



Brooklyn Elementary School Annual School Improvement Report 2008/2009

Columbia School District

Brooklyn Elementary School
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MISSION STATEMENT

The Columbia School District, in partnership with the community, will provide a safe and positive learning environment, which will prepare ALL students to contribute and compete in a global society.

PROFILE INFO

- Grade Span Preschool/Head Start -5th grade
- Number of Students 366 students
- Attendance Average 96%
- Teacher/Student Ration 1:26
- School Organization 13 general education classrooms, 3 special education classrooms, 1 administrator, 18 teachers, 1 physical education teacher, 1 music teacher, 1 secretary, 5 instructional aides, 1 social worker, 1 preschool/ Head Start class
- Cultural Diversity American Indian 1%, Asian 1% , African American 2%, Caucasian 93 %, Hispanic 3%
- Student Retention 17 students
- At-Risk 157 students 47%
- Free/Reduced Lunch Statistics 41%
- Employability Skills K-Kids, Student Council, Student run Credit Union, Career Day, Math/ Science Night, Junior Achievement, Author Night, Snack Cart, BES Champions, Safety Patrol, Peer Tutoring, Wee Mail
- Media Center 13, 469 titles, 369 reference, 140 professional titles



Brooklyn Elementary School

	ED YES	MADE AYP
	Composite Grade	
2008-2009:	A	yes
2007-2008:	A	yes
2006-2007:	A	yes

HIGHLY QUALIFIED TEACHERS

Research shows teacher quality correlates with student academic achievement. Highly qualified teachers go hand-in-hand with a quality education. Under the State of Michigan guidelines and the Federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act, all Columbia School District teachers are certified and highly qualified.

FACULTY AND STAFF

- Deb Powell, Principal
- Lori Hunter, Secretary
- Lisa Jordon, Social Worker
- Joleen Green, Media Aide
- Bill Cryderman, Music
- Donna Guernsey, Physical Ed.
- Terri Kandell, Resource Room
- Brett Ducher, Resource Room
- Nicole Goodman, Special Ed
- Nancy Knaup, Preschool
- Michelle Sexton, Kindergarten
- Angie Hogle, Kindergarten
- Linda Wills, 1st grade
- Marty Gamberg, 1st grade
- Chris Plowman, T/1 grade
- Linda Williams, 2nd grade
- Jeff Clanton, 2nd grade
- Amy Pfister, 3rd grade
- Sharon Beaghan, 3rd grade
- Judy Clouse, 4th grade
- Lisa Weidenbach, 4th grade
- Ramie Bivens, 5th grade
- Kari Lape, 5th grade
- Jo Force, Aide
- Pam Wincent, Aide
- Karen Scholl, Latchkey Aide
- Cassandra Shong, Playground Aide
- Lori Kouba, Aide
- Val Buksar, Aide
- Cindy Graves, Special Ed. Aide
- Cindy Kirk, Playground Aide
- Michelle, Weaver, Aide
- Cheryl Curtis, ISD Aide
- Connie Douglas, Special Ed. Aide
- Marlene Roulo, Aide
- Debbie Powell, Preschool Aide
- Penny Grizmaker, Aide
- Holly Tilden, Cook
- Yvonne Sampler, Cashier
- Pat Standish, Kitchen Aide
- Ned Bernstein, Maintenance
- Terry Derr, Maintenance
- Arliss Bones, Maintenance
- Joanne Leupp, Latchkey
- Jake Leupp, Latchkey

PARENT AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Junior Achievement, K- Kids, Career Day, Fire Safety, Columbia Police Liaison Program, Kiwanis Dictionary Program, Shoe Tree, Book-It, Brooklyn Food Pantry, ACES, Mileage Club, Release Time Bible, CP Credit Union, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brooklyn Buddies, I'm in Charge, Math/Science Night partnership with JCC and CP Credit Union,

Monthly PTO meetings, Back to School Bash, Little House Palooza, Buffalo Farm field trip for March is Reading Month, Mother-Son Survival Night, PTO Fall Carnival, PTO Flower Sale, Market Day, Scholastic Book Fairs, Popcorn Day, AR Store, Daddy/ Daughter Dance, Field Day, and Park field trip for Math Fact goal winners.



