

**This Progress Report is for:**

SCHOOL	P.S. 042 R. Vernam (27Q042)
PRINCIPAL	Riva Madden
ENROLLMENT	749
SCHOOL TYPE	K-8
PEER INDEX	55.03

Progress Report Grade

# A

**What does this grade mean?**

Schools are assigned letter grades based on their overall Progress Report score. Schools that get As and Bs are eligible for rewards. Schools that get Ds and Fs, or 3 Cs in a row, face consequences, including change in school leadership or school closure.

**How did this school perform?**

- This school's overall score for 2008-09 is 77.2
- This score places the School in the 39 percentile of all K-8 schools Citywide—i.e., 39 percent of those schools scored lower than this school

Category	Calculated Score	Category Grade
<b>School Environment</b>	8.1 out of 15	<b>B</b>
<b>Student Performance</b>	14.3 out of 25	<b>B</b>
<b>Student Progress</b>	48.0 out of 60	<b>A</b>
<b>Additional Credit</b>	6.8 (15 max)	
<b>Overall Score</b>	77.2 out of 100	<b>A</b>

**Quality Review Score**

This school's 2008-09 Quality Review score is: **Proficient**  
To see this school's Quality Review report, find the school's Web site at <http://schools.nyc.gov/>, click 'Statistics' and scroll down to Quality Review Report.

**State Accountability Status**

Based on its 2008-09 performance, this school is: **Restructuring (Advanced) - Focused**  
This status is determined by the New York State Department of Education under the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act. It is separate from the school's Progress Report Grade.

**In This Report:**

Each school's Progress Report (1) measures student year-to-year progress, (2) compares the school to peer schools and (3) rewards success in moving all children forward, especially children with the greatest needs. The Progress Report measures four areas:

**School Environment** uses parent, teacher and secondary student surveys and other data to measure necessary conditions for learning: attendance, academic expectations, communication, engagement and safety and respect.

**Student Performance** measures student skill levels in English Language Arts and Math.

**Student Progress** measures average student improvement from last year to this year in English Language Arts and Math.

**Closing the Achievement Gap** gives schools additional credit for exemplary gains among high-need students.

*The back page provides specific information about how the school performed in each of these areas.*

**How scores translate to grades:**

- Schools receive letter grades based on their overall score
- Schools with an overall score between 68.0-100 receive a letter grade of A
- 85% of schools earned an A in 2008-09

**K-8 School Table – Overall Grades**

Grade	Score range	City summary
A	68.0-100	85.4% of schools
B	54-67.9	13.1% of schools
C	43.0-53.9	1.5% of schools
D	33.0-42.9	0% of schools
F	0-32.9	0% of schools

## Additional Information

### Closing the Achievement Gap

Schools earn additional credit when their high-need students make exemplary gains. These gains are based on the percentage of high-need students who improve by at least one-half of a proficiency level in English Language Arts or Math (e.g., student improves from 2.25 to 2.75 in ELA, or 3.20 to 3.70 in Math).

This component can only improve a school's Progress Report grade. It cannot lower a school's grade.

Credit	Exemplary Proficiency Gains	Student Group
<b>English Language Arts</b>		
-	-	English Language Learners
+0.75	35.1%	Special Education Students
+1.5	59.1%	Hispanic Students in the Lowest Third Citywide
+0.75	32.2%	Black Students in the Lowest Third Citywide
-	-	Other Students in the Lowest Third Citywide
<b>Mathematics</b>		
-	-	English Language Learners
+1.5	41.1%	Special Education Students
+0.75	37.5%	Hispanic Students in the Lowest Third Citywide
+1.5	39.8%	Black Students in the Lowest Third Citywide
-	-	Other Students in the Lowest Third Citywide

(-) indicates less than 15 students in this category

### Peer Schools

Each school's performance is compared to the performance of schools in its peer group. Peer schools are those New York City public schools with a student population most like this school's population. Each school has up to 40 peer schools.

For Elementary and K-8 Schools, peer schools are determined based on the percentage of students at each school that are English Language Learners, Special Education, Black/Hispanic and Title I eligible.

For Middle Schools, peer schools are determined based on the average ELA and Math proficiency levels of the school's students before they entered Middle School.

