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VIRGINIA BEACH CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

MIDDLE SCHOOL

# Report Card

ISSUED 2005-2006



Dear Parents or Guardian:

We are pleased to provide you with the eighth annual School Report Card containing important information about your child's school. This report card is an important part of educational accountability designed to help you assess many aspects of your child's school and evaluate its success over time.

In addition to school and staff characteristics for the current school year and student performance for previous years, you will find information related to the school's progress toward meeting state and federal standards. I am pleased to indicate that for the current year, 100 percent of our schools earned full state accreditation.

Schools are also expected to make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) based on criteria required by the *No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001*. A school's AYP status is based on Standards of Learning (SOL) test results and other factors such as attendance rates for elementary and middle schools and graduation rates for high schools. Criteria for meeting AYP are set for all students and for subgroups of students, including economically disadvantaged, limited English proficient, and students with disabilities, as well as for major racial and ethnic groups. Each student subgroup within a school must achieve all of the annual objectives for the school to be classified as making AYP. We are proud that 95 percent of our schools made AYP for the 2005-2006 school year based on 2004-2005 data.

However, our ability to remain "ahead of the curve" and show continuous improvement depends on our students, teachers, staff, community, and family members like you. We hope that you will continue to help us succeed through your commitment to your child's education and by taking an active role at your child's school.

Sincerely,

Sheila S. Magula, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

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## 2005-2006

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Mr. John A. Heft, Assistant Principal  
Mr. Salvatore A. Marchione, Assistant Principal  
Ms. Andra S. Morris, Assistant Principal  
Ms. Frances Hill, PTA President

### State Accreditation Status:

Fully Accredited

*The mission of the Virginia Beach City Public Schools, in partnership with our entire community, is to ensure that each student is empowered with the knowledge and skills necessary to meet the challenges of the future.*

### School Board Members

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## READING YOUR SCHOOL REPORT CARD

This report card for your child's school includes information related to school characteristics and student performance measures. Unless noted otherwise, the information is for the current school year, 2005-2006. Some of the information required by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 is also included. Additional information about your child's school and all other schools in the division is available at [www.vbschools.com](http://www.vbschools.com) and [www.doe.virginia.gov](http://www.doe.virginia.gov).

### SCHOOL INFORMATION

**PTA Membership March 2005:** 481

**No Child Left Behind Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)**

**Status:** Did not make AYP

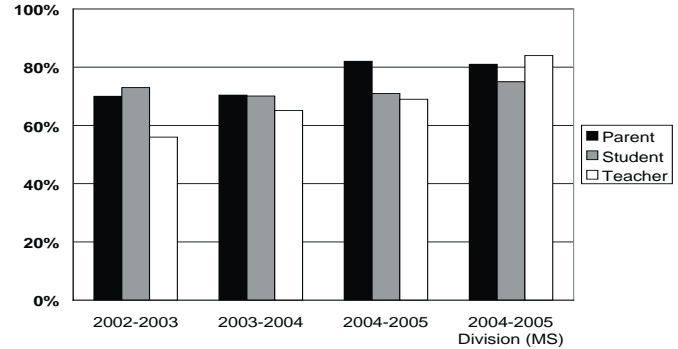
**No Child Left Behind Safe School**

**Status:** Not Persistently Dangerous

#### Average Class Size

English	Mathematics	Science	Social Studies
20.0	21.0	21.7	21.8

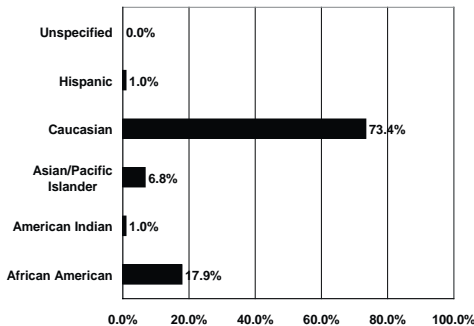
Percentage of people giving an A or B grade to the overall quality of education received by students at this school, based on the school division's annual spring survey.



