



Community Education Council Meeting Superintendent Report



September 14th, 2026

Dr. Khalek Kirkland, Superintendent

Dr. Mickisha McKoy, Deputy Superintendent

Dr. Rhonda Phillips, Executive Director of School Support & Operations

WELCOME BACK !

Our Vision & Mission



VISION

District 23 schools establish a culture of joy, high expectations, critical thinking, and cultural competence in partnership with our families and school communities. We emphasize equitable and welcoming learning environments where every child will receive high-quality instruction every day.

MISSION

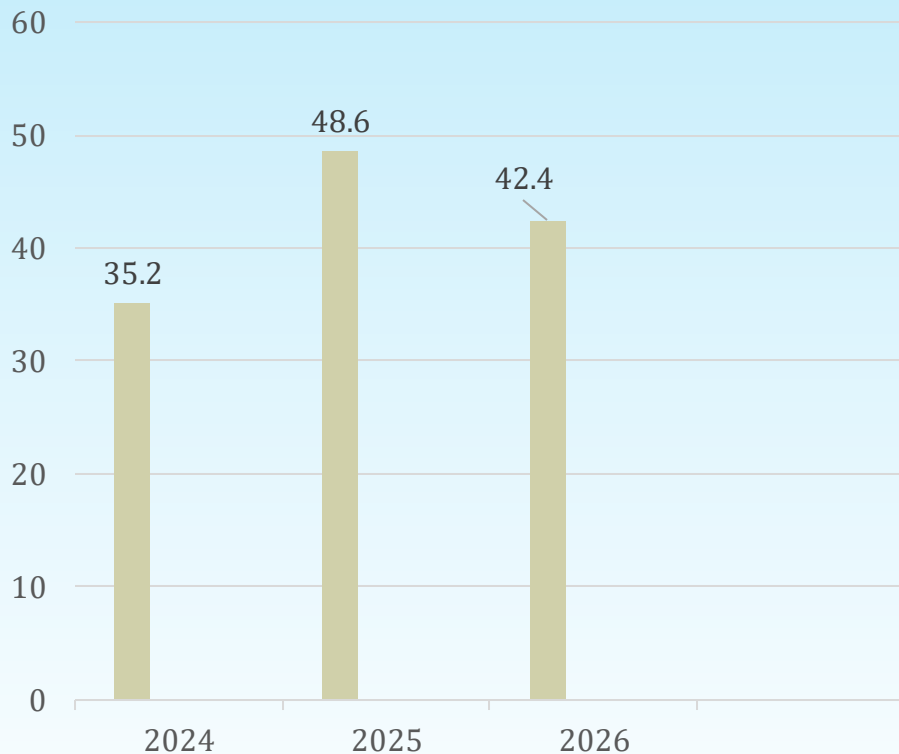
We are steadfast in our commitment to realizing our vision through E.Q.U.I.T.Y, empowering our families and communities as true partners in our scholars' success. We prioritize high-quality instruction and set ambitious expectations, leveraging innovative ideas and resources to enhance both academic and social-emotional learning. Our instructional approach is grounded in the science of reading and focused on cultivating academic excellence and character development. By recognizing and nurturing each scholar's unique strengths, we are building strong pathways to lifelong success and economic security, delivering exceptional results across all schools in District 23.

