

**Whitman Post Elem School**  
**Rockton SD 140**  
**Rockton, ILLINOIS**



**ILLINOIS**  
**SCHOOL**  
**REPORT**  
**CARD**

**GRADES : 3 4 5**

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

Starting in 2009, charter school information is included in district statistics.

**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
<b>School</b>	90.0	2.3	3.2	3.2	0.0	1.3	19.2	0.8		0.0	4.7	96.2	531
<b>District</b>	89.5	2.7	3.3	2.4	0.1	2.0	16.1	1.0		0.0	6.8	96.0	1,592
<b>State</b>	53.3	19.1	20.8	4.1	0.2	2.5	42.9	8.0		3.7	13.5	93.7	2,070,125

**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*		STUDENT-TO-STAFF RATIOS			
	Percent	Pupil- Teacher Elementary	Pupil- Teacher Secondary	Pupil- Certified Staff	Pupil- Administrator
<b>School</b>	98.0	--	--	--	--
<b>District</b>	97.9	17.9		14.2	265.3
<b>State</b>	96.7	18.4		13.3	201.8

\* 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
<b>School</b>				22.8	25.6	23.6				
<b>District</b>				22.8	25.6	23.6				
<b>State</b>				21.8	22.2	22.6				

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
<b>School</b>	60			30			170			30		
<b>District</b>	60			30			170			30		
<b>State</b>	59			30			145			30		

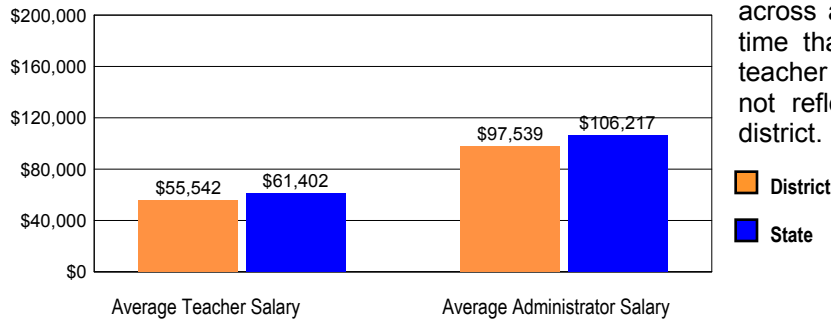
TEACHER INFORMATION (Full-Time Equivalents)								
	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian/ Pacific Islander	Native American	Male	Female	Total Number
District	99.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	15.8	84.2	101
State	85.1	8.3	5.0	1.4	0.2	22.9	77.1	133,017

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	12.0	32.3	67.7	0.0	0.0
State	12.5	44.1	55.8	0.6	1.2

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

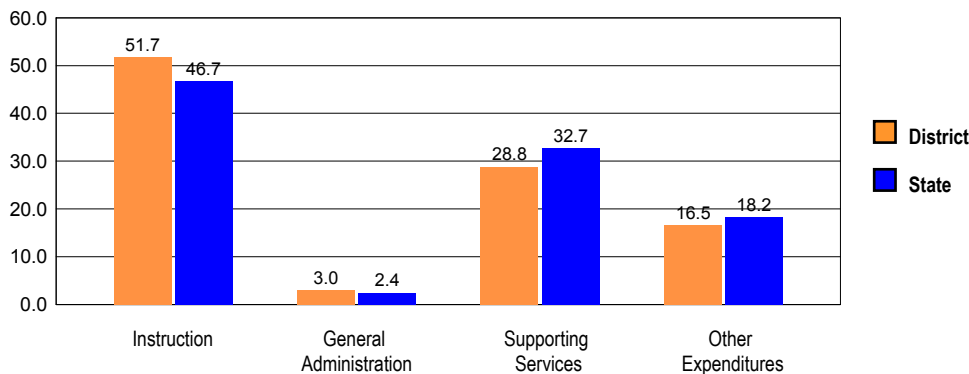
## SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCES

### TEACHER/ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES (Full-Time Equivalents)



Salaries and counts of staff are summed across a district based on the percentage of time that each individual is employed as a teacher or an administrator and may or may not reflect the actual paid salaries for the district.

