



South Burlington School District

2011

Report Card

# MISSION STATEMENT

“The mission of the South Burlington School District, a community committed to excellence in education, is to ensure that each student possesses the knowledge, skills, and character to create a successful and responsible life. We will do this by building safe, caring, and challenging learning environments, fostering family and community partnerships, utilizing global resources, and inspiring life-long learning.”

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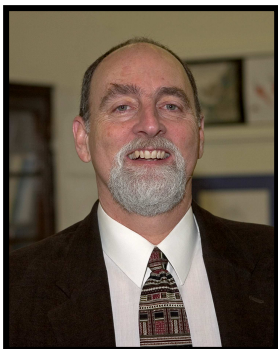
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Please visit our District website at [www.sbschools.net](http://www.sbschools.net) to view the Global Ends Policy, found by going to the Policies and Procedures tab. The school board has identified four goal areas for students to be **ready for their next step**. They are: disposition for life-long learning, academic proficiency, personal development, and citizenship.



# SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

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South Burlington students continue to perform at the highest levels on state assessments, state competitions, course enrollments, co-curricular engagement, and post secondary school enrollment. Last year 75% of our graduates enrolled in higher education. This is the highest percentage in the last six years. Vermont students score high on national assessments and South Burlington students score high compared with other Vermont schools. There is no doubt that South Burlington graduates are ready for their next step, especially in relation to the board goal of academic proficiency.

South Burlington School District continues to be a high performing system. Students have been winners in contests – Geo Bee, Real World Design, varsity athletics, Junior Iron Chef, Math Counts, and video production. Our high school has represented Vermont in the regional High School Redesign in Action conference. Our high school students maintain valuable connections with our international partners in The International Experience (TIE) building life-long connections with students from four different countries.

While we are proud of our student, teacher, and school accomplishments, we are not satisfied. We continually look for ways to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of both operations and instruction. In operations we have initiated a “Suggestion Box” on our district website where anyone can pass on their ideas and concerns for consideration. To improve our instruction, we have focused on using student progress data to be sure we are providing support as soon as possible to students not performing at satisfactory levels.

Our work during the past year to put more technology directly into students’ hands is showing promising results. Students are more engaged in project work and are able to produce more 21<sup>st</sup> Century level products and we will continue this change in our deployment of technology resources and instructional practices. This increasing student engagement in school is a key ingredient in meeting the School Board’s goal of students graduating with a disposition for life-long learning.

Another area of development in our schools pertains to the Board goal of student personal development. Beyond the social and collaborative skills being taught directly in classrooms and the teaming skills being taught through co-curricular activities, we are teaching mindfulness skills to assist students in being present both for learning and for relationship building.

The projects of our senior students, where they identify and study issues in the school and community that they believe need improvement, is a tangible manifestation of developing citizenship, the fourth Board goal for students. These projects and the community work of students through our Career Development Center shine a bright light on the success of our schools.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Ewert". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

# ENROLLMENTS

## INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL TOTALS (as of 10/01/10)

Early Essential Education	21
Rick Marcotte Central School	354
Orchard School	368
Chamberlin School	261
Frederick H. Tuttle Middle School	519
South Burlington High School*	904

**Total Enrollments:** 2,427

*\*Includes Tuition and School Choice Students*



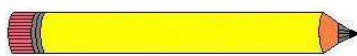
Years	Tuition Students*	High School Students	FHTMS Students
2010-2011	136	14.6%	.8%
2009-2010	110	11.7%	.4%
2008-2009	124	13.2%	1.1%
2007-2008	137	13.9%	1.9%
2006-2007	106	11.0%	n/a



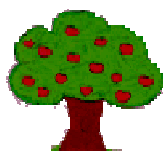
South Burlington High School  
"Building a Proud Tradition"

*\*Tuition and school choice students have been an important factor in providing enrollment and budgetary flexibility. All of these students attend the South Burlington High School (SBHS) and Frederick H. Tuttle Middle School (FHTMS) and represent a significant proportion of that student body.*

Frederick H. Tuttle Middle School  
"Working Together to Make a Difference"



Rick Marcotte Central School  
"Where Everybody is Somebody"



Orchard School  
"A Place to Grow"



Chamberlin School

School	Student/Teacher Ratio (Literacy, Math, Science, Social Studies)
RCMS	18
Chamberlin	17
Orchard	17
FHTMS *	22
SBHS *	21

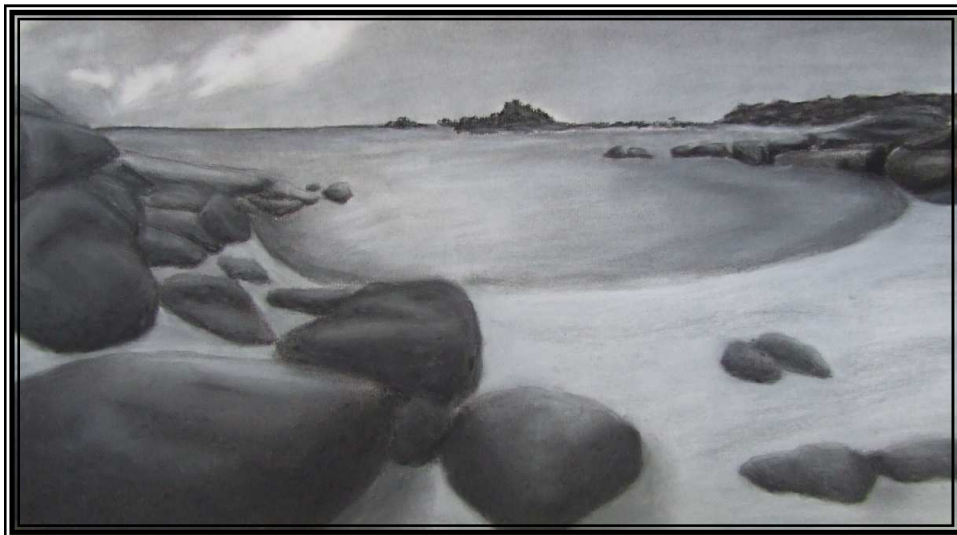


# PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Title I (111)(h) of the federal No Child Left Behind Law requires LEAs to publicly report the percentage of core academic classes\* **NOT** taught by highly qualified teachers, the percentage of teachers teaching on emergency credentials by LEA and school, and the professional qualifications of their teachers. The following is the percentage of core academic classes **NOT** taught by highly qualified teachers and the percentage of teachers teaching on emergency credentials for the 2009-2010 school year. The South Burlington School District is working with teachers to ensure that all HQT requirements are being met.

School Name	Percentage of core classes taught by teachers who were not HQT .	Percent of teachers teaching with emergency credentials.
Chamberlin School	0%	0%
F. H. Tuttle Middle School	3.15%	0%
Orchard School	0%	0%
Rick Marcotte Central School	0%	0%
So. Burlington High School	.84%	0%

\*Core academic subjects are: English/language arts (including ESL), math, science, social studies, reading, foreign languages, art, music, and the generalist endorsement areas of elementary education and early childhood education (grades K-3 only). In addition, alternative program and special education primary instruction assignments in math, science, social studies, and/or ELA/reading are also considered "core" areas.



# SCHOOL'S OUT!

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South Burlington School District's after school program, "School's Out," was created in 2000. Since its inception, School's Out has always strived to stay true to its mission: School's Out will provide children a safe environment where they will be given the opportunity to express themselves and develop socially, physically, artistically, and creatively through a program that nurtures and respects the uniqueness of every child.

In 2009 - 2010 we continued to operate at full capacity at each of the schools. We enrolled a total of 215 students in the program (72 at Orchard, 69 at Chamberlin, and 74 at Rick Marcotte Central). These figures include children who are enrolled full-time as well as part-time. There is never more than 59 children at each site at any given time.

The programs at all three elementary schools focus heavily on enrichment, community outreach, and learning opportunities. The sites also provided more opportunities for children to work on homework and more homework support from staff and high school volunteers. We also began initiatives to encourage professional development of the staff.

Our program directors are continuing the process of applying for state recognition through the Step Ahead Recognition System (S.T.A.R.S). S.T.A.R.S is Vermont's rating system for recognizing the quality of child care programs in the state. This process will recognize our efforts to create a quality after-school program and help us to identify ways to enhance the program.

The School's Out Website can be found at <http://schoolsout.sbsd.schoolfusion.us> and a direct link can be found on the district's home page. The website is an excellent tool to learn more about the School's Out program.



# STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

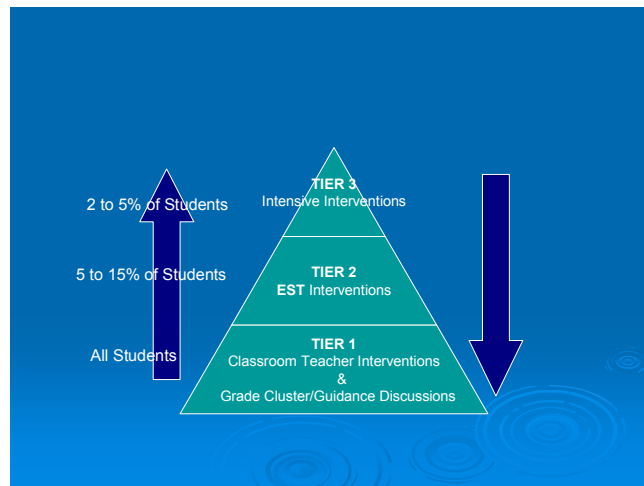
## ENROLLMENTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Year	Total Students Enrolled (10/09)	Special Education Child Count* (12/09)	Section 504**	English Language Learners	Total In Programs	% of SBSD Students Receiving Services
2010-2011	2427	245	70	168	483	20.0%
2009-2010	2460	232	77	147	456	19.0%
2008-2009	2390	232	93	143	468	19.6%
2007-2008	2442	227	127	119	473	19.3%
2006-2007	2519	256	115	126	524	20.8%

\***Child Count** includes students who are identified as disabled under state and federal law and who require unique instruction.