GOAL: Students in grades 3-5 will improve their problem solving ability on the 2009 MEAP by 10%

STRATEGIES:

GLEC's posted/presented in classrooms in student friendly language during instruction

Computerized math GLEC study ie Study Island and Accelerated Math

Family Math/Science Night

Recall of basic math facts as appropriate per each grade level. Math Fact Academy after school program offered. Mid Year Incentive and End of Year Math Fact Field Trip for students who mastered the goals.

RESULTS:

100 % teacher participation in posting GLEC's

BES students answered 193,804 questions with 75.9 % correct

Over 250 people in attendance at Family Math/Science Night

124 out of 271 students met grade level math fact goals



K-Kids School Store

“Quote by D. Powell”

“Be the change you want to see in the world.”

—Ghandi

GOAL: Students in grades 3-5 will increase their reading comprehension by 10% of narrative and expository texts on the 2009 MEAP.

STRATEGIES:

Brooklyn Buddies

GLECs posted/presented in classrooms in a student friendly language during instruction

Students will meet grade level goal during March is Reading Month

Students will compare and contrast narrative and expository texts

RESULTS:

42 students participated in Buddies

100% teacher participation in posting GLECs

Percentage of students who met the goal in each grade in March 2010

100% of the teachers will use Treasures Reading Series to implement this strategy



Kindergarten Readers



GOAL: The percentage of grades 2-5 students who will meet or be proficient on the Countywide Writing Assessments will increase by 10% in 2010.

STRATEGIES:

Students will write using Calkins Writing Model for 45 minutes each day as appropriate per grade level.

Initiate Write Steps Writing Program

- In-services will be provided to staff

School Wide Postal Service will continue

Graphic Organizers used in classrooms once a week minimum

RESULTS:

Writing Workshop blocks in each classroom for 45 minutes daily

Staff attendance

Bi-Monthly Wee Mail delivered to each classroom

Pre and Post graphic organizer scored on a scale of 1-6 given at every grade level



ACES Spring 2009

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

- JCC Math/Science Night attended by more than 300 people

ten students and to encourage literacy over the summer

- Interschool mail system, Wee Mail, open with 3rd grade postal workers overseeing the postal system

- The LINKS Peer Mentoring Program for students with Autism Spectrum Disorder was initiated in 2nd grade.

- Kindergarten teachers created literacy bags to welcome new kindergar-

- BES was once again rated “A” by the State of Michigan!

65 % of our teaching staff have earned master’s degrees or higher.

BROOKLYN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

A Solid Foundation For A Bright Future

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Brooklyn Elementary Staff
2008-2009



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STATEMENT OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Columbia School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, disability, age, height, weight, marital status, or any other legally protected characteristic, in its programs and activities.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

2008-2009:	98%
2007-2008:	98%
2006-2007:	98%

Over 300 students and parents attended Math and Science Night launching rockets, studying chemical reactions, germ growth, calculator math games, and light refraction.

POINTS OF PRIDE

- Special Education Students continue the BES garden of Reading
- Parents attended a Meet the Author Night
- BES Student Council involved in Food Drives, Thanksgiving Baskets, Adopt a Family at Christmas
- K-Kids involved in starting a school store, Valentines to the troops, Cancer Fundraiser Hat Day, UNICEF for Halloween
- Clanton's Christmas Carolers sang to local businesses
- Bully Proofing Assembly
- Over 250 people attended Special Person's Luncheon
- 52 4th grade students and 34 parents attended the 3 day trip to Mackinac Island and Northern Michigan
- Character Champions recognized each month
- Over 150 parents, community members, and CCHS students logged in more than 3000 volunteer hours in BES classrooms.
- All students participated in Mileage Club for a total of 4,850 miles.
- Literacy Parent Meeting for all first grade parents

CORE AND EXTENDED CURRICULUM

Columbia School District has a comprehensive curriculum in the four core content areas. Curriculum documents in Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies include content expectations, student friendly language, instructional strategies and common assessments. These guides were developed by teachers to aid in creating a quality curriculum guide for all staff. Our documents are revised and updated based on teacher use, input and state mandates. Our curriculum documents are aligned with the Michigan's Curriculum Framework and Content Expectations.

has curriculum offerings in... physical education, music, art, technology, and library. After school programs include Writers Workshop, Math Fact Academy, Study Island, Meet the Author and Math/Science Night. Extended curriculum programs include 4th grade Mackinac Trip, Science Camp, Capital Trip, 3rd grade Ella Sharp, Wee Mail, Story Fest, Safetyville, Sauder Village, Binder Park Zoo, 2nd grade LINKS program and ACES.



