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## Consolidated Data Report, 2007-08

Annual Report of School Crime & Violence  
Annual Report of Suspensions & Expulsions  
Annual Report of Dropout Rates

*General Statutes* 115C 12(21) and  
12(27)

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## Preface

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This consolidated report replaces in large part three previously published DPI reports—the Annual Report on School Crime and Violence, the Annual Study of Suspensions and Expulsions (including Alternative Learning Program Enrollments), and the Annual Report on Dropout Events and Rate. This report plus additional data tables may be found online at <http://dpi.state.nc.us/research/discipline/reports/> and <http://dpi.state.nc.us/research/dropout/reports/>.

The requirement to report annually on dropout events and rates, suspensions and expulsions, alternative learning program enrollments is G.S. 115C-12(27). The requirement to report annually on school crime and violence is G.S. 115C-12(21). These General Statutes may be found in Appendix I.

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# CONSOLIDATED REPORT, 2007-08

## Introduction

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The decision to generate a consolidated report on school crime, suspensions, and dropouts was grounded in the idea of a relationship between these factors and the hope of new insights that might be gained by analyzing and reporting these data together. Problems in schools can negatively impact a number of measurable outcomes, including crime, suspension, and dropout rates. In the same way, improvements in school operations can lower crime and suspension rates and make it more likely that children will remain in school. Schools and school districts that do well in one of the areas featured in this report will often also excel in another. In highlighting these high performers we hope that the programs and policies that contribute to success will be emulated by others.

The relationship between the factors of crime, suspensions, and dropouts was confirmed by correlating the LEA rates of event occurrence for both 2006-07 and 2007-08. Small, but significant, positive correlations were found for the relationships between crime and short-term suspension, between crime and dropout, and between short-term suspension and dropout. The correlations are not large, and the existence of a correlation does not mean that one factor leads to another. However, we can say that the factors are associated with one another.

Sometimes correlations occur not because one factor causes another, but because an underlying factor causes both. Underlying factors could include demographics such as socioeconomic status or school factors such as management strategies.

Data analysis is an important tool in school management. However, care must be taken consider all possible interpretations of the numbers, since some factors occur together and not all factors are easily measurable. For example, dropout research documents the relationship between out-of-school suspensions and dropping out, but there is also a relationship between behavior problems and dropping out. Therefore, it can be difficult to determine how much impact on the dropout rate can be attributed to student attitudes and behavior and how much can be attributed to the suspensions themselves.

This Consolidated Report should be viewed as a starting point to begin to untangle a number of interrelated school outcomes through annually repeated data summaries. Over time, we hope to reveal a clearer view of these outcomes, their interrelationships, and other underlying factors.

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## General Findings

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The number of acts of crime and violence by high school students increased by 1.2% from 2006-07 to 2007-08. However, due to an increase in average daily membership, the rate of acts reported remained constant at 15.57 acts per 1000 students in membership. Violent acts represented 3.2% of the total reportable acts.

Reportable acts were most frequently committed by students who were 9<sup>th</sup> graders and who were 16 years of age. In high school, males committed crimes at over three times the rate of females. Among ethnic groups in high school, American Indians had the highest crime rate, followed by blacks and whites.

LEAs reporting the lowest rates of grades 9-12 reportable acts were Macon County, Tyrrell County, Hyde County, Camden County, Clay County, Cherokee County, Pasquotank County, Richmond County, Washington County, and Yadkin County. LEAs with the highest rates of grades 9-12 reportable acts were Weldon City, Mitchell County, Transylvania County, Robeson County, Watauga County, Halifax County, Polk County, Pamlico County, Swain County, and Hoke County.

LEAs reporting the largest 3-year decreases in rates of grades 9-12 reportable acts were Tyrrell County, Macon County, Hyde County, Clay County, and Cherokee County. LEAs with the largest 3-year increases in rates of grades 9-12 reportable acts were: Weldon City, Currituck County, Mitchell County, Polk County, and Graham County.

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The most frequently reported reportable acts in high school were 1) Possession of a controlled substance in violation of the law, 2) possession of a weapon excluding firearms and powerful explosives, and 3) possession of an alcoholic beverage.

There were 142,506 grades 9-12 short-term suspensions reported statewide in 2007-08, a decrease of 0.5% from the 2006-07 combined LEA and charter school total of 143,157. On average, one of six North Carolina high school students receives an out-of-school short-term suspension each year. Many students receive only one suspension each year, but a number of students receive multiple short-term suspensions. High school students who received short-term suspensions in 2007-08 averaged slightly more than two suspensions each. The average total duration of short-term suspensions for high school students who received at least one suspension was 6.41 days. The average duration of a single short-term suspension was 3.13 days. The grades 9-12 short-term suspension rate was 3.46 suspensions per ten students.

Ninth grade students received the largest number of short-term suspensions. The rate of short term suspensions for male students was 2.5 times higher than for females. Black students received the highest rate of short-term suspensions followed by American Indians. Short-term suspension rates for all ethnic groups decreased in 2007-08.

The number of long-term suspensions (11 or more days) for all students increased 10.3% from 4,736 to 5,225. Average school days per suspension decreased in 2007-08 from 54 to 41.4 school days. High school students received 3,461 long-term suspensions, a 15.4% increase from 2006-07.

LEAs reporting the lowest rates of grades 9-12 short-term suspensions were Clay County, Mount Airy City, Yancey County, Polk County, Yadkin County, Chapel Hill-Carrboro, Cherokee County, Elkin City, Graham County, and Avery County. LEAs with the highest rates of grades 9-12 short-term suspensions were Weldon City, Hertford County, Pamlico County, Robeson County, Greene County, Halifax County, Thomasville City, Duplin County, Edgecombe County, and Northampton County.

LEAs reporting the largest 3-year decreases in rates of grades 9-12 short-term suspensions were Yancey County, Polk County, Vance County, Clay County, and Clinton City. LEAs with the largest 3-year increases in rates of grades 9-12 short-term suspensions were Bladen County, Currituck County, Graham County, Gates County, and Haywood County. All but Currituck County had 2007-08 rates that were below the state average.

The number of expulsions increased from 102 in 2006-07 to 116 in 2007-08. High school students received 99 of these expulsions.

Alternative schools and programs (ALPs) reported 15,769 student placements in 2007-08, a decrease of 4.3% from 2006-07. There were 14,414 individual students placed in ALPs over the course of the 2007-08 school year.

High schools in North Carolina reported 22,234 dropout events in 2007-2008. The grades 9-12 dropout event rate in 2007-2008 was 4.97%, a decrease from the 5.24% rate reported for 2006-2007. The decrease in dropout rate was 5.2%.

There were decreases in 57% (66 of 115) of the LEAs, accounting for a reduction in 1,898 dropouts.

The 22,234 dropout events recorded in grades 9-12 represented a 4.7% decrease from the count of 23,550 reported in 2006-2007.

LEAs reporting the lowest high school dropout rates were Chapel Hill-Carrboro, Dare County, Newton-Conover City, Elkin City, Mount Airy City, Hertford County, Yadkin County, Guilford County, Union County, and Iredell-Statesville. LEAs with the highest high school dropout rates were Hickory City, Jackson County, Swain County, Madison

County, Mitchell County, Yancey County, Roanoke Rapids City, Kannapolis City, Granville County, and Edgecombe County.

LEAs reporting the largest 3-year decreases in high school dropout rates were Hertford County, Dare County, Jones County, Graham County, and Burke County. LEAs with the largest 3-year increases in high school dropout rates were Hyde County, Charlotte-Mecklenburg, Washington County, Thomasville City, and Moore County. Despite the large increases, Hyde County, Washington County, and Moore County were still below the state average in 2007-08.

The consolidated reporting of discipline and dropout data permits an overview of high performing school districts in these areas. Yadkin County was the only LEA on all three of the “top ten” lists of lowest rates of crime, short-term suspensions and dropouts in grades 9-12.

Five school systems were in two of the three “top ten” lists of superior performance in achieving low rates in these categories. These LEAs were:

- Clay County
- Mount Airy City
- Chapel Hill-Carrboro City
- Elkin City
- Cherokee County

No LEAs were on all three “top ten” lists for 3-year decreases in rates of crime, short-term suspensions, and dropouts for grades 9-12, however the following LEAs were on two out of three of these lists:

- Hyde County
- Macon County
- Vance County
- Clay County
- Clinton City

# **School Crime and Violence**

**2007-08**





## SCHOOL CRIME AND VIOLENCE, 2007-08

### Introduction

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In 1993, the General Assembly passed the Safe Schools Act requiring Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) to report specified acts of crime and violence to the State Board of Education (SBE). General Statute 115C-288(g) describes the school principal's responsibility "to report certain acts to law enforcement" and lists a number of acts to be reported. The SBE later expanded on the list of acts to be reported to law enforcement.

GS 115C-12(21) requires the SBE "to compile an annual report on acts of violence in the public schools." The SBE has defined 17 criminal acts that are to be included in its annual report, ten of which are considered dangerous and violent.

The ten dangerous and violent acts are:

- Homicide
- Assault resulting in serious bodily injury
- Assault involving the use of a weapon
- Rape
- Sexual offense
- Sexual assault
- Kidnapping
- Robbery with a dangerous weapon
- Robbery without a dangerous weapon
- Taking indecent liberties with a minor

Schools that report five or more of these acts per thousand students in two consecutive years and where "conditions that contributed to the commission of those offenses are likely to continue into another school year" are deemed Persistently Dangerous Schools (SBE Policy SS-A-006).

The other seven acts included in this report are:

- Assault on school personnel
- Bomb threat
- Burning of a school building
- Possession of alcoholic beverage
- Possession of controlled substance in violation of law
- Possession of a firearm or powerful explosive
- Possession of a weapon

Superintendents, principals, teachers, and other school and central office personnel are to be commended for their collaboration and willingness to implement reporting systems and strategies resulting in the production of this report.

### Data Collection and Verification

The data used in this annual report was largely collected in the Uniform System of Disciplinary Data Collection (USSDC), a statewide reporting system housed on a secure web site. NC WISE schools initially entered their data into the disciplinary reporting module of the NC WISE system, with the data subsequently transferred into USDDC. A few schools and LEAs used third-party software conforming to USDDC specifications.

Data consolidation and verification procedures were handled by DPI with assistance from the Technical Outreach to Public Schools (TOPS) at NC State University. The due date for LEAs to complete their 2007-08 discipline data collections was June 30, 2008. Principals, superintendents, and charter school directors were then required to verify the numbers of the 17 reportable offenses submitted by each school and LEA, and those verified numbers were checked by TOPS against the system data. Any discrepancies were reconciled, and superintendents and charter school directors then provided a final verification. All final verifications were completed by September 2, 2008.

After all data was verified, TOPS ran the analyses that generated the tables and figures contained in this report. The Program Monitoring and Support Division of NCDPI authored the General Findings and compiled the report.