#### Attendance 2004-2005\*\*

School Average Daily Attendance:	95.2%
Division (MS) Average Daily Attendance:	95.4%
AYP Attendance Target:	94.0%

### STAFF CHARACTERISTICS



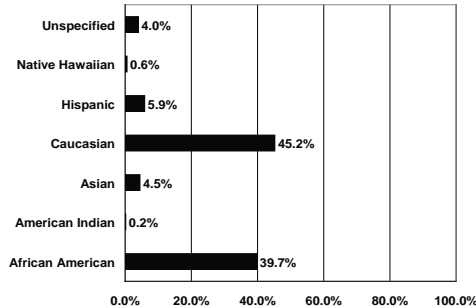
Administration/Intern:	5
Instructional:	139
Classified:	59
Other:	4

#### Additional Instructional Characteristics

	School	Division (MS)	State
Female	75.5%	75.9%	*
Male	24.5%	24.1%	*
Average years of teaching experience	11.8	13.6	*
Percentage with graduate degrees	46.8	48.1	*
Percentage new to the system	10.8	7.0	*
Percentage of core courses not taught by highly qualified teachers 04-05	3.8	5.6	4.4
Percentage of teachers with provisional credentials 04-05	6.8	4.5	7.1

\*Not Available

### STUDENT CHARACTERISTICS



September 30, 2005

Membership: 1,767

	School	Division (MS)
Female	46.9%	48.6%
Male	53.1%	51.4%
Economically Disadvantaged	35.8%	27.2%
Gifted	8.5%	14.3%
Limited English Proficiency	2.4%	2.0%
Migrant	0.1%	0.0%
Special Education	15.2%	13.3%

### STUDENT PERFORMANCE MEASURES

#### Stanford Achievement Tests

*The Stanford 10 is a nationally norm-referenced test designed to compare the achievement of students with other students throughout the country.*

#### Stanford Achievement Tests - Grade 6 Percentile Scores

Tests	Fall 2004	Fall 2004
	School	Division
Total Reading	49	59
Total Language	60	69
Total Mathematics	64	73
Partial Battery Total	57	66

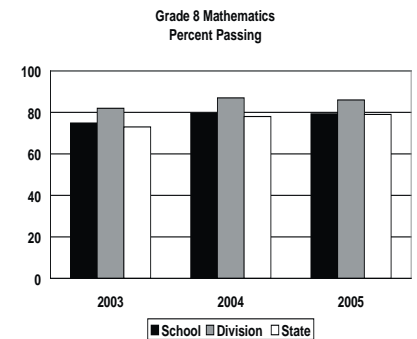
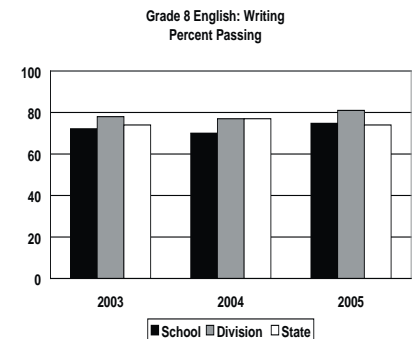
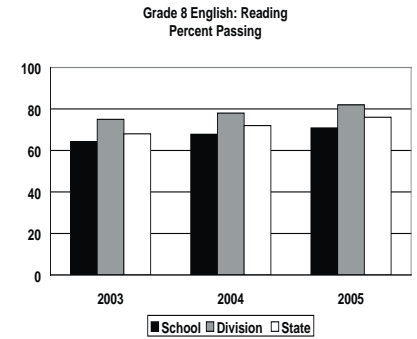
\*\*Attendance as of March 31 is reported because it is used by the state to calculate AYP.

The Standards of Learning (SOL) tests are state mandated achievement tests used by students to earn verified credits for graduation and by schools and the division to assess student achievement and plan for continuous improvement. The test results are also used to determine school accreditation and AYP status. The 2004-2005 SOL performance shown in the following tables includes all SOL unadjusted scores for the year including scores reported back to the home school for alternative center students. The bar graphs show three-year trends for spring SOL scores for the school, division, and state. Remediation recovery, SELP scores, retake test scores, substitute test scores, and alternate assessment scores are not included in the SOL Performance tables. Retake test scores are included in the bar charts. School and division scores exclude SECEP students.