### EXPENDITURE BY FUNCTION 2007-08 (Percentages)



REVENUE BY SOURCE 2007-08				EXPENDITURE BY FUND 2007-08			
	District	District %	State %		District	District %	State %
Local Property Taxes	\$7,178,801	52.1	58.7	Education	\$10,074,330	73.8	71.5
Other Local Funding	\$1,499,198	10.9	6.3	Operations & Maintenance	\$1,450,494	10.6	8.6
General State Aid	\$3,939,508	28.6	18.6	Transportation	\$682,574	5.0	3.9
Other State Funding	\$963,732	7.0	9.0	Bond and Interest	\$1,029,915	7.5	6.3
Federal Funding	\$204,097	1.5	7.4	Rent	\$0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	\$13,785,336			Municipal Retirement/ Social Security	\$337,021	2.5	1.8
				Fire Prevention & Safety	\$71,065	0.5	0.9
				Site & Construction/ Capital Improvement	\$0	0.0	6.8
				TOTAL	\$13,645,399		

OTHER FINANCIAL INDICATORS				
	2006 Equalized Assessed Valuation per Pupil	2006 Total School Tax Rate per \$100	2007-08 Instructional Expenditure per Pupil	2007-08 Operating Expenditure per Pupil
District	\$132,306	3.37	\$4,745	\$7,717
State	**	**	\$6,103	\$10,417

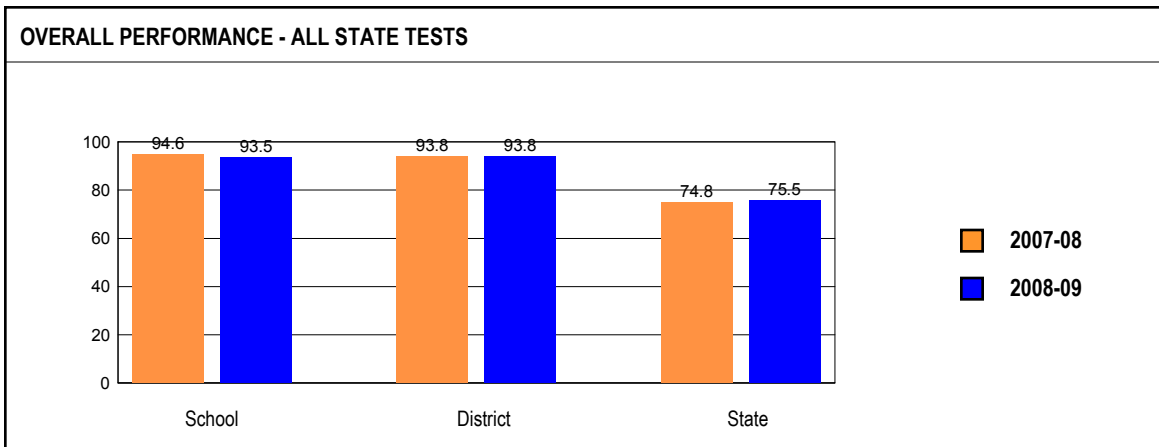
\*\* Due to the way Illinois school districts are configured, state averages for equalized assessed valuation per pupil and total school tax rate per \$100 are not provided.  
**Equalized assessed valuation** includes all computed property values upon which a district's local tax rate is calculated.  
**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

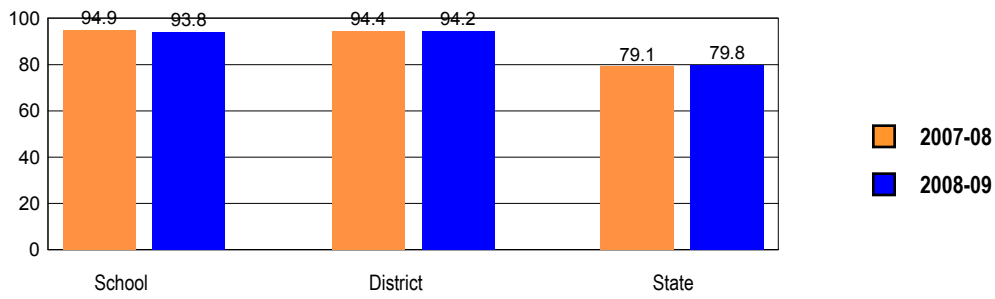
### OVERALL STUDENT PERFORMANCE

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.