Wee Mail Postal Service

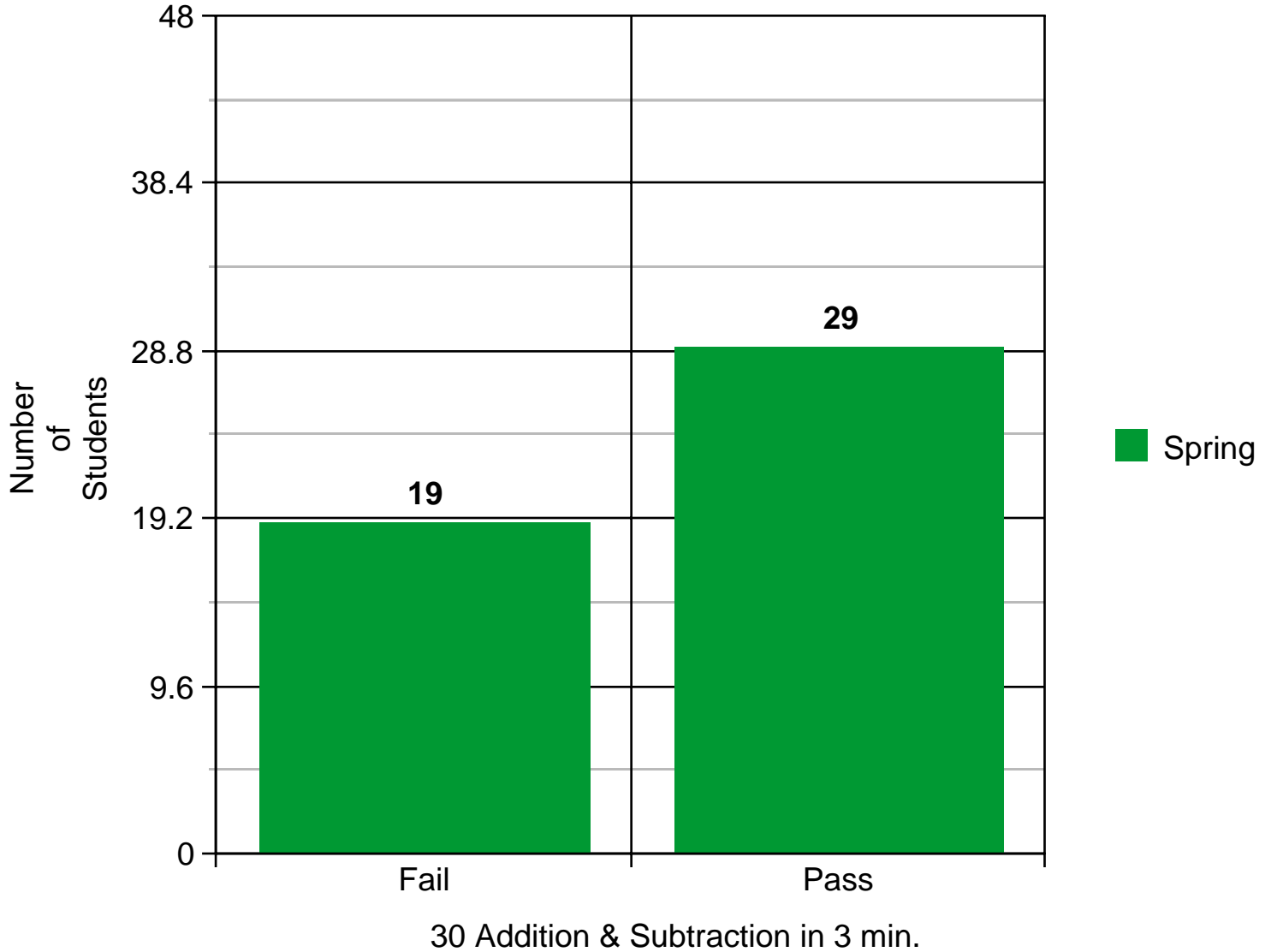
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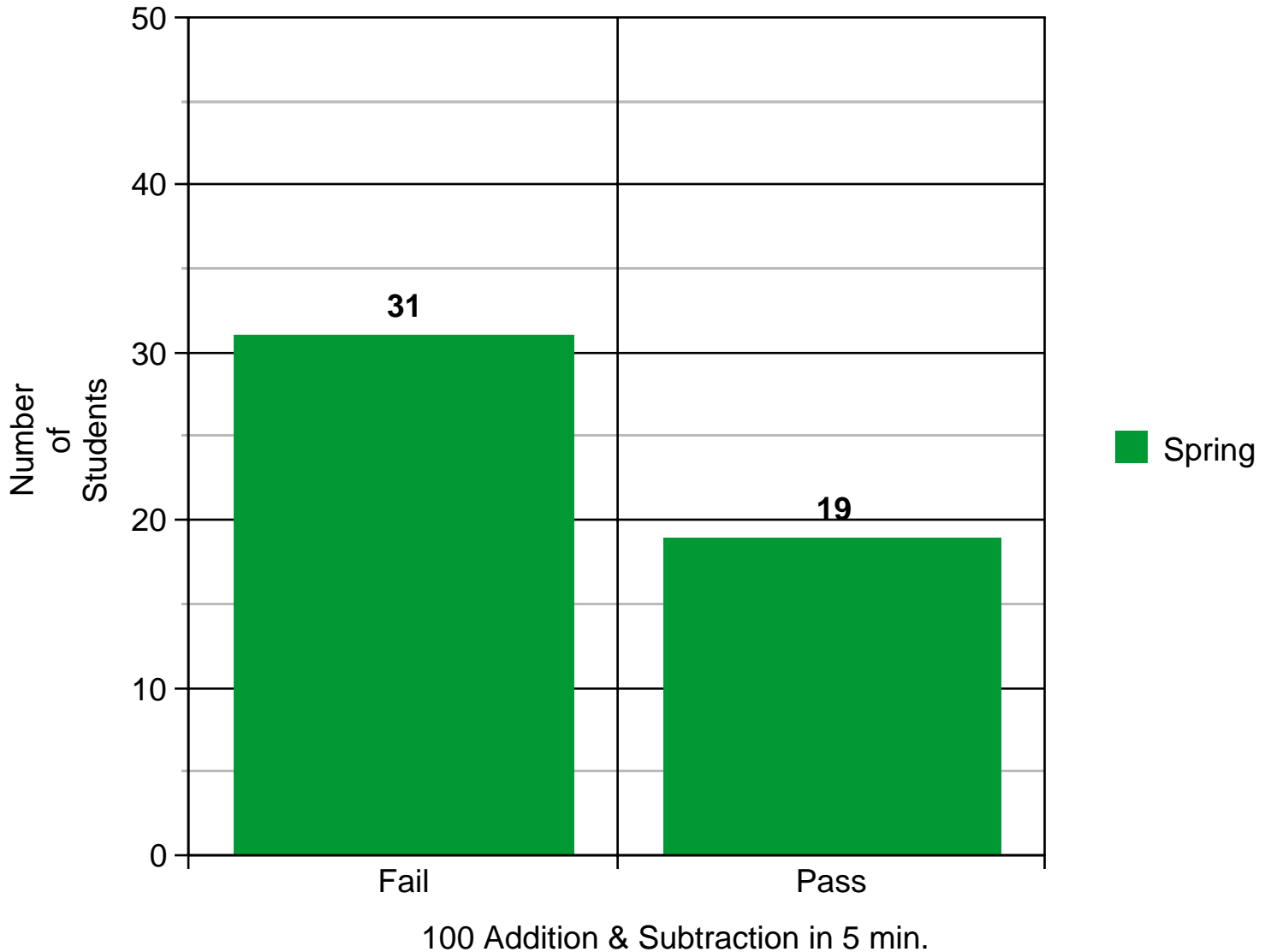
At every grade level, the number of students who passed the math fact goal increased. 124 students met their grade level goal and attended a park celebration at the end of the year. We are going to continue this goal and the strategies next year.

