



**WEST LONG BRANCH
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

WEST LONG BRANCH SCHOOLS ASSESSMENT PRESENTATION

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ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

In the 2018-2019 school year, the State of NJ replaced the former Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Career Skills (PARCC) state assessment with the current NJ Students Learning Assessment (NJSLA).

NJSLA, WIDA ACCESS and the Dynmaic Learning Map (DLM) assessments are annual requirements by the New Jersey Department of Education:

- NJSLA ELA & Math assessments - Spring administration in Grades 3 - 8
- NJSLA Science - Spring administration in Grades 5 & 8
- Dynmamic Learning Map (DLM) - Alternate assessment for Spring NJSLA for targeted students with Individual Education Plans (IEPs)
- WIDA ACCESS - Spring administration for ELL students in Grades K - 8

Spring Assessments were waived in the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years due to the COVID pandemic. This means that students only experienced the new NJSLA assessment for one year, prior to taking it in the Spring of 2022.

Spring 2022 was the first state standardized assessment administered in three years.



Spring 2022 New Jersey Student Learning Assessment Data (NJSLA)



Spring 2022 ELA students "Meeting" & "Exceeding" Expectations

GRADE	Not Yet Met (1)	Partially Meeting (2)	Approaching (3)	Meeting Expectations (4)	Exceeding Expectations (5)
Grade 3 62 students	11%	18%	26%	40%	5%
Grade 4 59 students	2%	7%	19%	51%	22%
Grade 5 41 students	7%	7%	29%	49%	7%
Grade 6 60 students	3%	8%	23%	55%	10%
Grade 7 41 students	0%	5%	29%	54%	12%
Grade 8 61 students	2%	5%	13%	51%	30%

Spring 2022 West Long Branch Schools

ELA

students "Meeting" & "Exceeding" Expectations

GRADE	Not Yet Met (1)	Partially Meeting (2)	Approaching (3)	Meeting Expectations (4)	Exceeding Expectations (5)
ALL GRADES 3 - 8	4%	9%	23%	50%	15%

65% of WLB students Met or Exceeded expectations in ELA

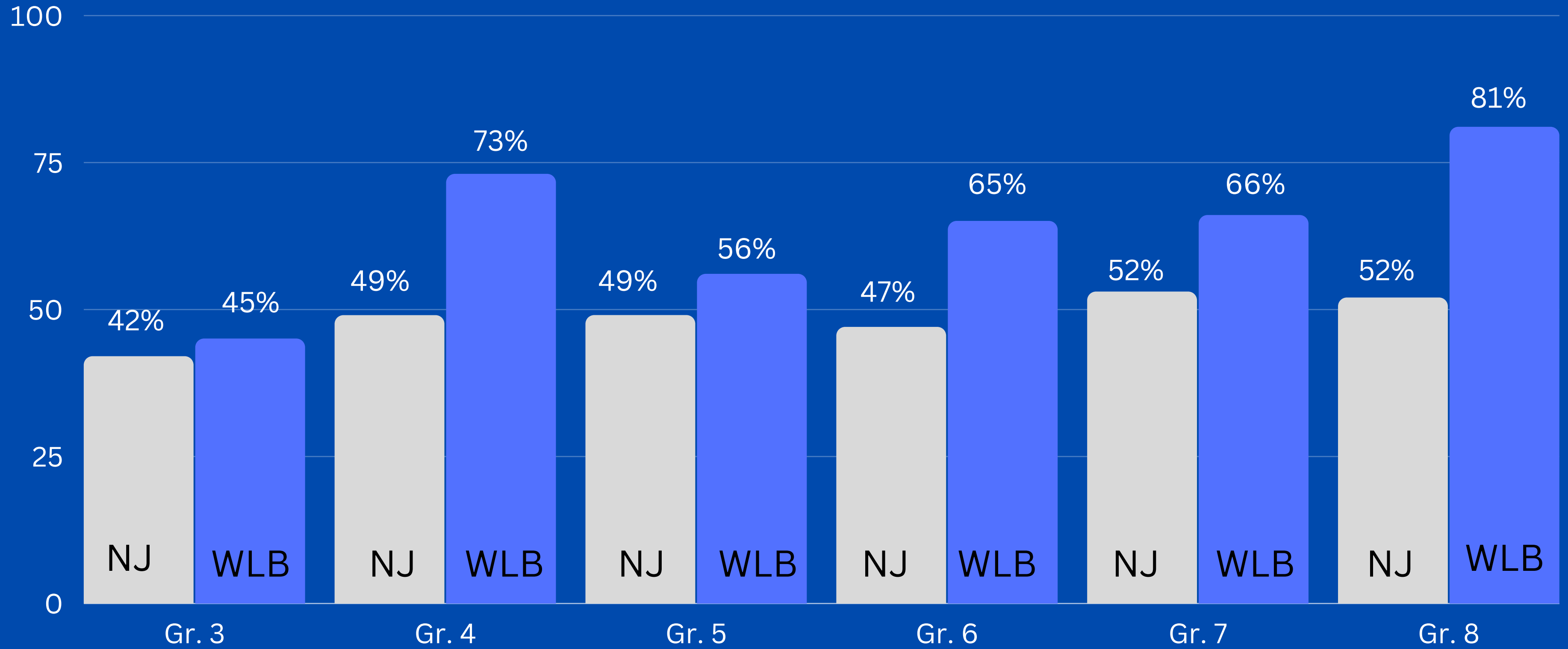
49% of NJ student Met or Exceeded expectation in ELA

2022 Spring NJSLA **ELA**

% of Students "Meeting" & "Exceeding" Expectations

State Comparison

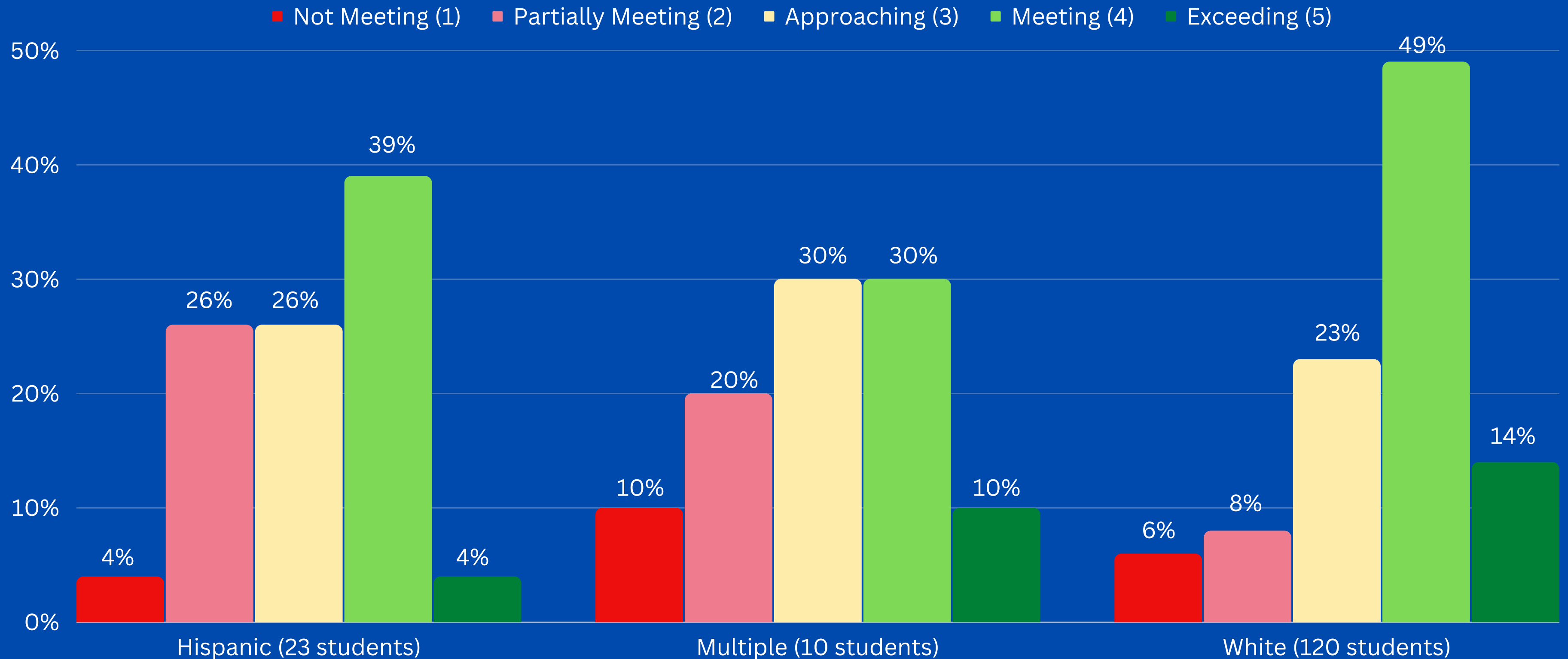
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2022 Spring NJSLA ELA