\*\***Section 504** includes students with disabilities who do not require unique instruction. They are legally entitled to and receive special accommodations in the classroom, such as special seating and modified tests.

The District's number of students in special education has increased slightly. We continue to review and examine service delivery models in each school with an eye to inclusiveness, efficiency, and effectiveness. Each school has professional special educators who serve students in our Child Count along with students who may be at risk. Each school has an educational support system with tiered levels of support for all students. Classroom teachers are reviewing student data and providing differentiated instruction at Tier I. Tier II may involve some supplemental support, such as extra instruction in reading or a structured study hall. At Tier III students are identified with a disability that may require special education services. Our efforts are to support students as early as possible to ensure their success in school. To learn more about Educational Support Services go to the Educational Support Systems tab on the district website.



# PRESCHOOL (AGES 3-5)

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South Burlington is part of the Early Learning Project in Chittenden County. These preschool partnerships currently support 166 preschoolers in accessing quality preschool programs. The District is currently collaborating with Child Care Resource to develop the South Burlington Early Childhood Plan. The final plan is due to be completed this spring and will guide decision-making about policy and resources for South Burlington families with young children for the next five years. South Burlington continues to offer an Essential Early Education Program (EEE) for children ages 3 through 5 experiencing developmental delays or those who have a medical condition that may interfere with learning and future success in the home, school, and community. This special education program provides specialized instruction to meet the unique needs of the district's 21 students who are currently enrolled.



# ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS (ELL)

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We have a vibrant English Language Learner (ELL) Program which is served by 5 very talented and committed educators. The overall number of students that we serve has increased after several years of slow growth. During this last year, we went from 147 to 168 ELL students, with more growth expected as we continue to enroll students from countries that are new to us such as Bhutanese children from Nepal and Meskhetian Turks from Russia.

The Vermont Department of Education, in collaboration with Saint Michael's College, works with area schools to build curriculum units which incorporate strategies that support English Language Learners in content area classes. One of these is a co-teaching science class at the high school that is a model for other area schools. This summer we are planning a workshop to increase the knowledge base of our regular education teachers on good instructional strategies, cultural understanding, and other best practices for working with our growing ELL population. For additional information about our ELL program please see our website <http://ell.sbsd.tuttle.schoolfusion>.



# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

## Information Technology Update

Educational research is beginning to document what seems intuitively obvious--effective use of information technology in the classroom can lead to enriched and enhanced student learning. South Burlington teachers continue to increase and improve their use of technology. Students throughout the district take part in projects that use a variety of powerful technology tools to help them master 21st century skills such as creativity, communication, collaboration, critical thinking, problem solving, and information literacy. (See the overview on [www.p21.org](http://www.p21.org).)

Research has also shown that if each student has his or her own computer (e.g., a laptop or a netbook), his or her learning can be truly transformed. Student engagement and attendance increase and behavior referrals decrease. Students participate in more extensive lessons, make greater use of current resources and primary source documents, and explore topics in much more depth. They write more often, research more often, and collect and analyze data more often.

South Burlington has only one "one-to-one" (computer-to-student) project at the moment--in the Big Picture program at the high school--although Marcotte Central and FHTMS are both exploring how netbooks can provide greater access and more engaging learning opportunities. The fifth grade team at Marcotte has one netbook for every two students, as do the seventh grade teams at FHTMS. Sometimes teachers combine sets of netbooks so that each student has his or her own. Other times students work collaboratively in pairs. The district is exploring how South Burlington students can someday each have a computer that they can use 24/7.



Students in the seventh grade teams at FHTMS have used their new netbooks as key tools in their project, problem, and place-based projects. In these projects, students explore real-world problems or issues that are linked to South Burlington. For example, the Discovery Team researched the human and natural history of the Dorset Park Natural Area and developed a management plan that they presented to the South Burlington Natural Resources Committee. They used their netbooks for conducting surveys and research; journaling; persuasive writing; collecting, organizing, and analyzing data; and much more.

Research has shown that such project-based learning is not only extremely engaging for students, but also leads to improved learning, including higher levels of academic achievement, as measured on standardized tests.

A particularly exciting project at the high school took place outside of the classroom. Twenty students were divided into three teams and competed in the Real World Design Challenge in which they worked with mentors to design an airplane wing. Not only did they wrestle with engineering issues, well beyond what they have studied in their courses, on their own time outside of the school day, but the three South Burlington teams placed first, second, and third in the competition. This project exemplifies the kind of multi-disciplinary project addressing authentic real-world issues, problems, and challenges that are increasingly common throughout the district.

At Orchard School, students are using Google Earth to learn about geography, history, and their place in the world. In the online, collaborative "Playgrounds Around the World" project, kindergarten students mapped the school's "Magical Woods" and play areas and shared digital images and text with other schools around the globe. Second graders used Google Earth to explore their community, drew pictures of their homes, and placed the images in the correct geographical locations. They also "traveled" to Washington, D.C., to visit national landmarks with Google Earth's 3D Building View. Fourth graders used Google Earth to explore the thirteen colonies, follow Paul Revere's famous ride, and learn about Revolutionary War battlefields.

There are far too many exciting, technology-rich learning projects taking place in K-12 classrooms to describe fully in this short update. Some of the highlights include the Global Schoolhouse research project at Chamberlin in which students compared schools around the world, middle school students creating original music that other students are using in their projects, high school students creating music videos, middle school students using videoconferencing to teach elementary school students about photosynthesis, students at FHTMS and SBHS creating electronic portfolios, and of course a wide array of writing, research, data analysis, and multimedia production projects.

# ASSESSMENTS

## ***Early Reading***

### Local

- ◆ Local Early Literacy Assessment (Gr. K, 1, 2)  
*September and May*
- ◆ Local—Phonological Assessment (Gr. K, 1, 2)  
*September and May*

## ***English Language Arts***

### State

- ◆ New England Common Assessment  
*October and May (Gr. 3-8, 11)*

### Local

- ◆ Gates-MacGinitie Reading Test (Gr. 3-10)  
*September and May*
- ◆ Scholastic Aptitude Test I (High School)  
*Throughout the School Year*
- ◆ Advanced Placement English Language and Composition (High School)  
*May*
- ◆ Advanced Placement English Literature and Composition (High School)  
*May*
- ◆ Advanced College Test/PLAN (High School)  
*Throughout the School Year*

## ***History/Social Studies***

- ◆ Advanced Placement European History (High School)  
*May*
- ◆ Advanced Placement US History (High School)  
*May*
- ◆ Advanced Placement US Gov't & Politics (High School)  
*May*
- ◆ American College Test (High School)  
*Throughout the School Year*

## ***Mathematics***

### State

- ◆ New England Common Assessment  
*October and May (Gr. 3-8, 11)*

### Local

- ◆ Scholastic Aptitude Test I (High School)  
*Throughout the School Year*
- ◆ Advanced Placement Calculus AB (High School)  
*May*
- ◆ Advanced Placement Calculus BC (High School)  
*May*
- ◆ Advanced Placement Computer Science (High School)  
*May*
- ◆ American College Test/PLAN (High School)  
*Throughout the School Year*

## ***World Language***

- ◆ Local World Language Assessment (Gr. 8, 10)  
*May and June*
- ◆ Advanced Placement French (High School)  
*May*
- ◆ Advanced Placement Spanish (High School)  
*May*

## ***Science***

### State

- ◆ New England Common Assessment (Gr. 4, 8, 11)  
*May*

### Local

- ◆ Advanced Placement Biology (High School)  
*May*
- ◆ Advanced Placement Chemistry (High School)  
*May*
- ◆ Advanced Placement Env. Sciences (High School)  
*May*
- ◆ Advanced Placement Physics B (High School)  
*May*
- ◆ American College Test (High School)  
*Throughout the School Year*

# ASSESSMENTS—STATE

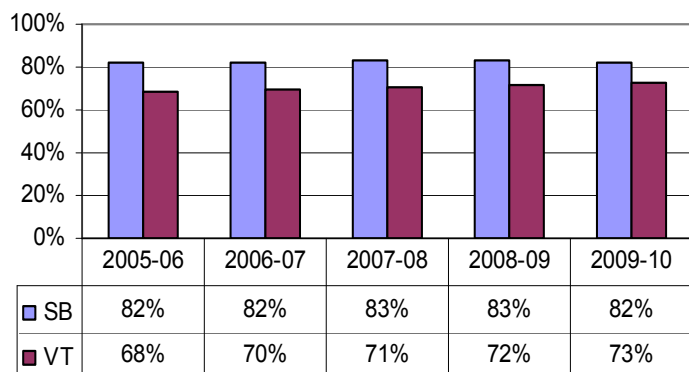
## New England Common Assessment (NECAP) Grades 3-8 Results Fall 2010

The NECAP is administered to students in New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Maine, and Vermont as part of the No Child Left Behind Act. The test measures student performance on Vermont Grade Expectations in Reading, Mathematics, Writing and Science. Student performance on these assessments fall into one of four proficiency levels: Proficient with Distinction, Proficient, Partially Proficient, and Substantially Below Proficient. Below are the District's October 2010 results, reflecting all students in Grades 3-8 who scored proficient and above.