Overall District Performance on ELA New York State Exams

3 Year Trends



ELA NYS Data



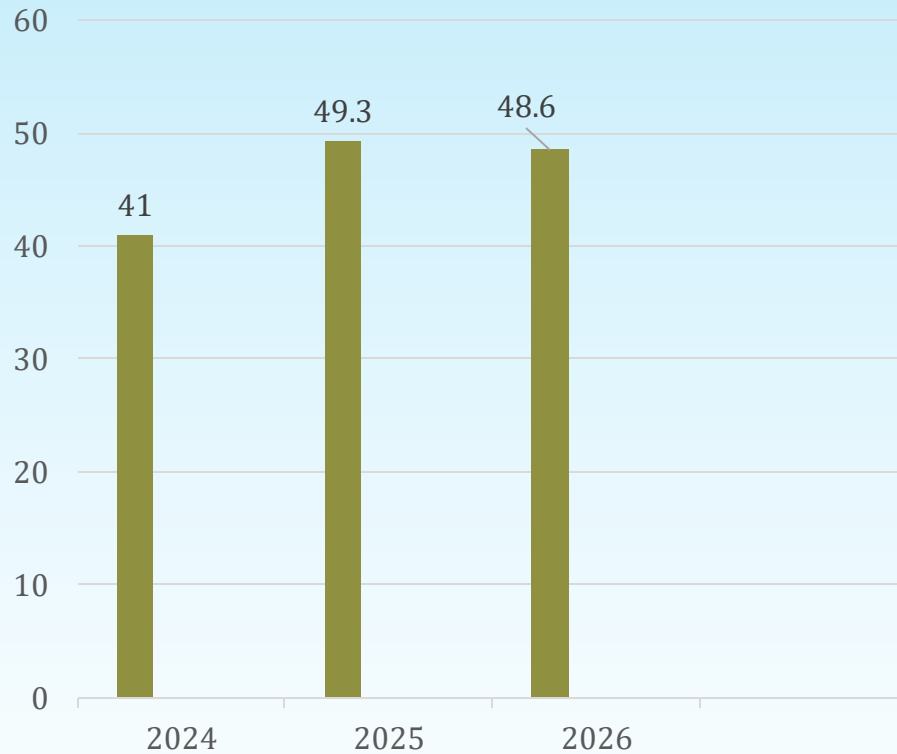
	2024	2025	2026
ELA	35.2	48.6	42.4

- Overall gains from 2024 performance (+7.2)
- Gains from 2024 to 2025 (+13.4)
- Decline from 2025 to 2026 (-6.2)

Overall District Performance on Math New York State Exams 3 Year Trends



Math NYS Data



	2024	2025	2026
Math	41.0	49.3	48.6

- Overall gains from 2024 performance (+7.6)
- Gains from 2024 to 2025 (+8.3)
- Decline from 2025 to 2026 (-0.7)

SY2526 District Priorities and Results



DCEP Goal: Priority 1- All Students Learn to Read Well

- By June 2026, literacy for All Students will improve, as measured by a 5% Increase, from 48.6 to 53.6, of percentage of students scoring at or above grade level on the NYS exam results
 - Did not meet goal of 53.6 went down to 42.4 (-6.2)

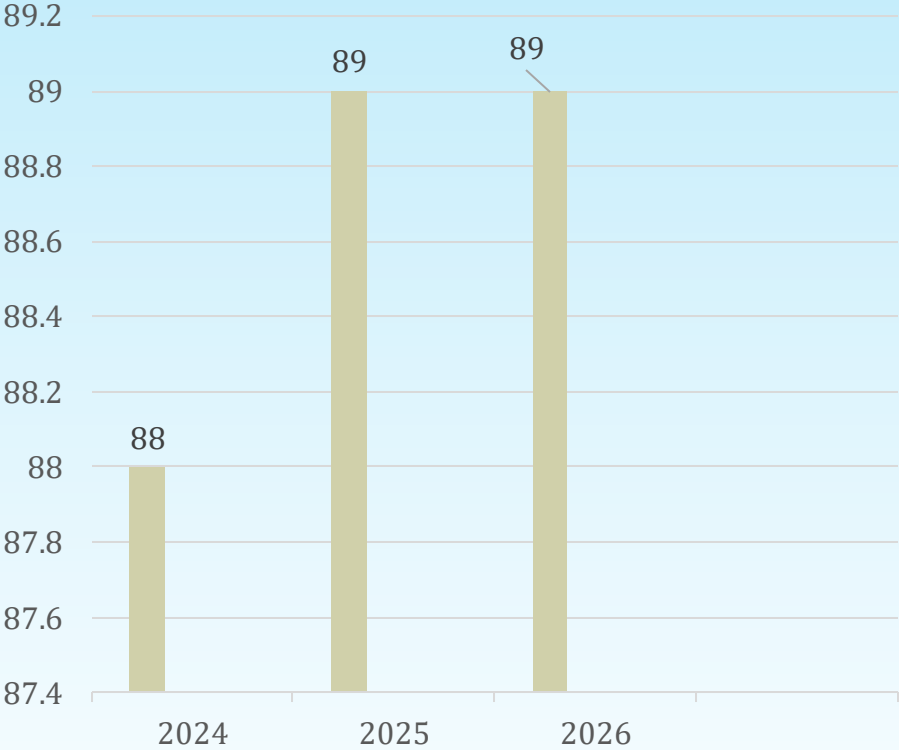
DCEP Goal: Priority 3- All Students Have a High-Quality Academic Experience