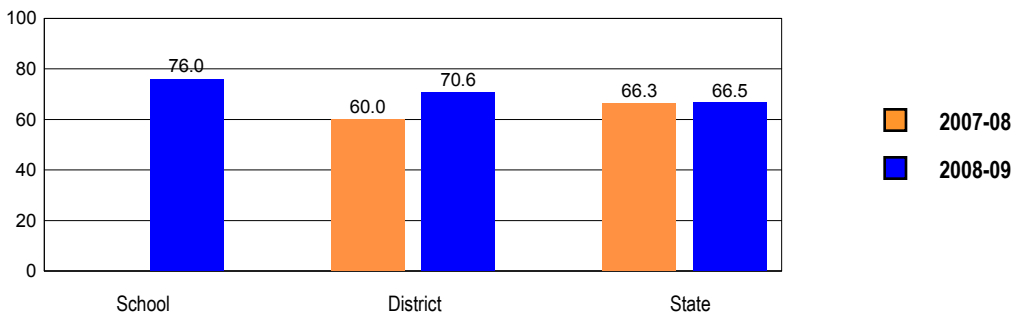
The 2007-08 school year was the first time that Limited English Proficient (LEP) students took the ISAT or PSAE (with accommodations) instead of the IMAGE test. Therefore, any comparisons with prior year's achievement levels for LEP students should be made with appropriate caution.