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## General Findings

The number of the “17 reportable acts” of crime and violence increased by 2.4% from 2006-07 to 2007-08. However, due to an increase in average daily membership, the rate of acts reported (per 1000 students) only increased by 1.0%. The table below shows the number and rate for each of the last five years using final Average Daily Membership (ADM) as the denominator. (Prior to 2006-07, reports showed a rate which used 7<sup>th</sup> month ADM as the denominator.)

| Reporting Year | Total Acts | Acts Per 1000 Students |
|----------------|------------|------------------------|
| 2003-04        | 9,800      | 7.36                   |
| 2004-05        | 10,107     | 7.45                   |
| 2005-06        | 10,959     | 7.88                   |
| 2006-07        | 11,013     | 7.77                   |
| 2007-08        | 11,276     | 7.85                   |

The changes in the numbers of each of the seventeen offenses reported from 2006-07 to 2007-08 are shown in the table below. Violent offenses (per SBE Policy Number SS-A-006) are **boldfaced** and represent only 3.8% of the acts reported in 2007-08. The number of violent acts decreased 3.6% in 2007-08.

| Acts  | Number of Acts<br><b>2006-07</b> | Number of Acts<br><b>2007-08</b> |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Possession of controlled substance in violation of law            | 4,339                            | 4,968                            |
| Possession of a weapon excluding firearms and powerful explosives | 3,925                            | 3,752                            |
| Possession of alcoholic beverage                                  | 1,081                            | 948                              |
| Assault on school personnel not resulting in serious injury       | 889                              | 926                              |
| Bomb threat   | 175                              | 122                              |
| Possession of a firearm or powerful explosives                    | 139                              | 113                              |
| <b>Assault resulting in serious injury</b>                        | <b>122</b>                       | <b>109</b>                       |
| <b>Assault involving use of a weapon</b>                          | <b>94</b>                        | <b>101</b>                       |
| <b>Sexual assault not involving rape or sexual offense</b>        | <b>97</b>                        | <b>93</b>                        |
| <b>Sexual offense</b>   | <b>78</b>                        | <b>61</b>                        |
| <b>Robbery without a dangerous weapon</b>                         | <b>44</b>                        | <b>61</b>                        |
| Burning of school building  | 20                               | 18                               |
| <b>Taking indecent liberties with a minor</b>                     | <b>0</b>                         | <b>2</b>                         |
| <b>Robbery with a dangerous weapon</b>                            | <b>5</b>                         | <b>1</b>                         |
| <b>Kidnapping</b>   | <b>3</b>                         | <b>1</b>                         |
| <b>Rape</b>   | <b>2</b>                         | <b>0</b>                         |
| <b>Death by other than natural causes</b>                         | <b>0</b>                         | <b>0</b>                         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>11,013</b>                    | <b>11,276</b>                    |



The following categories experienced increases from 2006-07 to 2007-08 (numerical increase and percent increase in parentheses):

- Possession of controlled substance in violation of law (629, 14.5%)
- Assault on school personnel not resulting in serious injury (37, 4.2%)
- **Robbery without a dangerous weapon** (17, 38.6%)
- **Assault involving use of a weapon** (7, 7.4%)
- **Taking indecent liberties with a minor** (2, up from 0 the previous year)

The number of acts in these categories decreased from 2006-07 to 2007-08 (numerical decrease and percent decrease in parentheses):

- Possession of a weapon excluding firearms and powerful explosives (173, 4.4%)
- Possession of alcoholic beverage (133, 12.3%)
- Bomb Threat (53, 30.3%)
- Possession of a firearm or powerful explosives (26, 18.7%)
- **Assault resulting in serious injury** (13, 10.7%)
- **Sexual offense** (17, 21.8%)
- **Robbery with a dangerous weapon** (4, 80.0%)
- **Sexual assault not involving rape or sexual offense** (4, 4.1%)
- **Rape** (2, 100%)
- **Kidnapping** (2, 66.7%)
- Burning of a school building (2, 10.0%)

Elementary, middle, and high schools differ in the types of acts most frequently reported. Acts most frequently reported in elementary school were 1) Possession of a weapon excluding firearms, 2) assault on school personnel, and 3) possession of a controlled substance. In middle school the order was 1) Possession of a weapon excluding firearms, 2) possession of a controlled substance, and 3) assault on school personnel; while in high school the order was 1) Possession of a controlled substance, 2) possession of a weapon excluding firearms, and 3) possession of an alcoholic beverage.

Crime rate trends for high school students mirrored those overall, as seen below. The number of acts of crime and violence by high school students increased by 1.2% from 2006-07 to 2007-08. However, due to an increase in average daily membership, the rate of acts reported remained constant at 15.57 acts per 1000 students in membership. Dangerous acts comprised 3.2% of the total.

| <b>Reporting Year</b> | <b>Total Acts</b> | <b>Acts Per 1000 Students</b> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| 2003-04               | 5,113             | 13.75                         |
| 2004-05               | 5,729             | 14.90                         |
| 2005-06               | 5,996             | 15.08                         |
| 2006-07               | 6,343             | 15.57                         |
| 2007-08               | 6,418             | 15.57                         |

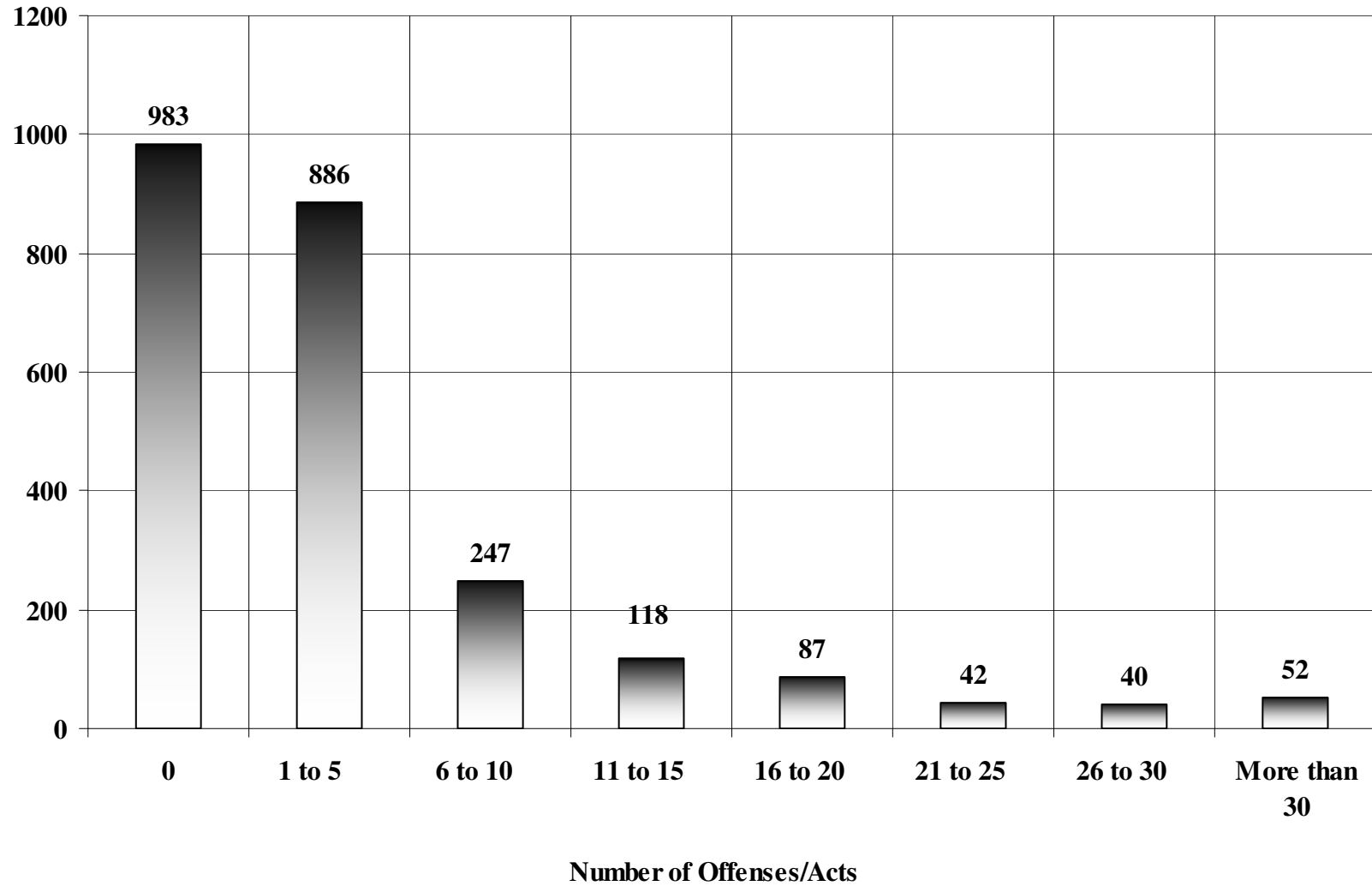
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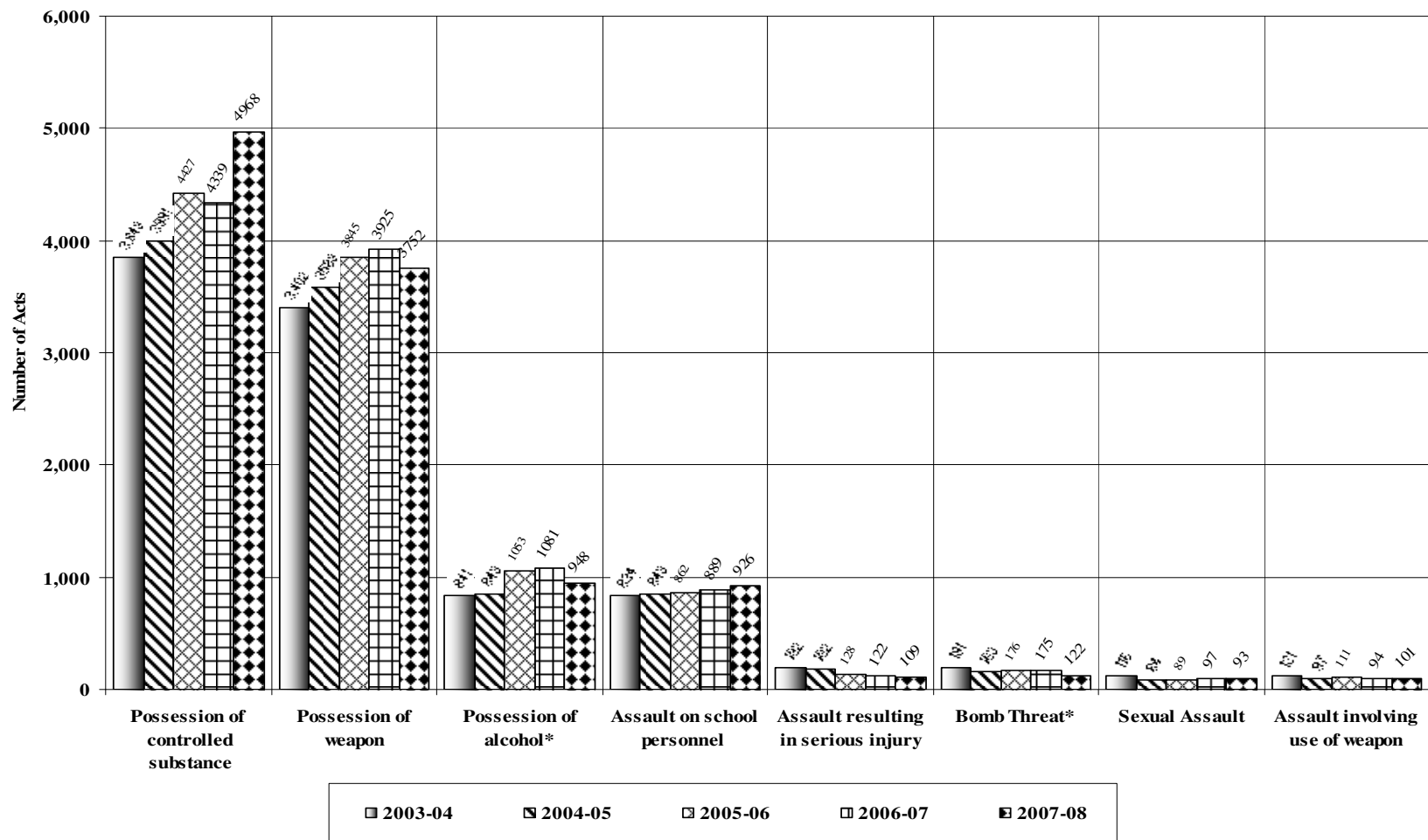
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**Figure C1. Numbers of Schools with Selected Ranges of Reported Act Totals**



