# A PROFILE OF ILLINOIS PUBLIC SCHOOLS: SELECTIONS FROM THE SCHOOL REPORT CARD FILES

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### **FOREWORD**

State and federal laws require public schools to release report cards to the public each year. This report provides an overview of the condition of education in Illinois public schools. The data contained herein were selected from school report card files for 2003 through 2012. State averages reported are based only on information from regular public schools (including charter schools). Excluded are data from private schools and special-purpose public schools, including vocational education, special education, university laboratory, and other state-funded schools.

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

#### SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS

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**Number of public schools declined significantly.** The number of public schools declined significantly from 3,919 in 2003 to 3,873 in 2012. These figures include charter schools and regular public schools which issue school report cards.

**Increase in average school size.** The average school size increased by about 2 percent, from 522 in 2003 to 534 in 2012.

Increase in low-income students. Low-income students increased from 37.9 percent of the enrollment in 2003 to 49.0 percent in 2012. Pupils are considered low-income if they receive or live in households that receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF); are classified as homeless, migrant, runaway, Head Start, or foster children; or live in a household where the household income meets the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) income guidelines to receive free or reduced-price meals.

**Mobility rate declined.** The mobility rate declined from 16.4 percent in 2003 to 13.1 percent in 2012. The mobility rate is the sum of the students transferred out and students transferred in, divided by the average daily enrollment, multiplied by 100. A student may be counted more than once, depending on the number of transfers the student makes in the year.

Minority percentage increased. With new definition of race/ethnicity, <a href="http://www.isbe.net/sis/pdf/race\_code11.pdf">http://www.isbe.net/sis/pdf/race\_code11.pdf</a>, students who are Black, Hispanic, Asian, Native Hawaiian /Pacific Islander, Native American, or Two or More Races made up 49.0 percent of the enrollment in 2012, up from 41.4 percent in 2003. The increase in minority percentage is accounted for mainly by increases among Hispanic students.

**LEP students increased in last decade.** The number of Limited-English-proficient (LEP) students increased from 6.3 percent in 2003 to 9.4 percent in 2012. LEP students

include those who are eligible for bilingual education.

**Dropout rate declined since 2003.** The dropout rate declined from 4.9 percent in 2003 to 2.5 percent in 2012. Dropouts include students in grades 9-12 whose names have been removed from the district roster for any reason other than death, extended illness, graduation/completion of a program of studies, transfer to another school, or expulsion.

Increase in chronic truancy rate. The chronic truancy rate was 8.6 percent in 2012, compared with 1.9 percent reported for 2003 and 3.2 percent reported for 2011. Beginning in 2012, chronic truants include students subject to compulsory attendance who have been absent without valid cause from such attendance for 5 percent or more of the regular attendance days, which is a more stringent criterion than the 10 percent used previously.

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#### STUDENT PERFORMANCE

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**Little change in the percentage of male classroom teachers.** There is a downward trend in the percentage of male teachers, declining from 23.4 percent of the teaching force in 2003 to 23.1 percent in 2012.

**Percentage of teachers with graduate degrees increased.** In 2012, teachers who had a master's degree or higher accounted for 61.7 percent of the classroom teachers in Illinois public schools, up from 46.0 percent in 2003.

Compared to 2003, pupil-teacher ratio increased slightly both at the elementary level and secondary level. Between 2003 and 2012, the pupil-teacher ratio slightly increased from 18.4:1 to 18.9:1 at the elementary level and slightly increased from 18.2:1 to 18.8:1 at the secondary level.

**Teaching experience (years) slightly decreased from 2011.** The average teaching experience of Illinois public school teachers declined from 13.9 years in 2003 to 12.4 years in 2008 and has increased to 13.2 in 2011, then slightly decreased to 12.9 in 2012.

#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Average teacher salary with benefits increased by 29 percent since 2003. The average teacher salary increased from \$51,672 in 2003 to \$66,614 in 2012. But in terms of constant FY2003 dollars, average teacher salary with benefits declined from \$51,672 to \$47,157 during the same period.

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terms of constant FY2003 dollars, average administrator salary with benefits declined from \$91,125 to \$78,486 during the same period.

**Operating expenditure per pupil (OEPP) increased in the last decade.** The statewide OEPP increased by 42.6 percent from \$8,181 in 2002 to \$11,664 in 2011. In terms of constant FY2002 dollars, the OEPP increased by 0.3 percent from \$8,181 in 2002 to \$8,202 in 2011.

[The OEPP is the gross operating cost of a school district (excluding summer school, adult education, bond principal retired, and capital expenditures) divided by the Average Daily Attendance for the regular school term.]