**2004-2005 SOL Performance**

Grade 8 <sup>†</sup>		School % Tested	School Proficiency Levels			Percent Passing		
			Advanced	Proficient	Fail	School	Division	State
English: Reading	All Students	99.3	20	51	29	71	82	*
	Female	100.0	24	53	23	77	86	*
	Male	98.7	16	49	35	65	78	*
	African American	99.1	16	47	36	64	71	*
	American Indian	<	<	<	<	<	79	*
	Asian	97.3	25	56	19	81	90	*
	Caucasian	100.0	22	54	24	76	86	*
	Hispanic	96.6	21	46	32	68	82	*
	Native Hawaiian	<	<	<	<	<	85	*
	Unspecified Ethnicity	100.0	23	50	27	73	82	*
	Economically Disadvantaged	98.8	14	47	40	61	69	*
	Limited English Proficiency	91.7	9	36	55	45	63	*
	Special Education	100.0	1	27	72	28	41	*
Migrant	<	<	<	<	<	<	*	
English: Writing	All Students	95.3	2	72	25	75	81	*
	Female	96.5	4	79	17	83	88	*
	Male	94.1	1	66	33	67	74	*
	African American	95.5	1	68	31	69	71	*
	American Indian	<	<	<	<	<	92	*
	Asian	94.9	5	86	8	92	88	*
	Caucasian	95.9	3	74	23	77	85	*
	Hispanic	86.7	0	65	35	65	74	*
	Native Hawaiian	<	<	<	<	<	92	*
	Unspecified Ethnicity	96.6	7	79	14	86	85	*
	Economically Disadvantaged	94.2	2	67	32	68	69	*
	Limited English Proficiency	71.4	10	70	20	80	62	*
	Special Education	75.0	0	30	70	30	36	*
Migrant	<	<	<	<	<	<	*	
Mathematics	All Students	99.4	9	71	21	79	86	*
	Female	99.7	8	74	17	83	88	*
	Male	99.1	9	67	24	76	85	*
	African American	99.1	4	63	33	67	76	*
	American Indian	<	<	<	<	<	90	*
	Asian	100.0	10	78	12	88	93	*
	Caucasian	99.7	11	75	14	86	91	*
	Hispanic	96.9	6	77	16	84	83	*
	Native Hawaiian	<	<	<	<	<	96	*
	Unspecified Ethnicity	100.0	12	69	19	81	85	*
	Economically Disadvantaged	98.8	6	59	35	65	76	*
	Limited English Proficiency	92.9	8	54	38	62	75	*
	Special Education	100.0	0	59	41	59	58	*
Migrant	<	<	<	<	<	<	*	

**Three-Year Trend SOL Spring Scores**



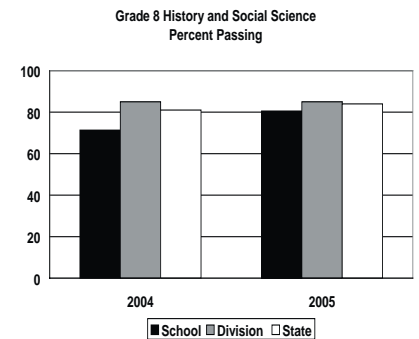
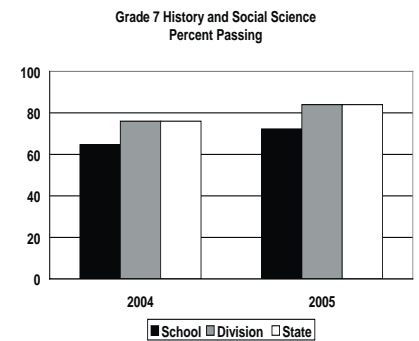
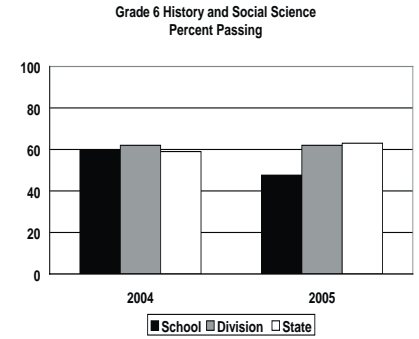
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†VGLA scores are included in the table but not in the bar charts in order to make appropriate comparisons.

