

November 2008

Annual Progress and Information Report to Our Community

Student success in Pequea Valley has always been, and continues to be, our primary focus. Success is demonstrated in many ways by our students. It is important that as a district we provide parents and community a variety of measures to fully describe the successes our students have experienced. Please take time to review the following pieces of information that describe our district, our faculty and staff, and the progress of our students in demonstrating their learning. Hopefully you will be as pleased as we are with the results. If you have questions or would like more information, feel free to contact your child's principal; Dr. Patrick Hallock, Superintendent; Dr. Eric Dreibelbis, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; or John Bowden, Business Administrator at (717) 768-5530.

Our District

Total Enrollment	1,838
Leacock (Gr. 3 - 5)	177
Paradise (K- 2)	204
Salisbury (K - 5)	367
Intermediate School (Gr. 6 - 8)	441
High School (Gr. 9 - 12)	649

Class Size Average	Core Subjects	w/electives*
Leacock	19.9	13.3
Paradise	20.8	12.6
Salisbury	22.8	12.6
Intermediate School	23.4	13.5
High School	29.6	14.5

Ethnicity	
White	93%
Black	3%
Hispanic	3%
Asian	1%

2007-08 Expulsions	
1 student for weapons violation.	
3 students for drug policy violations.	
1 bomb threat.	

2008-09 Budget

2008-09 Budget	\$28,021,729
Millage Rate	15.743

Funding Sources:

Local	74%
State	22%
Federal	4%
Per Student Expense	\$14,803

Student Attendance Rate

	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06	2004-05	2003-04
Leacock	96.6	96.5	96.5	96.5	97.2
Paradise	96.0	95.0	95.4	95.9	95.4
Salisbury	96.2	96.3	96.3	96.1	96.8
Intermediate	96.2	95.9	96.1	96.0	97.2
High School	92.9	92.3	93.8	94.9	94.9

To meet "Adequate Yearly Progress" for attendance, K - 8 schools must achieve a 90% attendance rate.

Graduation Rate

To meet "Adequate Yearly Progress," a high school must achieve an 80% graduation rate. Pequea Valley graduated 98.6% of the 143 students in the 2008 senior class. In tracking student dropouts from 9th through 12th grade, a total of 11 students dropped out of the class, for a grade 9 - 12 graduation rate of 92.4% for the class of 2008.

College Board (SAT) Scores:

SAT - PV Verbal	500
SAT - PV Math	499
SAT - PV Total	999
SAT - PA Total	995
SAT - National Total	1017
% PV Seniors taking the test	52%

Special Education Enrollment	422
Autism	7
Deaf - Blindness	0
Emotional Disturbance	34
Gifted without Disabilities	44
Hearing Impairment	2
Mental Retardation	28
Multiple Disabilities	4
Orthopedic Impairment	3
Other Health Impairment	13
Specific Learning Disability	149
Speech or Language Impairment	133
Traumatic Brain Injury	5
Visual Impairment	0

Limited English Proficiency	10
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Low Income Student Percentage (10/5/08)	
High School	26.3%
Intermediate School	32.4%
Leacock Elementary	39.5%
Paradise Elementary	37.7%
Salisbury Elementary	36.8%

Computer Ratio - 1 computer: 2.0 students

	# of Computers	# of Labs
Leacock	105	2
Paradise	81	0
Salisbury	157	2
Intermediate	255	5
High School	299	6
Total	897	15

2008 Graduating Class Profile

State University	29
State or Public University outside of PA	1
Private 4 Yr. College or University in PA	14
4 Yr. College or University outside PA	3
Private 2-Year College	20
Community College	19
Other Postsecondary School	8
Military	4
Blue Collar Worker	10
White Collar Worker	1
Service Worker	24
Unknown	10
Total Graduates	143

Our Faculty and Staff

Professional Qualifications of Our Teachers

The Pequea Valley School District currently employs 149 teachers for grades K-12. All faculty members have the proper college credentials and Department of Education certifications to teach! The state recently increased certification requirements for middle and high school teachers to be “highly qualified” which had to be achieved by the 2006-07 school year. All Pequea Valley teachers meet these higher standards. As a result, 100 percent of our teachers meet the “highly qualified” definition. All Title I paraprofessionals also meet the “highly qualified” standards established for them as well.