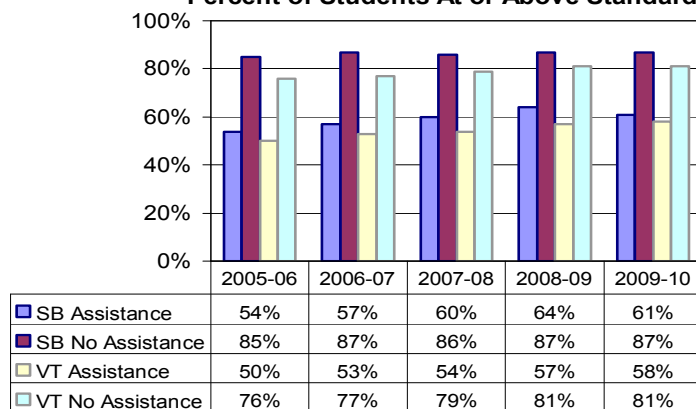
It is important to realize that the NECAP assessment results reflect our students' performance from the previous grade. For instance, the third grade results reflect the students' performance in the second grade and so on. The graphs below will show the year 2009-10 because that is the year of knowledge that was tested in the fall of 2010. The District student performance results indicate that our students consistently perform above the state average and are among the top ranking schools/districts in the state in each of the areas of Reading, Writing, Mathematics, and Science.

**READING**—The NECAP has been administered for the past six years. Results indicate that we are closing the gap between males and females. However, after making some good gains in improving the reading performance of students from different socioeconomic backgrounds, this year we have seen a slight decline.

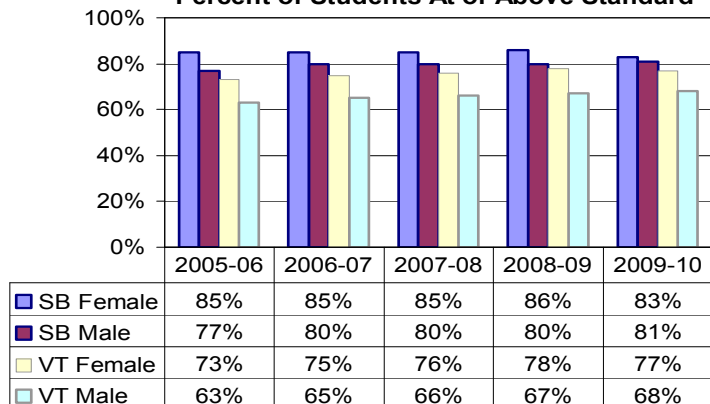
**Reading Grades 3 - 8**  
Percent of Students at or Above Standard



**Reading by Socio-Economic Status - Grades 3-8**  
Percent of Students At or Above Standard



**Reading by Gender - Grades 3-8**  
Percent of Students At or Above Standard



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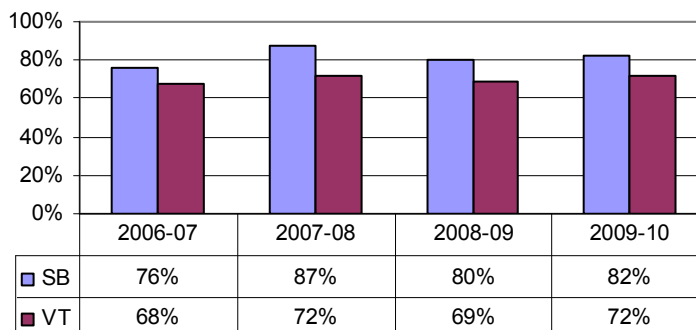
## SOUTH BURLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL—READING GRADE 11

**READING**—The South Burlington High School New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) results in Reading are above State averages. This year we had a slight increase in results as compared to last year. One must keep in mind that new items are selected for the assessment each year. In addition, we are not assessing the same cohort of students. Upon review of the disaggregated data for gender, it should be noted that the performance of males improved significantly this year. We also showed some improvement for students in poverty.

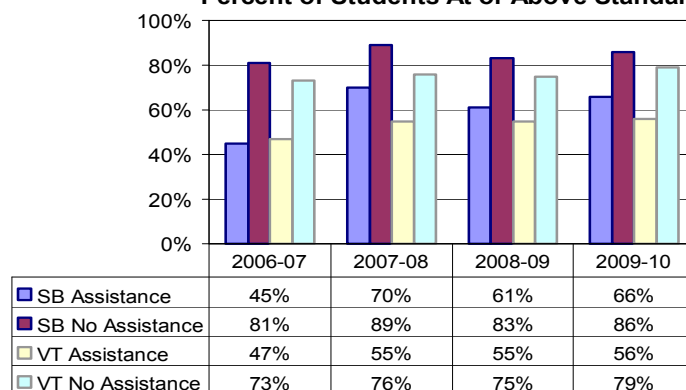


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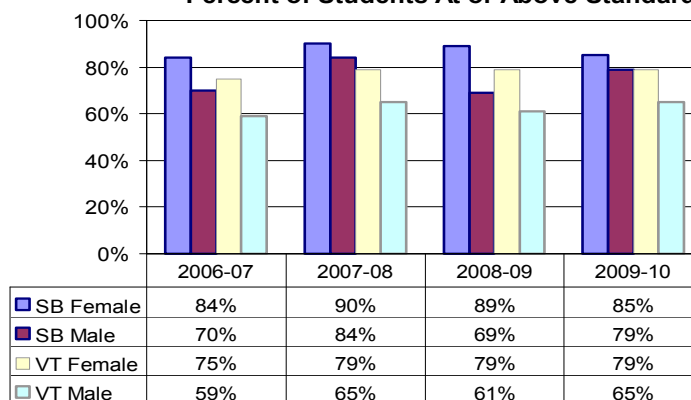
**Reading Grade 11**  
**Percent of Students At or Above Standard**



**Reading by Socio-Economic Status - Grade 11**  
**Percent of Students At or Above Standard**



**Reading by Gender - Grade 11**  
**Percent of Students At or Above Standard**



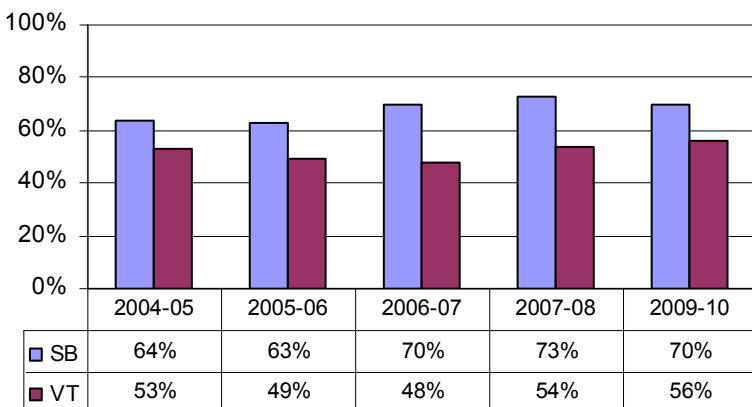


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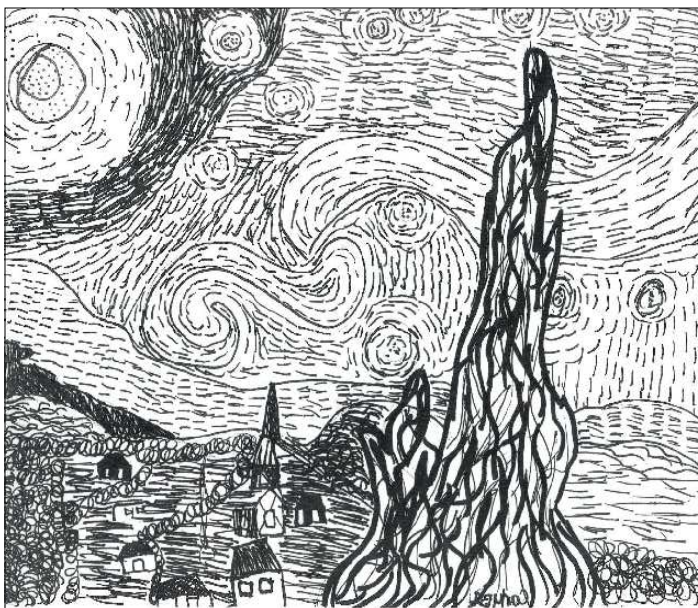
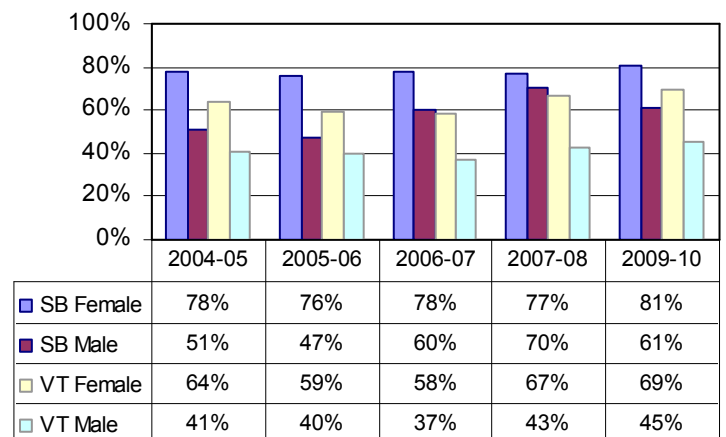
**WRITING**— As you examine the charts for Grade 5 and 8 results you will notice that there is no data for 2008-09. Last year we did not get the results from the Grade 5 and 8 test as the state was piloting new items.

Our results continue to be well above the state average though our overall results have leveled off since improving in 2006-07. Providing practice tasks to the students and also increasing opportunities for writing across the curriculum in different genres, has helped us maintain these scores. In the next couple of weeks, a closer analysis of writing items will provide us with additional information for the next steps. One area that we have already started to work on is our students ability to write constructed responses, which are open ended questions requiring higher-level thinking.