Performance Levels by Gr. 3 - Gr. 5 Sub-group: **RACE**

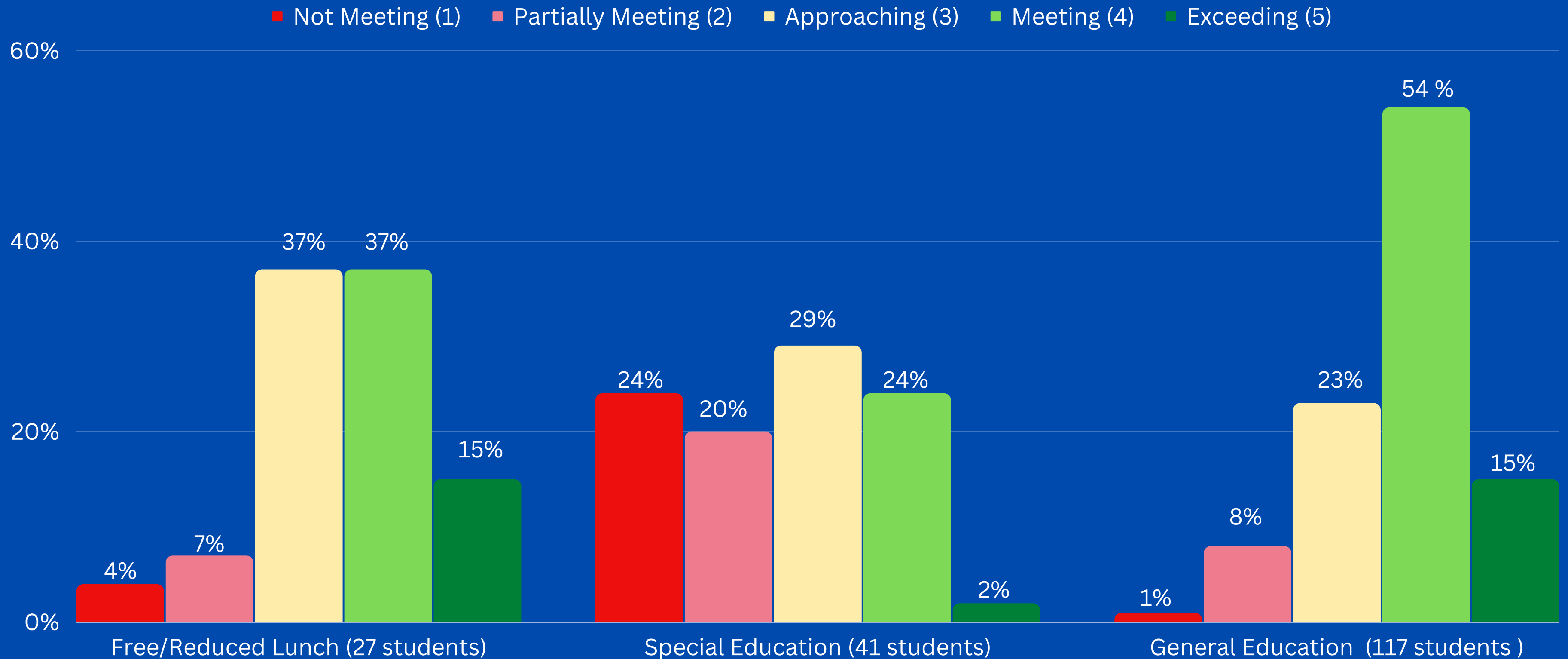
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2022 Spring NJSLA ELA

Performance Levels by Gr. 3 - Gr.5 by Program

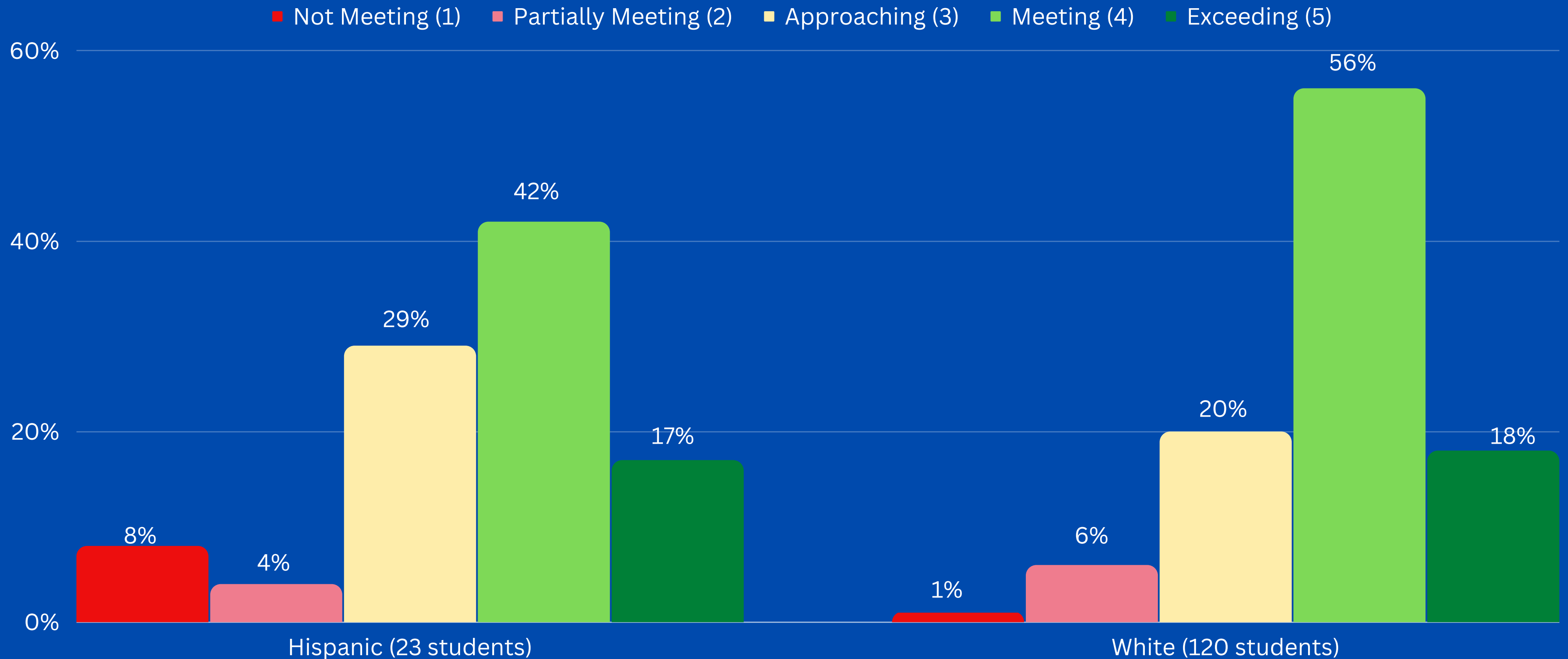
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2022 Spring NJSLA ELA

Performance Levels by Gr. 6 – Gr. 8 Sub-group: **RACE**

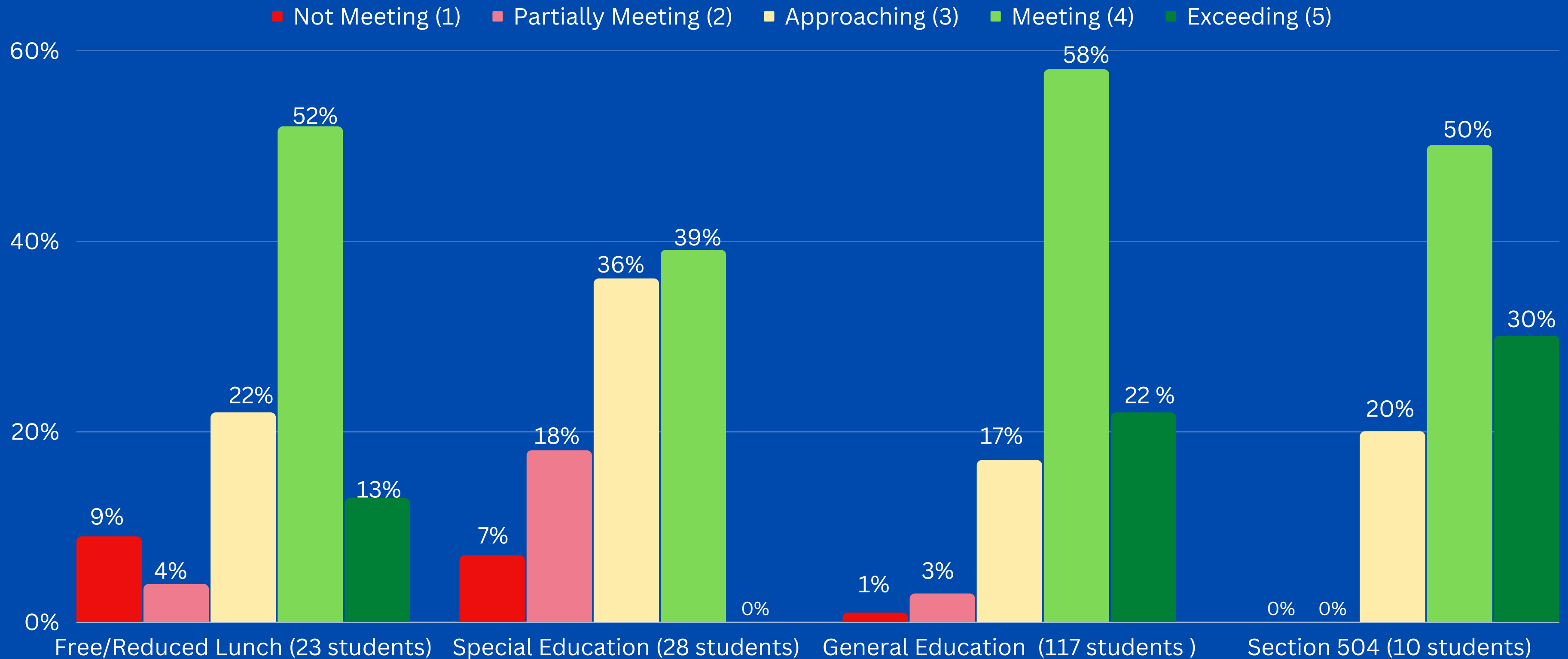
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2022 Spring NJSLA ELA

Performance Levels by Gr. 6 – Gr.8 by Program

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Spring 2022 **MATH** Students "Meeting" & "Exceeding" Expectations