**Figure C2. Five-Year Trend in Number of Reported Acts Receiving the Highest Total Occurrences**



**Table C1. Reported Statewide Acts by School Levels\***

| SPECIFIED ACTS   | TOTAL NUMBER OF ACTS | TOTAL NO. OF ACTS BY SCHOOL LEVEL |            |              |            |              |                    | NO. OF OFFENDERS |                      | NO. OF VICTIMS <sup>‡</sup> |            |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
|  |                      | PK-5                              | ELEM/MID*  | G6-8         | MID/HIGH** | G9-12        | OTHER <sup>†</sup> | REGULAR STUDENTS | EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS | STUDENTS                    | STAFF      |
| Possession of a Controlled Substance in Violation of Law | 4,968                | 49                                | 61         | 967          | 199        | 3,642        | 50                 | 3,896            | 907                  | 0                           | 0          |
| Possession of a Weapon                                   | 3,752                | 809                               | 129        | 1,241        | 117        | 1,428        | 28                 | 2,755            | 868                  | 0                           | 0          |
| Possession of Alcoholic Beverage                         | 948                  | 7                                 | 17         | 210          | 41         | 662          | 11                 | 752              | 173                  | 0                           | 0          |
| Assault on School Personnel                              | 926                  | 258                               | 31         | 256          | 49         | 296          | 36                 | 519              | 374                  | 0                           | 471        |
| Bomb Threat  | 122                  | 8                                 | 5          | 44           | 9          | 55           | 1                  | 64               | 35                   | 0                           | 0          |
| Possession of a Firearm or Powerful Explosive            | 113                  | 15                                | 1          | 18           | 9          | 63           | 7                  | 82               | 21                   | 0                           | 0          |
| Assault Resulting in Serious Injury                      | 109                  | 6                                 | 5          | 31           | 2          | 61           | 4                  | 82               | 20                   | 60                          | 11         |
| Assault Involving Use of a Weapon                        | 101                  | 15                                | 2          | 43           | 8          | 33           | 0                  | 72               | 27                   | 75                          | 6          |
| Sexual Assault not including Rape or Sexual Offense      | 93                   | 17                                | 3          | 34           | 12         | 26           | 1                  | 68               | 24                   | 56                          | 3          |
| Sexual Offense   | 61                   | 2                                 | 4          | 17           | 3          | 34           | 1                  | 40               | 18                   | 21                          | 1          |
| Robbery without a Dangerous Weapon                       | 61                   | 1                                 | 0          | 12           | 0          | 48           | 0                  | 42               | 15                   | 30                          | 0          |
| Burning of a School Building                             | 18                   | 0                                 | 0          | 5            | 0          | 13           | 0                  | 10               | 4                    | 0                           | 0          |
| Taking Indecent Liberties with a Minor                   | 2                    | 0                                 | 0          | 0            | 0          | 1            | 1                  | 1                | 1                    | 0                           | 0          |
| Kidnapping   | 1                    | 0                                 | 0          | 0            | 0          | 1            | 0                  | 0                | 0                    | 0                           | 0          |
| Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon                          | 1                    | 0                                 | 0          | 0            | 0          | 1            | 0                  | 1                | 0                    | 0                           | 0          |
| Death By Other Than Natural Causes                       | 0                    | 0                                 | 0          | 0            | 0          | 0            | 0                  | 0                | 0                    | 0                           | 0          |
| Rape   | 0                    | 0                                 | 0          | 0            | 0          | 0            | 0                  | 0                | 0                    | 0                           | 0          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>11,276</b>        | <b>1,187</b>                      | <b>258</b> | <b>2,878</b> | <b>449</b> | <b>6,364</b> | <b>140</b>         | <b>8,384</b>     | <b>2,487</b>         | <b>242</b>                  | <b>492</b> |

This table shows the total reported statewide offenses/acts by school level and is ranked by the total number of occurrences of specified acts.

Totals are computed based on final Average Daily Membership of 1,436,562 students.

\* A combination elementary/middle school must include some or all of the grade levels defined as elementary (PK-5) and middle (6-8).

\*\* A combination middle/high school must include some or all of the grade levels defined as middle (6-8) and high school (9-12).

† Other includes ungraded schools, special education schools, and schools with grades that cross more than one level (e.g. K-12).

‡ Specified acts may have multiple victims per incident.

**Table C2. 2007-08 Reported Statewide Acts by School Levels\***

| SPECIFIED ACTS   | TOTAL NO. OF ACTS | TOTAL NO. OF ACTS BY SCHOOL LEVEL |            |              |            |              |            | NO. OF OFFENDERS |                      | NO. OF VICTIMS <sup>†</sup> |            |
|--|-------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
|  |                   | PK-5                              | ELEM/MID*  | G-6-8        | MID/HIGH** | G9-12        | OTHER†     | REGULAR STUDENTS | EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS | STUDENTS                    | STAFF      |
| Possession of a Controlled Substance in Violation of Law | 4,968             | 49                                | 61         | 967          | 199        | 3,642        | 50         | 3,896            | 907                  | 0                           | 0          |
| Possession of a Weapon                                   | 3,752             | 809                               | 129        | 1,241        | 117        | 1,428        | 28         | 2,755            | 868                  | 0                           | 0          |
| Possession of Alcoholic Beverage                         | 948               | 7                                 | 17         | 210          | 41         | 662          | 11         | 752              | 173                  | 0                           | 0          |
| Assault on School Personnel                              | 926               | 258                               | 31         | 256          | 49         | 296          | 36         | 519              | 374                  | 0                           | 471        |
| Bomb Threat  | 122               | 8                                 | 5          | 44           | 9          | 55           | 1          | 64               | 35                   | 0                           | 0          |
| Possession of a Firearm or Powerful Explosive            | 113               | 15                                | 1          | 18           | 9          | 63           | 7          | 82               | 21                   | 0                           | 0          |
| Assault Resulting in Serious Injury                      | 109               | 6                                 | 5          | 31           | 2          | 61           | 4          | 82               | 20                   | 60                          | 11         |
| Assault Involving Use of a Weapon                        | 101               | 15                                | 2          | 43           | 8          | 33           | 0          | 72               | 27                   | 75                          | 6          |
| Sexual Assault not including Rape or Sexual Offense      | 93                | 17                                | 3          | 34           | 12         | 26           | 1          | 68               | 24                   | 56                          | 3          |
| Sexual Offense   | 61                | 2                                 | 4          | 17           | 3          | 34           | 1          | 40               | 18                   | 21                          | 1          |
| Robbery without a Dangerous Weapon                       | 61                | 1                                 | 0          | 12           | 0          | 48           | 0          | 42               | 15                   | 30                          | 0          |
| Burning of a School Building                             | 18                | 0                                 | 0          | 5            | 0          | 13           | 0          | 10               | 4                    | 0                           | 0          |
| Taking Indecent Liberties with a Minor                   | 2                 | 0                                 | 0          | 0            | 0          | 1            | 1          | 1                | 1                    | 0                           | 0          |
| Kidnapping   | 1                 | 0                                 | 0          | 0            | 0          | 1            | 0          | 0                | 0                    | 0                           | 0          |
| Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon                          | 1                 | 0                                 | 0          | 0            | 0          | 1            | 0          | 1                | 0                    | 0                           | 0          |
| Death By Other Than Natural Causes                       | 0                 | 0                                 | 0          | 0            | 0          | 0            | 0          | 0                | 0                    | 0                           | 0          |
| Rape   | 0                 | 0                                 | 0          | 0            | 0          | 0            | 0          | 0                | 0                    | 0                           | 0          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>11,276</b>     | <b>1,187</b>                      | <b>258</b> | <b>2,878</b> | <b>449</b> | <b>6,364</b> | <b>140</b> | <b>8,384</b>     | <b>2,487</b>         | <b>242</b>                  | <b>492</b> |

**Table C3. 2006-07 Reported Statewide Acts by School Levels\***

| SPECIFIED ACTS   | TOTAL NO. OF ACTS | TOTAL NO. OF ACTS BY SCHOOL LEVEL |            |              |            |              |            | NO. OF OFFENDERS |                      | NO. OF VICTIMS <sup>†</sup> |            |
|--|-------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
|  |                   | PK-5                              | ELEM/MID*  | G-6-8        | MID/HIGH** | G9-12        | OTHER†     | REGULAR STUDENTS | EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS | STUDENTS                    | STAFF      |
| Possession of a Controlled Substance in Violation of Law | 4,339             | 36                                | 64         | 854          | 181        | 3,151        | 53         | 3,323            | 896                  | 0                           | 0          |
| Possession of a Weapon                                   | 3,925             | 683                               | 202        | 1,340        | 98         | 1,557        | 45         | 2,868            | 966                  | 0                           | 0          |
| Possession of Alcoholic Beverage                         | 1,081             | 9                                 | 7          | 219          | 9          | 826          | 11         | 816              | 235                  | 0                           | 0          |
| Assault on School Personnel                              | 889               | 211                               | 25         | 250          | 51         | 323          | 29         | 501              | 372                  | 0                           | 365        |
| Bomb Threat  | 175               | 13                                | 1          | 85           | 2          | 73           | 1          | 110              | 26                   | 0                           | 0          |
| Possession of a Firearm or Powerful Explosive            | 139               | 13                                | 3          | 34           | 3          | 86           | 0          | 93               | 38                   | 0                           | 0          |
| Assault Resulting in Serious Injury                      | 122               | 7                                 | 2          | 33           | 6          | 73           | 1          | 90               | 24                   | 46                          | 4          |
| Assault Involving Use of a Weapon                        | 94                | 18                                | 3          | 27           | 3          | 42           | 1          | 69               | 23                   | 46                          | 2          |
| Sexual Assault not including Rape or Sexual Offense      | 97                | 16                                | 8          | 34           | 3          | 36           | 0          | 56               | 36                   | 37                          | 0          |
| Sexual Offense   | 78                | 5                                 | 5          | 26           | 4          | 37           | 1          | 58               | 19                   | 11                          | 0          |
| Robbery without a Dangerous Weapon                       | 44                | 2                                 | 0          | 13           | 4          | 25           | 0          | 29               | 15                   | 14                          | 0          |
| Burning of a School Building                             | 20                | 0                                 | 1          | 4            | 3          | 12           | 0          | 15               | 2                    | 0                           | 0          |
| Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon                          | 5                 | 1                                 | 0          | 0            | 0          | 4            | 0          | 1                | 1                    | 0                           | 0          |
| Taking Indecent Liberties with a Minor                   | 0                 | 0                                 | 0          | 0            | 0          | 0            | 0          | 0                | 0                    | 0                           | 0          |
| Kidnapping   | 3                 | 0                                 | 0          | 0            | 0          | 3            | 0          | 1                | 0                    | 2                           | 0          |
| Death By Other Than Natural Causes                       | 0                 | 0                                 | 0          | 0            | 0          | 0            | 0          | 0                | 0                    | 0                           | 0          |
| Rape   | 2                 | 0                                 | 0          | 1            | 0          | 1            | 0          | 1                | 0                    | 1                           | 0          |
| <b>Totals</b>  | <b>11,013</b>     | <b>1,014</b>                      | <b>321</b> | <b>2,920</b> | <b>367</b> | <b>6,249</b> | <b>142</b> | <b>8,031</b>     | <b>2,653</b>         | <b>157</b>                  | <b>371</b> |

\*This table shows a comparison of 2007-08 and 2006-07 ranked totals for the seventeen reportable acts by gradespan, type of student offender, and type of victim.

Totals are computed based on final Average Daily Membership of 1,436,562 students.

\* A combination elementary/middle school must include some or all of the grade levels defined as elementary (PK-5) and middle (6-8).

\*\* A combination middle/high school must include some or all of the grade levels defined as middle (6-8) and high school (9-12).

† Other includes ungraded schools, special education schools, and schools with grades that cross more than one level (e.g. K-12).

‡ Specified acts may have multiple victims per incident.