Number of Faculty and Staff

Faculty	150
Support Staff	119
Administrative Staff	10

Faculty Experience

Under 5 years	31%
Over 20 years	25%
Master’s degree or Equivalency	50%
Faculty average salary.....	\$54,072

Performance of Our Students

“Adequate Yearly Progress”

The PSSA ranks student achievement in Reading, Math, and Writing by using the following proficiency labels: below basic, basic, proficient, and advanced. “Adequate Yearly Progress” is the amount of yearly student growth needed so 100 percent of our students will be proficient or advanced by the year 2014. In order for the district to make “Adequate Yearly Progress,” each school in the district and any of the disaggregated groups, must continue to grow at a pace that will achieve the goal. Currently, for each building to achieve “Adequate Yearly Progress” the following levels must be achieved:

- 63% or more of the students must be proficient or advanced in reading.
- 56% or more of the students must be proficient or advanced in math.
- 95% of the overall students as well as each disaggregated sub-group must take the PSSA tests.
- Attendance - 90% school average must be achieved.
- 80% of the students who started in Grade 9 must graduate with their class.

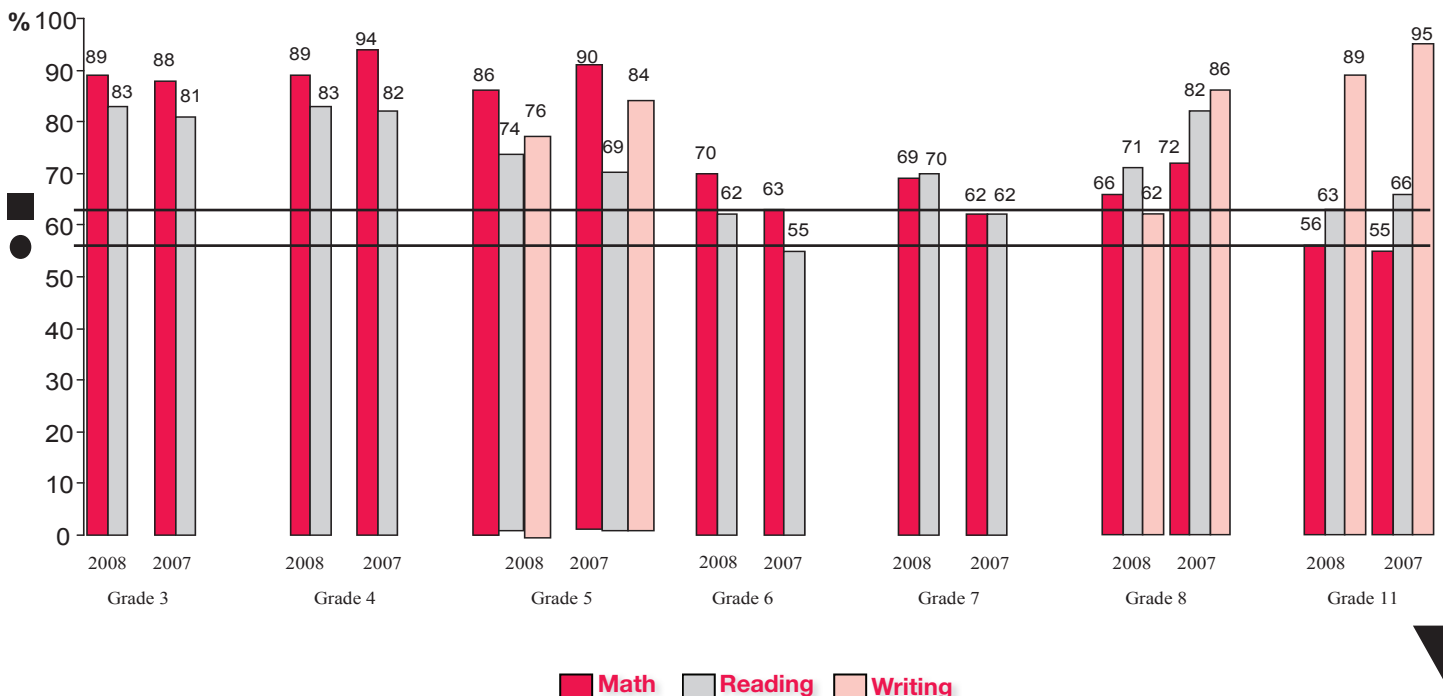
It is significant that in almost every area tested, Pequea Valley students are well above the threshold for achieving AYP!