**High school OEPP substantially higher than elementary and unit OEPP.** In 2011, the OEPP for high school districts (\$14,681) was at least 30 percent more than the elementary OEPP of \$11,190 and the unit OEPP of \$11,262.

Education system revenues from the state declined as revenues from local and federal sources increased. This trend is evident in between 2008 and 2010. However, compared to 2010, the state funding clearly increased while local and federal funding decreased in terms of percentage. Between 2002 and 2011, state support for the public school system declined from 31.2 percent to 26.6 percent while local funding increased from 61.5 percent to 63.3 percent, and federal funding increased from 7.3 percent to 10.1 percent.

## GRAPHICAL PRESENTATIONS OF TREND DATA

The graphs that follow illustrate trend data between 2003 and 2012 for selected report card indicators. Analysis of these trends can provide the reader with useful information about the Illinois public K-12 education system.

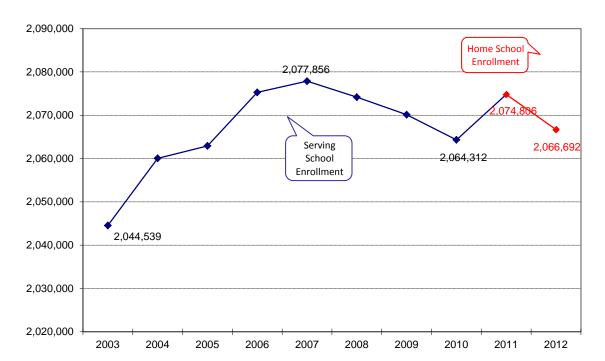
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**Figure 2: Student Enrollment** 

Student enrollment decreased in 2012 from 2011. Student enrollment in regular Illinois public schools increased steadily from 2,044,539 in 2003 to 2,077,856 in 2007, then declined to 2,064,312 in 2010. Beginning in 2011, student enrollment is reported based on <a href="https://example.com/home-school">home-school</a>; the enrollment decreased from 2,074,806 in 2011 to 2,066,692 in 2012. (Enrollment reported here includes only students in regular public schools.)

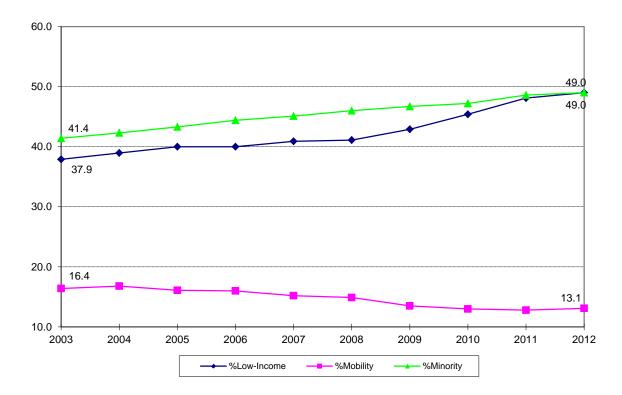


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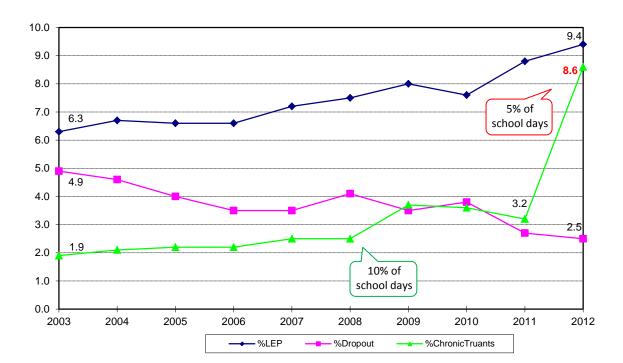


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Figure 5: Average Class Size

