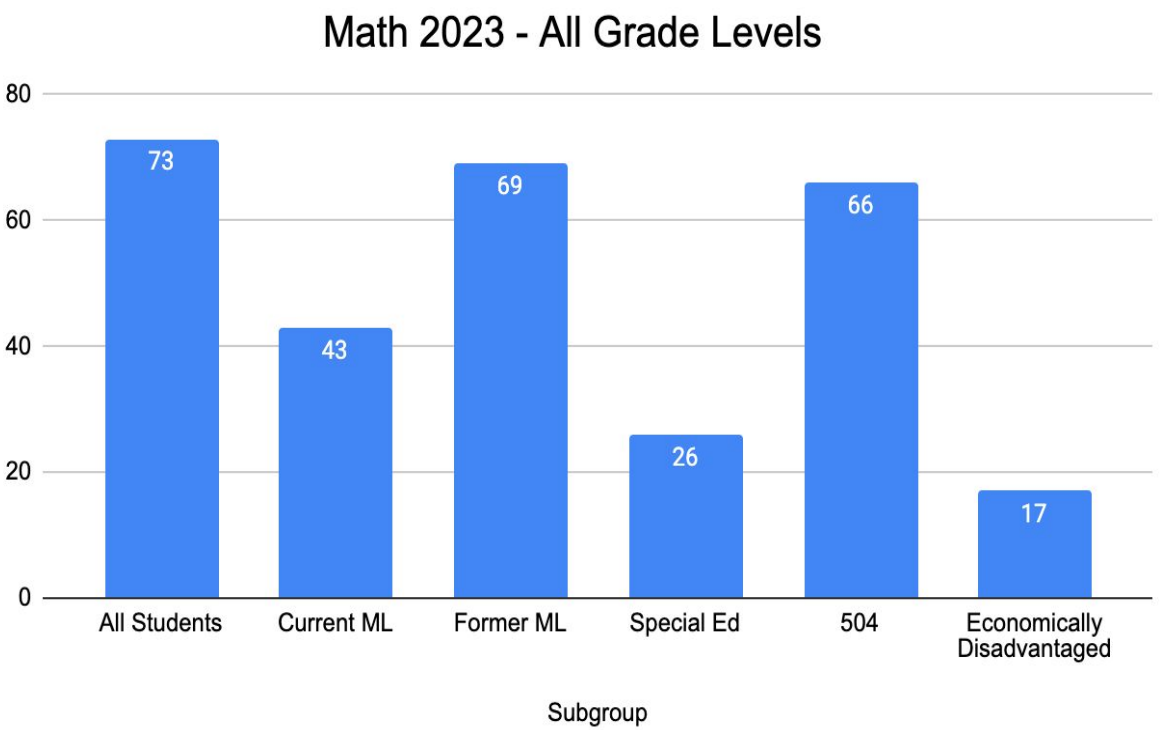

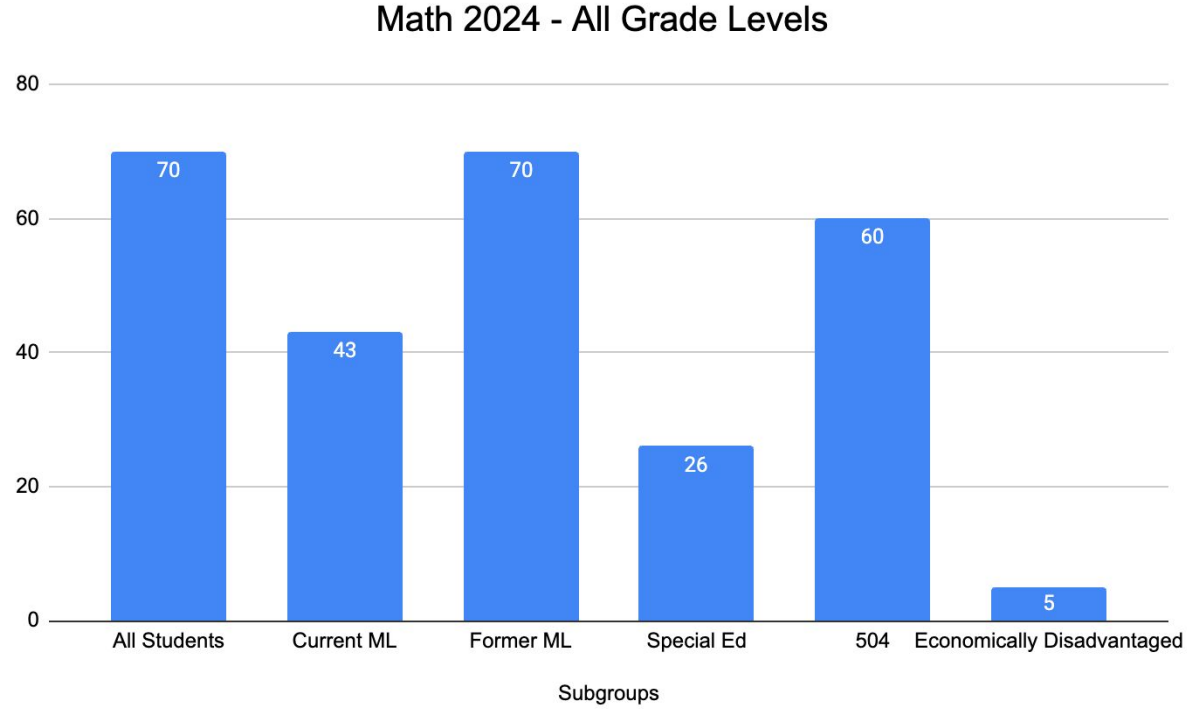