**Table C4.** Number of Grades 9-12 Acts and Rates for Each LEA, 2007-08

| LEA # | LEA Name            | ADM,<br>Grades 9-12 | Reportable<br>Acts | Reportable Act<br>Rate (per 1000) |
|-------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 10    | ALAMANCE-BURLINGTON | 6560                | 108                | 16.46                             |
| 20    | ALEXANDER COUNTY    | 1571                | 42                 | 26.73                             |
| 30    | ALLEGHANY COUNTY    | 493                 | 9                  | 18.26                             |
| 40    | ANSON COUNTY        | 1205                | 29                 | 24.07                             |
| 50    | ASHE COUNTY         | 935                 | 15                 | 16.04                             |
| 60    | AVERY COUNTY        | 660                 | 13                 | 19.70                             |
| 70    | BEAUFORT COUNTY     | 2085                | 40                 | 19.18                             |
| 80    | BERTIE COUNTY       | 890                 | 18                 | 19.16                             |
| 90    | BLADEN COUNTY       | 1548                | 11                 | 7.11                              |
| 100   | BRUNSWICK COUNTY    | 3455                | 44                 | 12.74                             |
| 110   | BUNCOMBE COUNTY     | 7601                | 148                | 19.47                             |
| 111   | ASHEVILLE CITY      | 1149                | 15                 | 13.05                             |
| 120   | BURKE COUNTY        | 4256                | 54                 | 12.69                             |
| 130   | CABARRUS COUNTY     | 7575                | 122                | 16.11                             |
| 132   | KANNAPOLIS CITY     | 1220                | 24                 | 19.67                             |
| 140   | CALDWELL COUNTY     | 3805                | 65                 | 17.08                             |
| 150   | CAMDEN COUNTY       | 567                 | 1                  | 1.76                              |
| 160   | CARTERET COUNTY     | 2571                | 54                 | 21.00                             |
| 170   | CASWELL COUNTY      | 967                 | 17                 | 17.58                             |
| 180   | CATAWBA COUNTY      | 5366                | 115                | 21.43                             |
| 181   | HICKORY CITY        | 1283                | 25                 | 19.49                             |
| 182   | NEWTON-CONOVER      | 868                 | 19                 | 21.89                             |
| 190   | CHATHAM COUNTY      | 2181                | 32                 | 14.67                             |
| 200   | CHEROKEE COUNTY     | 1121                | 4                  | 3.57                              |
| 210   | EDENTON/CHOWAN      | 723                 | 7                  | 9.68                              |
| 220   | CLAY COUNTY         | 408                 | 1                  | 2.45                              |
| 230   | CLEVELAND COUNTY    | 5022                | 86                 | 17.12                             |
| 240   | COLUMBUS COUNTY     | 1941                | 39                 | 20.09                             |
| 241   | WHITEVILLE CITY     | 735                 | 5                  | 6.80                              |
| 250   | CRAVEN COUNTY       | 4166                | 58                 | 13.92                             |
| 260   | CUMBERLAND COUNTY   | 15808               | 232                | 14.68                             |
| 270   | CURRITUCK COUNTY    | 1248                | 25                 | 20.03                             |
| 280   | DARE COUNTY         | 1524                | 14                 | 9.19                              |
| 290   | DAVIDSON COUNTY     | 6013                | 88                 | 14.63                             |
| 291   | LEXINGTON CITY      | 773                 | 11                 | 14.23                             |
| 292   | THOMASVILLE CITY    | 719                 | 6                  | 8.34                              |
| 300   | DAVIE COUNTY        | 1878                | 14                 | 7.45                              |
| 310   | DUPLIN COUNTY       | 2339                | 23                 | 9.83                              |
| 320   | DURHAM COUNTY       | 9502                | 216                | 22.73                             |
| 330   | EDGECOMBE COUNTY    | 2225                | 30                 | 13.48                             |
| 340   | FORSYTH COUNTY      | 14937               | 324                | 21.69                             |
| 350   | FRANKLIN COUNTY     | 2380                | 38                 | 15.97                             |
| 360   | GASTON COUNTY       | 9710                | 73                 | 7.52                              |
| 370   | GATES COUNTY        | 612                 | 13                 | 21.24                             |
| 380   | GRAHAM COUNTY       | 321                 | 6                  | 18.69                             |
| 390   | GRANVILLE COUNTY    | 2685                | 28                 | 10.43                             |



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| LEA # | LEA Name             | ADM,<br>Grades 9-12 | Reportable<br>Acts | Reportable Act<br>Rate (per 1000) |
|-------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 400   | GREENE COUNTY        | 895                 | 17                 | 18.99                             |
| 410   | GUILFORD COUNTY      | 21568               | 384                | 17.80                             |
| 420   | HALIFAX COUNTY       | 1423                | 44                 | 30.92                             |
| 421   | ROANOKE RAPIDS CITY  | 857                 | 10                 | 11.67                             |
| 422   | WELDON CITY          | 336                 | 14                 | 41.67                             |
| 430   | HARNETT COUNTY       | 5154                | 67                 | 13.00                             |
| 440   | HAYWOOD COUNTY       | 2300                | 57                 | 24.78                             |
| 450   | HENDERSON COUNTY     | 3699                | 51                 | 13.79                             |
| 460   | HERTFORD COUNTY      | 1036                | 18                 | 17.37                             |
| 470   | HOKE COUNTY          | 1715                | 46                 | 26.82                             |
| 480   | HYDE COUNTY          | 208                 | 0                  | 0.00                              |
| 490   | IREDELL-STATESVILLE  | 6366                | 73                 | 11.47                             |
| 491   | MOORESVILLE CITY     | 1594                | 24                 | 15.06                             |
| 500   | JACKSON COUNTY       | 1035                | 25                 | 24.15                             |
| 510   | JOHNSTON COUNTY      | 7838                | 91                 | 11.61                             |
| 520   | JONES COUNTY         | 378                 | 10                 | 26.46                             |
| 530   | LEE COUNTY           | 2720                | 31                 | 11.40                             |
| 540   | LENOIR COUNTY        | 3014                | 44                 | 14.60                             |
| 550   | LINCOLN COUNTY       | 3737                | 51                 | 13.65                             |
| 560   | MACON COUNTY         | 1257                | 0                  | 0.00                              |
| 570   | MADISON COUNTY       | 723                 | 13                 | 17.98                             |
| 580   | MARTIN COUNTY        | 1093                | 9                  | 8.23                              |
| 590   | MCDOWELL COUNTY      | 1832                | 23                 | 12.55                             |
| 600   | MECKLENBURG COUNTY   | 35784               | 572                | 15.98                             |
| 610   | MITCHELL COUNTY      | 647                 | 23                 | 35.55                             |
| 620   | MONTGOMERY COUNTY    | 1282                | 16                 | 12.48                             |
| 630   | MOORE COUNTY         | 3780                | 65                 | 17.20                             |
| 640   | NASH-ROCKY MOUNT     | 5180                | 79                 | 15.25                             |
| 650   | NEW HANOVER COUNTY   | 7129                | 95                 | 13.33                             |
| 660   | NORTHAMPTON COUNTY   | 812                 | 17                 | 20.94                             |
| 670   | ONSLow COUNTY        | 6454                | 69                 | 10.69                             |
| 680   | ORANGE COUNTY        | 2134                | 28                 | 13.12                             |
| 681   | CHAPEL HILL-CARRBORO | 3616                | 20                 | 5.53                              |
| 690   | PAMLICO COUNTY       | 573                 | 16                 | 27.92                             |
| 700   | PASQUOTANK COUNTY    | 1817                | 8                  | 4.40                              |
| 710   | PENDER COUNTY        | 2368                | 23                 | 9.71                              |
| 720   | PERQUIMANS COUNTY    | 526                 | 13                 | 24.71                             |
| 730   | PERSON COUNTY        | 1676                | 11                 | 6.56                              |
| 740   | PITT COUNTY          | 6685                | 128                | 19.15                             |
| 750   | POLK COUNTY          | 728                 | 21                 | 28.85                             |
| 760   | RANDOLPH COUNTY      | 5269                | 100                | 18.98                             |
| 761   | ASHEBORO CITY        | 1254                | 9                  | 7.18                              |
| 770   | RICHMOND COUNTY      | 2184                | 10                 | 4.58                              |
| 780   | ROBESON COUNTY       | 6548                | 221                | 33.75                             |
| 790   | ROCKINGHAM COUNTY    | 4191                | 67                 | 15.99                             |
| 800   | ROWAN-SALISBURY      | 6237                | 98                 | 15.71                             |

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|--------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| 810          | RUTHERFORD COUNTY         | 2929                        | 48                         | 16.39                                     |
| 820          | SAMPSON COUNTY            | 2208                        | 28                         | 12.68                                     |
| 821          | CLINTON CITY              | 794                         | 5                          | 6.30                                      |
| 830          | SCOTLAND COUNTY           | 1890                        | 14                         | 7.41                                      |
| 840          | STANLY COUNTY             | 2858                        | 56                         | 19.59                                     |
| 850          | STOKES COUNTY             | 2198                        | 31                         | 14.10                                     |
| 860          | SURRY COUNTY              | 2554                        | 39                         | 15.27                                     |
| 861          | ELKIN CITY                | 388                         | 3                          | 7.73                                      |
| 862          | MOUNT AIRY CITY           | 558                         | 9                          | 16.13                                     |
| 870          | SWAIN COUNTY              | 581                         | 16                         | 27.54                                     |
| 880          | TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY       | 1197                        | 41                         | 34.25                                     |
| 890          | TYRRELL COUNTY            | 170                         | 0                          | 0.00                                      |
| 900          | UNION COUNTY              | 9703                        | 158                        | 16.28                                     |
| 910          | VANCE COUNTY              | 2315                        | 18                         | 7.78                                      |
| 920          | WAKE COUNTY               | 37121                       | 540                        | 14.55                                     |
| 930          | WARREN COUNTY             | 896                         | 10                         | 11.16                                     |
| 940          | WASHINGTON COUNTY         | 639                         | 3                          | 4.69                                      |
| 950          | WATAUGA COUNTY            | 1415                        | 45                         | 31.80                                     |
| 960          | WAYNE COUNTY              | 5543                        | 38                         | 6.86                                      |
| 970          | WILKES COUNTY             | 2801                        | 54                         | 19.28                                     |
| 980          | WILSON COUNTY             | 3418                        | 45                         | 13.17                                     |
| 990          | YADKIN COUNTY             | 1806                        | 9                          | 4.98                                      |
| 995          | YANCEY COUNTY             | 756                         | 5                          | 6.61                                      |
|              | <b>State, Grades 9-12</b> |                             |                            | <b>15.57</b>                              |



# Suspensions and Expulsions

2007-08





## SUSPENSIONS AND EXPULSIONS, 2007-08

### Introduction

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The Annual Study of Suspensions and Expulsions was designed to address the requirements regarding suspension data in G.S. 115C-12(27). The data contained in this 2007-08 Consolidated Report were gathered from traditional and charter public schools as well as alternative schools/programs via the web-based Uniform System of Disciplinary Data Collection (USCDDC) and files created by third-party software in the specified USDDC data format. Data from NC WISE schools was initially entered in the NC WISE disciplinary module and later transferred into the USDDC.

Until this year, the Suspensions and Expulsions report has reported separate findings for charter schools and the regular LEAs—unlike the Annual Report of School Crime and Violence and the Annual Report of Dropout Events and Rates. For consistency in reporting, the practice of segregating these data has been discontinued for this 2007-08 consolidated report.

#### Definitions of Suspension and Expulsion

Lesser offenses committed by students are often dealt with using short-term suspensions, which can last up to ten days. Principals usually make decisions about whether to suspend a student short-term, about the duration of that suspension, and about whether the short-term suspension is to be served in or out of school. In-school suspensions are usually served in an in-school suspension classroom. When a school does not have an in-school suspension program or when offenses are more serious or chronic, they may be dealt with through short-term, out-of-school suspensions.

More serious offenses are usually dealt with using long-term suspensions as a consequence. Long-term suspensions last from eleven days up to the remainder of the school year. When a student is suspended long-term, the student may not return to their regular program in their home school for the duration of the suspension. Districts may allow long-term suspended students to attend an alternative learning program (ALP) or alternative school during their long-term suspension or may assign them to alternative placements in lieu of suspensions. For reporting purposes, students are not considered suspended while attending an ALP or alternative school.

Certain very serious offenses may result in the student not being allowed to enroll in any school or program for the remainder of the school year or being suspended for an entire calendar year (365-day suspension). Usually superintendents and/or local boards of education, upon recommendation of principals, make decisions on a case-by-case basis about long-term suspensions (including 365-day suspensions), the length of those suspensions, and whether an ALP placement is provided.