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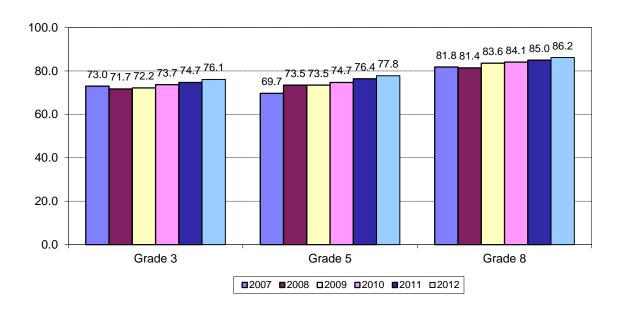
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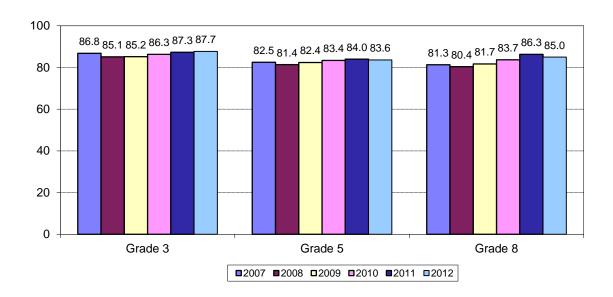
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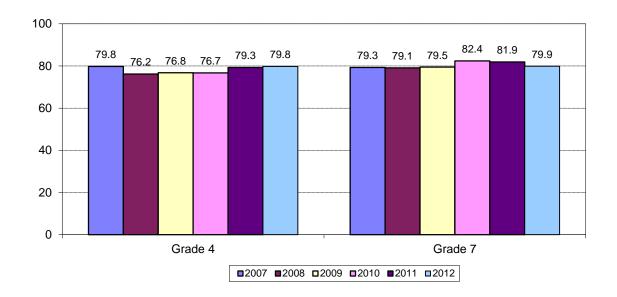
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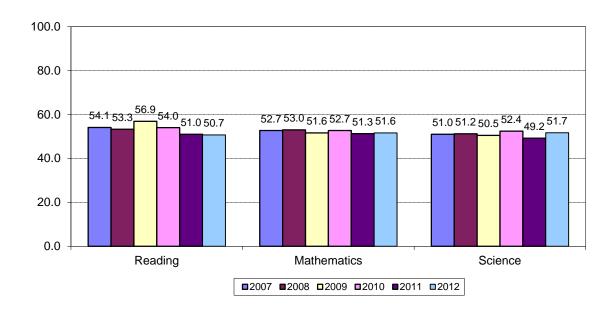
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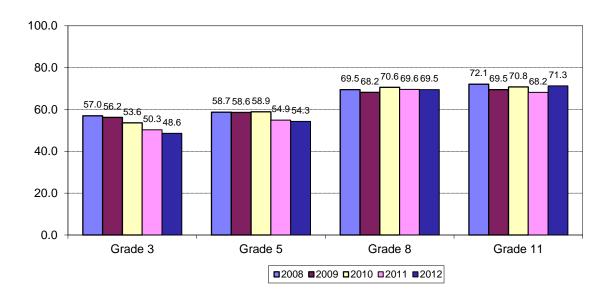


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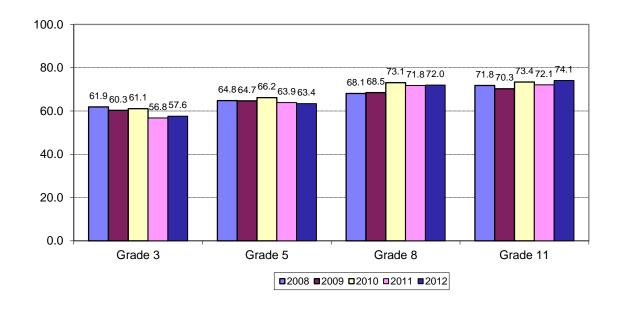
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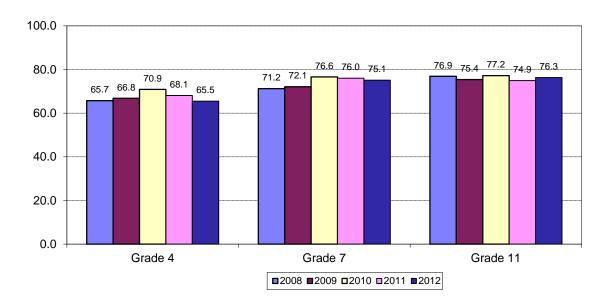
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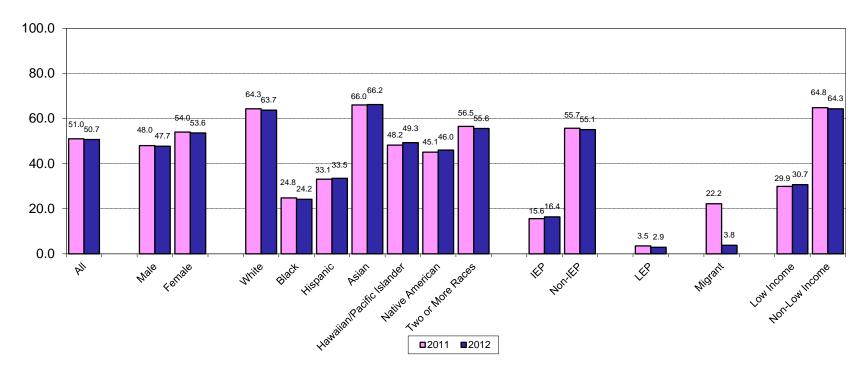
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**Figure 15: ACT Composite Scores** 