**OVERALL ILLINOIS STANDARDS ACHIEVEMENT TEST (ISAT) PERFORMANCE**



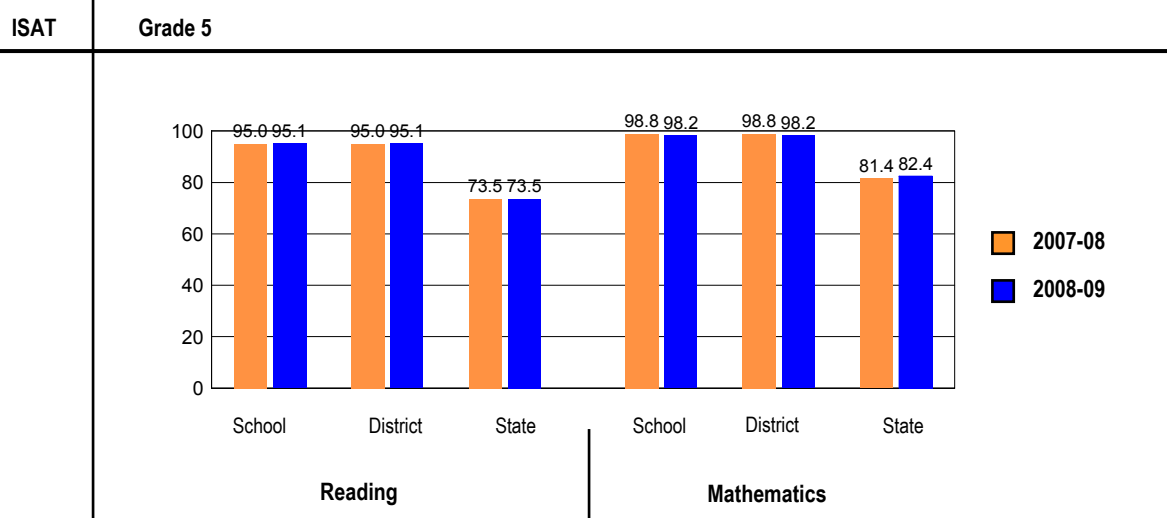
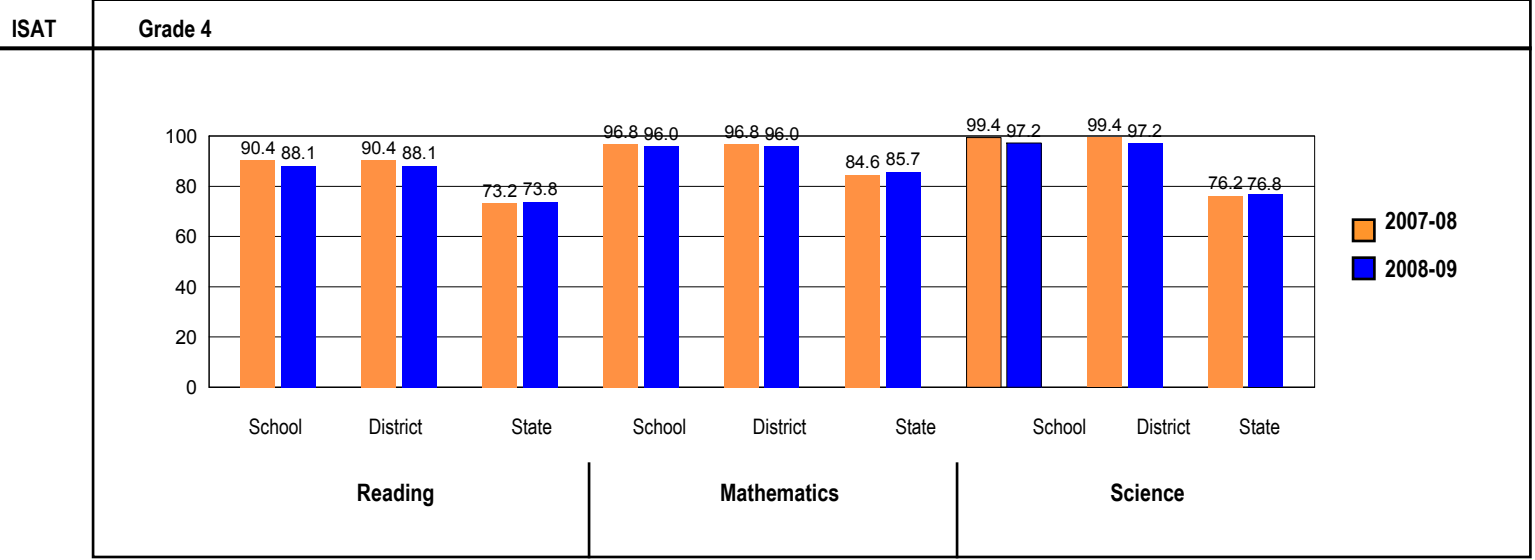
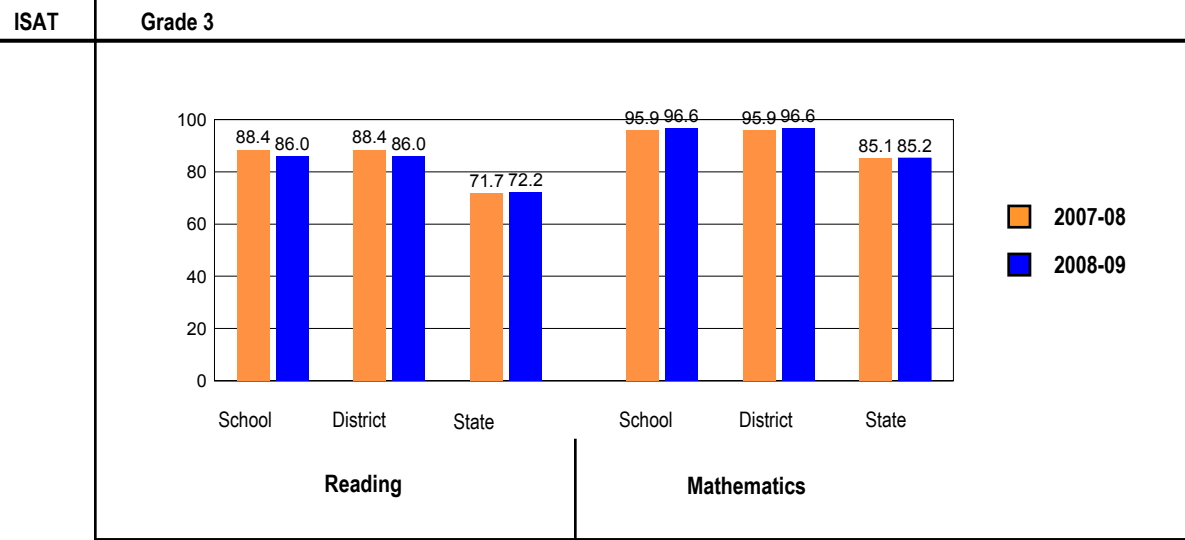
**OVERALL ILLINOIS ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT (IAA) PERFORMANCE**



