

SAFETY AND SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

Safe and Orderly School Features

Your School	does	does not
• allows after-school programs.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• requires student uniforms.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• encourages community programs in school building.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• conducts home visits.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• has a closed campus.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• requires parental conferences.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Safety and Discipline

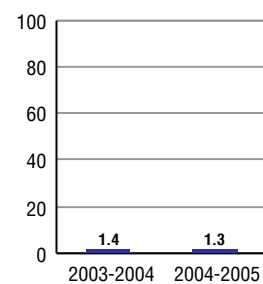
Safe schools are a top priority for parents, teachers, and communities. Your school safety and discipline record for the 2005-2006 school year is:

Type of Incident	Number of Incidents Reported	Action Taken		
		In School Suspension	Out of School Suspension	Expulsion
Substance Abuse - Drugs	13		11	2
Substance Abuse - Alcohol	10		10	
Substance Abuse - Tobacco	2		2	
Assaults/Fights				
Dangerous Weapons				
Other Violations Code of Conduct	45	2	43	

Student Attendance and School Calendar

Dropout Rate

2005-2006	Your School
Length of School Year	176 days
Enrollment	1,412
Average Daily Attendance	1,358
Student Dropouts	1.3%
Annual Number of Teacher Days Scheduled without Student Contact	11



Student Information Over Time

	2003-2004	2004-2005	2005-2006
Student Average Daily Attendance	95.9%	96.4%	96.2%
Student Dropouts	1.4%	1.3%	
Safety and Discipline Total Incidents Reported	29	33	70
Student Enrollment Stability	98.7%	97.4%	98.6%
Students Eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch	N/A	3.1 %	4.7 %

OVERALL ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE RATINGS

- Excellent
- High
- Average
- Low
- Unsatisfactory

ACADEMIC GROWTH OF STUDENTS

- Significant Improvement
- Improvement
- Stable
- Decline
- Significant Decline

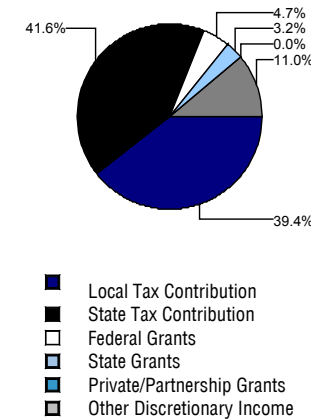
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DISTRICT TAXPAYER'S REPORT

Sources of School District Revenue 2005

Local Tax Contribution	\$281,179,723
State Tax Contribution	296,751,402
Federal Grants	33,665,251
State Grants	22,883,416
Private/Partnership Grants	229,306
Other Discretionary Income	78,255,893
Total School Dist Revenue	\$712,964,991
Total 2005 District Revenue Per Pupil = \$8,597	

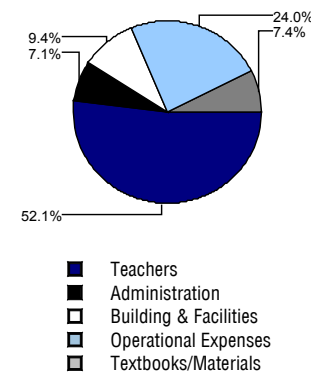
District Source of Funds 2005



District Use of Funds 2005

Teachers	\$329,031,273
Administration	44,647,559
Building & Facilities	59,670,195
Operational Expenses	151,761,304
Textbooks/Materials	46,749,536
Total	\$631,859,867

District Use of Funds 2005



District Debt and Capital Construction & Equipment

Total Outstanding Bonded Debt	\$700,940,289
Average Annual Percentage Interest Rate on Debt	5.21%
Amount Raised from Most Recent Bond	\$323,800,000
Amount Spent on New Buildings During Last 2 Years	\$68,555,128

Accreditation is the state's most all-encompassing accountability system, measuring eleven different indicators including academic areas both tested and not tested by CSAP, school safety, and budget compliance. The state accredits districts, and districts, in turn, accredit individual schools.