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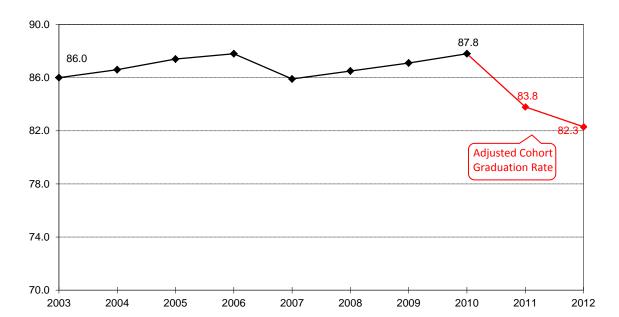


Figure 16: High School Graduation Rates

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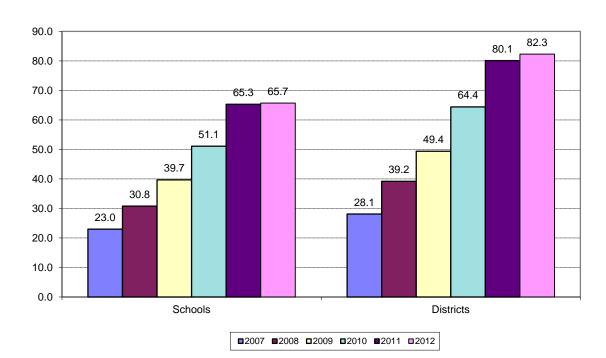


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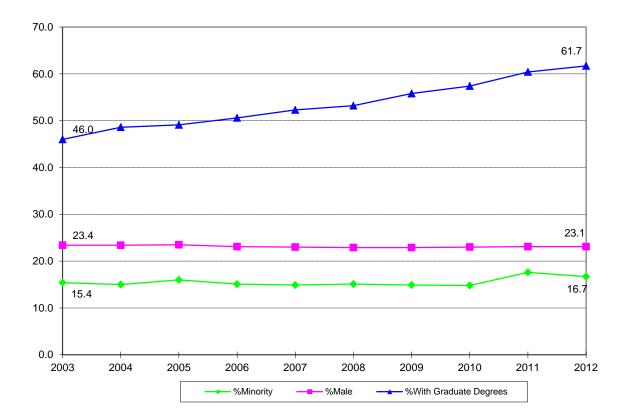


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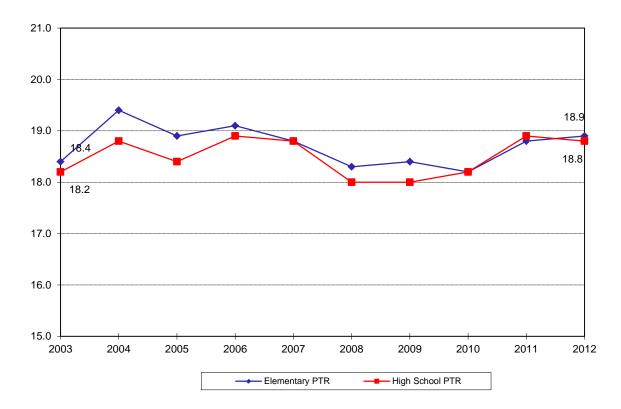
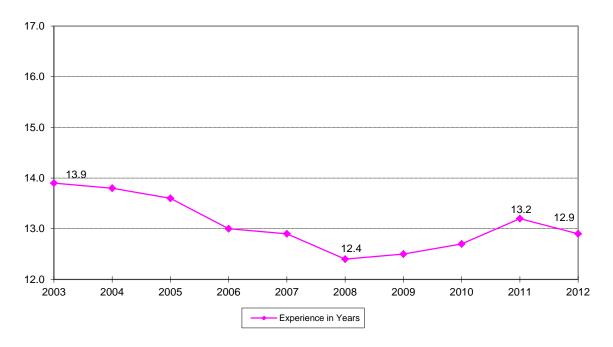


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**Teaching experience (years) slightly decreased from 2011.** The average teaching experience of Illinois public school teachers declined from 13.9 years in 2003 to 12.4 years in 2008 and has increased to 13.2 in 2011, then slightly decreased to 12.9 in 2012.

