

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• requires parental conferences	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Safety and Discipline

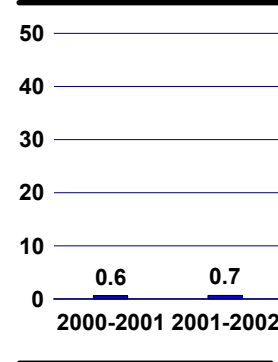
Safe schools are a top priority for parents, teachers, and communities. Your school's safety and discipline record for the 2002-2003 school year is:

Type of Incident	Number of Incidents Reported	Action Taken				
		In School Suspension	Out of School Suspension	Expulsion	Referred to Law Enforce.	Other
Substance Abuse - Drugs	8		7	1		
Substance Abuse - Alcohol	14		12	2		
Substance Abuse - Tobacco	19		19			
Assaults/Fights	5		4	1		
Habitually Disruptive Students						
Dangerous Weapons	1			1		
Other Violations of Code of Conduct	93		93			

Student Attendance and Time Spent in Classroom

2002-2003	Your School
Length of School Year	172 days
Enrollment	1,834
Average Daily Attendance	1,739
Student Dropouts	0.7%
Students Per Total Staff	11.1
Annual Number of Teacher Days Scheduled without Student Contact	6

Dropout Rate



Student Information Over Time

	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003
Student Average Daily Attendance	95.2%	93.7%	94.8%
Student Dropouts	0.6%	0.7%	
Safety and Discipline Total Incidents Reported	194	179	140
Student Enrollment Stability		95.7%	95.4%
Students Eligible for Free Lunch		8	10

OVERALL ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE RATINGS

- Excellent
- High
- Average
- Low
- Unsatisfactory

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT RATINGS

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

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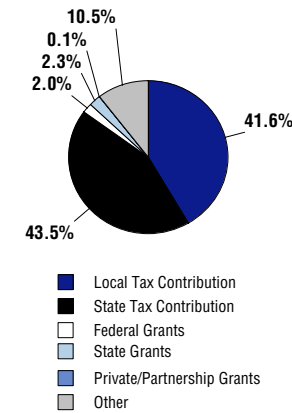
TAXPAYERS' REPORT

Sources of School District Revenue 2002

Local Tax Contribution	\$102,303,775
State Tax Contribution	107,180,274
Federal Grants	4,986,197
State Grants	5,684,969
Private/Partnership Grants	184,321
Other Discretionary Income	25,805,785
Total School Dist Revenue	\$246,145,321

Total 2002 District Revenue Per Pupil = **\$6,874**

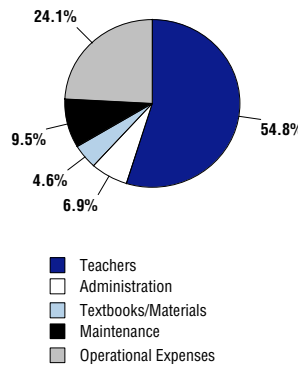
District Source of Funds 2002



District Use of Funds 2002

Teachers	\$132,865,564
Administration	16,826,084
Building & Facilities Maintenance	23,073,442
Operational Expenses	58,434,532
Textbooks/Materials	11,168,527
Total	\$242,368,149

District Use of Funds 2002



District Debt and Capital Construction & Equipment

Total Outstanding Bonded Debt	\$434,380,275
Average Annual Percentage Interest Rate on Debt	4.88%
Amount Raised from Most Recent Bond	\$178,000,000
Amount Spent on New Buildings During Last 2 Years	\$79,344,742

Voter Approved Funding Changes

Your community did / did not hold an election in November 2001.