GRADE	Not Yet Met (1)	Partially Meeting (2)	Approaching (3)	Meeting Expectations (4)	Exceeding Expectations (5)
Grade 3 62 students	2%	13%	24%	44%	18%
Grade 4 60 students	7%	8%	32%	43%	10%
Grade 5 41 students	2%	20%	27%	41%	10%
Grade 6 60 students	2%	13%	20%	57%	8%
Grade 7 41 students	12%	2%	24%	51%	10%
Grade 8 62 students	7%	7%	30%	54%	2%

Spring 2022 West Long Branch Schools

MATH

students "Meeting" & "Exceeding" Expectations

GRADE	Not Yet Met (1)	Partially Meeting (2)	Approaching (3)	Meeting Expectations (4)	Exceeding Expectations (5)
ALL GRADES 3 - 8	5%	10%	26%	49%	10%

59% of WLB students Met or Exceeded expectations in MATH

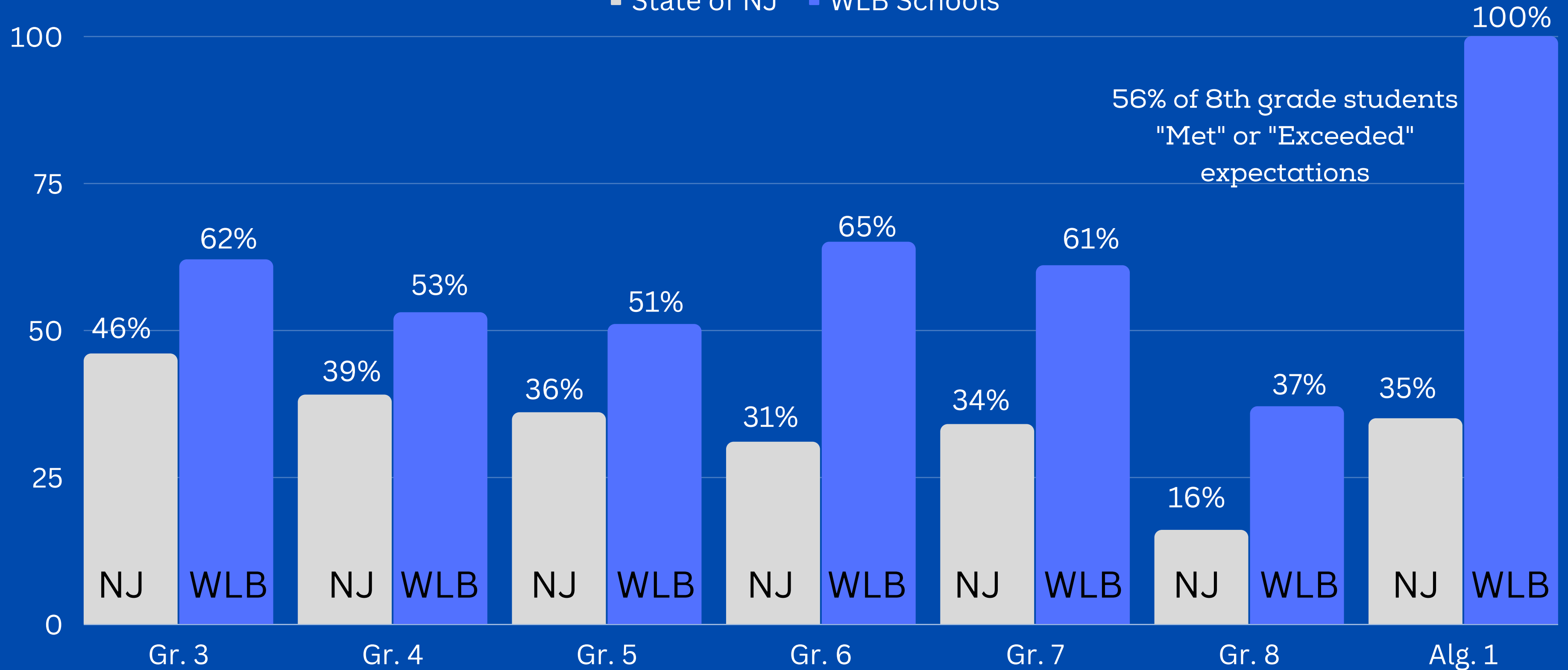
35% of NJ student Met or Exceeded expectation in MATH

2022 Spring NJSLA **MATH**

% of Students "Meeting" & "Exceeding" Expectations

State Comparison

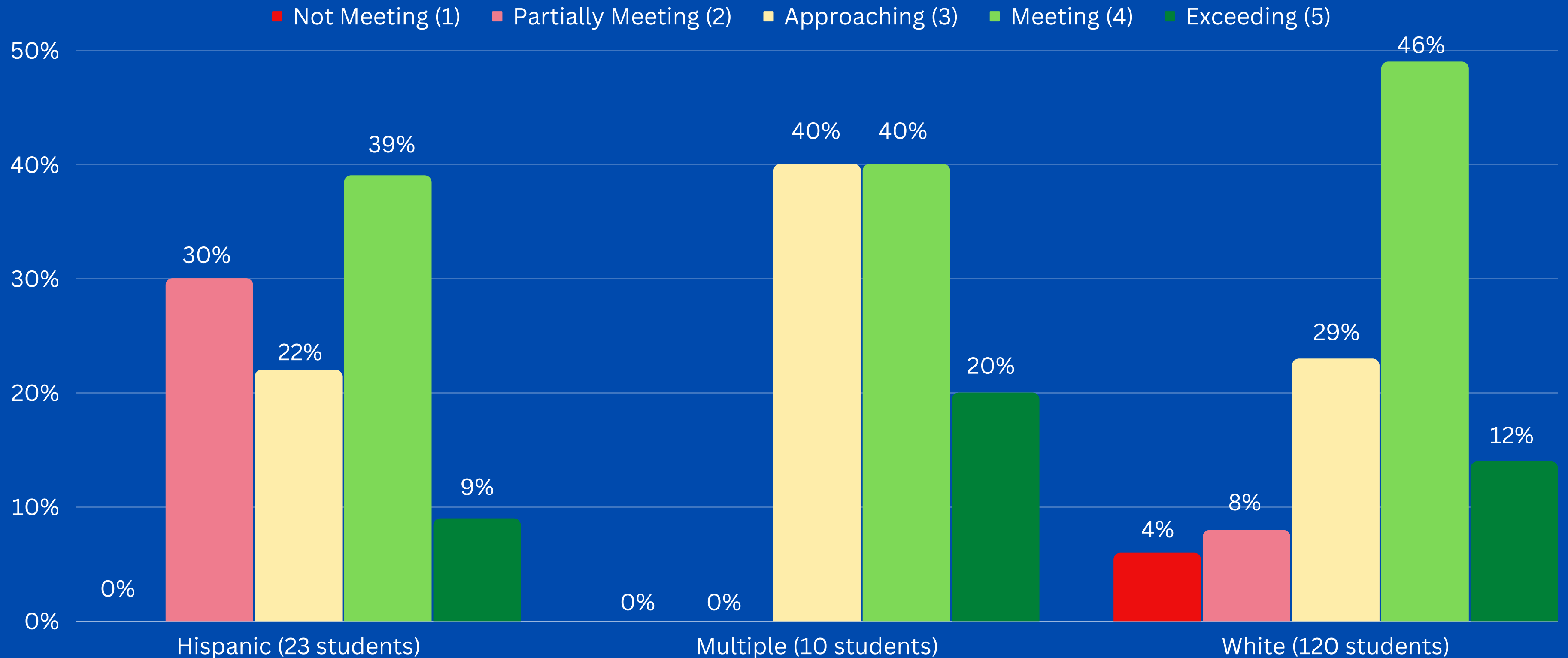
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2022 Spring NJSLA **MATH**

Performance Levels Gr. 3 - Gr. 5 by Sub-group: **RACE**

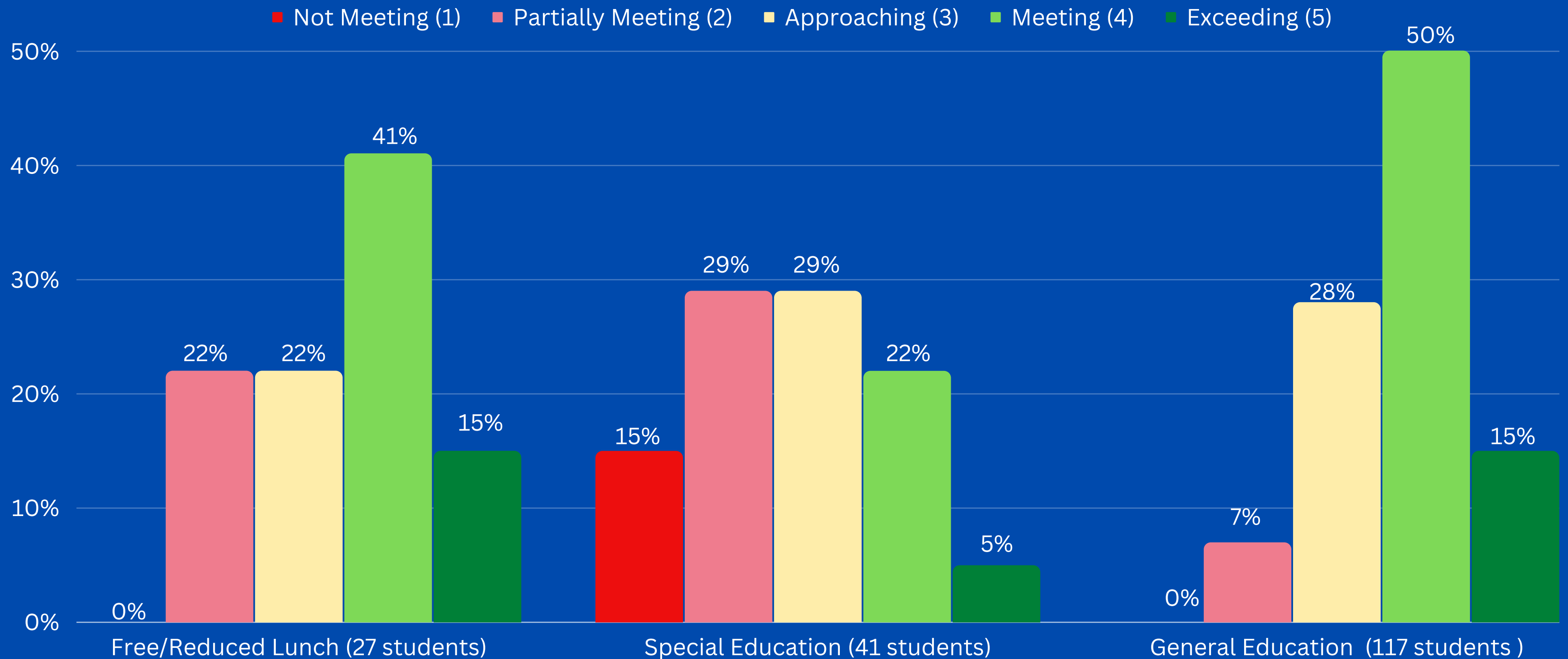
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Performance Levels by Gr. 3 - Gr.5 by **Program**