The peer schools for P.S. 042 R. Vernam are:

DBN	School Name	DBN	School Name
10X280	P.S. 280 Mosholu Parkway	04M171	P.S. 171 Patrick Henry
84X717	Carl C. Icahn Charter School	17K181	P.S. 181 Brooklyn
30Q127	P.S. 127 Aerospace Science Magne	84K731	Brooklyn Excelsior Charter
84K359	The Uft Charter School	23K137	P.S. 137 Rachel Jean Mitchell
06M311	Amistad Dual Language School	10X003	P.S. 3 Raul Julia Micro Society
17K161	P.S. 161 The Crown	27Q105	P.S. 105 The Bay School
84K704	Explore Charter School	16K308	P.S. 308 Clara Cardwell
84X706	Harriet Tubman Charter School	23K041	P.S. 041 Francis White
11X089	P.S. 089 Bronx	10X037	P.S. X037 - Multiple Intelligence School
02M111	P.S. 111 Adolph S. Ochs	03M180	P.S. 180 Hugo Newman
20K192	P.S. 192 Brooklyn		
11X194	PS/MS 194		
03M191	P.S. 191 Amsterdam		
10X095	P.S. 095 Sheila Mencher		
29Q138	P.S. 138 Sunrise		
84X345	Hyde Leadership Charter School		
27Q043	P.S. 043		
29Q116	P.S. 116 William C. Hughley		
27Q183	P.S. 183 Dr. Richard R. Green		
23K178	P.S. 178 Saint Clair Mckelway		

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# Results by Category

SCHOOL P.S. 042 R. Vernam  
PRINCIPAL Riva Madden

## HOW TO INTERPRET THIS CHART

A school is evaluated by asking how far its score in each category has moved along the range of scores for all schools. These charts show that movement as a percentage. In the example to the right, the school's score is 75% of the way from the lowest to the highest score in the City.

If a school performs at the top end of the range, the bar will be fully shaded. If a school performs at the low end of the range, the bar will not be shaded. If a school performs in the middle of the range, half the bar will be shaded



In this example, the school's attendance is 95%. This is 75% of the way from the lowest attendance at any school (80%) to the highest attendance (100%).

Below, the green charts on the left compare the school to its peer group. The blue charts on the right compare the school to schools Citywide. Peer scores count three times as much as City scores. Peer and City ranges are based on the outcomes of schools from 2005-08.

## School Environment

Comprises 15% of the Overall Score

This Year's Score: **8.1 out of 15**

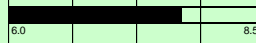
**B**

### Survey Scores (10 points)

Academic Expectations:

7.7

68.0%



66.7%

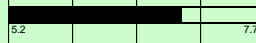


Number of students

Communication:

6.9

68.0%



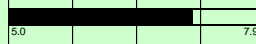
68.2%



Engagement:

7.1

72.4%



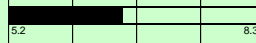
69.2%



Safety and Respect:

6.6

45.2%



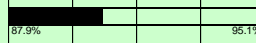
37.5%



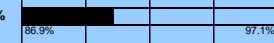
### Attendance (5 points)

90.6%

37.5%



36.3%



## Student Performance

Comprises 25% of the Overall Score

This Year's Score: **14.3 out of 25**

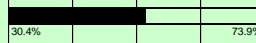
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### English Language Arts

Percentage of Students at Proficiency (Level 3 or 4):

54.2%

54.7%



49.7%

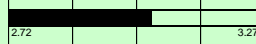


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Median Student Proficiency (1.00-4.50):

3.03

56.4%



50.0%



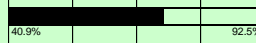
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### Mathematics

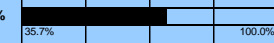
Percentage of Students at Proficiency (Level 3 or 4):

72.8%

61.8%



57.7%

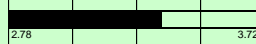


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Median Student Proficiency (1.00-4.50):

3.35

60.6%



53.4%



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## Student Progress

Comprises 60% of the Overall Score

This Year's Score: **48 out of 60**

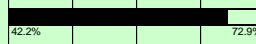
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### English Language Arts

Percentage of Students Making at Least 1 Year of Progress

68.9%

87.0%



91.4%

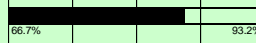


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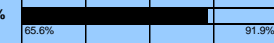
Percentage of Students in School's Lowest 1/3 Students Making at Least 1 Year of Progress

85.0%

69.1%



73.8%

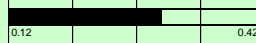


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Average Change in Student Proficiency for Level 1 and Level 2 Students

0.30

60.0%



56.7%

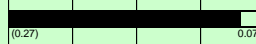


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Average Change in Student Proficiency for Level 3 and Level 4 Students

0.04

91.2%



93.3%



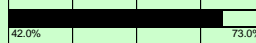
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### Mathematics

Percentage of Students Making at Least 1 Year of Progress

68.3%

84.8%



66.5%

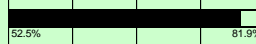


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Percentage of Students in School's Lowest 1/3 Students Making at Least 1 Year of Progress

79.5%

91.8%



79.6%

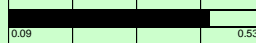


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Average Change in Student Proficiency for Level 1 and Level 2 Students

0.44

79.5%



74.0%



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Average Change in Student Proficiency for Level 3 and Level 4 Students

0.07

87.9%