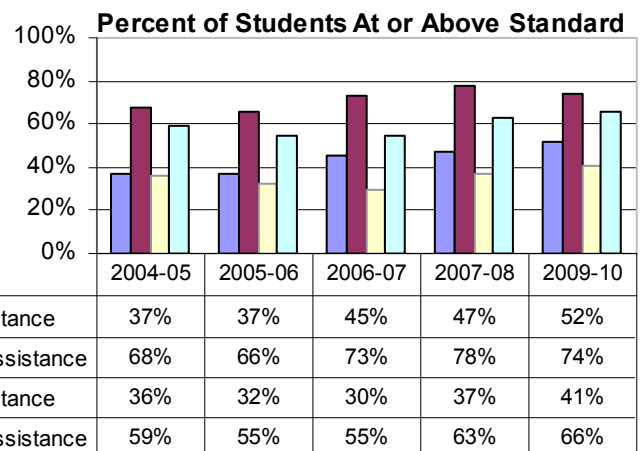
**Writing Grades 5 and 8**  
Percent of Students At or Above Standard



**Writing by Gender - Grades 5 and 8**  
Percent of Students At or Above Standard



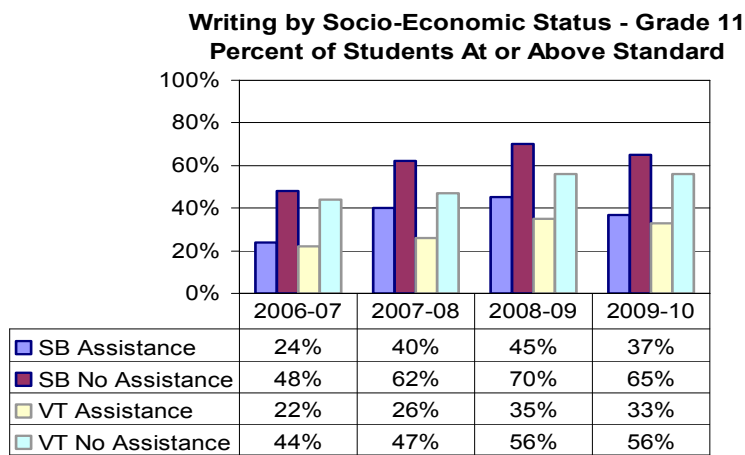
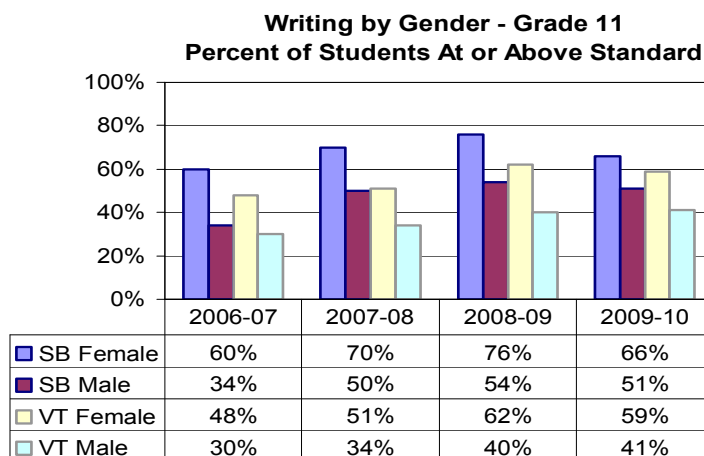
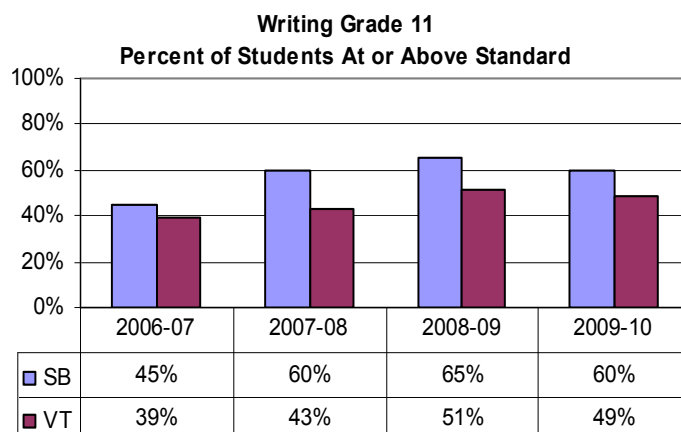
**Writing by Socio-Economic Status**  
Grades 5 and 8



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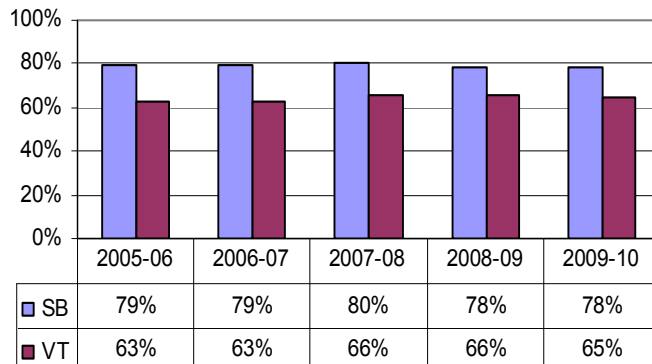
## SOUTH BURLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL—WRITING GRADE 11

**WRITING**—In Grade 11, after some years of improvement, we saw a slight downward trend in our scores. This was also true when looking at the results by gender and our students in poverty. Again, we continue to score much higher than the state average. One programmatic change that we believe will improve student results is our shift to humanities for all ninth grade students next year. This type of integrated program, that encourages writing across curriculums, has been shown to improve student outcomes on state tests.



# ASSESSMENTS—STATE

**Mathematics Grades 3-8**  
**Percent of Students At or Above Standard**



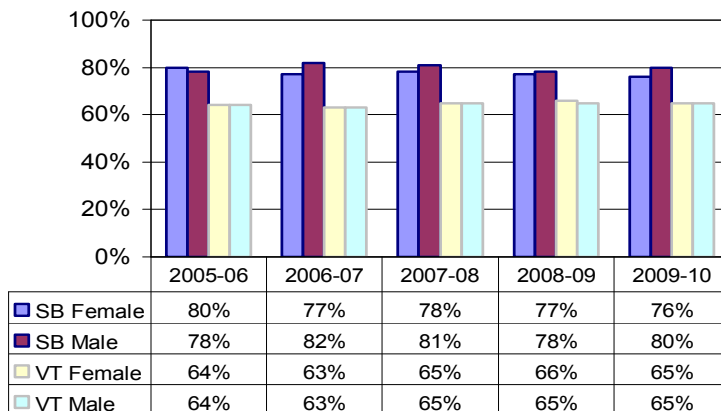
**MATHEMATICS**—Our student performance results in this area rank above the state average and are among the highest in the state.

When reviewing student performance results in mathematics, there continues to be no significant difference between male and female groups.

Students who qualify for free and reduced lunch continue to perform less well than their peers. This year, we see a slight decrease in performance.

Each school continues to analyze this data so that we may better plan for how to address this area.

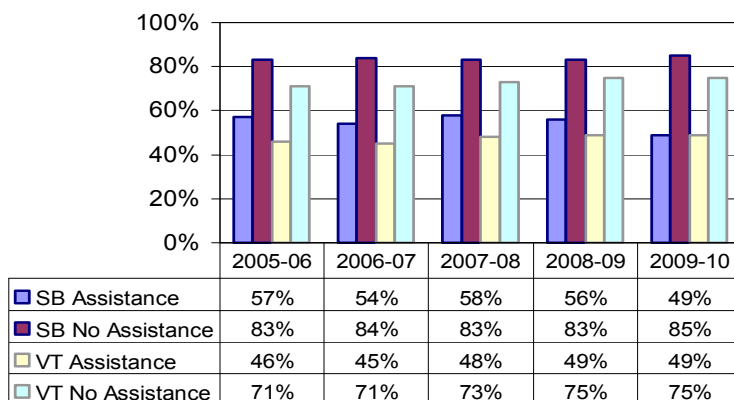
**Mathematics by Gender - Grades 3-8**  
**Percent of Students At or Above Standard**



For detailed information regarding assessment data, please visit the State of Vermont's Department of Education website at:

[http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/pgm\\_assessment/data.html](http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/pgm_assessment/data.html)

**Mathematics by Socio-Economic Status**  
**Grades 3-8**  
**Percent of Students At or Above Standard**

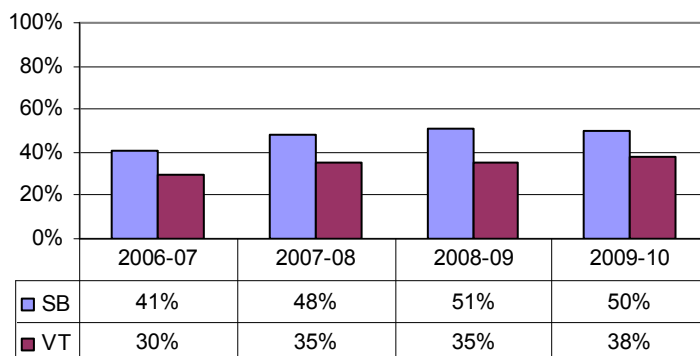


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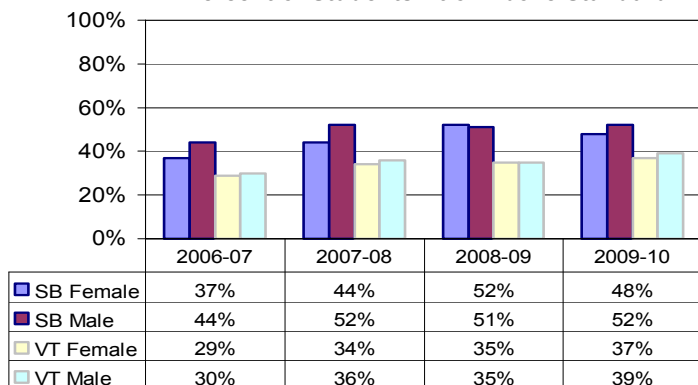
## SOUTH BURLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL—MATHEMATICS GRADE 11

**MATHEMATICS**—At the high school level, our overall mathematics performance is above state averages and is level with last year. When we analyze the results for gender, our male students performed slightly better than females, but the female results have improved since the NECAPs were first administered. Our students in poverty had no significant change in result over last year, but our results have greatly improved from 2007-08. We understand that the NECAP items in mathematics are based on the State Grade Expectations in Algebra and Geometry. If a student has not had the opportunity to complete this level of curriculum, it would impact their results. We will be discussing this in more depth to identify actions to address this issue of opportunities to learn aligned with the test.