When a student is expelled from school, the student cannot return to their home school or any other school within the LEA. As with long-term suspensions, the superintendent and/or the local

board of education, upon the recommendation of the principal, make decisions about student expulsions on a case-by-case basis. An expulsion is usually reserved for cases where the student is at least 14 years of age and presents a clear threat of danger to self or others. The acts do not have to occur on school premises for the superintendent and/or school board to expel a student. The law allows school districts to permit some expelled students to enroll in ALPs to complete their education. Some districts allow expelled students to apply for readmission.

## General Findings

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Based on data reported by all public schools in the North Carolina, the number of out-of-school short-term suspensions (1 to 10 days) given to students decreased 0.8%--from a 2006-07 total of 310,744 to 308,010 in 2007-08. (Originally the state totals for charter schools and the regular LEAs were reported separately, but the totals are now combined.) During this time the number of long-term suspensions (11 or more days) increased 10.3% to 5,225.

There were 142,506 grades 9-12 short-term suspensions reported statewide in 2007-08, a decrease of 0.5% from the 2006-07 total of 143,157. The grades 9-12 short-term suspension rate was 3.46 suspensions per ten students.

On average, one of ten North Carolina students receives an out-of-school short-term suspension each year. When looking at high school students only, this ratio rises to one of six. Many students receive only one suspension each year, but a number of students receive multiple short-term suspensions. Students who received short-term suspensions in 2007-08 averaged about two suspensions each. The average total duration of short-term suspensions for students who received at least one suspension was 6.41 for high school students and 5.91 days for all students. The average duration of a single short-term suspension for high school students was 3.13 days and 2.99 days for all students.

From 2006-07 to 2007-08 the number of long-term suspensions (11 or more days) for all students increased 10.3% from 4,736 to 5,225. Missing grade data prevented an exact calculation, however it is estimated that high school students received 3,461 long-term suspensions, a 15.4% increase from 2,999 in 2006-07.

In 2007-08 as in past years, male students, Black and American Indian students, ninth graders, and students receiving special education services are among the groups that continue to be disproportionately represented among suspended students.

The number of expulsions increased from 102 in 2006-07 to 116 in 2007-08. High school students received 99 of these expulsions.

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## Section 1. Short-Term Suspensions

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### Short-Term Suspensions

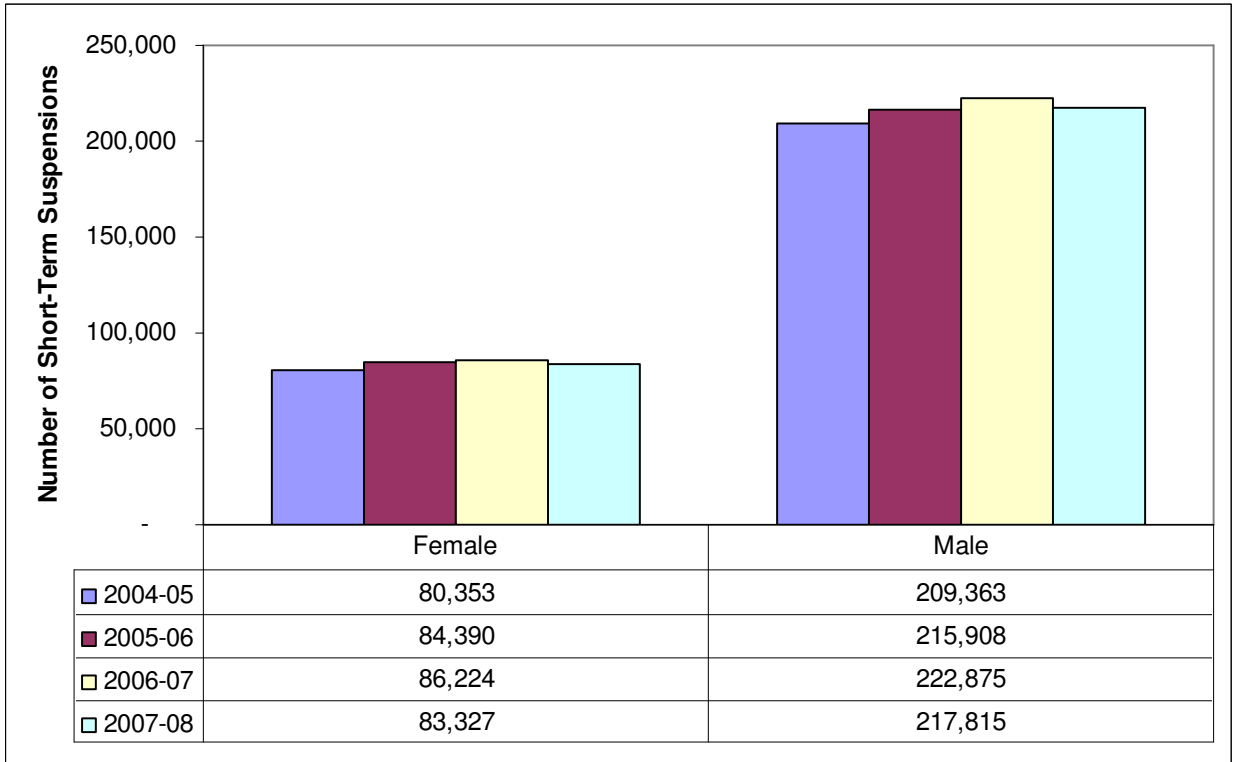
This section reports data for students who were suspended for 10 days or less from the 115 LEAs and charter schools. The data here reflect short-term suspensions that may include multiple suspensions per student. It should be noted that some students receive multiple short-term suspensions each year; therefore, *these charts represent numbers of suspensions, not numbers of unique students.*

There were 308,107 short-term suspensions reported statewide in 2007-08, a decrease of 0.8% from the 2006-07 combined LEA and charter school total of 310,744. School days lost due to short-term suspensions decreased 1.9%.

The 308,107 short-term suspensions in 2007-08 were given to 156,072 different students (some students were suspended more than once), for an average of 1.97 short-term suspensions per suspended student. The average total duration of short-term suspensions for students who received at least one such suspension in 2007-08 was 5.91 days. The average duration of a single short-term suspension was 2.99 days, down 1.3% from the previous year.

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Short-Term Suspensions by Gender

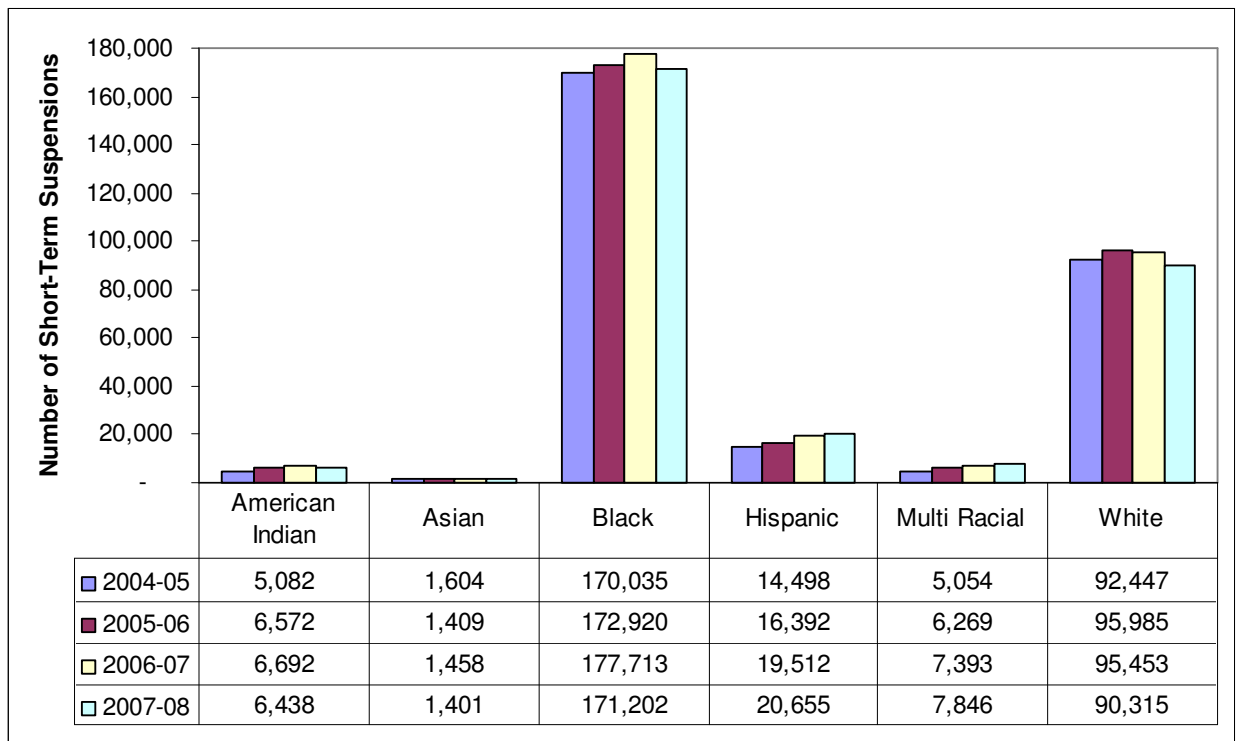


Note: Data includes charter schools for 2006-07 and 2007-08. Gender was not reported for 36 short-term suspensions in 2004-05, 1,395 in 2005-06, 1,619 in 2006-07, and 6,965 in 2007-08.

**Figure S1. Number of Short-Term Suspensions by Gender.**

- The rate of short-term suspensions for male students in 2007-08 was 2.5 times higher than for females.
- Males received 217,815 short-term suspensions (ten days or less) in 2007-08. This represents a 2.3% decrease from the previous year, however gender was not reported for 6,965 suspensions in 2007-08 and 1,619 suspensions in 2006-07. Assuming a 2.5 male-to-female ratio for the missing gender data in both years, the reduction would be only 0.6%.
- When adjusted for missing gender data, female suspensions decreased 1.6%.

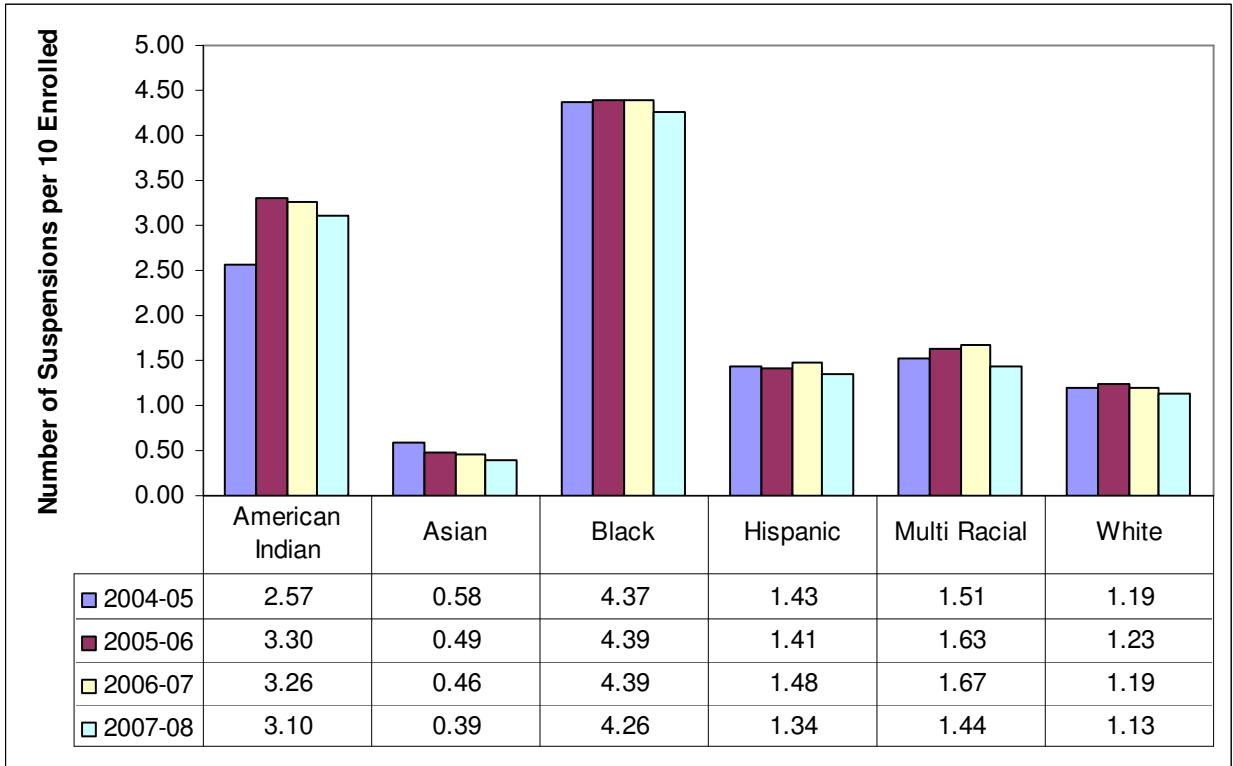
## Short-Term Suspensions by Ethnicity



Note: Data includes charter schools for 2006-07 and 2007-08. Ethnicity was not reported or was reported as “Other” for 1,032 short-term suspensions in 2004-05, 2,015 in 2005-06, 2,499 in 2006-07, and 10,250 in 2007-08.