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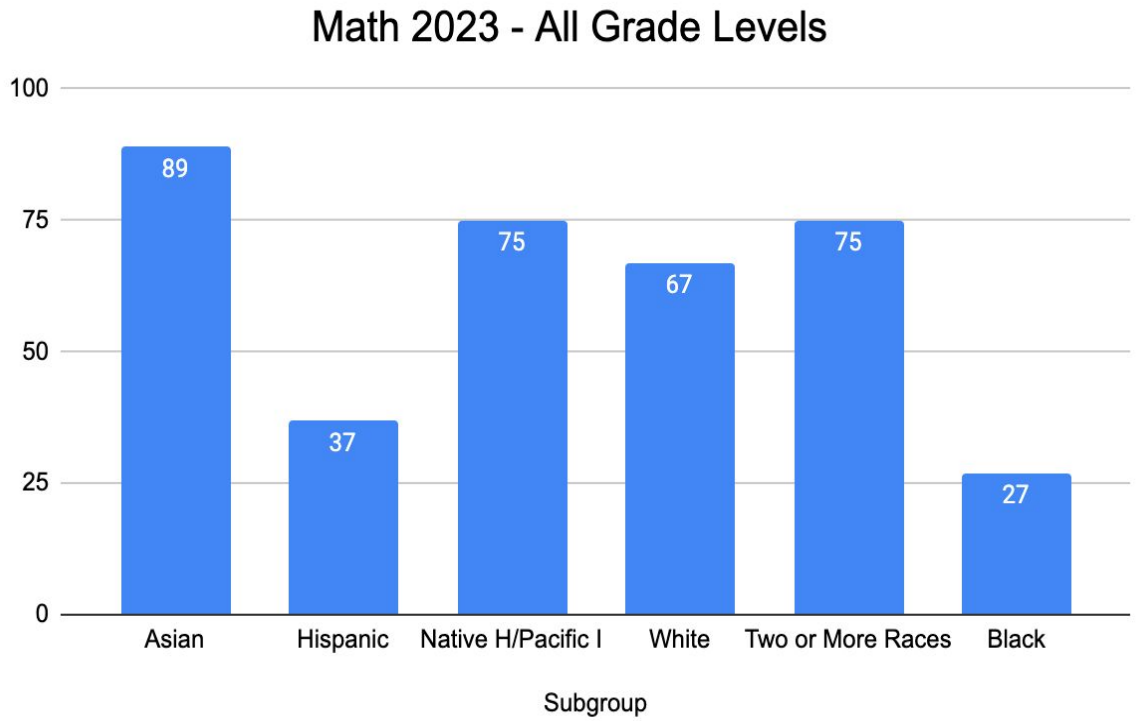