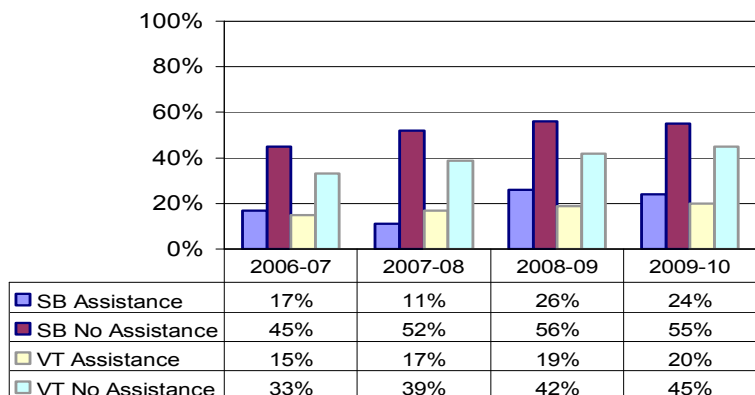
**Mathematics Grade 11**  
**Percent of Students At or Above Standard**



**Mathematics by Gender - Grade 11**  
**Percent of Students At or Above Standard**



**Mathematics by Socio-Economic Status - Grade 11**  
**Percent of Students At or Above Standard**





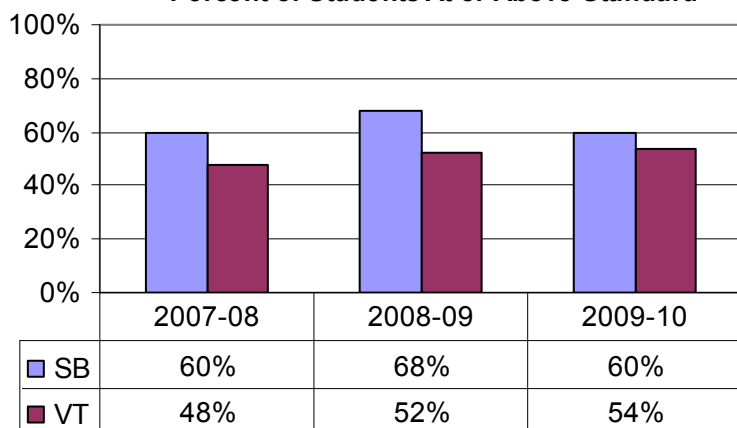
# ASSESSMENTS—STATE

**SCIENCE**— The administration window for this year's New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) Science tests is May. All Vermont students in Grades 4, 8 and 11, including publicly funded students attending private independent schools, participate; unless a student qualifies for alternate assessment.

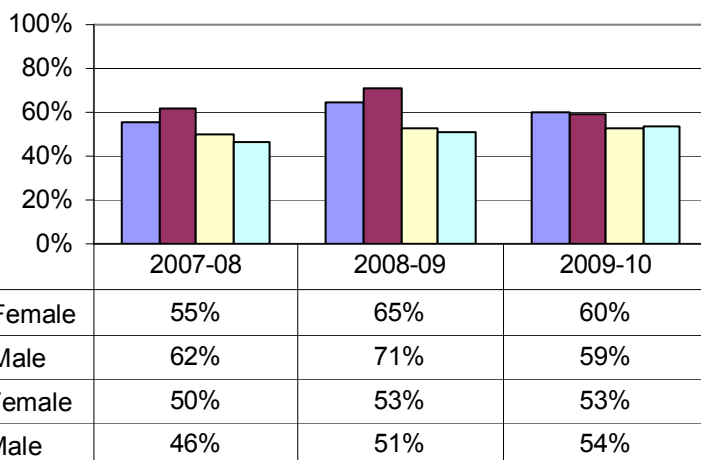
South Burlington students outperformed the State average in each of the grades assessed. This year we saw a decrease in students meeting the standard in grade four. The lower scores were the result of not doing well on the inquiry part of the test. This year the elementary science committee has focused on inquiry as we work to improve results.

## GRADE 4

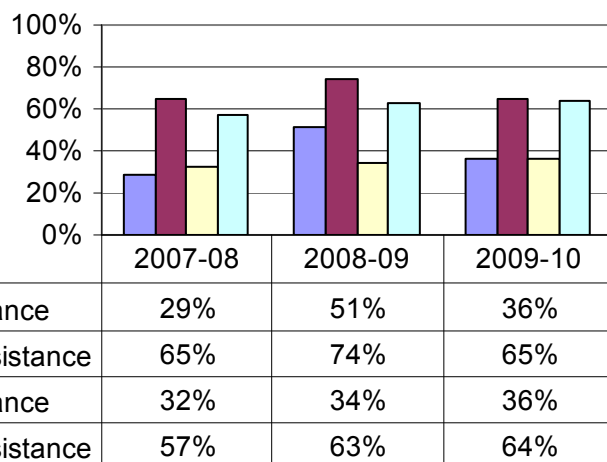
**Science Grade 4**  
**Percent of Students At or Above Standard**



**Science By Gender Grade 4**  
**Percent of Students At or Above Standard**



**Science By Socio-Economic Status Grade 4**  
**Percent of Students At or Above Standard**

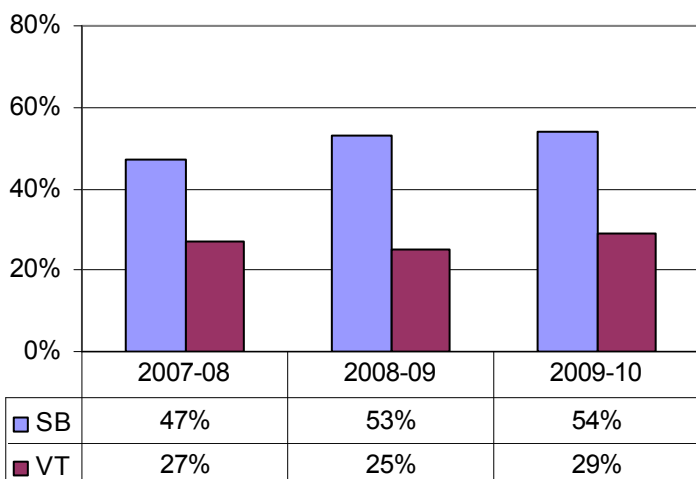


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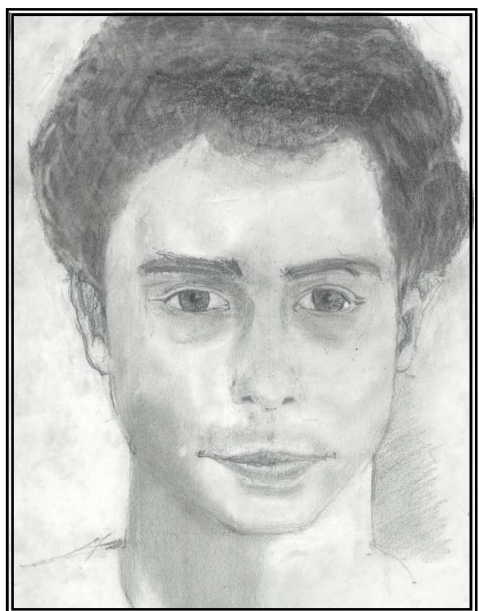
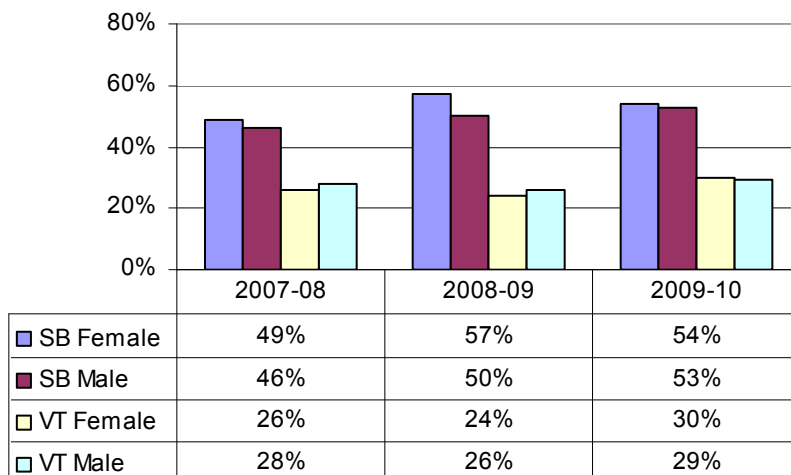
**SCIENCE**— When we look at our results for science in Grade 8, we see overall improvement and our scores are some of the best in the state. When looking at the data, we see that our students in poverty are not advancing at the same rate as their peers. We will continue to work with our teachers to focus on instruction that takes into account the academic needs of these students.