Accreditation Status for the 2005-2006 School Year:

Accredited

Voter Approved Funding Changes

Your community did /did not hold an election in November 2004

The following items have been approved by voters:

TABOR Override

Bond
\$323,800,000

Mill Levy Increase
\$38,500,000

For more information and further details about this report, visit www.state.co.us/schools Colorado Department of Education. 201 East Colfax Ave. Denver, CO 80203

Ralston Valley Senior High School

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RALSTON VALLEY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

JEFFERSON COUNTY R-1

School Accountability Report 2005-2006 School Year

School Performance Summary

Overall Academic Performance on State Assessments

Excellent

Academic Growth of Students

Stable

Winner of a John Irwin School of Excellence for the 2005-2006 School Year

How Ralston Valley Senior High School Compares To High Schools Within A 75-Mile Radius

School	Academic Performance
Arvada West High School	High
Pomona High School	High
Arvada High School	Low
Standley Lake High School	Average
Lincoln Charter Academy	High
Jefferson Charter Academy Senior High School	High
D'Evelyn Junior/Senior High School	Excellent
Compass Montessori - Golden Charter School	Average
Westminster High School(1)	Low
Wheat Ridge High School	Average

¹ Located in Westminster 50 School District.

The federal No Child Left Behind Act requires states to track whether schools are making "Adequate Yearly Progress"(AYP) toward the goal of ensuring that all students know and are able to do grade-level work in reading and mathematics.

¹Did your school make AYP in reading? Yes

Did your school make AYP in math? Yes

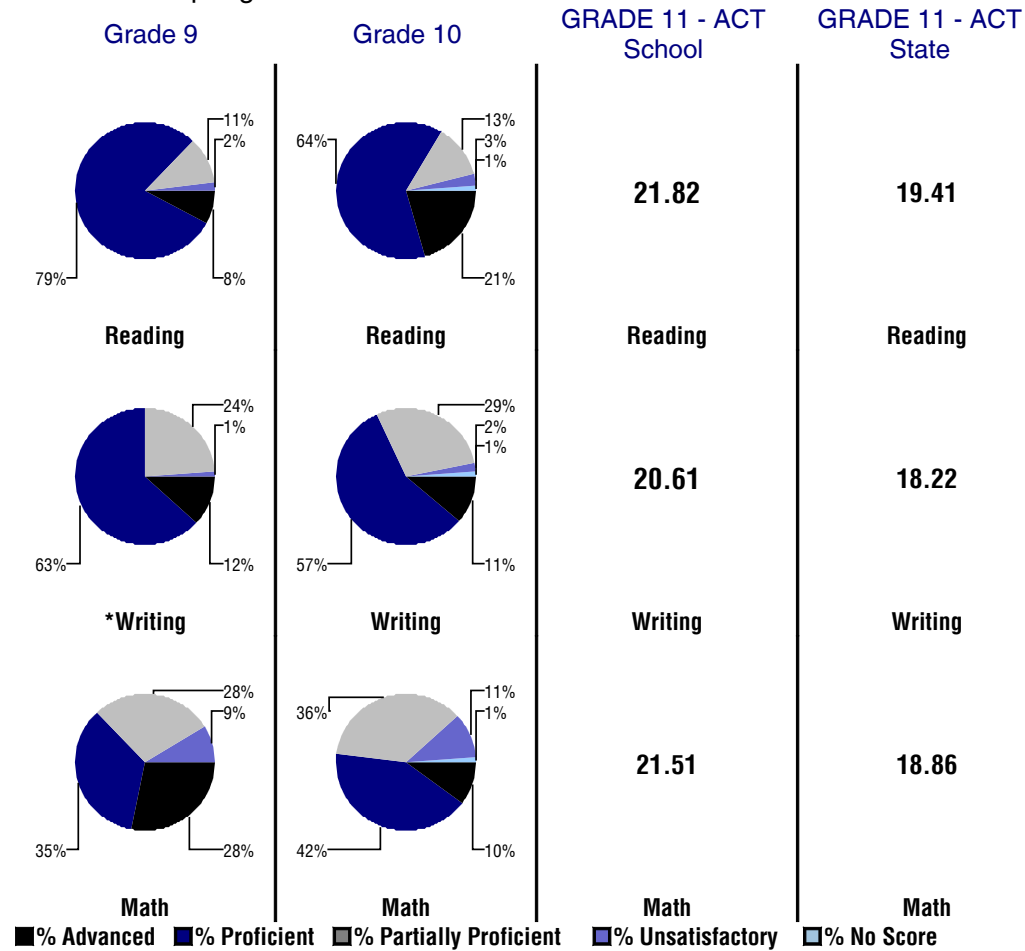
¹How many targets does your school have? 20 How many were met? 20

¹Adequate Yearly Progress is met when all sub-groups including 30 or more students by ethnicity, economic status, disabilities and limited English proficiency meet 100% of academic targets on CSAP and CSAPA set by federal law.

STUDENT PERFORMANCE

Colorado students are assessed once a year in order to measure their performance on state academic content standards, using the Colorado Student Assessment Program (CSAP). The chart below shows the results for grades 9 - 10 in the subject areas for reading, writing and math for all students tested.