IAA scores in the Progressing and Attaining performance levels count the same, respectfully, 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	531	268	263	480	10	18	16	0	7	4	0	79	93
	Reading	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0					0.0	0.0
	Mathematics	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0					0.0	0.0
District	*Enrollment	1,099	541	558	992	27	33	26	2	19	7	0	153	174
	Reading	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0			0.0	0.0
	Mathematics	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0			0.0	0.0
State	*Enrollment	1,073,392	548,452	524,651	574,717	203,366	215,934	43,962	1,676	32,799	72,638	258	152,593	473,876
	Reading	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.8	0.4	0.4
	Mathematics	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.8	0.4	0.4

\* 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	182	88	94	164	2	10	4	0	2	3	0	27	26
	Science	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0						0.0	0.0
District	*Enrollment	368	171	197	333	7	15	7	1	5	4	0	51	50
	Science	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0						0.0	0.0
State	*Enrollment	448,699	228,285	220,300	248,119	82,562	85,745	18,385	751	12,734	25,035	120	62,799	186,799
	Science	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.2	1.2	0.6	0.1	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.0	0.8	0.8

\* 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 3

### Grade 3 - All

Levels	Reading				Mathematics			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
School	1.1	12.8	53.1	33.0	1.1	2.2	24.6	72.1
District	1.1	12.8	53.1	33.0	1.1	2.2	24.6	72.1
State	4.7	23.2	46.2	26.0	3.3	11.4	44.2	41.0

### Grade 3 - Gender

Levels	Reading				Mathematics				
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	
Male	School	1.0	12.5	56.3	30.2	1.0	3.1	13.5	82.3
	District	1.0	12.5	56.3	30.2	1.0	3.1	13.5	82.3
	State	6.0	25.4	45.4	23.2	3.7	11.3	42.4	42.6
Female	School	1.2	13.3	49.4	36.1	1.2	1.2	37.3	60.2
	District	1.2	13.3	49.4	36.1	1.2	1.2	37.3	60.2
	State	3.3	20.8	47.0	28.9	3.0	11.6	46.0	39.4

**Grade 3 - Racial/Ethnic Background**

Levels		Reading				Mathematics			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
White	School	1.2	11.7	54.3	32.7	1.2	2.5	23.5	72.8
	District	1.2	11.7	54.3	32.7	1.2	2.5	23.5	72.8
	State	2.2	13.9	47.1	36.8	1.0	5.7	39.4	53.9
Black	School								
	District								
	State	8.4	34.7	45.1	11.8	8.6	21.5	49.6	20.3
Hispanic	School								
	District								
	State	7.8	37.3	44.9	10.0	4.7	17.6	53.0	24.8
Asian/Pacific Islander	School								
	District								
	State	1.3	11.0	45.3	42.4	0.9	3.6	29.1	66.4
Native American	School								
	District								
	State	3.8	19.1	50.0	27.1	1.3	10.9	45.8	42.0
Multiracial/Ethnic	School								
	District								
	State	3.5	19.3	48.7	28.5	2.3	9.8	45.9	42.0