**Figure S2. Number of Short-Term Suspensions by Ethnicity.**

- Black students received the most short-term suspensions, followed by white students.
- Because of the large amount of data with missing ethnicity, the totals by ethnicity in the chart above were adjusted before one-year changes were computed
- After adjusting for missing ethnicity data, suspensions received by black, white, and American Indian students fell by one to three percent in 2007-08.
- After adjusting for missing ethnicity data, suspensions received by Hispanic and multiracial students increased by eight to nine percent.



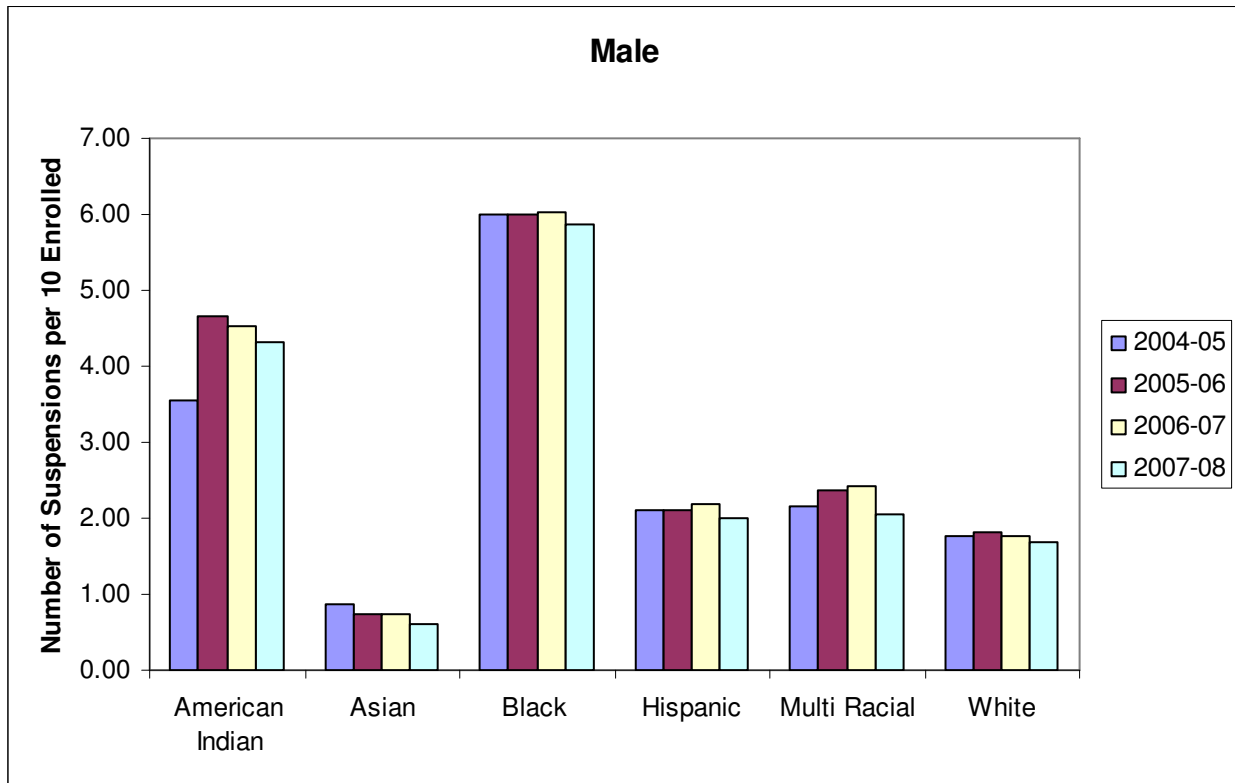
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**Figure S3. Short-Term Suspension Rates by Ethnicity.**

- As in previous years, Black students had the highest rate of short-term suspension in 2007-08, followed by American Indian students.
- Even when adjusting for missing ethnicity data, short-term suspension rates decreased in 2007-08 for all racial groups.

## Short-Term Suspensions by Ethnicity and Gender

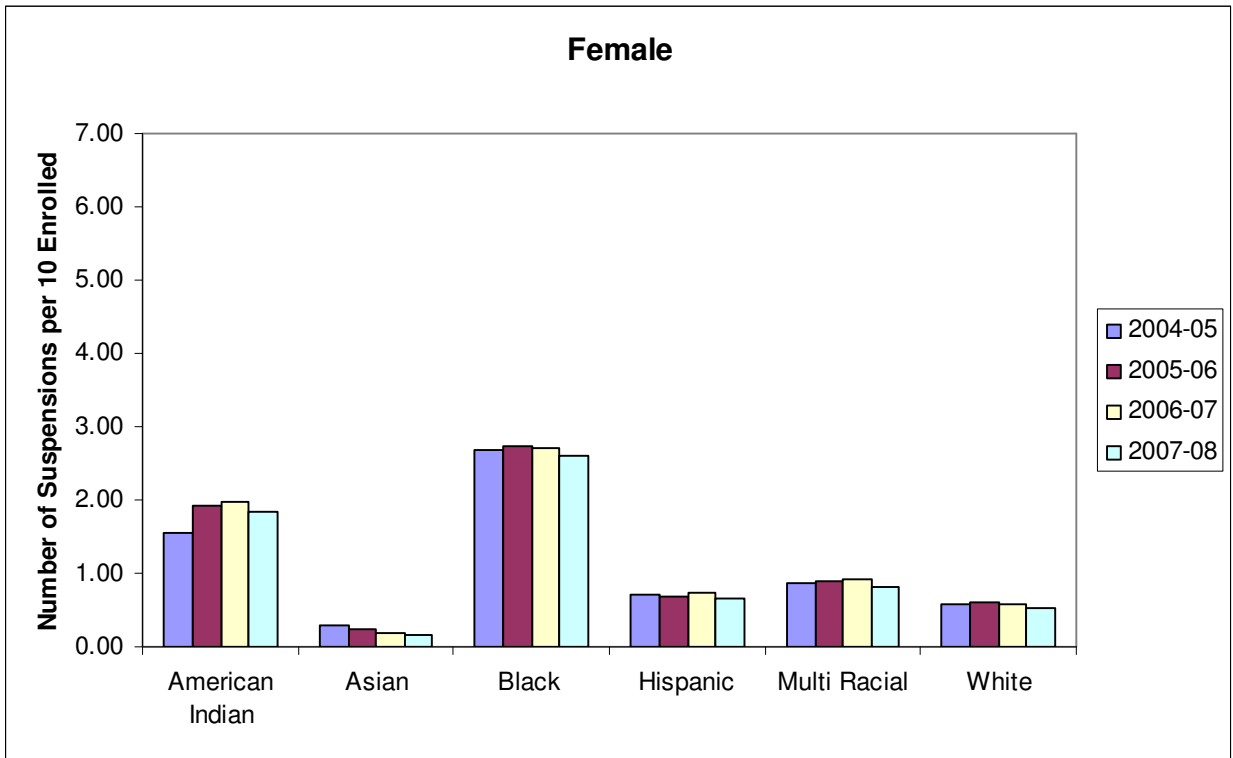
The following charts show short-term suspension rates for recent school years, by ethnicity, for males (Figure S4) and females (Figure S5).



Note: Data includes charter schools for 2006-07 and 2007-08. Ethnicity was not reported or was reported as “Other” for 1,032 short-term suspensions in 2004-05, 2,015 in 2005-06, 2,499 in 2006-07, and 10,250 in 2007-08.

**Figure S4. Male Short-Term Suspension Rates by Ethnicity.**

- Among males, Black students had the highest rate of short-term suspensions in 2007-08, followed by American Indian students.
- The rates for all males decreased in 2007-08.

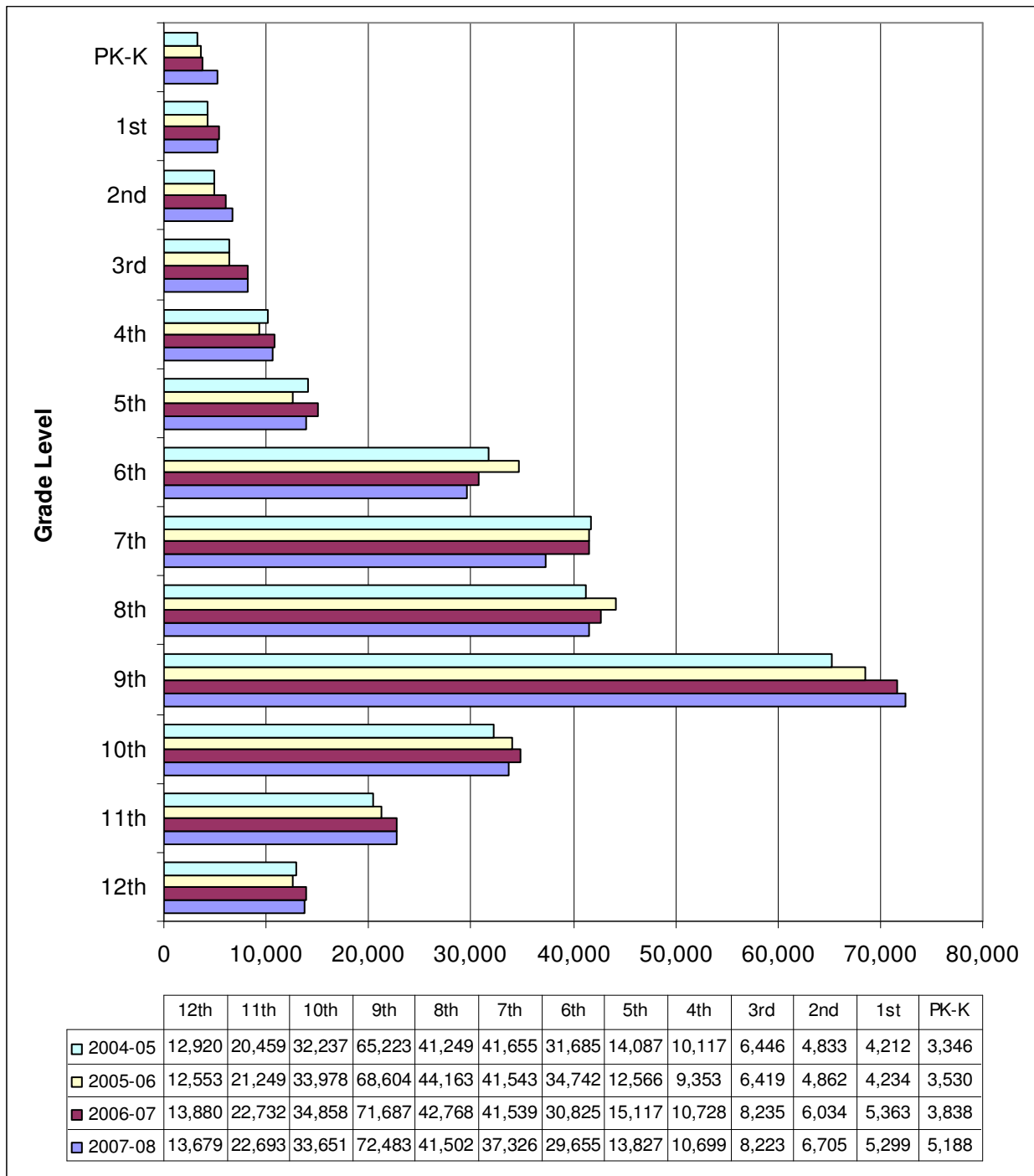


Note: Data includes charter schools for 2006-07 and 2007-08. Ethnicity was not reported or was reported as “Other” for 1,032 short-term suspensions in 2004-05, 2,015 in 2005-06, 2,499 in 2006-07, and 10,250 in 2007-08.