The following items have been approved by voters:

TABOR Override

Bond

Mill Levy Increase

Highlands Ranch High School

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HIGHLANDS RANCH HIGH SCHOOL



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School Accountability Report 2002-2003 School Year

School Performance Summary

Overall Academic Performance

Excellent

Academic Improvement:

Stable

Winner of a John Irwin School of Excellence Award for the 2002-2003 School Year

How Highlands Ranch High School Compares To Nearby High Schools

School	Academic Performance
Mountain Vista High School	Excellent
Arapahoe High School(1)	Excellent
Thunderridge High School	High
Heritage High School(1)	Excellent
Littleton High School(1)	High
Chaparral High School	High
Cherry Creek High School(2)	Excellent
Thomas Jefferson High School(3)	Average
Englewood High School(4)	Average
Daniel C Oakes High School	Low

1 Located in Littleton 6 School District.

2 Located in Cherry Creek 5 School District.

3 Located in Denver County 1 School District.

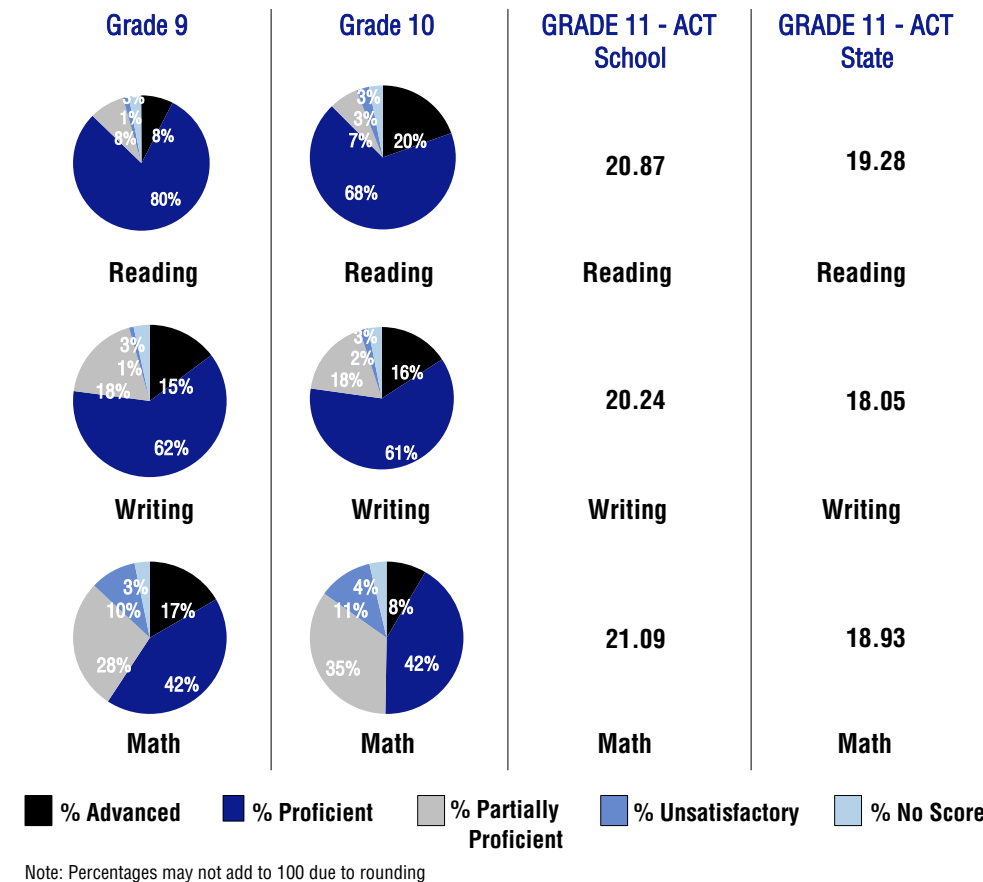
4 Located in Englewood 1 School District.

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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.

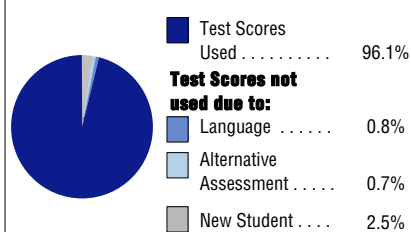
CSAP 2003 Spring



Percent of Students Scoring Proficient and Advanced

	Your School	District	State
Grade 9-10 Reading	88%	85%	66%
Grade 9-10 Writing	77%	71%	51%
Grade 9-10 Math	54%	47%	29%

Student Test Scores Used For Calculating Overall Academic Performance



Each school in the State received a rating of "Excellent", "High", "Average", "Low", or "Unsatisfactory" for student academic performance in school year 2002-2003 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, whose special needs require that they spend less than 45% of their time in a regular classroom, or who enrolled in the public school after February 1 of this school year. 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 2002-2003 school year.