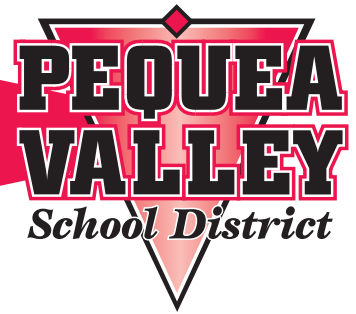
Disaggregation of PSSA Data

Pennsylvania requires each district to disaggregate PSSA test data for several groups of students. There must be a minimum of 40 students in each group in a school to be reported as a sub-group. The groups include race, ethnicity, gender, disability, migrant status, English proficiency, and economically disadvantaged. Currently, Pequea Valley only has the economically disadvantaged and disability subgroups in grades 6-8 that pose a concern.

Pequea Valley School District “Adequate Yearly Progress” Trend Data

■ Reading - PA Proficiency Standard
● Math - PA Proficiency Standard





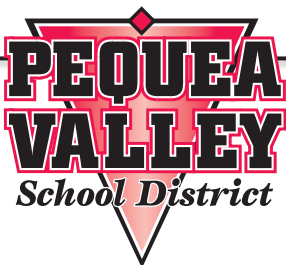
PSSA Performance Levels

PSSA Performance Level Codes: A = Advanced, P = Proficient, B = Basic, BB = Below Basic

	Math				Reading				Writing			
	A	P	B	BB	A	P	B	BB	A	P	B	BB
Grade 3 - Leac.	56%	33%	11%	0%	29%	51%	11%	9%				
Grade 3 - Salis.	57%	32%	4%	6%	32%	54%	7%	6%				
Grade 4 - Leac.	67%	18%	7%	8%	31%	46%	15%	8%				
Grade 4 - Salis.	54%	38%	4%	3%	57%	31%	12%	0%				
Grade 5 - Leac.	65%	29%	6%	0%	26%	58%	9%	7%	4%	79%	15%	1%
Grade 5 - Salis.	47%	30%	22%	1%	18%	45%	22%	16%	4%	65%	31%	0%
Grade 6	41%	29%	17%	14%	31%	31%	20%	18%				
Grade 7	37%	32%	22%	8%	29%	41%	16%	14%				
Grade 8	33%	33%	12%	23%	48%	23%	10%	20%	0%	62%	35%	4%
Grade 11	25%	31%	18%	26%	29%	34%	19%	18%	5%	84%	9%	2%

	Math				Reading				Writing			
	A	P	B	BB	A	P	B	BB	A	P	B	BB
Grade 3 - Leac.	47%	42%	5%	6%	32%	44%	8%	16%				
Grade 3 - Salis.	48%	38%	14%	0%	36%	50%	13%	2%				
Grade 4 - Leac.	57%	42%	2%	0%	28%	58%	12%	2%				
Grade 4 - Salis.	60%	29%	4%	6%	31%	46%	12%	12%				
Grade 5 - Leac.	60%	34%	6%	0%	29%	44%	24%	3%	0%	87%	13%	0%
Grade 5 - Salis.	59%	26%	8%	8%	29%	36%	20%	15%	3%	77%	20%	0%
Grade 6	32%	31%	24%	14%	27%	28%	31%	15%				
Grade 7	33%	29%	17%	21%	33%	29%	16%	22%				
Grade 8	40%	32%	15%	12%	54%	28%	12%	6%	9%	77%	14%	0%
Grade 11	21%	34%	24%	21%	26%	40%	19%	15%	7%	88%	5%	1%

	Math				Reading				Writing			
	A	P	B	BB	A	P	B	BB	A	P	B	BB
Grade 3 - Leac.	73%	19%	8%	0%	34%	48%	12%	6%				
Grade 3 - Salis.	61%	27%	9%	4%	34%	37%	9%	20%				
Grade 5 - Leac.	54%	30%	13%	4%	26%	46%	17%	11%	0%	72%	28%	0%
Grade 5 - Salis.	53%	24%	20%	4%	21%	53%	13%	14%	2%	75%	20%	1%
Grade 6												
Grade 8	42%	28%	16%	15%	37%	30%	17%	16%	6%	61%	31%	2%
Grade 9												
Grade 11	34%	22%	18%	26%	36%	33%	16%	15%	18%	72%	9%	0%



2008 Advanced Placement College Course Credit Tests

May 2008 Percent of PV Test-takers
Earning Qualifying Score

	2008 Pequea Valley Scores	2007 Global Scores
A.P. Biology:	73%	61%
A.P. Calculus AB:	100%	59%
A.P. English Lit./Composition:	82%	61%
A.P. United States History:	33%	54%

To meet "Adequate Yearly Progress" for participation, a building must achieve at least 95% of its students taking the PSSA

PSSA Building Participation Rate in Testing

Leacock: 100%
Salisbury: 100%
Middle School: 100%
High School: 97.5%