**Figure S5. Female Short-Term Suspension Rates by Ethnicity.**

- Also among females, Black and American Indian students had the highest rates of short-term suspensions in 2007-08.
- The rates for all females decreased in 2007-08.

## Short-Term Suspensions by Grade

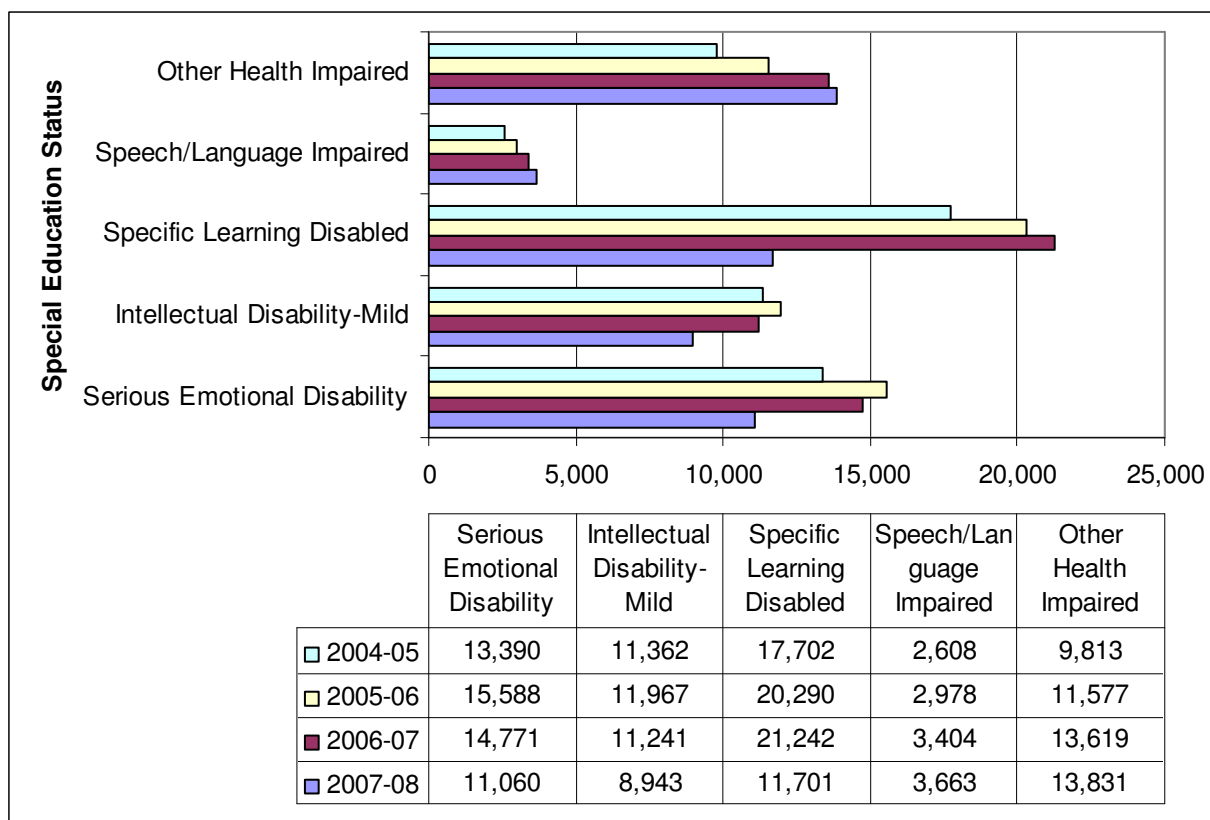


Note: Data includes charter schools for 2006-07 and 2007-08. Grade level was not reported for 1,283 short-term suspensions given in 2004-05, 3,766 in 2005-06, 3,140 in 2006-07, and 7,177 in 2007-08.

**Figure S6. Number of Short-Term Suspensions by Grade Level.**

- As in previous years, ninth graders received by far the largest number of short-term suspensions.

Short-Term Suspensions by Special Education or Exceptional Child (EC) Status



Note: Data includes charter schools for 2006-07 and 2007-08.

**Figure S7. Short-Term Suspensions by Largest Categories of EC Status.**

- Exceptional children received 52,706, or 17.1% of the 308,107 short-term suspensions in 2007-08, slightly higher than the 14% representation of EC students in the school population.
- The 17.1% is a smaller proportion than in previous years, however the sharp decrease in categories such as Specific Learning Disabilities casts doubt on the data integrity. Unlike the SIMS system, which is being phased out, NC WISE does not import EC data from CECAS, the source system. The EC status data must be entered by hand. The increasing amount of data from NC WISE schools in 2007-08 likely affected the numbers of students with an accurate EC status. It is probable that considerably more than 17.1% of the short-term suspensions were given to EC students. In 2006-07, EC students received 21.8% of the total short-term suspensions.



## Section 2. Long-Term Suspensions

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This section reports data for students who were suspended for 11 or more days. In 2007-08 there were 5,225 long-term suspensions reported. This is a 10.3% increase from the total of 4,736 long-term suspensions reported in 2006-07. Missing grade data prevented an exact calculation, however it is estimated that high school students received 3,461 long-term suspensions, a 15.4% increase from 2,999 in 2006-07.

The 5,225 long-term suspensions in 2007-08 were given to 4,182 different students (i.e., a number of students were long-term suspended more than once).

Long-term suspensions in the state in 2007-08 totaled 216,287 school days, or an average of 41.4 school days per suspension, considerably less than in recent years. The average length was 78 days in 2005-06 and 54 days in 2006-07. For 2006-07, guidance was provided for schools to report as suspensions only the time students were not in school and not to include any time spent in alternative programs. Although the decrease from 2005-06 to 2006-07 may have been mostly due to the change in reporting procedures, the decrease in days of long-term suspension from 2006-07 to 2007-08 is likely real and may be attributed to greater use of alternative learning programs when students are long-term suspended.

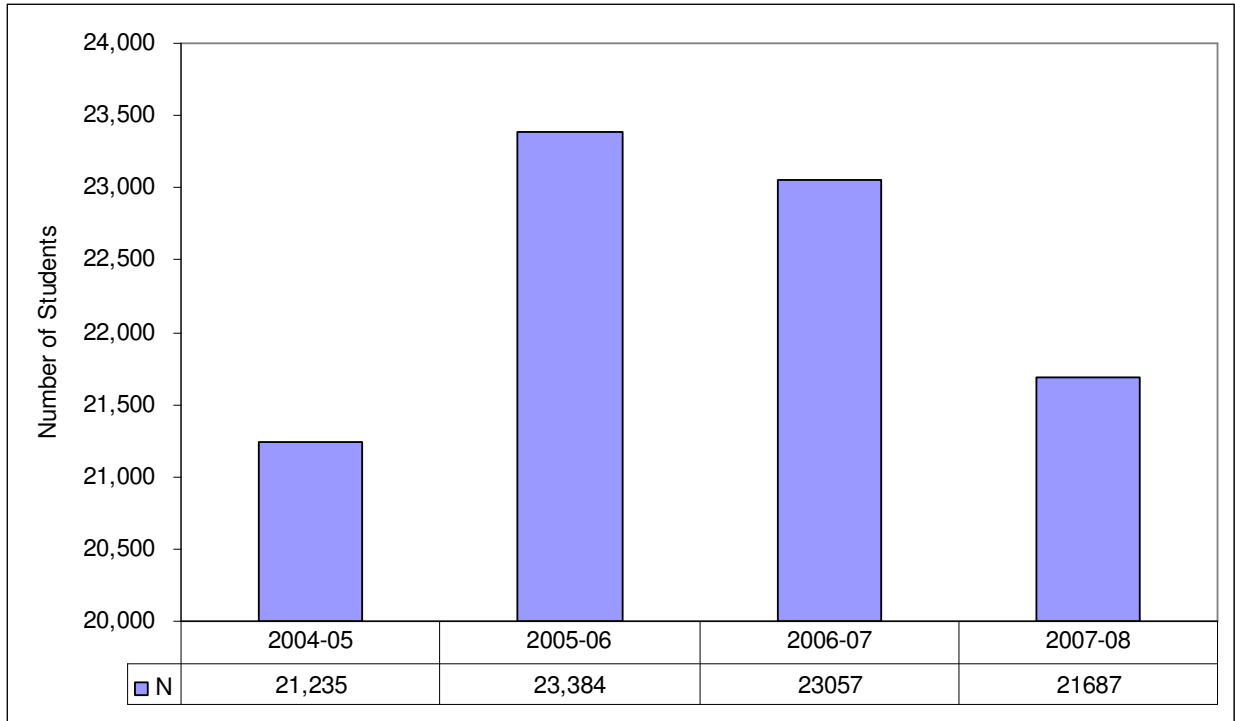
Demographic data is missing for approximately 20% of the categories in 2007-08. Because demographic trends compiled with such data would be misleading, the trends are omitted for long-term suspensions.

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### Section 3. Multiple Suspensions

This section reports data for students who were suspended on multiple occasions during the year. Data are shown separately for students receiving multiple short-term suspensions (multiple suspensions of less than 11 days each) and for students receiving multiple long-term suspensions (multiple suspensions of 11 days or more each).

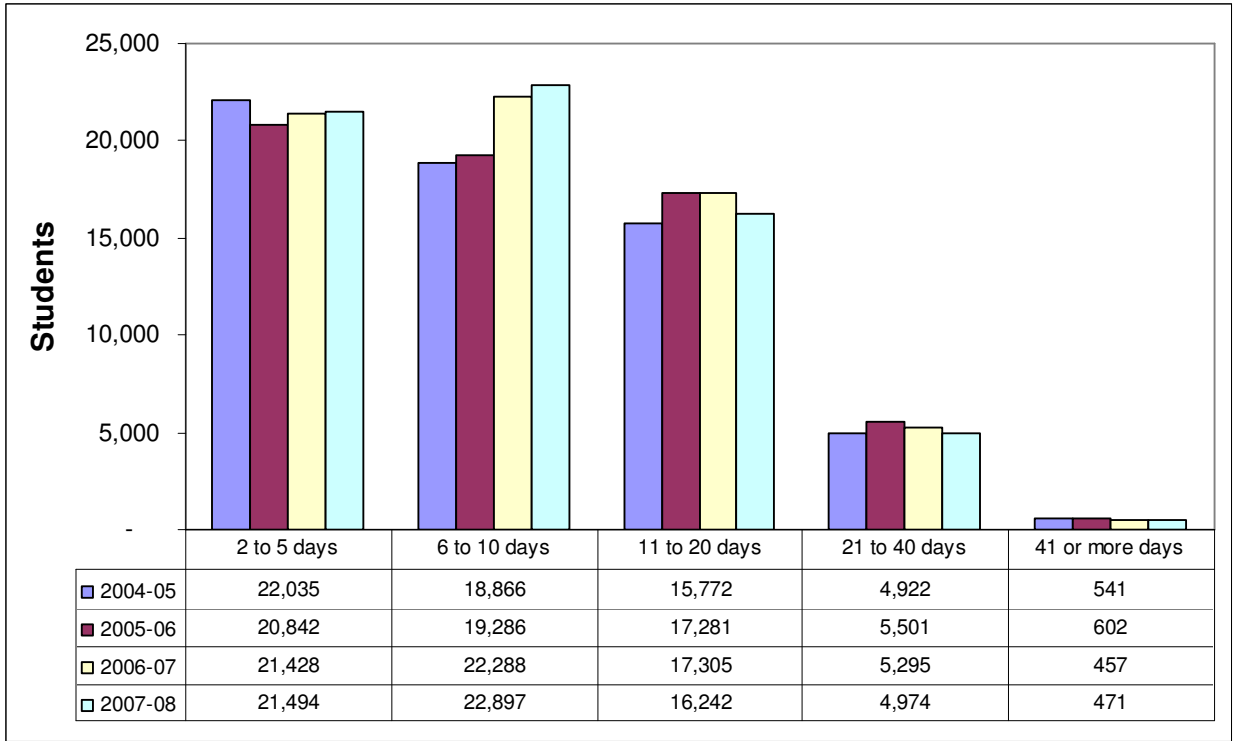
#### Multiple Short-Term Suspensions



Note: Data includes charter schools for 2006-07 and 2007-08.