## GRADE 8

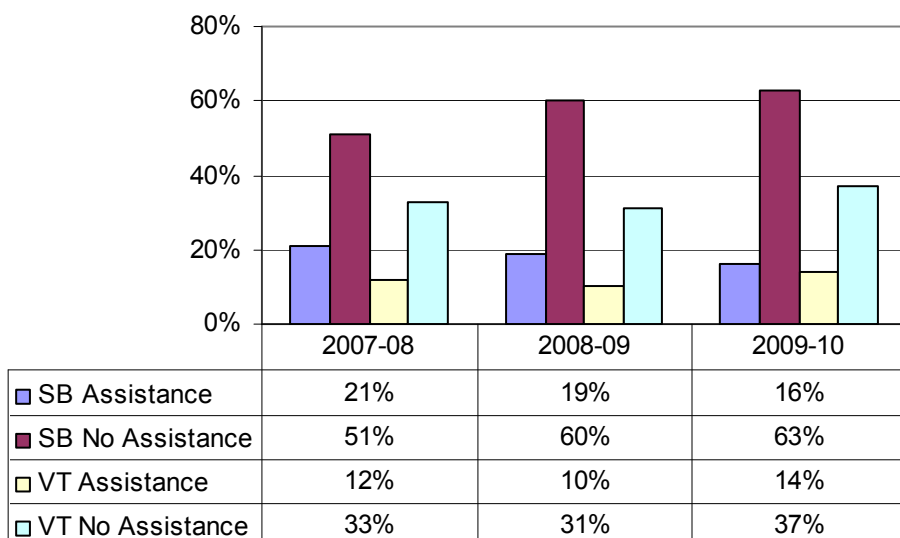
**Science Grade 8**  
Percent of Students At or Above Standard



**Science By Gender Grade 8**  
Percent of Students At or Above Standard



**Science By Socio-Economic Status Grade 8**  
Percent of Students At or Above Standard

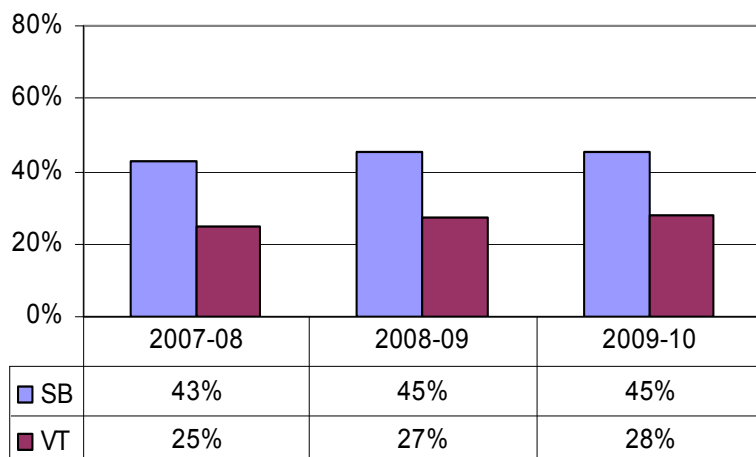


# ASSESSMENTS—STATE

**SCIENCE**— In Grade 11, our scores since the start of testing have remained constant. This coming year, we will analyze these results to continue re-examining the science curriculum. Two years ago we revamped the ninth grade science curriculum, in part, based on the NECAP results. We will continue this process with science in tenth and eleventh grade, as this test covers all the science standards taught in the first three years of high school. While our results improved for students based on socio-economic status, after a dip last year, those results still show a significant achievement gap.

## GRADE 11

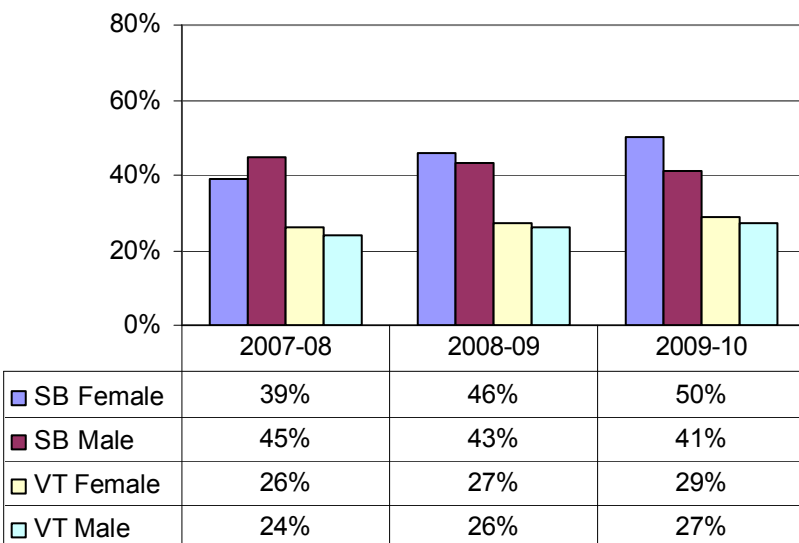
**Science Grade 11**  
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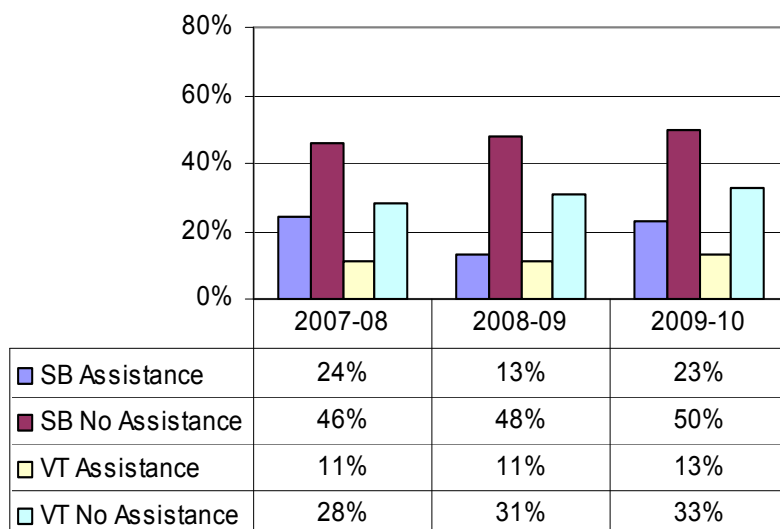
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**Science By Gender Grade 11**  
**Percent of Students At or Above Standard**



**Science By Socio-Economic Status Grade 11**  
**Percent of Students At or Above Standards**



# ASSESSMENTS—NATIONAL

## SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST I—School Year Summary 2009-10

The College Board and Educational Testing Service administers the Scholastic Aptitude Test I (SAT I). Many colleges utilize this test as an indicator of a student's basic knowledge and ability in mathematics and verbal skills. In recent years, there has been a trend away from using SAT I as an indicator of future success and fewer colleges are requiring it for admission. At SBHS, as at other high schools, students are substituting different standardized tests such as the ACT, for entry to their college of choice. This year the participation ratio is based solely on the percent of last year's graduating senior class who took the tests sometime during their high school career.

Number of Graduating Seniors	Number who took SAT I	Ratio of Participation
220	154	70%

The table below compares SBHS student scores to state and national scores. The numbers in this table reflect the scores of all students, not necessarily seniors, who took the test during the academic year.

YEAR	Reading—Avg. Scores			Math—Avg. Scores			Writing —Avg. Scores		
	SBHS	VT	NAT'L	SBHS	VT	NAT'L	SBHS	VT	NAT'L
2009-2010	554	519	501	557	521	516	533	506	492
2008-2009	544	518	501	556	518	515	534	506	493
2007-2008	540	519	502	555	523	515	515	507	494
2006-2007	540	516	502	564	518	515	518	508	494
2005-2006	550	513	503	555	519	518	n/a	n/a	n/a

The Educational Testing Service provides data separated by gender. The table below shows SAT I results for the 2009-2010 academic year.

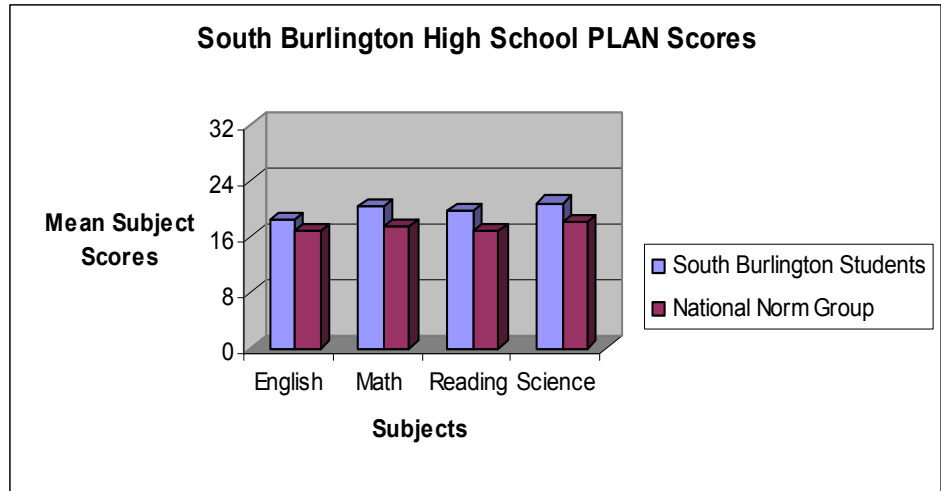
Gender	Reading			Mathematics			Writing		
	SBHS	VT	NAT'L	SBHS	VT	NAT'L	SBHS	VT	NAT'L
Female	547	516	498	529	504	500	535	511	498
Male	564	522	503	594	541	534	531	500	486



