

November 2007

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.....	1,866
Leacock (Gr. 3 - 5)	184
Paradise (K- 2)	180
Salisbury (K - 5).....	371
Intermediate School (Gr. 6 - 8)	417
High School (Gr. 9 - 12)	668

Class Size Average	Core Subjects	w/electives*
Leacock	23.0	15.0
Paradise.....	22.5	15.0
Salisbury	16.9	11.2
Intermediate School	24.5	14.9
High School.....	30.4	14.8

*Electives and Remediation

Ethnicity	
White	94%
Black	3%
Hispanic	2%
Asian.....	1%

2006-07 Expulsions	
1 student for weapons violation;	
2 students for drug policy violations.	

2008-09 Budget

2008-09 Budget.....	\$28,021,729
Millage Rate.....	15.743
Funding Sources:	
Local	74%
State	22%
Federal.....	4%
Per Student Expense	\$14,519

Student Attendance Rate

	2006-07	2005-06	2004-05	2003-04	2002-03
Leacock	96.5	96.5	96.5	97.2	97.1
Paradise	95.0	95.4	95.9	95.4	95.6
Salisbury	96.3	96.3	96.1	96.8	96.2
Intermediate	95.9	96.1	96.0	97.2	95.2
High School	92.3	93.8	94.9	94.9	94.4

Graduation Rate

To meet "Adequate Yearly Progress," a high school must achieve an 80% graduation rate. Pequea Valley graduated 96% of the 137 students in the 2007 senior class. In tracking student dropouts from 9th through 12th grade, a total of 10 students dropped out of the class, for a grade 9 - 12 graduation rate of 93.9% for the class of 2007.

College Board (SAT) Scores:

SAT - PV Verbal.....	487
SAT - PV Math	488
SAT - PV Total.....	975
SAT - PA Total	992
SAT - National Total	1017
% PV Seniors taking the test.....	62%

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	13
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Low Income Student Percentage (10/5/07)	
High School.....	26.3%
Intermediate School	29.7%
Leacock Elementary.....	32.6%
Paradise Elementary	42.0%
Salisbury Elementary.....	35.6%

Computer Ratio - 1 computer: 2.7 students

	# of Computers	# of Labs
Leacock	105	2
Paradise	79	0
Salisbury	149	2
Intermediate	207	5
High School	284	6
Total	824	15

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

2007 Graduating Class Profile

State University	35
State or Public University outside of PA	3
Private 4 Yr. College or University in PA	13
4 Yr. College or University outside PA.....	7
Private 2-Year College	12
Community College.....	17
Other Postsecondary School.....	3
Military	3
Blue Collar Worker	15
White Collar Worker	1
Service Worker	22
Unknown.....	4
Total Graduates	135

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	149
Support Staff	108
Administrative Staff	9

Faculty Experience

Under 5 years	22%
Over 20 years.....	31%
Master’s degree or Equivalency	52%
Faculty average salary.....	\$53,489

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:

- 54% or more of the students must be proficient or advanced in reading.
- 45% 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.

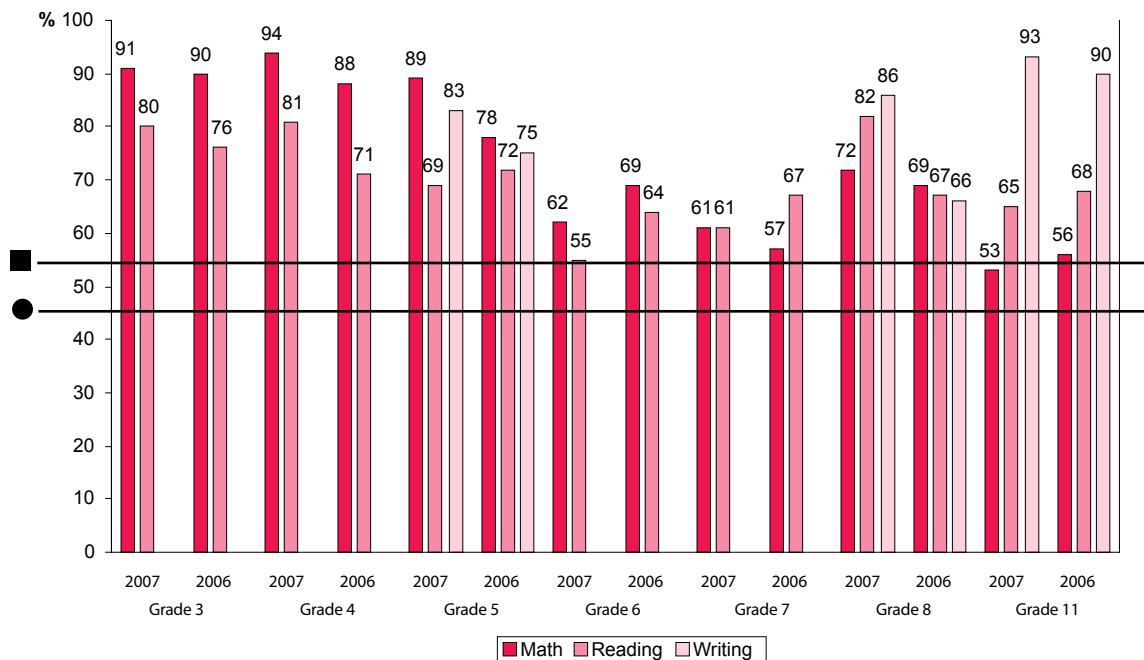
It is significant that in almost every area tested, Pequea Valley students are well above the threshold for achieving AYP!

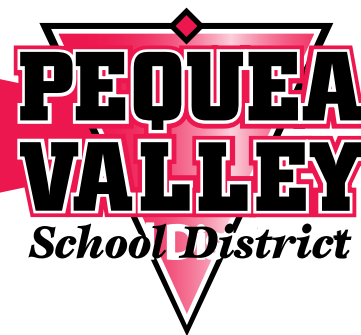
Disaggregation of PSSA Data

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 group in grades 6-8 that poses a concern.

Pequea Valley School District “Adequate Yearly Progress” Trend Data

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





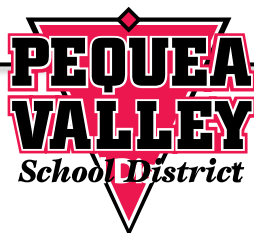
PSSA Performance Levels

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.	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%

	Math				Reading				Writing			
	A	P	B	BB	A	P	B	BB	A	P	B	BB
Grade 3 - Leac.	59%	35%	4%	2%	22%	37%	32%	9%				
Grade 3 - Salis.	78%	10%	10%	2%	53%	29%	8%	10%				
Grade 5 - Leac.	44%	40%	12%	4%	24%	49%	18%	9%				
Grade 5 - Salis.	43%	34%	15%	8%	35%	39%	13%	13%				
Grade 6												
Grade 8	39%	33%	23%	15%	30%	39%	16%	15%				
Grade 9												
Grade 11	28%	29%	23%	20%	43%	32%	9%	16%	3%	62%	24%	11%



Advanced Placement College Course Credit Tests

May 2007 Percent of PV Test-takers
Earning Qualifying Score

	Pequea Valley Scores	Global Scores
A.P. Biology:	64%	61%
A.P. Calculus AB:	91%	59%
A.P. English Lit./Composition:	79%	61%
A.P. United States History:	71%	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: 99.5%
High School: 98.5%