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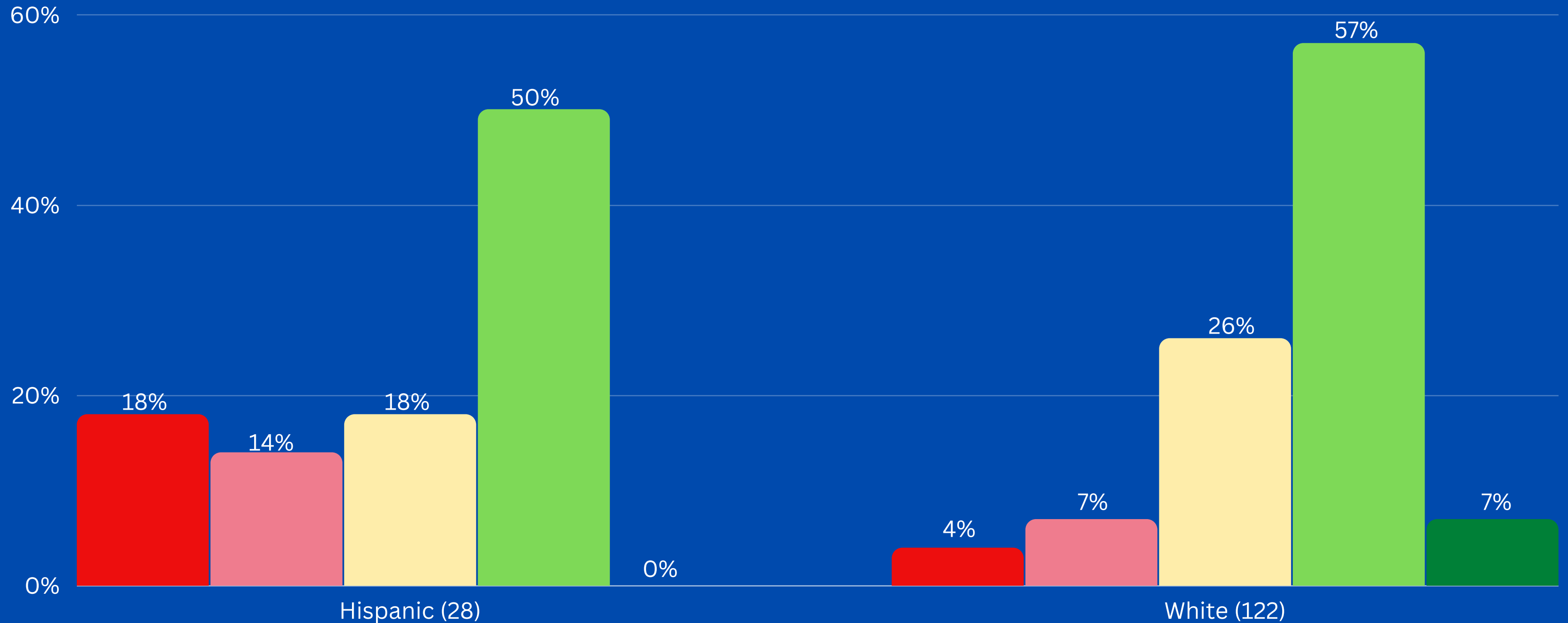


2022 Spring NJSLA **MATH**

Performance Levels Gr. 6 – Gr. 8 by Sub-group: **RACE**

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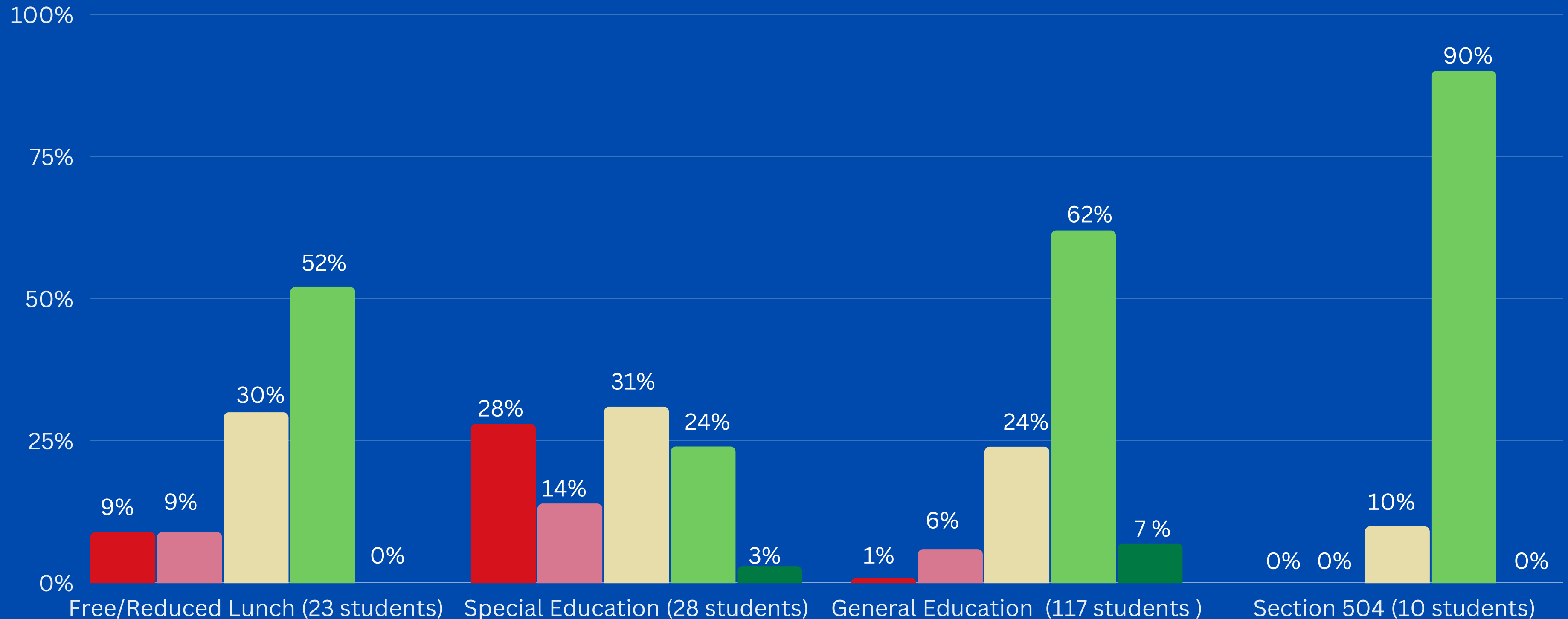


2022 Spring NJSLA **MATH**

Performance Levels by Gr. 6 – Gr.8 by **Program**

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■ Not Meeting (1) ■ Partially Meeting (2) ■ Approaching (3) ■ Meeting (4) ■ Exceeding (5)



Spring 2022 West Long Branch Schools

SCIENCE

Students "Meeting" & "Exceeding" Expectations

GRADE	Minimal (1)	Limited (2)	Proficient (3)	Advanced Proficient (4)
District-wide Gr. 5 & Gr. 8	23%	47%	23%	7%

30% of WLB students Met or Exceeded expectations in SCIENCE
23% of NJ student Met or Exceeded expectation in SCIENCE