## 2004-2005 SOL Performance

## Three-Year Trend SOL Spring Scores

Grades 6, 7, 8 History and Social Science†		School % Tested	School Proficiency Levels			Percent Passing		
			Advanced	Proficient	Fail	School	Division	State
Grade 6: History and Social Science	All Students	95.3	6	42	52	48	62	*
	Female	96.2	6	40	54	46	59	*
	Male	94.5	5	44	51	49	65	*
	African American	93.5	2	30	68	32	44	*
	American Indian	<	<	<	<	<	61	*
	Asian	96.4	22	44	33	67	79	*
	Caucasian	96.7	6	52	42	58	70	*
	Hispanic	92.1	9	40	51	49	58	*
	Native Hawaiian	<	<	<	<	<	64	*
	Unspecified Ethnicity	100.0	0	54	46	54	71	*
	Economically Disadvantaged	92.6	1	33	66	34	44	*
	Limited English Proficiency	<	<	<	<	<	55	*
	Special Education	77.7	0	16	84	16	28	*
Migrant	<	<	<	<	<	<	*	
Grade 7: History and Social Science	All Students	97.5	16	56	28	72	84	*
	Female	98.3	13	60	27	73	83	*
	Male	96.8	18	53	28	72	85	*
	African American	98.8	10	50	41	59	73	*
	American Indian	<	<	<	<	<	83	*
	Asian	88.5	39	43	17	83	91	*
	Caucasian	97.9	18	64	18	82	89	*
	Hispanic	93.6	21	66	14	86	81	*
	Native Hawaiian	<	<	<	<	<	91	*
	Unspecified Ethnicity	96.7	24	41	34	66	83	*
	Economically Disadvantaged	97.6	11	48	41	59	72	*
	Limited English Proficiency	77.8	21	57	21	79	84	*
	Special Education	87.6	6	22	72	28	54	*
Migrant	<	<	<	<	<	<	*	
Grade 8: History and Social Science	All Students	96.3	23	58	19	81	85	*
	Female	98.6	22	57	21	79	84	*
	Male	94.1	23	59	18	82	86	*
	African American	95.0	16	61	23	77	76	*
	American Indian	<	<	<	<	<	88	*
	Asian	94.9	32	51	16	84	91	*
	Caucasian	97.7	26	57	17	83	89	*
	Hispanic	90.0	22	56	22	78	79	*
	Native Hawaiian	<	<	<	<	<	85	*
	Unspecified Ethnicity	100.0	29	57	14	86	81	*
	Economically Disadvantaged	94.6	15	57	28	72	73	*
	Limited English Proficiency	73.3	9	55	36	64	62	*
	Special Education	81.3	2	51	48	52	57	*
Migrant	<	<	<	<	<	<	*	



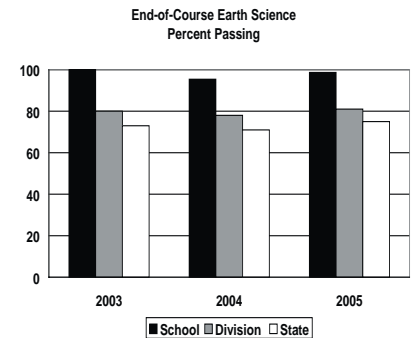
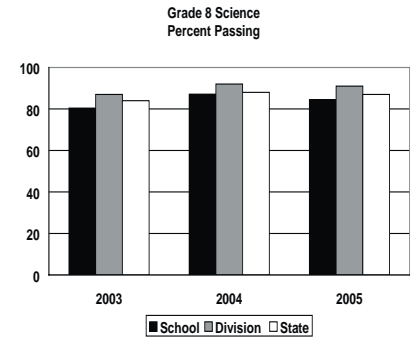
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## 2004-2005 SOL Performance