# ASSESSMENTS—NATIONAL

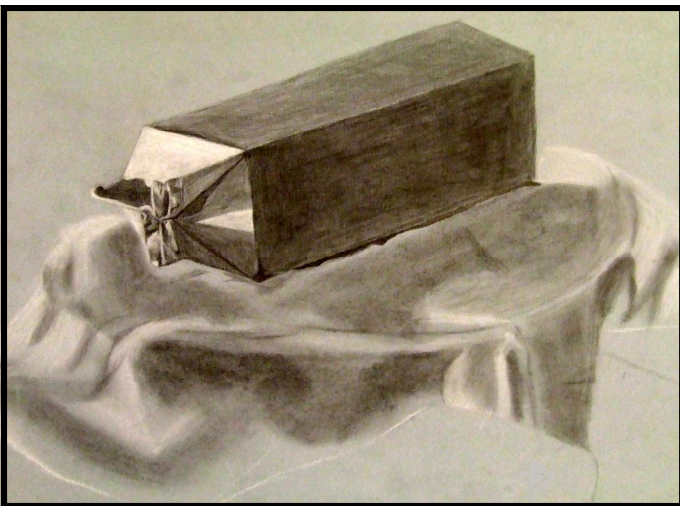
## PLAN® — Fall 2010

SBHS administered the **PLAN®** Assessment, which is a practice ACT, to all tenth grade students in the fall of 2010. The **PLAN®** assessment helps tenth graders build a solid foundation for future academic and career success and provides information needed to help analyze SBHS' high priority issues. It is a comprehensive resource that helps students measure their current academic development, explore career/training options, and make plans for their remaining high school and post-graduation years.



**PLAN®** helps all SBHS students—those who are college bound as well as those who are likely to enter the workforce directly after high school. As a practice assessment, **PLAN®** is a powerful predictor of success on the ACT, which is one of the nation's most widely accepted college placement tests. SBHS recognizes the importance of **PLAN®** testing for all students as it focuses attention on improving academic achievement. The curriculum-based test covers the skills and knowledge that are important for success in high school and college. The **PLAN®** tests measure students' knowledge and how they apply it. For more information on the **PLAN®** visit <http://www.act.org>.

Please note that all students at SBHS take the **PLAN®** in their sophomore year (compared to selected students from across the country) making the higher comparable scores of our students especially impressive.



# ASSESSMENTS—NATIONAL

## ACT—School Year 2009-10

Recently, more SBHS students are taking the ACT test. The ACT is the nation's most widely accepted college entrance exam. It assesses high school students' general educational development and ability to complete college-level work.

- The multiple-choice tests cover four skill areas: English, mathematics, reading, and science.
- The writing test, which is optional, measures skill in planning and writing a short essay.

YEAR	Number of Students Tested			English			Mathematics		
	SBHS	VT	NAT'L	SBHS	VT	NAT'L	SBHS	VT	NAT'L
2009-2010	109	2,054	1,568,835	24.5	22.8	20.5	24.8	22.8	21.0
2008-2009	110	2008	1,480,469	25.1	22.9	20.6	25.1	22.9	21.0
2007-2008	110	2203	1,421,941	23.7	22.4	20.6	24.1	22.4	21.0
2006-2007	90	1855	1,300,599	24.0	22.6	20.7	24.5	22.5	21.0
2005-2006	56	1528	1,206,455	23.9	22.1	20.6	24.5	22.2	20.8

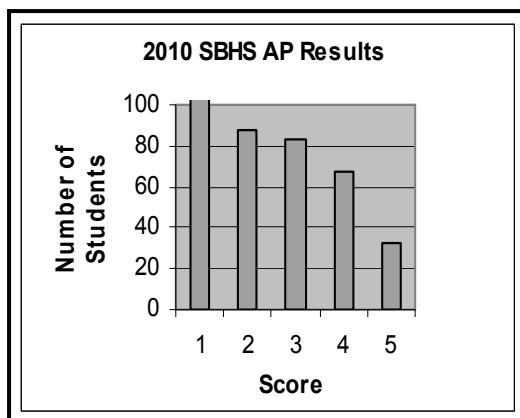
YEAR	Reading			Science Reason			Composite		
	SBHS	VT	NAT'L	SBHS	VT	NAT'L	SBHS	VT	NAT'L
2009-2010	25.3	23.7	21.3	24.4	22.8	20.9	24.9	23.2	21.0
2008-2009	25.7	23.7	21.4	24.7	22.5	20.9	25.3	23.1	21.1
2007-2008	23.4	23.5	21.4	23.7	22.2	20.8	23.4	22.7	21.1
2006-2007	25.4	23.3	21.5	24.0	22.3	21.0	24.6	22.8	21.2
2005-2006	24.1	22.9	21.4	23.6	22.2	20.9	24.1	22.5	21.1



# ASSESSMENTS—NATIONAL

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTS

The Advanced Placement (AP) Program provides students with the opportunity to complete college-level studies during high school. Many colleges grant credits to students who successfully complete AP exams. In order to receive college credit, a student must take the AP test. SBHS regularly offers courses to prepare students to pass these exams in the areas of Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Computer Science A, European History, English Literature and Composition, English Language and Composition, Environmental Science, French, Chemistry, Physics B, Spanish, and U.S. Government and Politics. Students who take these courses are required to take the exam. Exams in other areas are sometimes given by special request from individuals as students are not required to take a formal AP course in preparation for the exam. The results shown in the table include a few students who prepared independently.



2010 Advanced Placement Test Results								
(381 Tests Taken by 206 Students)								
Subject/Score	5	4	3	2	1	Total	3 or Better	Mean Score
Biology	2	8	6	12	10	38	42%	2.5
Calculus AB	1	6	7	5	30	49	29%	1.8
Calculus BC	7	3	0	0	0	10	100%	4.7
Chemistry	3	0	7	8	15	33	30%	2.0
English Language	2	8	11	5	0	26	81%	3.3
English Literature	3	10	10	8	0	31	74%	3.3
Environ. Science	1	7	4	8	22	42	29%	2.0
European History	3	7	14	1	3	28	86%	3.2
French Language	0	2	4	5	0	11	55%	2.7
Spanish Language	0	2	3	5	6	16	31%	2.1
Physics B	6	4	5	2	1	18	83%	3.7
Studio Art Drawing	0	0	1	0	0	1	100%	3.0
Statistics	1	1	0	1	9	12	16%	1.7
US Govt & Politics	4	9	11	28	13	65	37%	2.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>Overall Mean 2.7</b>	
<b>Percent of Total</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>100%</b>		

# HIGH SCHOOL DATA

## DESTINATIONS OF STUDENTS AFTER GRADUATION

Percentage of Graduating Students Entering Higher Education

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
<b>Total</b>	70%	72%	71%	68%	72%	75%

## STUDENTS FROM THE CLASS OF 2009 WERE ACCEPTED AT THE FOLLOWING INSTITUTIONS:

Acadia University  
Albany College of Pharmacy  
American University  
Arcadia University  
Arizona State University  
Assumption College  
Barry University  
Bates College  
Bentley University  
Binghamton University  
Bishop's University  
Boston College  
Boston University  
Bowdoin College  
Bradley University  
Brandeis University  
Bridgewater State College  
Bridgton Academy  
British Columbia, University of  
Bryant University  
Burlington College  
California College of the Arts  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Case Western Reserve University  
Castleton State College  
Central Connecticut State University  
Central Florida, University of  
Champlain College  
Christopher Newport University  
Cincinnati, University of  
Clark University  
Clarkson University  
Clemson University  
Clinton Community College  
Coastal Carolina University  
Colby Sawyer College  
Colgate University  
Colorado, University of, at Boulder  
Colorado, University of, at Colorado Springs  
Community College of Vermont  
Connecticut College  
Connecticut, University of  
Cornell University  
Curry College  
Davidson College  
Dayton, University of  
Denver, University of  
DePaul University  
Drew University  
Drexel University  
Duke University  
Earlham College  
East Carolina University  
Edison State College  
Elmira College  
Emerson College  
Endicott College  
Fairfield University  
Fashion Institute of Technology

Florida Gulf Coast University  
Florida Southern College  
Full Sail University  
George Washington University  
Gettysburg College  
Hartford, University of  
Harvard University  
Haverford College  
Hendrix College  
High Point University  
Hobart & William Smith Colleges  
Hofstra University  
Houston, University of  
Iona College  
Iowa, University of  
Ithaca College  
James Madison University  
John Hopkins University  
Johnson & Wales University  
Johnson State College  
Kansas, University of  
Keene State College  
Kendall College of Art & Design  
La Salle University  
Lafayette College  
Landmark College  
Lasell College  
Lyndon State College  
Maine College of Art  
Maine, University of  
Maine, University of @ Farmington  
Manhattan College  
Manhattanville College  
Marist College  
Mary Washington, University of  
MA College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences  
Massachusetts, University of @ Amherst  
Massachusetts, University of @ Lowell  
McGill University  
Merrimack College  
Michigan State College  
Middlebury College  
Minnesota State University, Mankato  
Mount Holyoke College  
New England College  
New England, University of  
New Hampshire Institute of Art  
New Hampshire, University of  
New Haven, University of  
New York City Institute of Technology  
New York University  
NC, University of at Charlotte  
NC, University at Greensboro  
NC, University at Wilmington  
Northeastern University  
Northwestern University

Nova Southeastern University  
Ohio State University  
Ohio Wesleyan University  
Oregon, University of  
Pace University, New York City  
Parsons School of Design, New School University  
Paul Smith's College  
Pennsylvania State University  
Pennsylvania, University of  
Pittsburgh, University of  
Plattsburgh State University  
Pratt Institute  
Princeton University  
Providence College  
Purdue University  
Quinnipiac University  
Regis College  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
Rhode Island, University of  
Richard Stockton College of New Jersey  
Ringling College of Art and Design  
Rochester Institute of Technology  
Rochester, University of  
Rollins College  
Rutgers  
Sacred Heart University  
Saint Anselm College  
Saint Michael's College  
Salve Regina University  
Savannah College of Art & Design  
Siena College  
Skidmore College  
Smith College  
Southern Maine, University of  
Southern New Hampshire University  
Southern Vermont College  
Springfield College  
St. Lawrence University  
St. Mary's College of Maryland  
State University of New York at Albany  
State University of New York Geneseo  
State University of New York New Paltz  
State University of New York Potsdam  
Stetson University  
Stonehill College  
Stony Brook University  
Suffolk University  
Syracuse University  
Tampa, University of  
Texas A & M University  
Touro College  
Towson University  
Tufts University  
Union College  
US Air Force Academy  
Ursinus College  
Utica College  
Vassar College

Vermont Technical College  
Vermont, University of  
Villanova University  
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Washington & Jefferson College  
West Virginia University  
Western New England College  
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Wheaton College  
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Wyoming, University of



# HIGH SCHOOL DATA

## GRADUATION RATE

The Vermont State Department of Education defines the graduation rate as the number of students who graduated divided by the senior census count on October 1.