**Grade 3 - Students with Disabilities**

Levels		Reading				Mathematics			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
IEP	School	7.7	30.8	46.2	15.4	7.7	7.7	34.6	50.0
	District	7.7	30.8	46.2	15.4	7.7	7.7	34.6	50.0
	State	17.0	41.2	31.8	10.0	10.4	23.4	44.8	21.4
Non-IEP	School	0.0	9.8	54.2	35.9	0.0	1.3	22.9	75.8
	District	0.0	9.8	54.2	35.9	0.0	1.3	22.9	75.8
	State	2.8	20.5	48.3	28.3	2.3	9.7	44.1	43.9

**Grade 3 - Economically Disadvantaged**

Levels		Reading				Mathematics			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Free/Reduced Price Lunch	School	5.9	14.7	58.8	20.6	5.9	2.9	35.3	55.9
	District	5.9	14.7	58.8	20.6	5.9	2.9	35.3	55.9
	State	7.8	34.6	45.9	11.8	5.9	18.2	51.6	24.4
Not Eligible	School	0.0	12.4	51.7	35.9	0.0	2.1	22.1	75.9
	District	0.0	12.4	51.7	35.9	0.0	2.1	22.1	75.9
	State	1.7	12.4	46.5	39.3	0.9	5.1	37.2	56.8

**Grade 4****Grade 4 - All**

Levels		Reading				Mathematics				Science			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
School		0.0	11.9	46.3	41.8	0.0	4.0	51.4	44.6	0.0	2.8	59.9	37.3
District		0.0	11.9	46.3	41.8	0.0	4.0	51.4	44.6	0.0	2.8	59.9	37.3
State		1.4	24.8	45.9	27.9	1.1	13.1	58.2	27.6	3.1	20.1	59.2	17.6



**Grade 4 - Gender**

Levels	Reading				Mathematics				Science				
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	
Male	School	0.0	8.2	49.4	42.4	0.0	1.2	56.5	42.4	0.0	0.0	55.3	44.7
	District	0.0	8.2	49.4	42.4	0.0	1.2	56.5	42.4	0.0	0.0	55.3	44.7
	State	1.8	27.8	44.9	25.4	1.4	13.6	56.5	28.5	3.4	19.9	57.0	19.6
Female	School	0.0	15.2	43.5	41.3	0.0	6.5	46.7	46.7	0.0	5.4	64.1	30.4
	District	0.0	15.2	43.5	41.3	0.0	6.5	46.7	46.7	0.0	5.4	64.1	30.4
	State	0.9	21.6	47.0	30.4	0.9	12.6	59.9	26.6	2.7	20.3	61.5	15.6

**Grade 4 - Racial/Ethnic Background**

Levels	Reading				Mathematics				Science				
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	
White	School	0.0	10.6	46.3	43.1	0.0	3.8	49.4	46.9	0.0	3.1	58.1	38.8
	District	0.0	10.6	46.3	43.1	0.0	3.8	49.4	46.9	0.0	3.1	58.1	38.8
	State	0.6	15.0	46.3	38.1	0.5	6.8	54.8	38.0	0.8	9.8	62.7	26.6
Black	School												
	District												
	State	3.0	41.2	44.4	11.5	2.8	26.2	61.5	9.5	7.8	39.1	49.5	3.6
Hispanic	School												
	District												
	State	2.4	37.5	46.9	13.2	1.5	19.0	66.2	13.3	4.8	31.3	58.4	5.5
Asian/Pacific Islander	School												
	District												
	State	0.2	10.5	41.0	48.3	0.3	4.1	42.4	53.1	1.2	8.8	59.5	30.5
Native American	School												
	District												
	State	0.4	19.9	50.8	28.8	0.0	9.7	64.4	25.8	0.8	14.4	65.3	19.5
Multiracial/Ethnic	School												
	District												
	State	1.0	22.5	48.1	28.5	0.7	12.5	60.2	26.5	2.4	17.1	63.1	17.5