## Three-Year Trend SOL Spring Scores

Grade 8 and End-of-Course <sup>†</sup>		School % Tested	School Proficiency Levels			Percent Passing		
			Advanced	Proficient	Fail	School	Division	State
Science	All Students	95.6	16	69	16	84	91	*
	Female	97.6	16	68	16	84	92	*
	Male	93.7	16	69	15	85	91	*
	African American	94.7	10	64	26	74	84	*
	American Indian	<	<	<	<	<	96	*
	Asian	94.7	28	67	6	94	96	*
	Caucasian	97.4	17	73	10	90	95	*
	Hispanic	86.2	12	80	8	92	90	*
	Native Hawaiian	<	<	<	<	<	96	*
	Unspecified Ethnicity	95.5	29	57	14	86	91	*
	Economically Disadvantaged	94.1	14	62	24	76	83	*
	Limited English Proficiency	68.8	36	45	18	82	78	*
	Special Education	78.4	0	67	33	67	67	*
	Migrant	<	<	<	<	<	<	*
End-of-Course: Earth Science	All Students	100.0	28	71	1	99	85	*
	Female	100.0	19	81	0	100	81	*
	Male	100.0	38	59	3	97	88	*
	African American	100.0	19	75	6	94	70	*
	American Indian	<	<	<	<	<	94	*
	Asian	<	<	<	<	<	91	*
	Caucasian	100.0	30	70	0	100	92	*
	Hispanic	<	<	<	<	<	77	*
	Native Hawaiian	<	<	<	<	<	94	*
	Unspecified Ethnicity	<	<	<	<	<	83	*
	Economically Disadvantaged	100.0	16	79	5	95	73	*
	Limited English Proficiency	<	<	<	<	<	69	*
	Special Education	<	<	<	<	<	65	*
	Migrant	<	<	<	<	<	<	*



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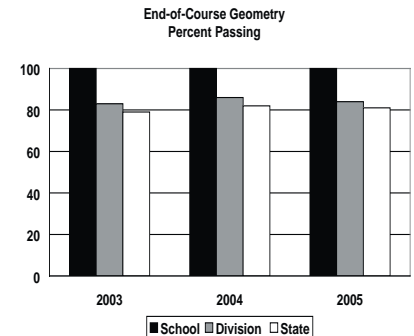
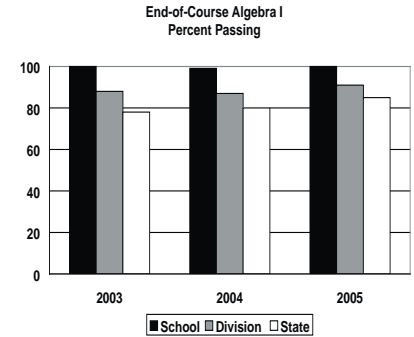
## 2004-2005 SOL Performance

End-of-Course <sup>†</sup>		School % Tested	School Proficiency Levels			Percent Passing		
			Advanced	Proficient	Fail	School	Division	State
End-of-Course: Algebra I	All Students	100.0	50	50	0	100	87	*
	Female	100.0	48	52	0	100	89	*
	Male	100.0	53	47	0	100	85	*
	African American	100.0	54	46	0	100	79	*
	American Indian	<	<	<	<	<	81	*
	Asian	100.0	60	40	0	100	94	*
	Caucasian	100.0	43	57	0	100	90	*
	Hispanic	<	<	<	<	<	85	*
	Native Hawaiian	<	<	<	<	<	90	*
	Unspecified Ethnicity	<	<	<	<	<	91	*
	Economically Disadvantaged	100.0	65	35	0	100	81	*
	Limited English Proficiency	<	<	<	<	<	88	*
	Special Education	<	<	<	<	<	60	*
	Migrant	<	<	<	<	<	<	*
End-of-Course: Geometry	All Students	100.0	31	69	0	100	87	*
	Female	<	<	<	<	<	85	*
	Male	<	<	<	<	<	88	*
	African American	<	<	<	<	<	72	*
	American Indian	<	<	<	<	<	80	*
	Asian	<	<	<	<	<	91	*
	Caucasian	100.0	30	70	0	100	92	*
	Hispanic	<	<	<	<	<	83	*
	Native Hawaiian	<	<	<	<	<	95	*
	Unspecified Ethnicity	<	<	<	<	<	90	*
	Economically Disadvantaged	<	<	<	<	<	78	*
	Limited English Proficiency	<	<	<	<	<	88	*
	Special Education	<	<	<	<	<	67	*
	Migrant	<	<	<	<	<	<	*

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## Three-Year Trend SOL Spring Scores



### SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2004-2005

- A student attendance incentive program was initiated for the month of March. The program was referred to as "March Madness" and resulted in a 95% attendance rate for the month of March.
- A monthly professional development activity /workshop was established for the faculty. Presentations focused on instructional strategies, differentiation, and data analysis.
- The students and staff of Larkspur Middle School received recognition for record contributions to United Way.
- Our custodial staff was recognized as one of two "Outstanding Custodial Staff" in the Virginia Beach City Public Schools.