Spring 2022 **SCIENCE** Students

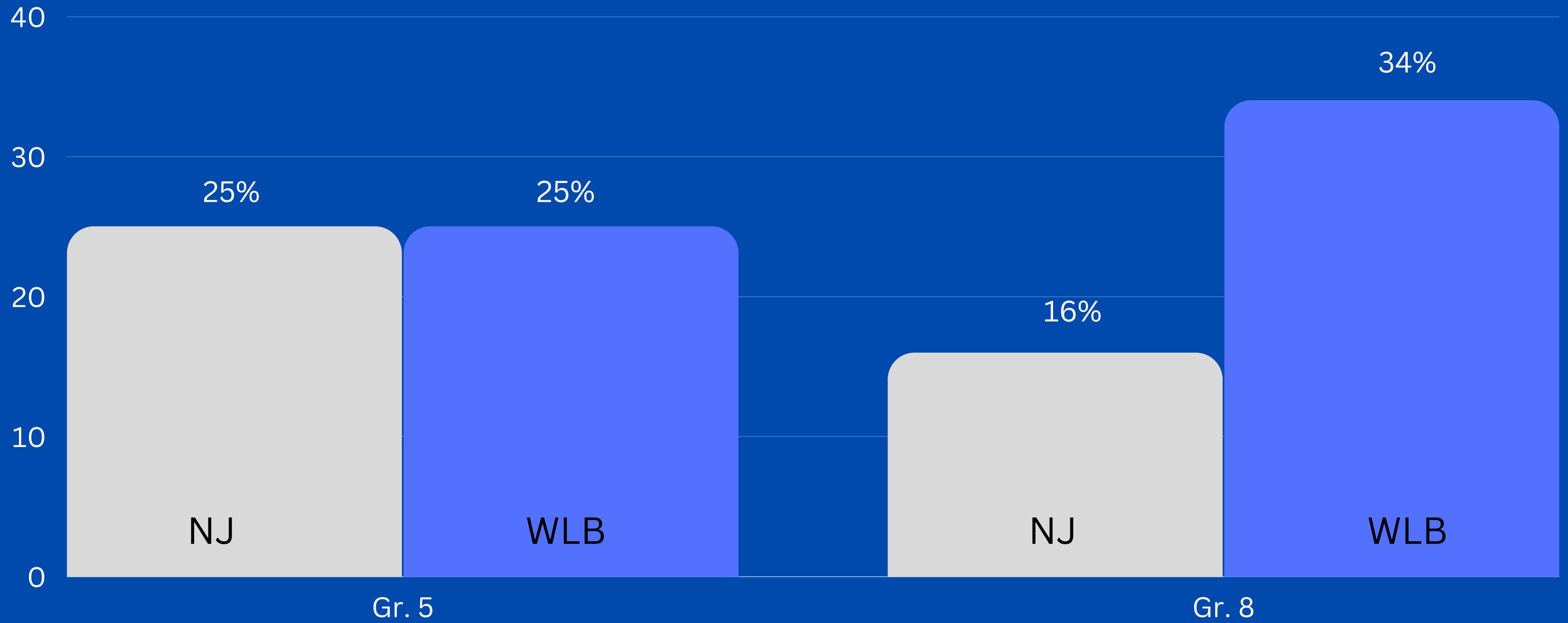
"Proficient" & "Advanced" Expectations

GRADE	Minimal (1)	Limited (2)	Proficient (3)	Advanced (4)
Grade 5 41 students	27%	49%	20%	5%
Grade 8 62 students	21%	45%	26%	8%

2022 Spring NJSLA **Science**

% of Students "Meeting" & "Exceeding" Expectations
State Comparison

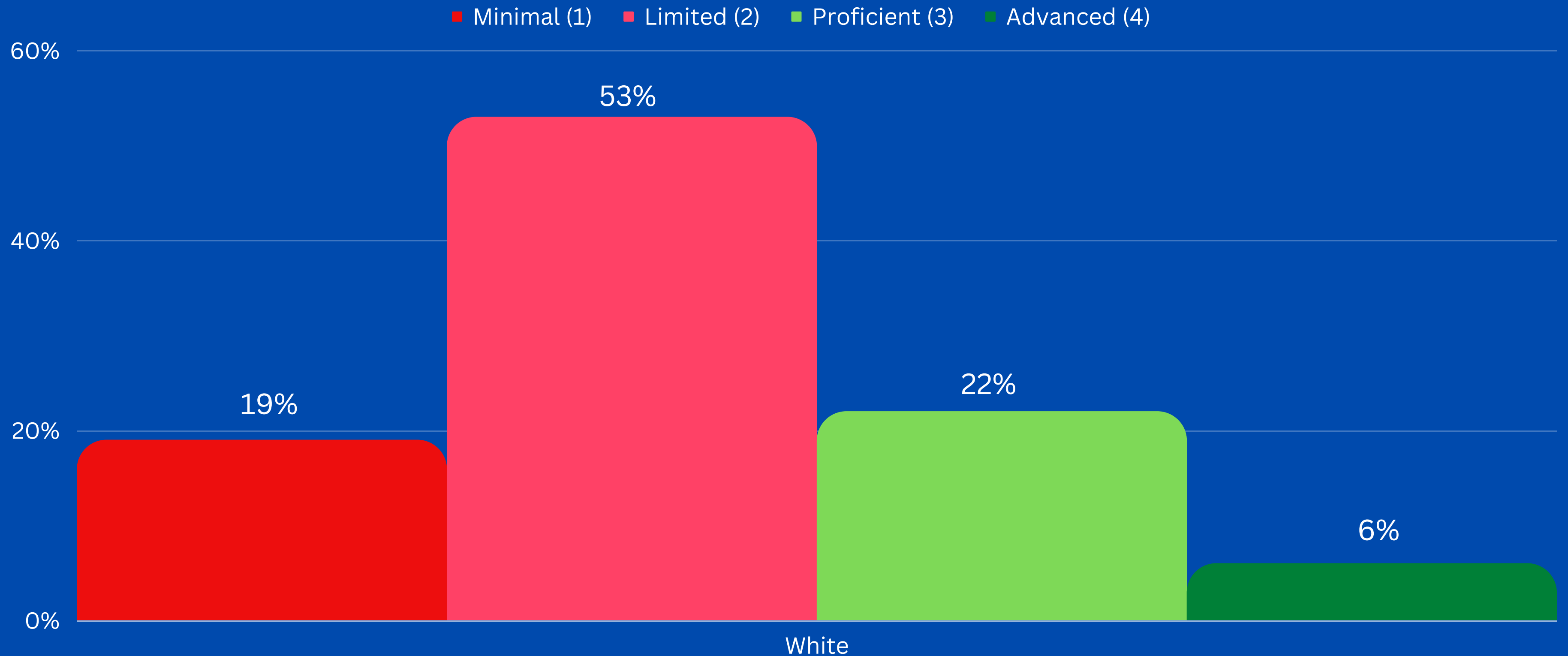
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2022 Spring NJSLA **SCIENCE**

Performance Levels Gr. 5 by Sub-group: **RACE**

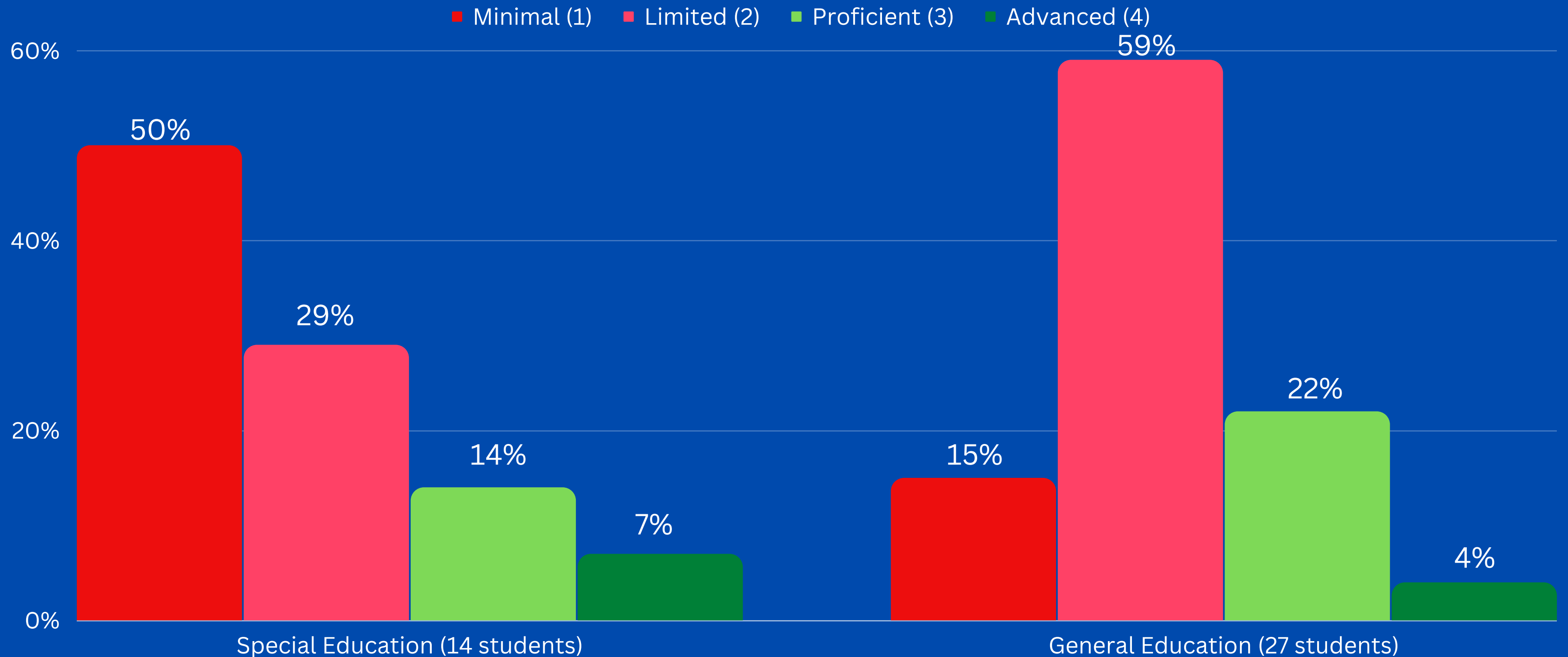
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2022 Spring NJSLA **SCIENCE**