**Grade 4 - Students with Disabilities**

Levels	Reading				Mathematics				Science				
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	
IEP	School	0.0	54.5	31.8	13.6	0.0	22.7	68.2	9.1	0.0	9.1	81.8	9.1
	District	0.0	54.5	31.8	13.6	0.0	22.7	68.2	9.1	0.0	9.1	81.8	9.1
	State	6.2	53.3	30.7	9.7	4.8	31.2	52.0	12.0	8.2	34.3	49.3	8.2
Non-IEP	School	0.0	5.8	48.4	45.8	0.0	1.3	49.0	49.7	0.0	1.9	56.8	41.3
	District	0.0	5.8	48.4	45.8	0.0	1.3	49.0	49.7	0.0	1.9	56.8	41.3
	State	0.6	20.3	48.3	30.7	0.6	10.3	59.1	30.0	2.3	17.9	60.7	19.1

**Grade 4 - Economically Disadvantaged**

Levels	Reading				Mathematics				Science				
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	
Free/Reduced Price Lunch	School	0.0	41.7	45.8	12.5	0.0	8.3	66.7	25.0	0.0	4.2	87.5	8.3
	District	0.0	41.7	45.8	12.5	0.0	8.3	66.7	25.0	0.0	4.2	87.5	8.3
	State	2.5	38.2	46.3	12.9	2.0	21.3	64.0	12.6	5.6	32.4	56.1	5.9
Not Eligible	School	0.0	7.2	46.4	46.4	0.0	3.3	49.0	47.7	0.0	2.6	55.6	41.8
	District	0.0	7.2	46.4	46.4	0.0	3.3	49.0	47.7	0.0	2.6	55.6	41.8
	State	0.4	12.9	45.6	41.1	0.4	5.8	52.9	40.9	0.8	9.2	61.9	28.1

**Grade 5****Grade 5 - All**

Levels		Reading				Mathematics			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
School		0.0	4.9	56.7	38.4	0.0	1.8	68.3	29.9
District		0.0	4.9	56.7	38.4	0.0	1.8	68.3	29.9
State		0.4	26.0	47.6	25.9	0.3	17.3	66.2	16.3

**Grade 5 - Gender**

Levels		Reading				Mathematics			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Male	School	0.0	5.1	60.8	34.2	0.0	1.3	65.8	32.9
	District	0.0	5.1	60.8	34.2	0.0	1.3	65.8	32.9
	State	0.6	29.2	46.5	23.7	0.3	18.3	64.2	17.1
Female	School	0.0	4.7	52.9	42.4	0.0	2.4	70.6	27.1
	District	0.0	4.7	52.9	42.4	0.0	2.4	70.6	27.1
	State	0.2	22.7	48.8	28.3	0.2	16.2	68.2	15.4

**Grade 5 - Racial/Ethnic Background**

Levels		Reading				Mathematics			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
White	School	0.0	3.3	55.3	41.3	0.0	1.3	66.7	32.0
	District	0.0	3.3	55.3	41.3	0.0	1.3	66.7	32.0
	State	0.2	15.6	48.8	35.4	0.1	9.6	67.9	22.4
Black	School								
	District								
	State	1.0	43.4	44.4	11.2	0.7	33.6	60.9	4.7
Hispanic	School								
	District								
	State	0.6	39.6	47.8	12.1	0.3	24.2	68.3	7.3
Asian/Pacific Islander	School								
	District								
	State	0.2	11.9	44.5	43.4	0.1	5.8	54.6	39.4
Native American	School								
	District								
	State	0.0	21.0	53.3	25.7	0.9	14.2	70.6	14.2
Multiracial/Ethnic	School								
	District								
	State	0.4	23.3	49.7	26.7	0.3	16.3	68.5	14.9