- By June 2026, the Percent of students scoring at or above grade-level proficiency will increase by 7% as measured by the State assessments will Increase by 7% from 49.3% to 56%, for All Students, as measured by Math screeners, state exams results and progress monitoring tools IE... module/end of unit assessments.
 - Did not meet goal of 56% went down to 48.6 (-0.7)

Overall District Attendance (3 Year Trend)



D23 Attendance Data



	2024	2025	2026
Attendance	88	89	89

- Increased from 2024 to 2025 (+1)
- Maintained increase from 2025 to 2026



District 23 Supports for School/Student Improvement



District/DLT Priorities for SY2627

- Improve attendance outcomes
- Reduce chronic absenteeism
- Increase family engagement across all schools
- Support academic achievement and student wellness
- Strengthen school culture and climate

Initiatives

- NYC Reads- Ongoing workshops, curriculum development, and progress monitoring in schools to improve students' literacy/reading skills
- NYC Solves- NYCPS driven math shifts to improve student access to grade-level mathematics and standards mastery.
- Character Strong- supports to schools to improve student attendance and engagement
- My Brother's Keeper- support schools with student attendance and well-being, and parent and community partnerships



D23 Events

- New Teacher Orientation

Dr. Kirkland welcomed 60 new teachers to the district on 9/2/26.

Upcoming

- District 23 Townhall – TBD
- Dad's Bring Your Kid's to School-9/17 or 10/7



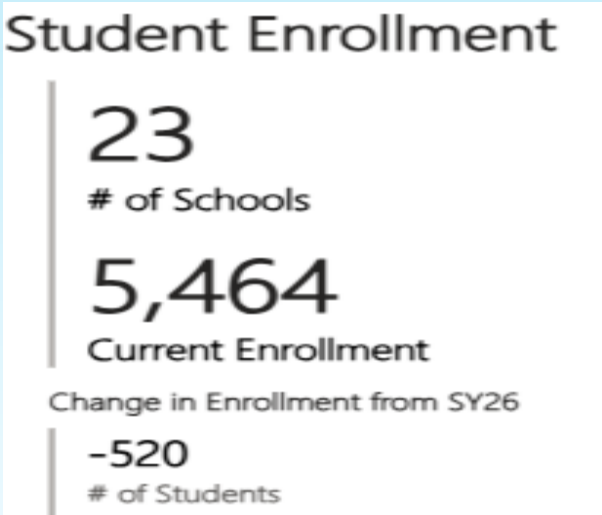


CEC Requested Information/ Data

District 23 Staff Changes

Name	Change	Location
Kemar Hamilton	Interim Acting Principal	23K671
Felicia Baptiste	Interim Acting Principal	23K150
Alonzo Bell	Acting Principal	23K668

D23 Enrollment



2025	2026	Change
7763	5984*	-1779

*Final enrollment for SY2526 not yet released

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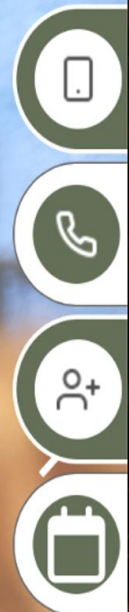
The graphic shows a smartphone displaying the app's interface. The top of the app shows the District 23 logo and navigation icons. Below is an Instagram post from the district's account, featuring a photo of Superintendent Dr. Kirkland with two other people. The post text reads: "Our CSA and UFT district representatives working together with Superintendent Dr. Kirkland on behalf of the children of ...". Below the post are engagement icons (heart, comment, share) with counts: 18, 14, and 13. At the bottom of the app screen is a navigation bar with icons for Social, News, About, Schools, and Resources.



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