Performance Levels Gr. 5 by Sub-group: **PROGRAM**

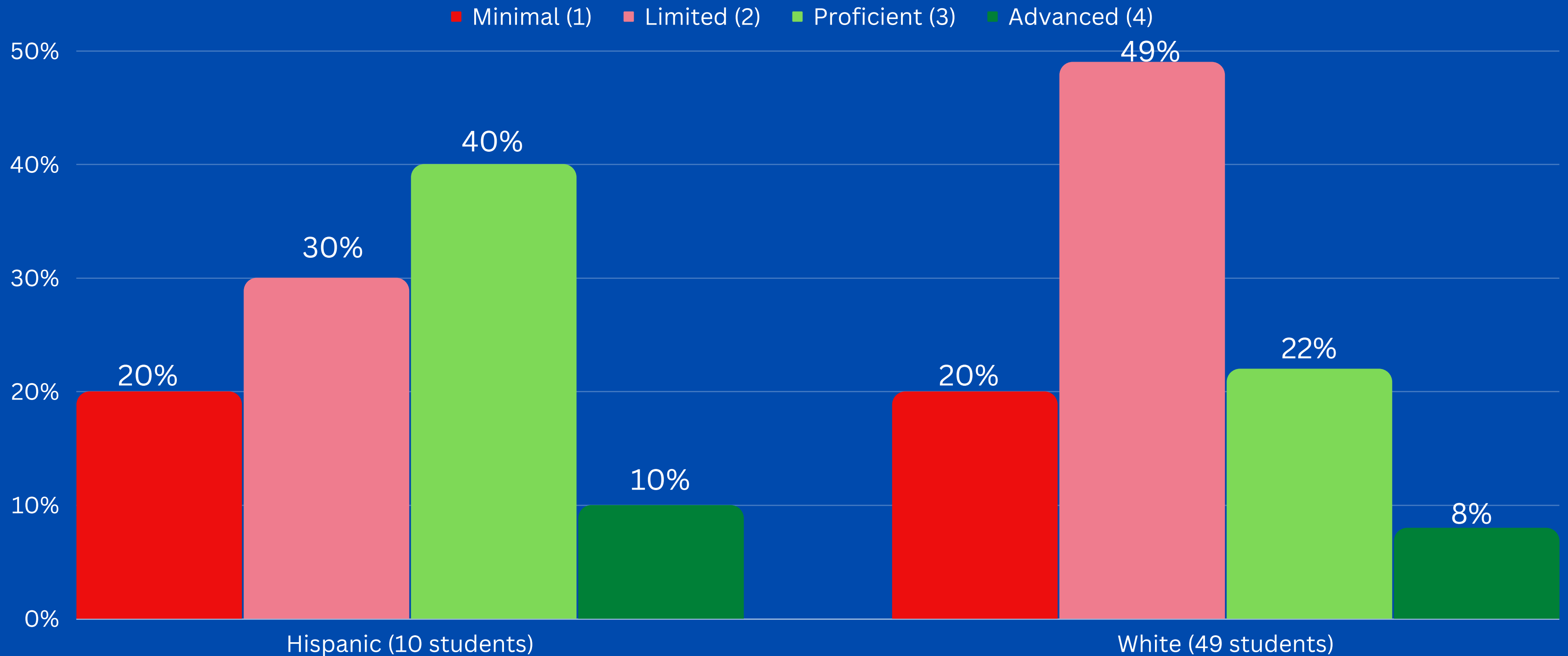
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Performance Levels Gr. 8 by Sub-group: **RACE**

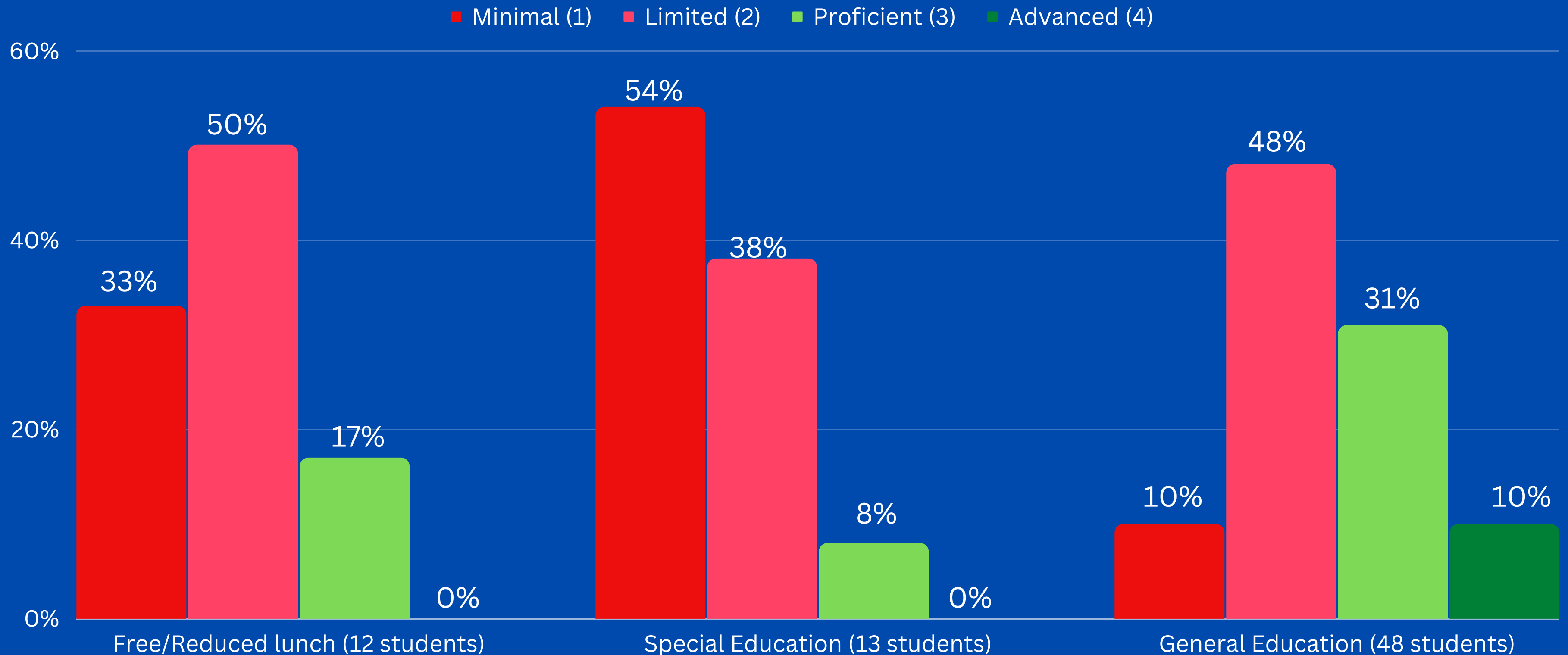
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2022 Spring NJSLA **SCIENCE**

Performance Levels Gr. 8 by Sub-group: **PROGRAM**

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Sample NJSLA Gr. 5 Science Questions

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Science

Use the information below to answer questions 3-6.

Four types of fossils of extinct species are found in two locations. Paleontologists can gather important information about organisms from these species and the environment in which they lived.

Figure 1 shows the types of fossils that were found at each location and the time period when the species of the organisms that created the fossils lived. The key indicates if each organism lived in a marine or land environment.

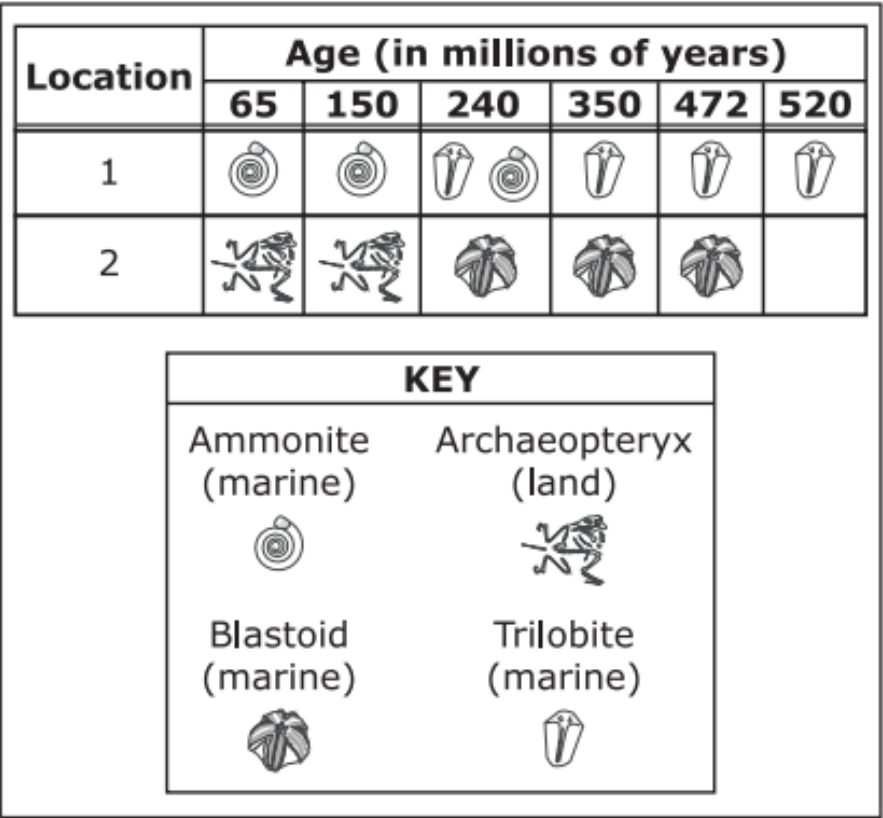


Figure 1. Ages of Fossil Types in Two Locations

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Science

3. This item has two parts. First, answer Part A. Then answer Part B.

Part A

Using Figure 1, calculate the approximate amount of time each species lived on Earth.

Select the option that correctly shows how long each species likely lived on Earth, from the shortest to the longest amount of time.