**Grade 5 - Students with Disabilities**

Levels		Reading				Mathematics			
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
IEP	School	0.0	9.5	66.7	23.8	0.0	9.5	76.2	14.3
	District	0.0	9.5	66.7	23.8	0.0	9.5	76.2	14.3
	State	2.3	60.1	29.9	7.7	1.4	43.7	49.9	5.0
Non-IEP	School	0.0	4.2	55.2	40.6	0.0	0.7	67.1	32.2
	District	0.0	4.2	55.2	40.6	0.0	0.7	67.1	32.2
	State	0.1	20.6	50.4	28.8	0.1	13.1	68.7	18.0

**Grade 5 - Economically Disadvantaged**

Levels	Reading				Mathematics			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
<b>Free/Reduced Price Lunch</b>								
<b>School</b>	0.0	6.5	64.5	29.0	0.0	0.0	83.9	16.1
<b>District</b>	0.0	6.5	64.5	29.0	0.0	0.0	83.9	16.1
<b>State</b>	0.8	40.6	46.7	11.9	0.5	27.5	65.5	6.4
<b>Not Eligible</b>								
<b>School</b>	0.0	4.5	54.9	40.6	0.0	2.3	64.7	33.1
<b>District</b>	0.0	4.5	54.9	40.6	0.0	2.3	64.7	33.1
<b>State</b>	0.1	13.6	48.4	37.8	0.1	8.6	66.7	24.7

## 2009 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	2009-10 Federal Improvement Status	
Is this school making AYP in Mathematics?	Yes	2009-10 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
<b>State AYP Minimum Target</b>	95.0		95.0		70.0			70.0			90.0		78.0	
<b>All</b>	99.8	Yes	99.8	Yes	89.8		Yes	96.7		Yes	96.2	Yes		
<b>White</b>	99.8	Yes	99.8	Yes	90.9		Yes	96.8		Yes				
<b>Black</b>														
<b>Hispanic</b>														
<b>Asian/Pacific Islander</b>														
<b>Native American</b>														
<b>Multiracial /Ethnic</b>														
<b>LEP</b>														
<b>Students with Disabilities</b>	100.0	Yes	100.0	Yes	68.9		Yes	83.8		Yes				
<b>Economically Disadvantaged</b>	100.0	Yes	100.0	Yes	79.5		Yes	94.9		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 70.0% meeting/exceeding standards in reading and mathematics for every group. For any group with less than 70.0% 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 70.0% 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 78% graduation rate for high schools.

\* Includes only students enrolled as of 05/01/2008.

\*\* Safe Harbor Targets of 70.0% 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 planning improvement based on you 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 you school or district office.)**

Whitman Post Elementary School continues to strive for academic excellence as is evidenced by our ISAT test results. While we continue to exceed state standards in all areas, we want to challenge ourselves to continue to improve our curriculum in order to maintain this high level of excellence.

The major focus of our school improvement plan for the 2009-2010 school year will be to analyze data from both the ISAT test and from our local assessment tool, the MAP test (Measure of Academic Progress, now given in the fall, winter, and spring of each year) and use this data to target areas in which we feel need improvement. Our teachers meet four times a year to analyze and interpret this data. In addition to these meetings, the WPES teachers meet as collaboration teams each week to plan and evaluate the curriculum, as well as to make decisions about academic interventions that may need to be implemented in order to ensure the success of each student.

Teachers are also working closely with the district curriculum coordinator to fine-tune our curriculum at every grade level. We have also employed an instructional coach who is evaluating our reading curriculum to ensure that proven best teaching practices are being used in each classroom. Our staff has dedicated our school improvement funding to attending conferences and workshops relating to the goals in our school improvement plan.

As educators, we understand that while academics are extremely important, it is also our goal to educate the whole child. Because of this belief, our school improvement plan also has a focus on continuing our character education program as well as improving our art, music, and physical education programs. We welcome parents to become involved in their children's education and to participate in the many activities we offer at WPES! For more information about Whitman Post Elementary school, please visit our website at [www.rockton140.org](http://www.rockton140.org).