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Figure 21: Average Teacher and Administrator Salaries

Average teacher salary with benefits increased by 29 percent since 2003. The average teacher salary increased from \$51,672 in 2003 to \$66,614 in 2012. But in terms of constant FY2003 dollars, average teacher salary with benefits declined from \$51,672 to \$47,157 during the same period.

-Teacher FY2003 \$

- Admin. Current \$

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Average administrator salary with benefits increased by 22 percent since 2003. The average administrator salary increased from \$91,125 in 2003 to \$110,870 in 2012. But in terms of constant FY2003 dollars, average administrator salary with benefits declined from \$91,125 to \$78,486 during the same period.

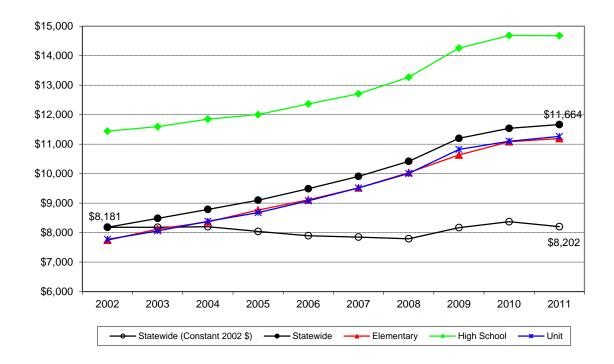


Figure 22: Operating Expenditure Per Pupil (OEPP)

[Unless stated otherwise, OEPP data are reported in current dollars.]

Operating expenditure per pupil (OEPP) increased in the last decade. The statewide OEPP increased by 42.6 percent from \$8,181 in 2002 to \$11,664 in 2011. In terms of constant FY2002 dollars, the OEPP increased by 0.3 percent from \$8,181 in 2002 to \$8,202 in 2011.

[The OEPP is the gross operating cost of a school district (excluding summer school, adult education, bond principal retired, and capital expenditures) divided by the Average Daily Attendance for the regular school term.]

**High school OEPP substantially higher than elementary and unit OEPP.** In 2011, the OEPP for high school districts (\$14,681) was at least 30 percent more than the elementary OEPP of \$11,190 and the unit OEPP of \$11,262.

[Prior-year data are reported for OEPP in the school report cards, e.g., 2011 data are reported in the 2012 school report cards.]

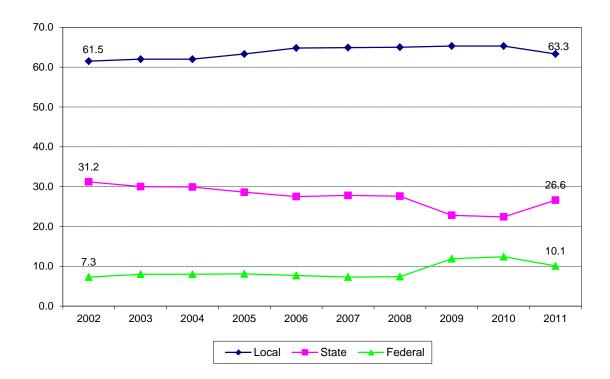


Figure 23: Revenue Sources (Percentage)

Education system revenues from the state declined as revenues from local and federal sources increased. This trend is evident in between 2008 and 2010. However, compared to 2010, the state funding clearly increased while local and federal funding decreased in terms of percentage. Between 2002 and 2011, state support for the public school system declined from 31.2 percent to 26.6 percent while local funding increased from 61.5 percent to 63.3 percent, and federal funding increased from 7.3 percent to 10.1 percent.

[Prior year data are reported for revenue data in the school report cards, e.g., 2011 data are reported in the 2012 school report cards.]

### Appendix A

### **Student Characteristics**

**All** includes students in every category.

**Two or More Races** includes all students who represent more than one racial or ethnic group.

**IEP** stands for Individualized Education Program, which is a written plan for a student with a disability who is eligible for special education services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Non-IEP refers to students who do not have an IEP.

**LEP** includes limited-English-proficient students who are eligible for bilingual education.

**Migrant** refers to students who are eligible to participate in a Title 1 Migrant Education Program.

**Low Income** refers to low-income students, who are students from families receiving public aid, living in institutions for neglected or delinquent children, being supported in foster homes with public funds, or eligible to receive free or reduced-price lunches.

Non-Low Income refers to students who are not from low-income families.