Writing scores increased in the lower elementary from the beginning of the year to the end of the year based on the MLPP scoring rubric. Based on the QRI, upper elementary students consistently increased their scores each time the test was given. We are continuing this goal next year and implementing Write Steps as a new strategy.

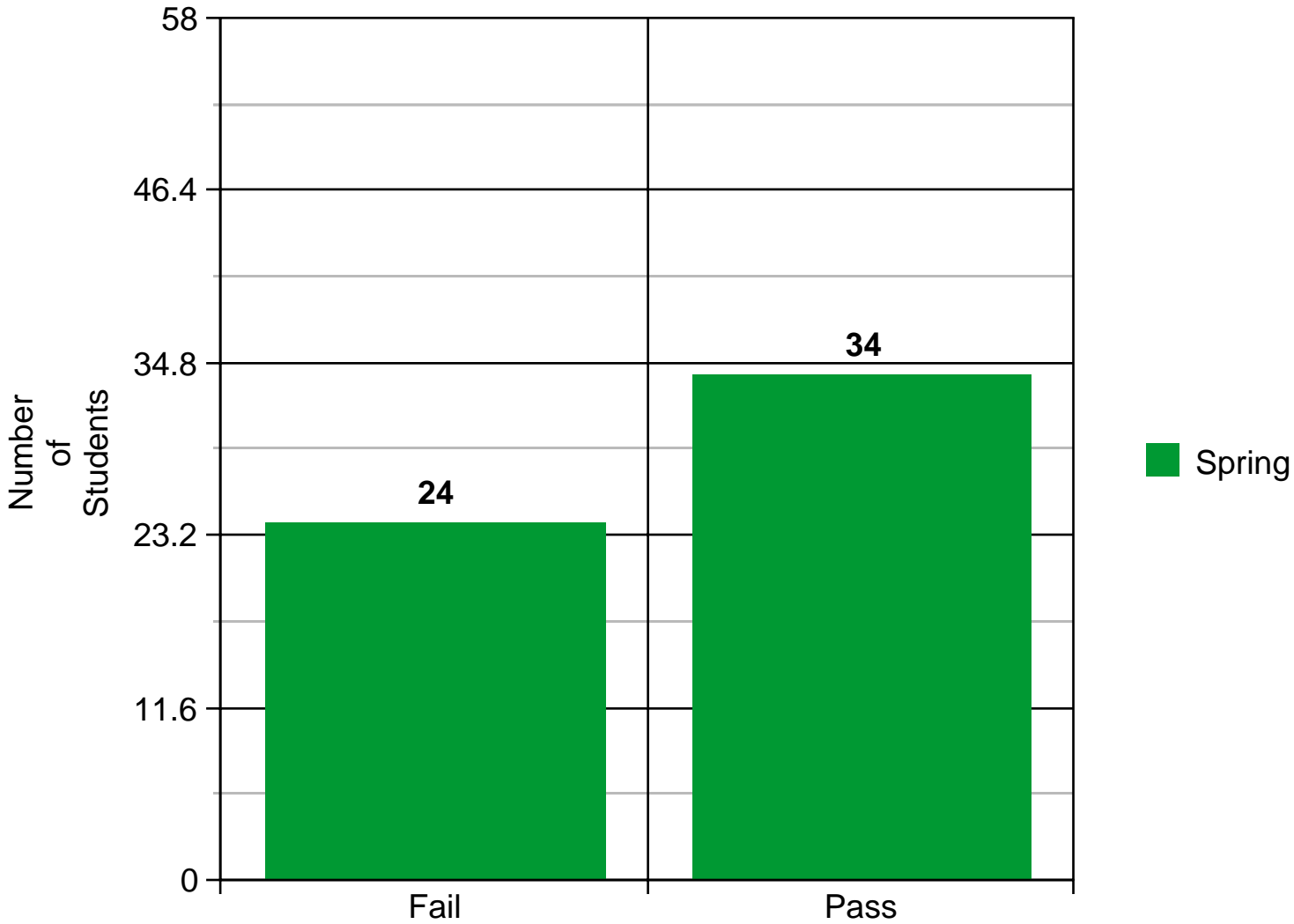
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Improvement Math Fact Skills Spring 2009: 2nd grade