CSAP 2006 Spring



	Percent of Students Scoring Proficient and Advanced			Student Test Scores Used For Calculating Overall Academic Performance	
	Your School	District	State	Test Scores Counted	Test Scores not used due to
Grade 9-10 Reading	85%	71%	67%	98.2%	Language
Grade 9-10 Writing	72%	56%	51%	0.1%	Alternate Assessment
Grade 9-10 Math	57%	43%	35%	0.0%	New Student

Each school in the State received a rating of "Excellent", "High", "Average", "Low", or "Unsatisfactory" for student academic performance in school year 2005-2006 using the CSAP results printed above. Every student in this school who took these tests was included in the calculation used to assign a rating, except for students who do not speak English, or who are eligible for the state alternate assessment for students with disabilities, or who enrolled in the public school after October 1 of this school year. The percentages of students whose scores were included in the calculation or were not included in each of the three categories is shown on the above chart. Your school's rating was determined by the percentage of students performing in each of the Advanced, Proficient, Partially Proficient, and Unsatisfactory levels. These percentages were weighted and combined across grade levels and academic areas. These weights reward performance at the Advanced and Proficient levels over performance at the Partially Proficient and Unsatisfactory levels. The ratings were assigned after calculating the weighted total for each academic area and grade level for each school and comparing this school to all other high schools for the 2005-2006 school year.

Overall Academic Performance for the 2005-2006 school year **Excellent**

QUESTIONS PARENTS SHOULD ASK

Based on your child's school's Overall Academic Performance of **Excellent**, here are some questions you may want to ask your school about student achievement.

What is the school doing to improve my child's overall grades in reading, writing, and math?

You may want to request information from your child's teacher to find out what curriculum is being taught and if the material follows standards set in these subjects. Ask how phonics - and research-based testing is being used to identify your child's strengths and weaknesses.

What can I do as a parent to help my child do his or her best in school?

Parental involvement is important in making sure your child does well in school - talk to your child's teacher to find out how you can help. Ask your child's teacher about giving your child supplemental reading and math assignments or for additional homework that you may help your child with at home.

How does my child's teacher plan to help my child do his or her best in school?

Your child's teacher should have a good idea of what your child does well and what areas might need improvement. Ask your child's teacher how he or she is being diagnostically assessed and what strategy his or her teacher has in place to address your child's needs.

How does the school use tests (i.e. CSAP, ACT, etc.) to make sure my child is or will be ready for college?

Ask your child's college advising counselor about how your child's scores will help or hinder his or her ability to attend and succeed in college and what grants and scholarships your child may be eligible for.

Is my child being challenged by the school work given in class?

Your child should be given school work that is challenging. Ask your child's counselor about options, programs, and additional work outside of class that will help challenge students who may need it.

What is the school doing to make sure its students are doing the best they can do?

If your child needs extra help, the school should be able to provide it. Ask about how it plans to make sure all students are learning what needs to be learned, which areas still need improvement and what is being done about it.

Based on this school's academic performance, your child may be eligible for one or more of the following; ask your school if your child qualifies for:

- After-school and summer-school classes
- Tutoring
- Mentoring
- Other extra help outside of regular school hours

ABOUT OUR STAFF

School Employment

Each year, your district reports to the Colorado Department of Education on the number of adults who work in your school, as well as the type of work they do. Last year, your school employed:

	Your School		District	
	Full Time	Part Time	Full Time	Part Time
Teachers	62	7	4597	343
Paraprofessionals	0	12	405	1896
Administrators	5	0	386	10
Other Professionals*	7	0	874	103
School Support	8	3	1563	833
Total Staff	104		11006	

*School counselors and librarians are included in the Other Professionals category. Your school employed 4/0 FT/PT counselor(s) and 1/0 FT/PT librarian(s) last year.

Students per Teacher Ratio

	Student Enrollment	Students per Teacher
Grade 9	382	25.2
Grade 10	383	24.1
Grade 11	356	20.5
Grade 12	291	16.9

Professional Experience of Teachers

	Your School	District
Average years of teaching experience	10	10
Percent of teachers teaching in the subject in which they received their degree	91%	71%
Teachers' average days absent	5.0%	6.2%
Number of teachers who left school/district last year	8	582
Teachers with tenure	48	3,271
Teachers without tenure	21	1,669
Number of professional development days	9	8

Salaries

	Your School	District	State
Average Teacher Salary	\$48,597	\$48,791	\$44,434
Average Administrator Salary	\$89,036	\$79,127	\$75,524

Principal: James Ellis
 Number of years as Principal at this school: 2
 Number of years as Principal at any school: 12