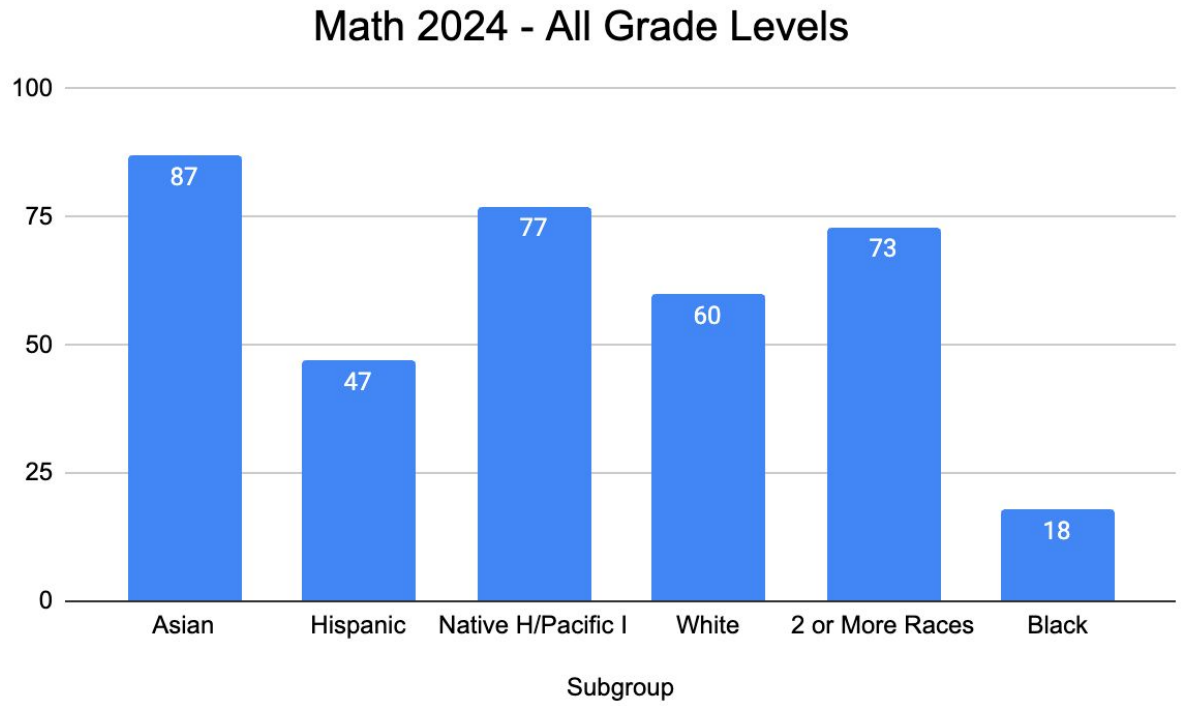