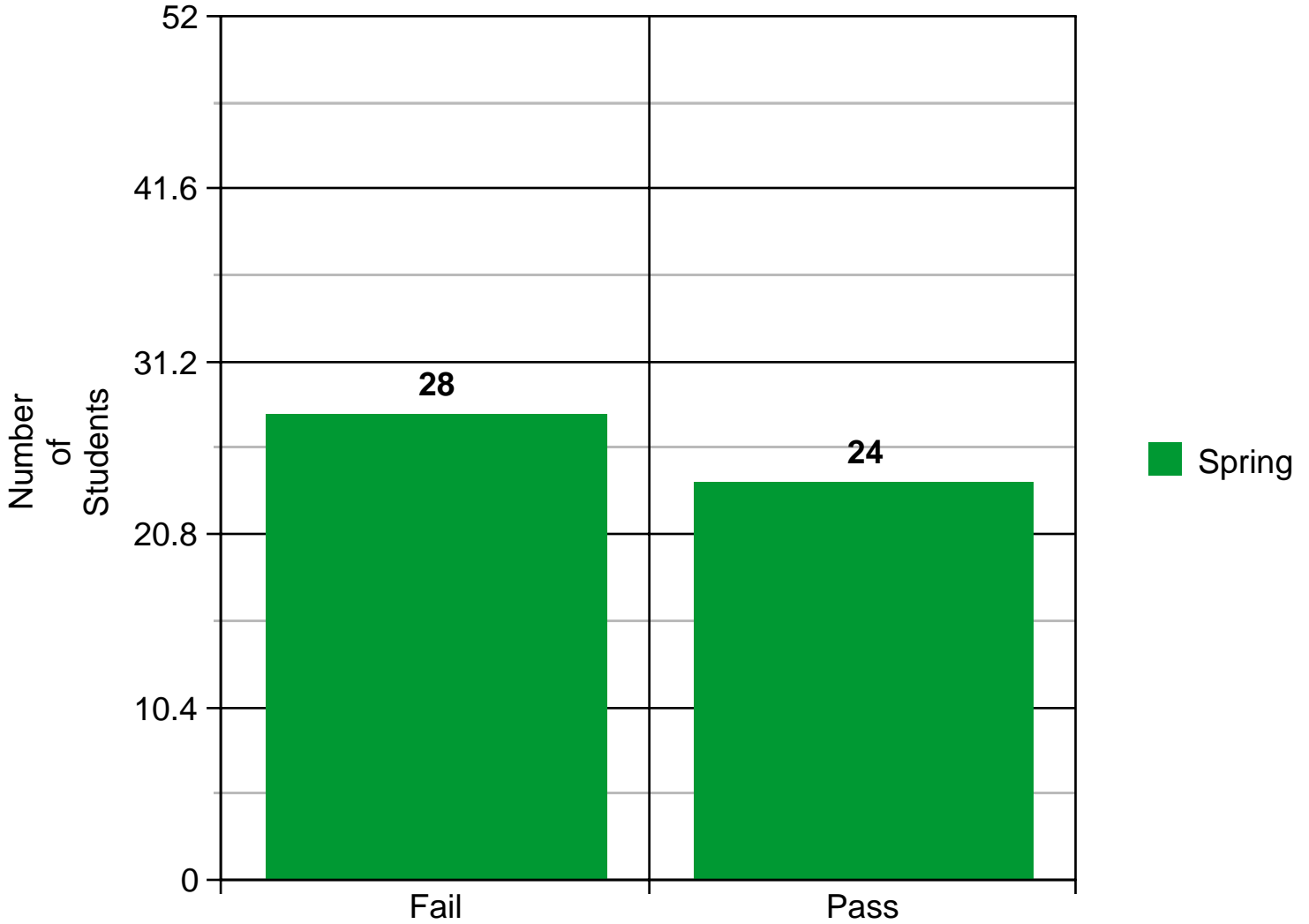


Improvement Math Fact Skills Spring 2009: 3rd grade



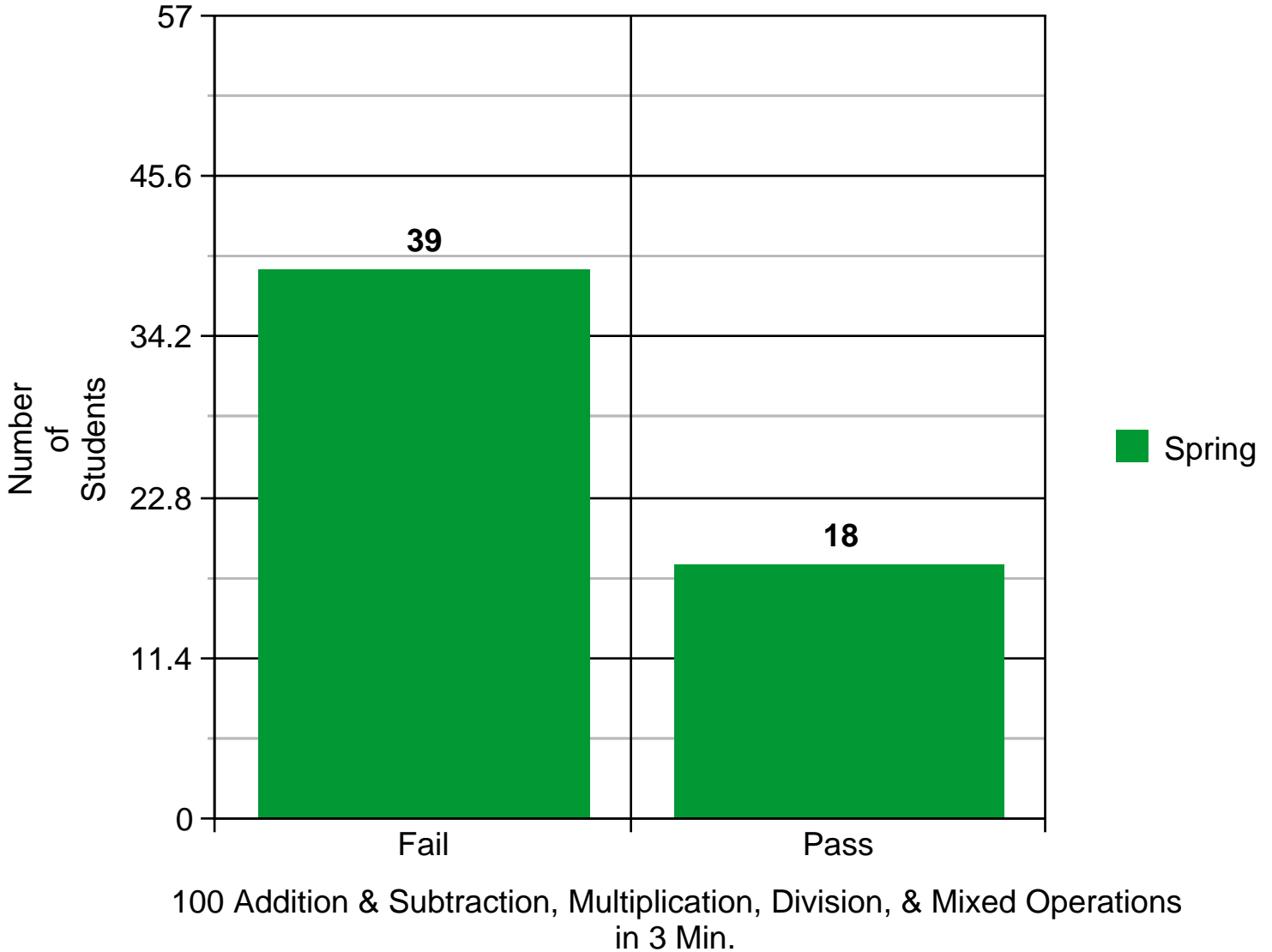
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Improvement Math Fact Skills Spring 2009: 4th grade