- A.**
- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Shortest Time
↓
Longest Time | Archaeopteryx |
| | Ammonite |
| | Blastoid |
| | Trilobite |
- B.**
- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Shortest Time
↓
Longest Time | Trilobite |
| | Blastoid |
| | Ammonite |
| | Archaeopteryx |
- C.**
- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Shortest Time
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Longest Time | Trilobite |
| | Ammonite |
| | Blastoid |
| | Archaeopteryx |
- D.**
- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Shortest Time
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Longest Time | Archaeopteryx |
| | Blastoid |
| | Ammonite |
| | Trilobite |

Sample NJSLA Gr. 8 Science Questions

Science

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Modern lighthouse technology projects light by using lenses like the one shown in Figure 2.

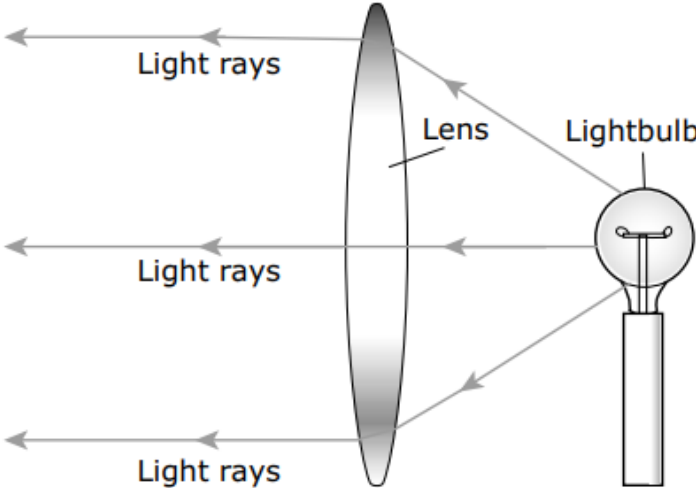


Figure 2. Modern Lighthouse Projection Method

When a ray of light passes from one medium to another, as shown in Figure 3, it undergoes some changes.

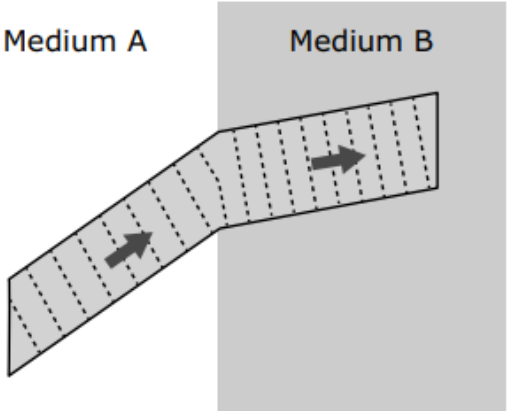


Figure 3. Path of Light

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Science

1. Figure 1 demonstrates how lighthouses in the 1800s directed bright light toward ships.

Complete the sentence by choosing the correct answer from each box.

In the projection method shown in Figure 1, light waves travel **X** until they **Y** the surface of the **Z**.

Box X

- A. through a vacuum
- B. in straight lines

Box Y

- A. bend upon entering
- B. reflect off
- C. are absorbed by

Box Z

- A. lightbulb
- B. air
- C. mirror

2. Figure 2 shows one model of light projection.

The answer to which question **most accurately** clarifies the role of the lens in Figure 2?

- A. Does the lens transmit or reflect light waves?
- B. Does the lens change the color of the light waves?
- C. How far out at sea can light waves be seen using lenses?
- D. How does the lens transfer matter from one side to the other?

Science

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3. Foghorns are another method of warning ships that they are close to the shore. Foghorns emit low-pitched sound waves in all directions that can be heard on ships when visibility is low. Low-pitched waves have longer wavelengths that are less likely to be blocked by barriers such as rocks.

Compare the warning signals emitted by a lighthouse with those emitted by a foghorn.

Select all the correct answers. You may select more than one answer for each scenario.

Lighthouse:

- A. The signal is transmitted by compression and expansion of air particles.
- B. The signal system is designed to focus the wave in a specific direction.
- C. The signal transmits energy.

Foghorn:

- A. The signal is transmitted by compression and expansion of air particles.
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Spring 2022 New Jersey ACCESS for ELLs Assessment Data



Spring 2022 ACCESS for ELL

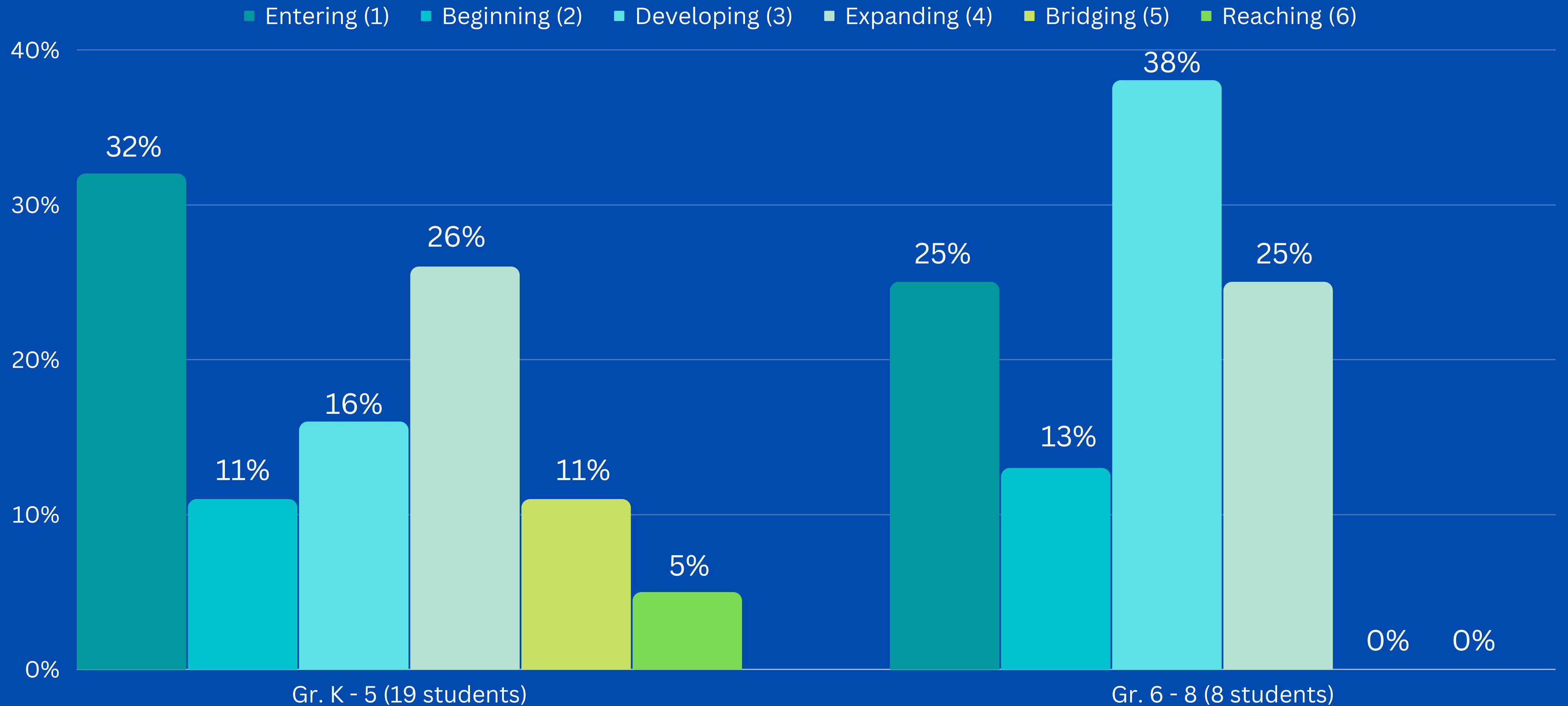
Language Acquisition Levels: K - Gr. 8

GRADE SPAN	Entering (1)	Beginning (2)	Developing (3)	Expanding (4)	Bridging (5)	Reaching (6)
Grades K - 5 (19 students)	32%	11%	16%	26%	11%	5%
Grades 6 - 8 (8 students)	25%	13%	38%	25%	0%	0%

NOTE: Students with a score of **4.5** are eligible for program exit, if other data points support this recommendation.

2022 Spring ACCESS for ELLs

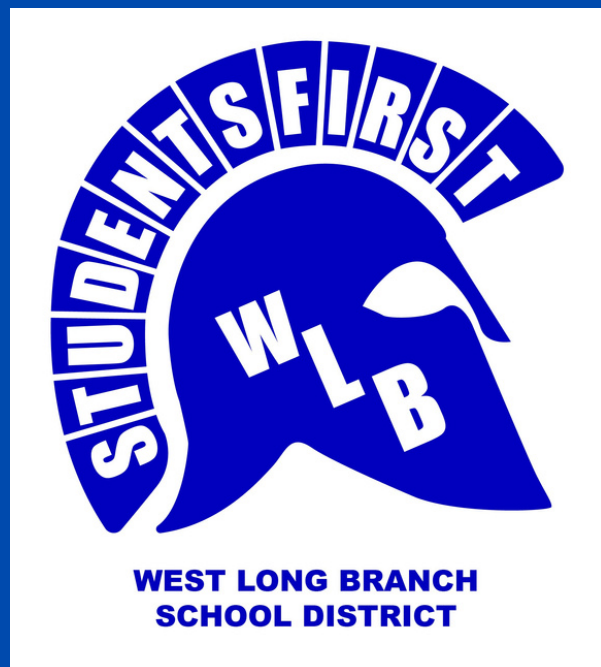
Language Acquisition Levels: Grades K - 8