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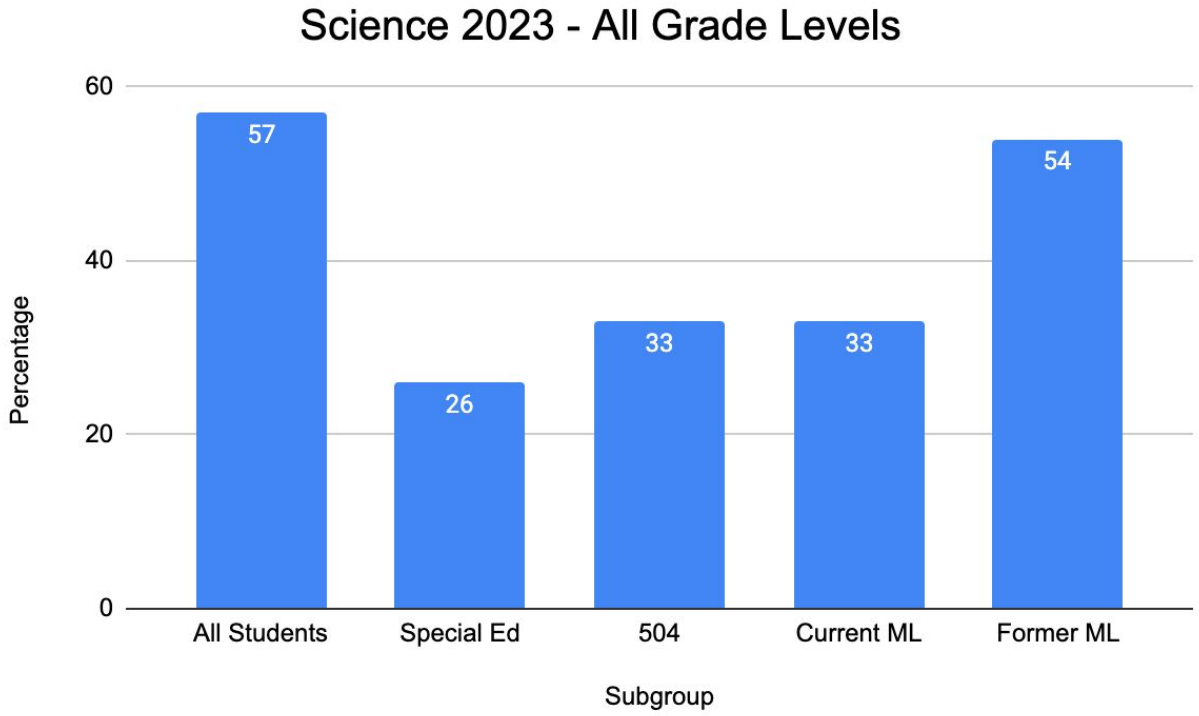