Overall Academic Performance for the 2002-2003 school year

Excellent

SCHOOL HISTORY

	2002-2003	2001-2002	2000-2001
Overall Academic Performance	Excellent	Excellent	High
School Improvement	Stable	Improvement	



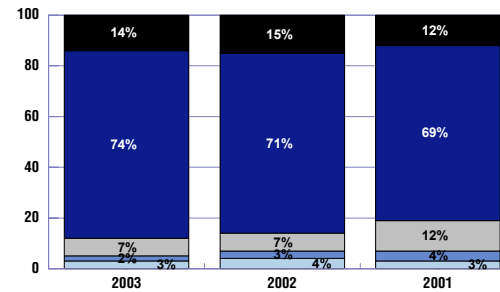
Each school receives a school improvement rating of Significant Improvement, Improvement, Stable, Decline, or Significant Decline. This rating is based upon the change in student academic performance from the previous year. Each school can improve its rating next year by improving student performance on the 2003-2004 CSAP.

Reading Proficiency Levels

Grades 9-10

Percent Proficient and Advanced

2003	88%
2002	86%
2001	81%

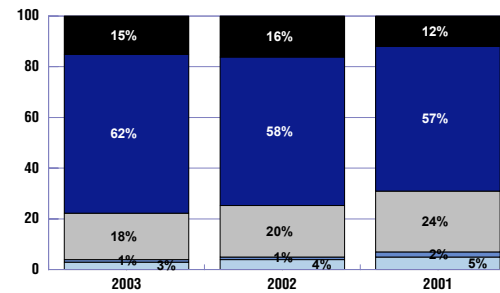


Writing Proficiency Levels

Grades 9-10

Percent Proficient and Advanced

2003	77%
2002	74%
2001	69%

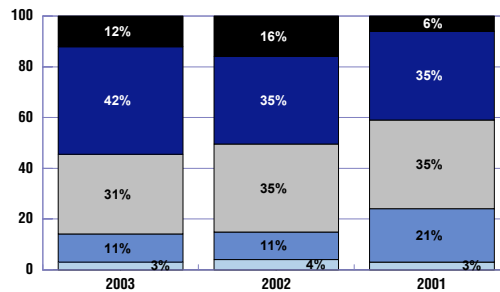


Math Proficiency Levels

Grades 9-10

Percent Proficient and Advanced

2003	54%
2002	51%
2001	41%



Legend: % Advanced, % Proficient, % Partially Proficient, % Unsatisfactory, % No Score

Note: Percentages may not add to 100 due to rounding

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	100	14	2,160	264
Paraprofessionals	17	7	600	444
Administrators	5	1	164	7
Other Professionals*	9	1	311	51
School Support	13	13	624	417
Total Staff	178		4,980	

* School counselors and librarians are included in the Other Professionals category. Your school employed 5/0 FT/PT counselor(s) and 1/0 FT/PT librarian(s) last year.

Students per Teacher Ratio

	Student Enrollment	Students per Teacher
Grade 9	445	16.5
Grade 10	471	17.5
Grade 11	473	17.6
Grade 12	445	16.5

Professional Experience of Teachers

	Your School	District
Average years of teaching experience	14	11
Percent of teachers teaching the subject in which they received their degree(s)	84%	70%
Teachers' average days absent	4.2%	4.1%
Number of teachers who left school/district last year	17	244
Teachers with tenure	79	1,322
Teachers without tenure	35	1,102
Number of professional development days	4	3

Salaries

	Your School	District	State
Average Teacher Salary	\$50,202	\$45,127	\$42,680
Average Administrator Salary	\$77,939	\$79,675	\$72,481

Principal: Lisle Gates
 Number of years as Principal at this school: 7
 Number of years as Principal at any school: 7

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