2014-15 School Closure Discharge Reporting

In June 2015, 18 New York City public schools closed. This report provides data regarding students enrolled in these schools during the 2014-2015 school year, according to the guidelines set by Local Law 2011/043.\(^1\) Counts of 0 to 9 were suppressed throughout the report. In some cases, higher counts were suppressed if that information would result in the ability to determine the values of suppressed counts though subtraction. More information on the meaning of individual discharge codes can be found [here](#).

**High Schools/Secondary Schools**

Eight New York City public high schools and secondary schools stopped serving students in June 2015:
- International Arts Business School
- Gateway School for Environmental Research and Technology
- Grace Dodge Career and Technical Education High School
- Jane Addams High School for Academic Careers
- Manhattan Theatre Lab High School
- Legacy School For Integrated Studies
- Samuel Gompers Career and Technical Education High School
- Washington Irving High School

1896 students were enrolled in these high schools and secondary schools during the 2014-15 school year. Of these:
- 957 students (50.5% of students enrolled in these school during 2014-15) graduated as of June.\(^2\)
- 282 students (14.9%) transferred to another DOE school.
- Students were also discharged under one of the following codes:
  - 367 students had dropout codes of voluntarily withdrew or were discharged after 20 consecutive days of non-attendance (Code 39) or discharged to a school outside of New York City – missing documentation (Code 11X).
  - 166 students were discharged under the following codes:
    - Transferred to a school or program for a limited time period, including YABC (Code 51)
    - Discharged to a school outside of New York City (Code 11)
  - 108 students were discharged under the following codes:
    - Career Development and Occupational Studies (CDOS) Commencement Credential
    - Transferred to a part-time DOE GED program
    - Transferred to a full-Time DOE GED program
    - Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential
  - 0-9 students were discharged under the following codes:
    - Address Unknown (Authorized by an Attendance Teacher)
    - Over 21 Years of Age
    - Obtained Full-Time Employment Certificate (age 16-17)
    - Discharged to a Private School (in NYC or NY State)
    - Deceased Student
- 491 students (25.9%) received special education services, including students participating in a self-contained program.

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\(^1\) Includes any student enrolled as of October 31, 2014 and after.
\(^2\) Graduation outcomes are as of June. Graduation outcomes *only* include students who were enrolled in a high school for the 2014-15 school year who graduated by June with a Local or higher diploma. **This is not the school’s official four year graduation rate.** Schools’ official four year graduation rates are published each year by the New York State Education Department and are defined as the percentage of students in the school’s entering cohort who graduate with a Local or higher diploma four years later.
• 11 students earned credit through credit recovery during the 2014-15 school year.³

• Cumulative grade average of high school students:⁴
  o 119 (6.3%) students had a cumulative average between 85-100,
  o 417 (22.0%) students had a cumulative average between 75-84,
  o 703 (37.1%) students had a cumulative average between 65-74,
  o 506 (26.7%) students had a cumulative average between 55-64, and
  o 150 (7.9%) students had a cumulative average below 55.

• Rates of attendance during the 2014-15 school year⁵:
  o 877 (46.3%) students had an attendance rate between 81-100% during the 2014-15 school year,
  o 426 (22.5%) students had an attendance rate between 61-80% during the 2014-15 school year,
  o 250 (13.2%) students had an attendance rate between 41-60% during the 2014-15 school year,
  o 147 (7.8%) students had an attendance rate between 21-40% during the 2014-15 school year, and
  o 196 (10.3%) students had an attendance rate between 0-20% during the 2014-15 school year.

Intermediate/Middle Schools
Six New York City public intermediate/middle schools stopped serving students in June 2015:
  • J.H.S. 166 George Gershwin
  • J.H.S. 302 Rafael Cordero
  • General D. Chappie James Middle School of Science
  • J.H.S. 013 Jackie Robinson
  • M.S. 203
  • MS 142 John Philip Sousa

1447 students were enrolled in these intermediate/middle schools during the 2014-15 school year. Of these students:

• 1366 students (94.4%) transferred to another DOE school or program.

• 0-9 students were discharged with the following codes:
  o Transferred to a school or program for a limited time period, including YABC (Code 51)
  o Discharged to a school outside of New York City-missing documentation (Code 11X)
  o Discharged to a private school in NYC or NYC

• 62 students transferred to a school outside of NYC (Code 11)

• 393 students (27.2%) received special education services, including students participating in a self-contained program.

• 1309 8th grade students (90.4% of 8th graders) were promoted to high school and matriculated into another DOE school.

³ Per NY State Commissioner’s Regulations, students who fail a course of study have the opportunity to make up credit by repeating the course or completing credit recovery. When NYSED released its credit recovery policy in 2010, the NYCDOE began tracking its use by creating an indicator in its Student Transcript And Reporting System (STARS), where schools enter course information. Schools began using this indicator in Fall 2010.

⁴ Schools determine their grading policies in accordance with relevant NYSED and NYCDOE policies, including determining which courses to include in the calculation of GPA. Schools may weight certain courses (e.g. Honors, Advanced Placement) more heavily in the GPA calculation. Because New York City schools have various policies for calculating GPA, the data reported here is a weighted cumulative grade average that calculates the average grade across all of a student’s courses.

⁵ Attendance rates may not add to 100 percent due to students with only one day of enrollment.
Rates of attendance during the 2014-15 school year:
  o 1190 (82.2%) students had an attendance rate between 81-100% during the 2014-15 school year,
  o 189 (13.1%) students had an attendance rate between 61-80% during the 2014-15 school year,
  o 43 (3.0%) students had an attendance rate between 41-60% during the 2014-15 school year,
  o 0-9 students had an attendance rate between 21-40% during the 2014-15 school year, and
  o 10-20 students had an attendance rate between 0-20% during the 2014-15 school year.

Elementary Schools
Four New York City public elementary schools stopped serving students in June 2015:
  • General D. Chappie James Elementary School of Science,
  • P.S. 014 Cornelius Vanderbilt
  • P.S. 019 Roberto Clemente
  • P.S. 215 Lucretia Mott

654 students were enrolled in these middle schools during the 2014-15 school year. Of these students:
  • 624 students (95.4%) transferred to another DOE school or program.
  • 30 students transferred to a school outside of NYC (excluding non-public school in NY State) (Code 11).
  • 198 students (30.3%) received special education services, including students participating in a self-contained program.

Rates of attendance during the 2014-15 school year:
  o 597 (91.3%) of students had an attendance rate between 81-100% during the 2014-15 school year,
  o 49 (7.5%) students had an attendance rate between 61-80% during the 2014-15 school year,
  o 0-9 students had an attendance rate between 41-60% during the 2014-15 school year,
  o 0-9 students had an attendance rate between 21-40% during the 2014-15 school year, and
  o 0-9 students had an attendance rate between 0-20% during the 2014-15 school year.