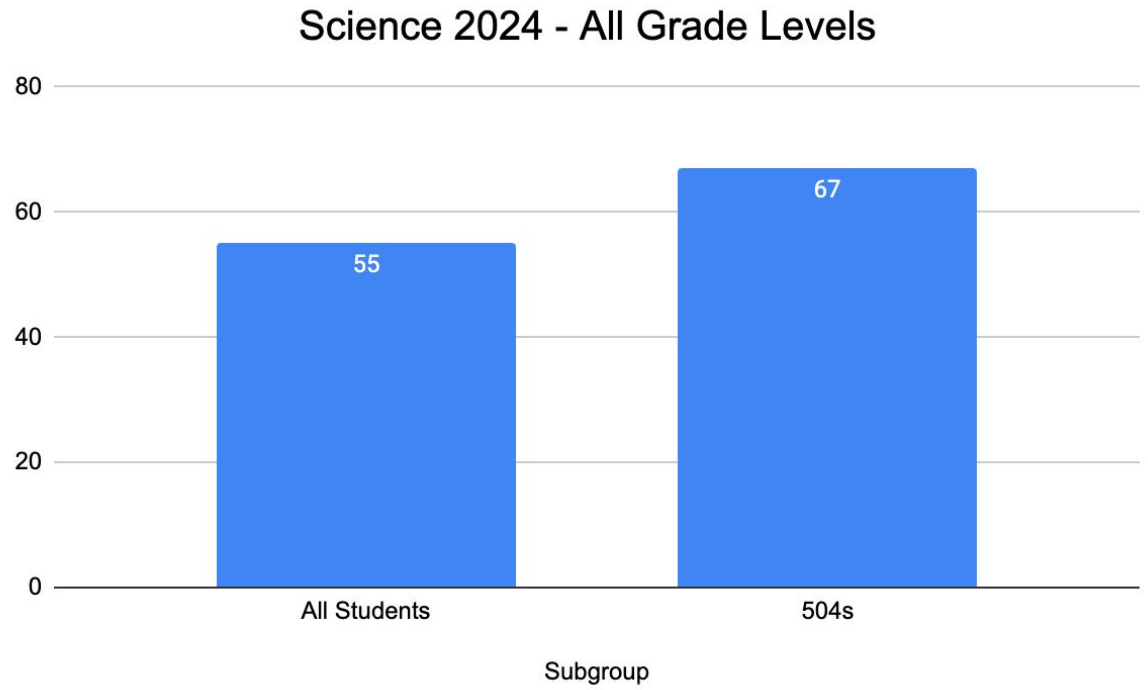

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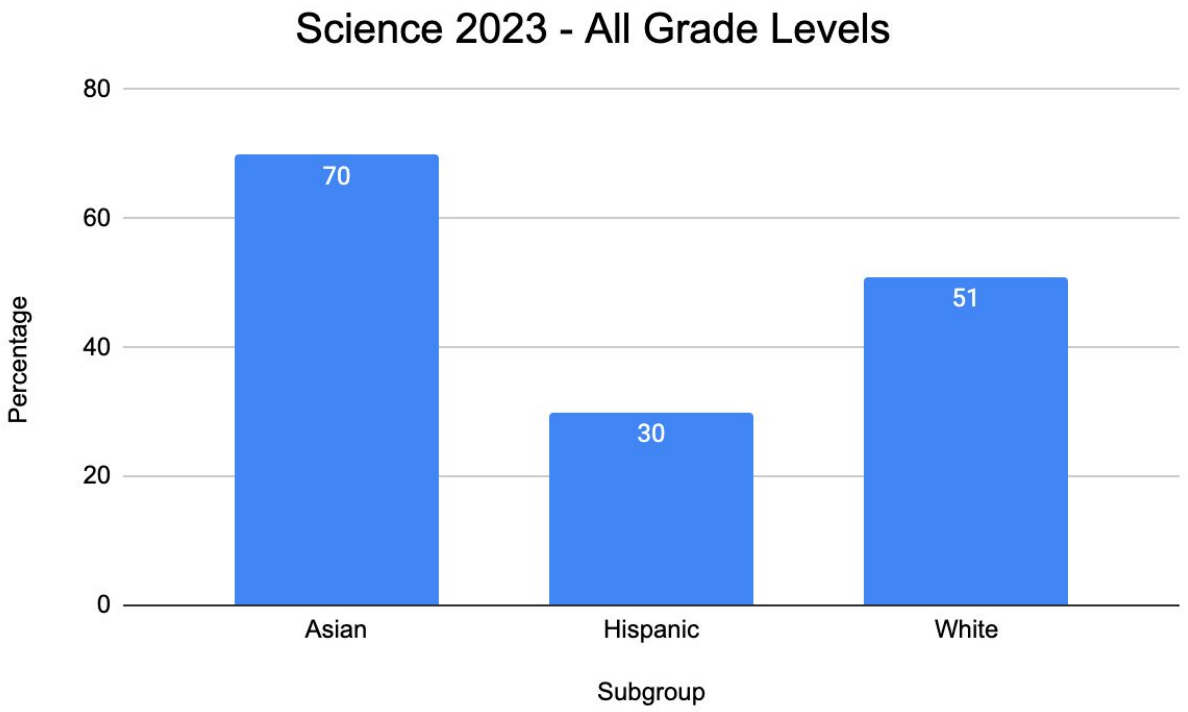