Year	Oct. 1 Census	Number Graduated	Graduation Rate
2009-2010	224	220	99%
2008-2009	229	218	95%
2007-2008	222	231	93%
2006-2007	256	246	96%
2005-2006	N/A*	215	95%



## DROPOUT RATE

The Vermont State Department of Education calculates dropout data. This rate does not credit SBHS for students who withdraw but return in either the current or next year or who may eventually graduate. It only gives a snapshot of the total SBHS dropout rate for one year. The data currently available is as follows:

Year	SBHS	VT
2009-2010	0.1%	Not Available
2008-2009	1.0%	2.9%
2007-2008	1.5%	3.2%
2006-2007	1.3%	3.0%
2005-2006	1.0%	2.9%



# HIGH SCHOOL DATA

## CO-CURRICULAR PARTICIPATION

Activity	2005-2006 Student Participants*	2006-2007 Student Participants*	2007-2008 Student Participants*	2008-2009 Student Participants*	2009-2010 Student Participants*
Art Club	10	12	11	8	15
Coalition Community Service	23	27	66	56	63
Coffee House	22	24	7	14	3
Drama	68	70	64	38	50
Future Educators of America	25	25	13	21	14
French Club	-	-	25	7	22
Gay/Straight Alliance	4	7	10	15	13
Green Team	-	-	-	6	6
Habitat for Humanity	-	-	22	23	25
Key Club	25	20	n/a	32	26
Math League	17	17	20	20	13
Multi-Media Club	-	-	-	-	9
National Honor Society	68	68	82	48	35
Oceanography Club	-	-	10	10	15
PACTeens Club	-	-	-	-	16
Rowing club	-	-	13	37	35
Rugby Club	-	-	-	-	39
Scholars' Bowl	22	15	16	13	13
Speech & Debate Club	9	14	22	24	29
Strength & Conditioning Club	-	-	-	-	7
Student Council	33	33	33	29	31
Table Tennis Club	12	10	8	14	20
Unified Sports	-	-	-	-	10

\*The total reflects student participation and does not account for students who may participate in more than one co-curricular activity or who may participate minimally.

# HIGH SCHOOL DATA

## ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION

Year Total School Population	2005-2006 965	2006-2007 954	2007-2008 906	2008-2009 902	2009-2010 892
Girls' Soccer	37	38	41	56	42
Boys' Soccer	34	32	31	48	40
Girls' Cheerleading	8	12	10	12	11
Girls' Field Hockey	38	52	50	53	65
Girls' XC Running	13	11	17	15	20
Boys' XC Running	13	18	23	17	19
Boys' Football	69	71	63	62	77
Fall Sports Sub - Total	<b>212</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>274</b>
<i>Fall Participation</i>	<i>22%</i>	<i>25%</i>	<i>26%</i>	<i>29%</i>	<i>31%</i>
Girls' Basketball	25	26	27	24	28
Girls' Gymnastics	12	14	12	19	17
Girls' Alpine Skiing	20	19	15	10	17
Girls' Nordic Skiing	8	3	7	10	10
Girls' Dance Team	18	18	22	17	19
Cheerleading	13	13	13	11	12
Girls' Snowboarding	5	8	9	7	6
Girls' Ice Hockey	17	17	18	16	16
Girls' Indoor Track	19	26	22	32	33
Boys' Basketball	35	30	35	31	38
Boys' Alpine Skiing	15	9	8	9	13
Boys' Nordic Skiing	5	7	7	6	3
Boys' Snowboarding	18	13	21	17	24
Boys' Ice Hockey	22	23	22	25	25
Boys' Indoor Track	24	27	24	29	34
Winter Sports Sub - Total	<b>256</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>295</b>
<i>Winter Participation</i>	<i>27%</i>	<i>27%</i>	<i>29%</i>	<i>29%</i>	<i>33%</i>
Softball	24	14	14	24	16
Girls' Track & Field	44	47	41	42	37
Girls' Lacrosse	34	43	35	38	42
Girls' Tennis	17	22	23	25	16
Girls' Golf	14	16	12	14	10
Baseball	46	28	33	36	32
Boys' Golf	14	23	15	19	13
Boys' Track & Field	40	47	39	26	27
Boys' Lacrosse	50	48	49	55	45
Boys' Tennis	14	17	14	14	17
Spring Sports Sub - Total	<b>297</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>255</b>
<i>Spring Participation</i>	<i>31%</i>	<i>32%</i>	<i>30%</i>	<i>32%</i>	<i>29%</i>

# HIGH SCHOOL DATA

## TECHNICAL CENTER STUDENT DESTINATIONS

A significant number of South Burlington students are choosing to begin their careers by attending one of the two technical centers that serve our community. Both Burlington Technical Center and the Center for Technology in Essex offer a wide variety of occupation oriented educational experiences that prepare students for further related study and/or direct entry into the workplace after graduation. Burlington Technical Center offers two-year programs that are half-day in length while most of the offerings at the Center for Technology in Essex are single-year programs that run most of a school day. This year South Burlington has 56 students attending the two technical centers.

Each technical center has an excellent record for student placement in post-secondary education and in related occupations. The following statistics help to highlight the value of these educational opportunities available to South Burlington students. The two centers report different data, which is why they are listed here in two tables.

### GRADUATE PLACEMENT Burlington Technical Center

STATUS	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Pursuing related post-secondary education	64%	48%	49%	44%	55%
Pursuing unrelated post-secondary education	6%	9%	13%	9%	5%
Employed in a related field	14%	19%	13%	16%	7%
Employed in an unrelated field	14%	12%	16%	18%	9%
Military service in a related field	0%	0%	3%	2%	5%
Military service in an unrelated field	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%
Unemployed but seeking employment	1%	2%	0%	5%	5%
Unemployed	1%	0%	2%	1%	2%
Still in high school	1%	2%	1%	0%	1%
No Data	2%	8%	2%	5%	10%

Each year's data were gathered the following year and is not updated thereafter. Rounding errors keep some columns from adding to 100 percent.

### GRADUATE PLACEMENT Center for Technology - Essex

Performance Indicator	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Students who meet 90% of program competencies	94%	93%	92%	83%	86%
Programs that offer industry credentials or college credit	82%	81%	100%	100%	100%
Students who earn a transcript from post secondary schools	N/A	N/A	17%	18%	18.5%
Students who complete program with industry credentials	59%	N/A	50%	60%	62%
Non-traditional student enrollment	14%	10%	15%	17%	16.5%
Graduates who enter employment or military	86%	98%	87%	92%	90%



# DISTRICT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

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The District gratefully recognizes the following individuals for their dedication, expertise, and love of students and learning.

## 10+ Years of Service

Sarah Beers (Administrative Assistant—FHTMS)  
Marlene Boucher (Food Service—SBHS)  
Anthony Cannizzaro (Science Teacher—SBHS)  
Brian Conroy (Language Arts/Social Studies Teacher—FHTMS)  
Ellen Copley (Reading Recovery Coach—RMCS)  
Caryl Davidson (School Nurse—SBHS)  
Deirdre Donovan (Social Studies Teacher—SBHS)  
Patrick Duffy (Transportation—District)  
Matthew Guyette (Guidance Counselor—FHTMS)  
Paula Jensvold (Elementary Teacher—RMCS)  
Greg Lewis (Social Studies Teacher—SBHS)  
Linda Mickel (Paraeducator—Orchard)  
Leroy Nedd (Custodian—SBHS)  
Margaret Pasqual (Administrative Assistant—FHTMS)  
Susan Ringey (Administrative Assistant—District)

## 20 Years of Service

Christina Brown (Elementary Teacher—Chamberlin)  
Annick Cooper (Elementary Teacher—RMCS)  
Douglas Day (Physical Education Teacher—RMCS)  
Kathleen Kort (Special Education Teacher—FHTMS/SBHS)  
Joseph McDonald (Physical Education Teacher—SBHS)  
Sophie Szwaja (Food Service—RMCS)  
Nancy Tavares (Paraeducator—RMCS)  
Elizabeth White (Paraeducator—RMCS)

## 35 Years of Service

Mary Lou Wasko (Family & Consumer Science Teacher—FHTMS)

## Dominick Marabella Support Staff Award

Rose Dattilio (Administrative Assistant — Chamberlin)

## SBSD Outstanding Teacher Award

Lori Centerbar (Language Arts Teacher—FHTMS)  
Donna Sullivan-MacDonald (School Librarian and Media Specialist—Orchard)