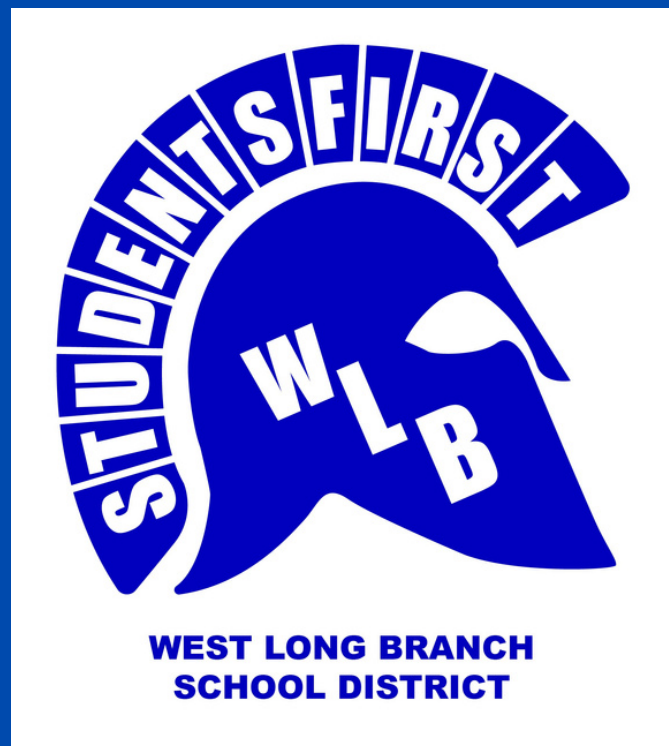
Spring 2022 New Jersey Dynamic Learning Map (DLM)

< 10 students participated in the DLM assessment

- designed for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities for whom general state assessments are not appropriate, even with accommodations
- task-based assessment that offers students a way to show what they know in Math, English Language Arts and Science
- used to determine students functioning levels for the purpose of designing individualized education plans for targeted students



The West Long Branch School District's Steps Towards Improvement



STEPS FOR IMPROVEMENT

The addition of a district Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction who:

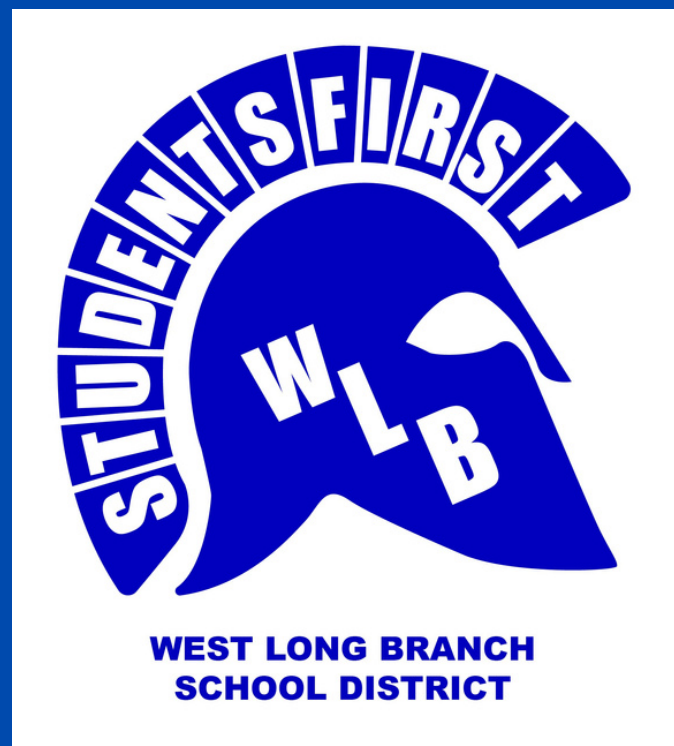
- facilitates and coordinates curriculum reviews and revisions
- monitors assessment practices & analyzes data
- facilitates and coordinates professional development for staff
- applies for and manages grant funding for student programming

The redesign of the master schedule at both Betty McElmon Elementary School and Frank Antonides School which allows for:

- designated intervention/enrichment time for students in Grade 5 - 8
- increased ELA and Math intervention periods in Grades K - 4
- additional instructional minutes for ELA and Math in Grades K - 8
- incorporation of additional cycle classes in Grades 5 - 8

Expansion of the use of the IXL digital platform

- purchased licensing for ELA and Math programming for Grades 3 - 8
- administration of ELA and Math IXL benchmark assessments in Fall, Winter and Spring for the purpose of gathering detailed information on students' performance levels and for customizing learning plans that meet the individual needs of students



STEPS FOR IMPROVEMENT

Restructuring of the ESEA Title 1 after school academic support program

- 3 six-week after school sessions of ELA and Math support for identified students based on assessment data, academic performance and programming needs
- progress monitoring protocols and data analysis to monitor student improvement and program effectiveness

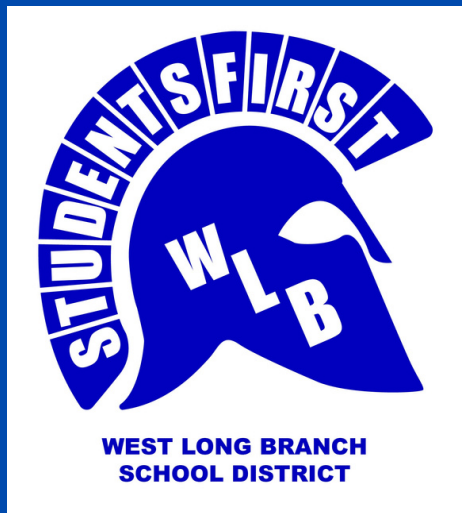
Updating the Savvas Math program to the latest 2020 version of the Math series

Expansion to full-day, tuition-free Pre-school program for children ages 3 & 4 in WLB

Comprehensive review of current curricular documents, content area materials and assessment data for the purpose of generating a timeline and budget for revision and replacement of outdated or ineffective resources

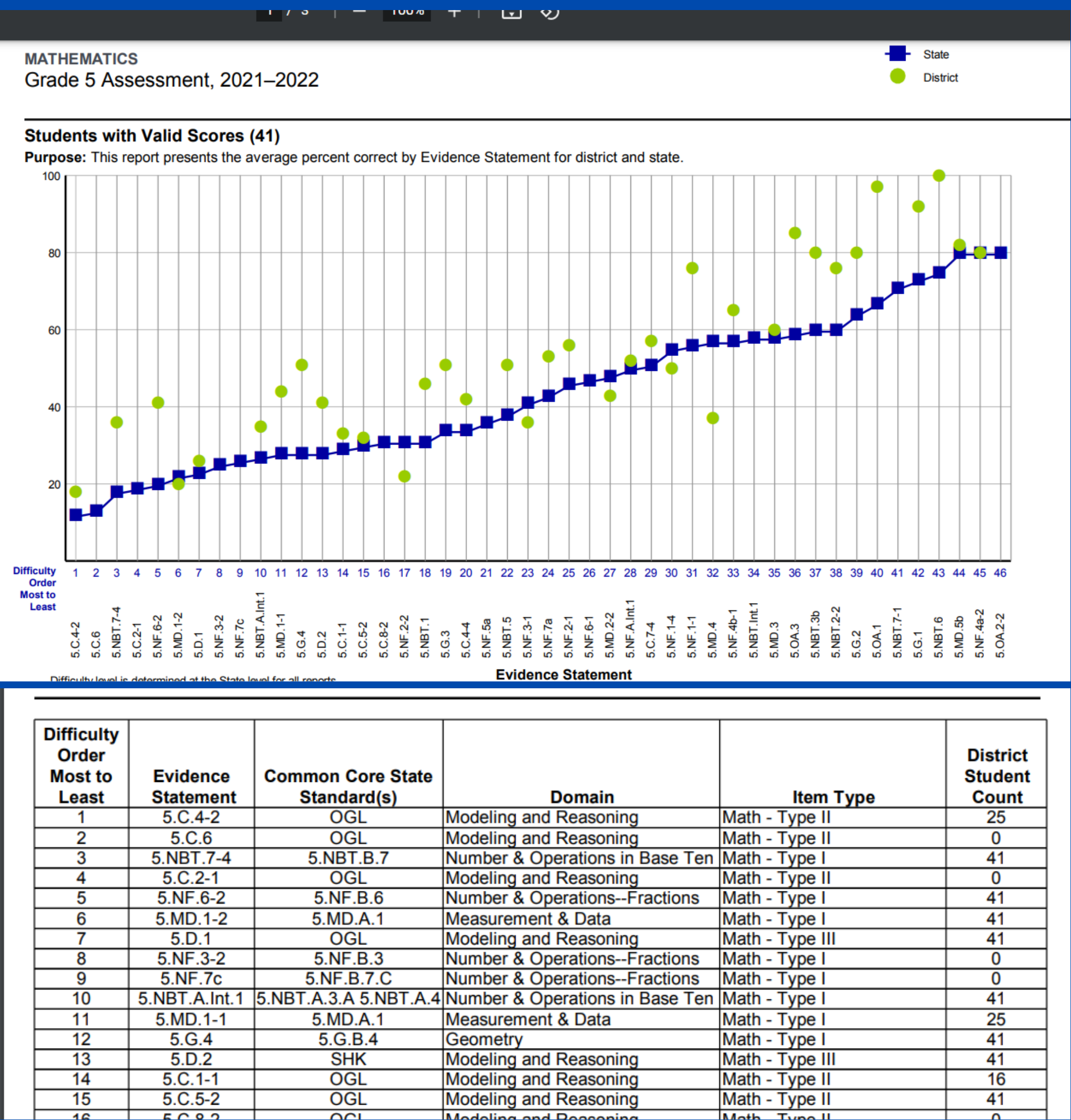
The collaborative development of a new five-year West Long Branch Strategic Plan which outlines goals and action steps towards improved student achievement

On-going, sustained professional development of staff and in-depth data analysis with goals for improvement during in-district PD days, Professional Learning Communities (PLC) sessions, department meetings and faculty meetings





Data Charts for analysis



Questions or concerns?

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Thank you...
have a wonderful evening!