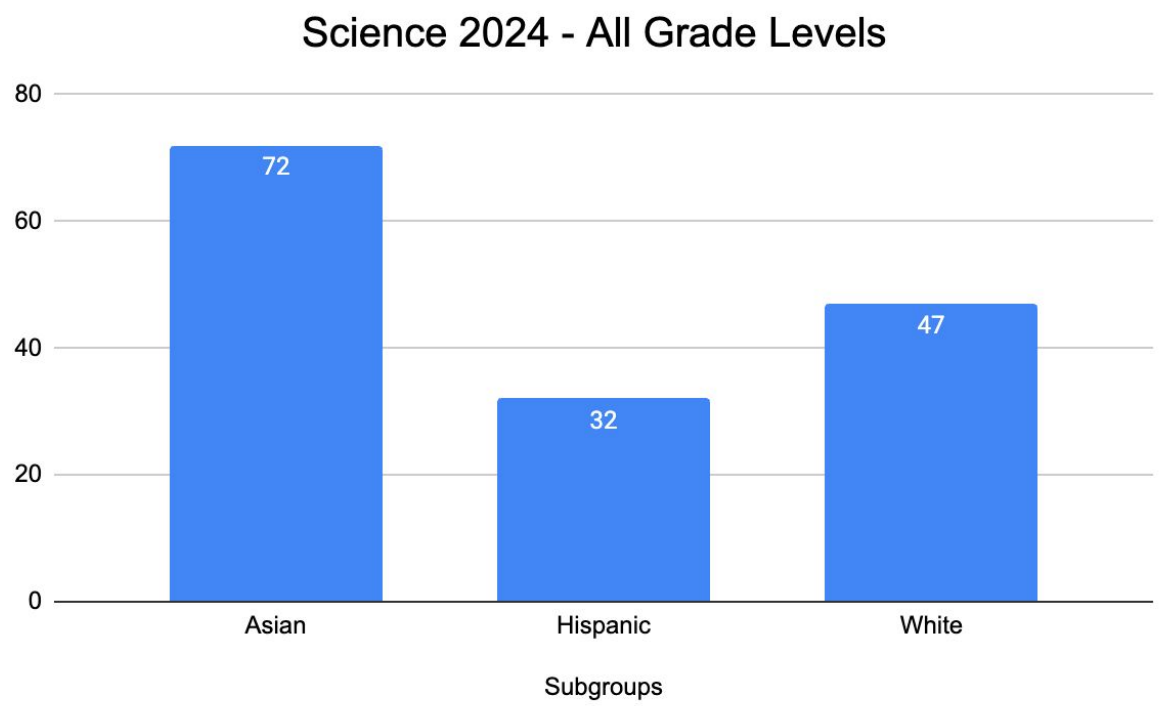

Notable Achievements in 2023-24

- QSAC Review - Closter was designated as a high performing district
- Best Communities for Music Education award from the NAMM Foundation
- TMS Science Olympiad Team placed 1st Regionally & 3rd in the State competitions
- TMS TEP students participated in the NPR podcast competition and one team was named as a top ten finalist in the national competition

Intervention Strategies for 2024-25

- District
  - Teachers from grades 3 through 8 will be using NJSLA Evidence Statements to review which state standards students did not meet and to then analyze how we have taught those standards and what improvements can be made to instruction for those standards.

Intervention Strategies for 2024-25

- Hillside Elementary School
  - Provided Summer Program in 2024 and will continue the after-school Academic Assistance Program in ELA and mathematics twice a week for grade K-2 & the High Impact Tutoring program for students in grades 3 & 4. New resources are available for these instructors.
  - Aimsweb benchmark and progress monitoring system for students in grades K-1.
  - Linkit! benchmark and progress monitoring system for students in grades 2 - 4 - September, January, and June.
  - Providing Professional Development in ELA instruction using a coaching model for grades K-4 and ongoing PD in ELA, mathematics and science through the Northern Valley Curriculum Center

Intervention Strategies for 2024-25

- Hillside Elementary School
  - Teachers participated in Math & ELA professional learning opportunities over the summer of 2024 (including workshops and planning time).
  - Math Committee formed to explore best math resource for the 2025-2026 school year.
  - Continued implementation of the *Into Reading* program in Kindergarten to build stronger foundational literacy skills in all students
  - We will offer Summer Programs in summer 2025
  - Continue to provide Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP) training for teachers with Multilingual Learners.

Intervention Strategies for 2024-25

- Tenakill Middle School
  - Continue to double the amount of instructional time for math in 6th grade
  - Decreased the class sizes in math in grades 5-8
  - Expanding our new math diagnostic and intervention program for our basic skills math program (MasterTrack)
  - Implementing the Units of Study in Writing for grade 5
  - Utilizing the data from the new Linkit! science benchmark assessment in grades 5-8 to inform science instruction
  - Linkit! Benchmark Assessment data review and analysis in September, January, and June for progress monitoring

Intervention Strategies for 2024-25

- Tenakill Middle School
  - Continuing the after school Academic Assistance Programs: three days per week from October to May, which provides small group support and targeted instruction in math and ESL
  - Offered the Summer Program in July 2024 to provide small group support and targeted instruction in math and language arts and will offer it in July 2025