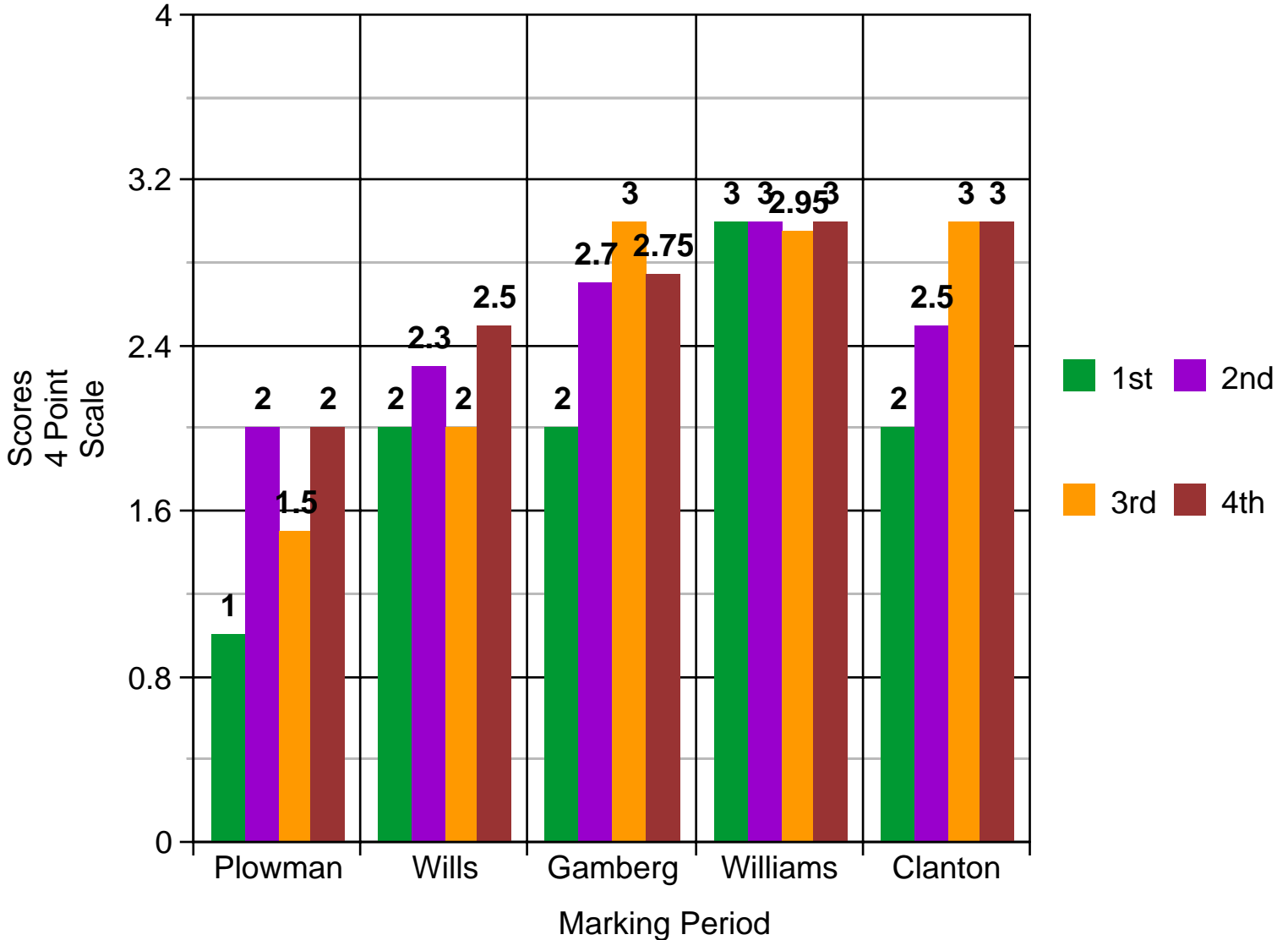


100 Addition & Subtraction, Multiplication, & Division in 3 Min.

Improvement Math Fact Skills Spring 2009: 5th grade



Average Scores of MLPP Writing: Lower Ele.



Average Scores of QRI Writing: Upper Ele.

