

Highlights of Performance Comparison Between MPS and Other Urban School Districts

3rd Grade Wisconsin Comprehensive Reading Test

Beloit

- The performance level of Beloit's Hispanic and Asian American students was lower than their MPS counterparts.
- Native American students' performance was similar* in Beloit and MPS.

Green Bay

- The performance of Blacks and Native Americans in Green Bay was lower than in MPS.
- White students' performance was the same in Green Bay and MPS.

Kenosha

- Native American students' performance was similar* in Kenosha and MPS.

Madison

- Black students' performance was lower in Madison than in MPS.

Racine

- The scores of Whites and Blacks in Racine were similar to* that of their counterparts in MPS.
- The performance level of Native Americans was lower in Racine than in MPS.

This information is based on the tables that follow. This summary and the tables that follow were produced by the Center for Education Research, Analysis, and Innovation (CERAI) at the University of Wisconsin--Milwaukee.

* The phrase "similar to" means that the district's performance in this category was within 3% of MPS' performance. E.g., if 30% of MPS' Black students scored in the proficient or advanced levels on reading, and 32% of Kenosha's Black students did, MPS and Kenosha's performance could be said to be "similar to" each other.

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3rd Grade Results for Beloit

Racial Category	Percentage of Students Who Scored At or Above the State Standard
White not Hispanic	91%
Black not Hispanic	83%
Hispanic	57%
Asian or Pacific Islander	62%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	***75%

Asterisks indicate district performance within 3% of Milwaukee Public Schools'. Shaded cells indicate district performance worse than Milwaukee Public Schools'.

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3rd Grade Results for Green Bay

Racial Category	Percentage of Students Who Scored At or Above the State Standard
White not Hispanic	***86%
Black not Hispanic	52%
Hispanic	73%
Asian or Pacific Islander	80%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	67%

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3rd Grade Results for Kenosha

Racial Category	Percentage of Students Who Scored At or Above the State Standard
White not Hispanic	91%
Black not Hispanic	72%
Hispanic	79%
Asian or Pacific Islander	100%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	***75%

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3rd Grade Results for Madison

Racial Category	Percentage of Students Who Scored At or Above the State Standard
White not Hispanic	91%
Black not Hispanic	***60%
Hispanic	74%
Asian or Pacific Islander	86%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	78%

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3rd Grade Results for Milwaukee

Racial Category	Percentage of Students Who Scored At or Above the State Standard
White not Hispanic	86%
Black not Hispanic	61%
Hispanic	68%
Asian or Pacific Islander	72%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	72%

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3rd Grade Results for Racine

Racial Category	Percentage of Students Who Scored At or Above the State Standard
White not Hispanic	***88%
Black not Hispanic	***62%
Hispanic	73%
Asian or Pacific Islander	93%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	57%

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