**Figure S8. Number of Students with Multiple Short-Term Suspensions Summing to More than 10 Days.**

- The number of students whose combined lengths of multiple short-term suspensions exceeded ten days decreased 5.9% from 2006-07 to 2007-08.

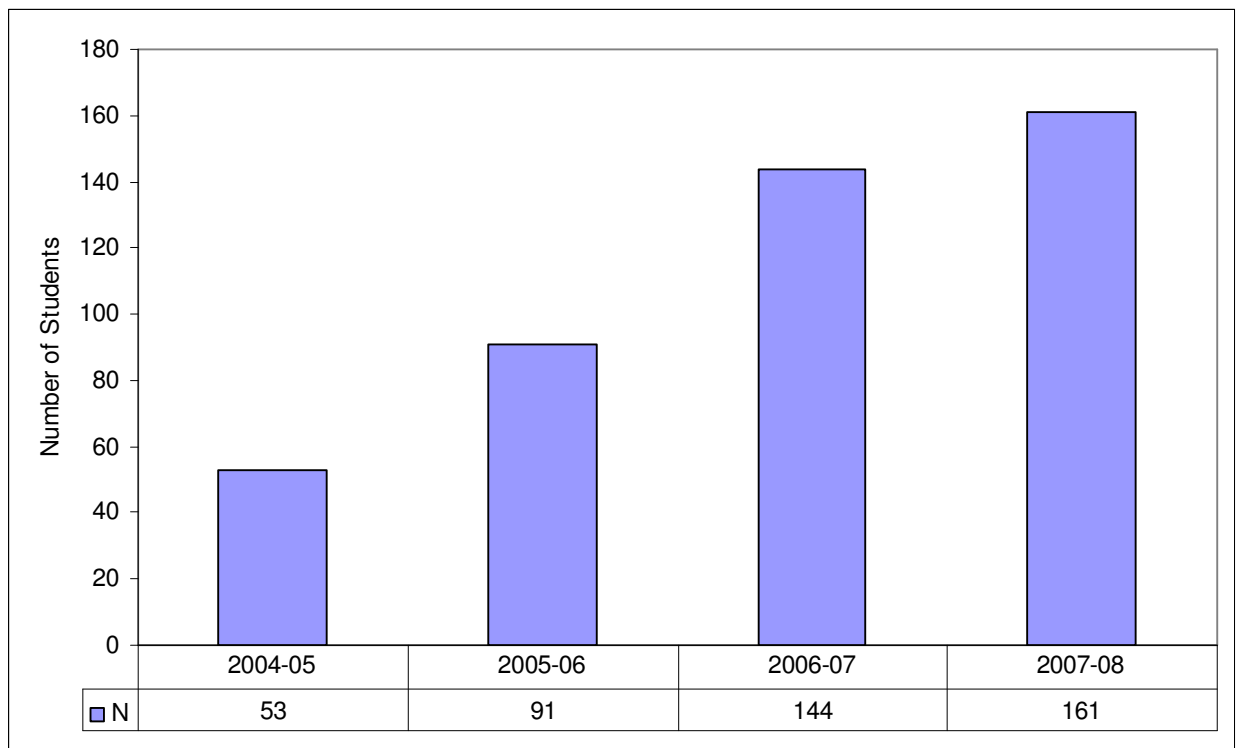


Note: Data includes charter schools for 2006-07 and 2007-08.

**Figure S9. Duration of Multiple Short-Term Suspensions Given to Students.**

- In 2007-08 the number of students whose short-term suspensions summed to 41 or more days increased 3.1% from 2006-07. The number of students whose short-term suspensions summed to between 21 and 40 days decreased 6.1%, and the number whose short-term suspensions summed to between 11 and 20 days also decreased 6.1%.
- In 2007-08 the number of students whose short-term suspensions summed to between 6 and 10 days increased 2.7% from 2006-07. The number of students whose short-term suspensions summed to between 2 and 5 days increased 0.3%.

## Multiple Long-Term Suspensions



Note: Data includes charter schools for 2006-07 and 2007-08.

**Figure S10. Number of Students with Multiple Long-Term Suspensions.**

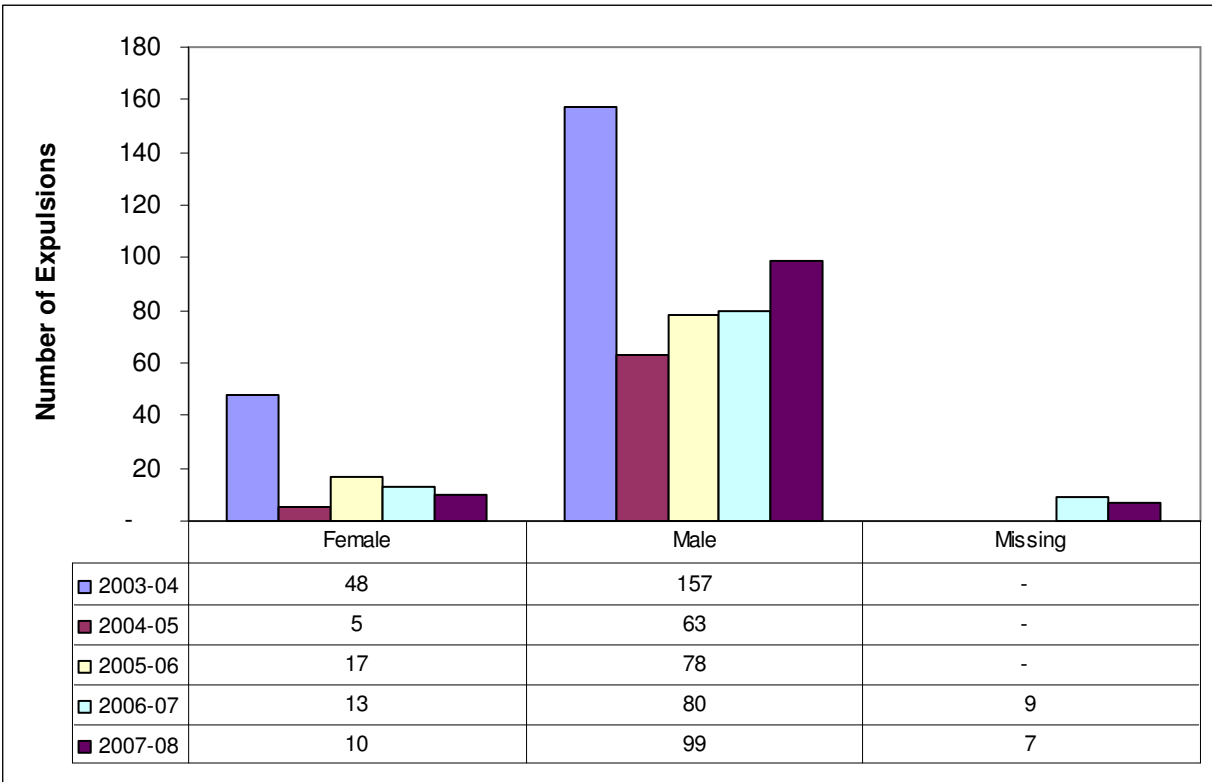
- The number of students receiving multiple long-term suspensions in the LEAs increased 11.8% from 2006-07 to 2007-08.

## Section 4. Expulsions

This section reports data for students who were expelled from school during the 2007-08 school year. Students who are expelled from school in a school district are not allowed to return to the district, although some are subsequently served in alternative learning programs, some are allowed to apply for readmission in the district, and some apply for admission in other districts.

In the LEAs there were 116 expulsions in 2006-07, 14 more than in 2006-07. High school students received 93 of these expulsions, and seven expulsions had missing grade data. Because of the large proportion of expulsions given to students in grades 9-12, six of the seven expulsions with missing grade data were assigned to the grades 9-12 group.

### Expulsions by Gender

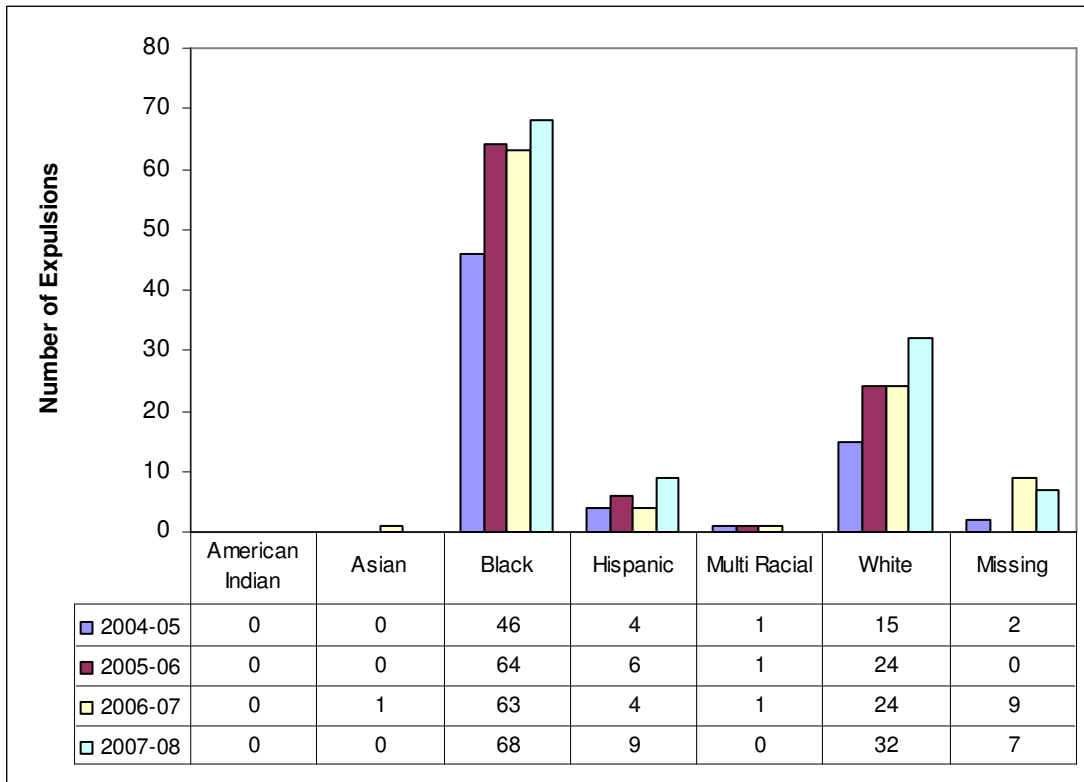


Note: Data includes charter schools for 2006-07 and 2007-08.

**Figure S11. Number of Expulsions by Gender.**

- As in previous years, males received far more expulsions than did females.

- Expulsions by Ethnicity

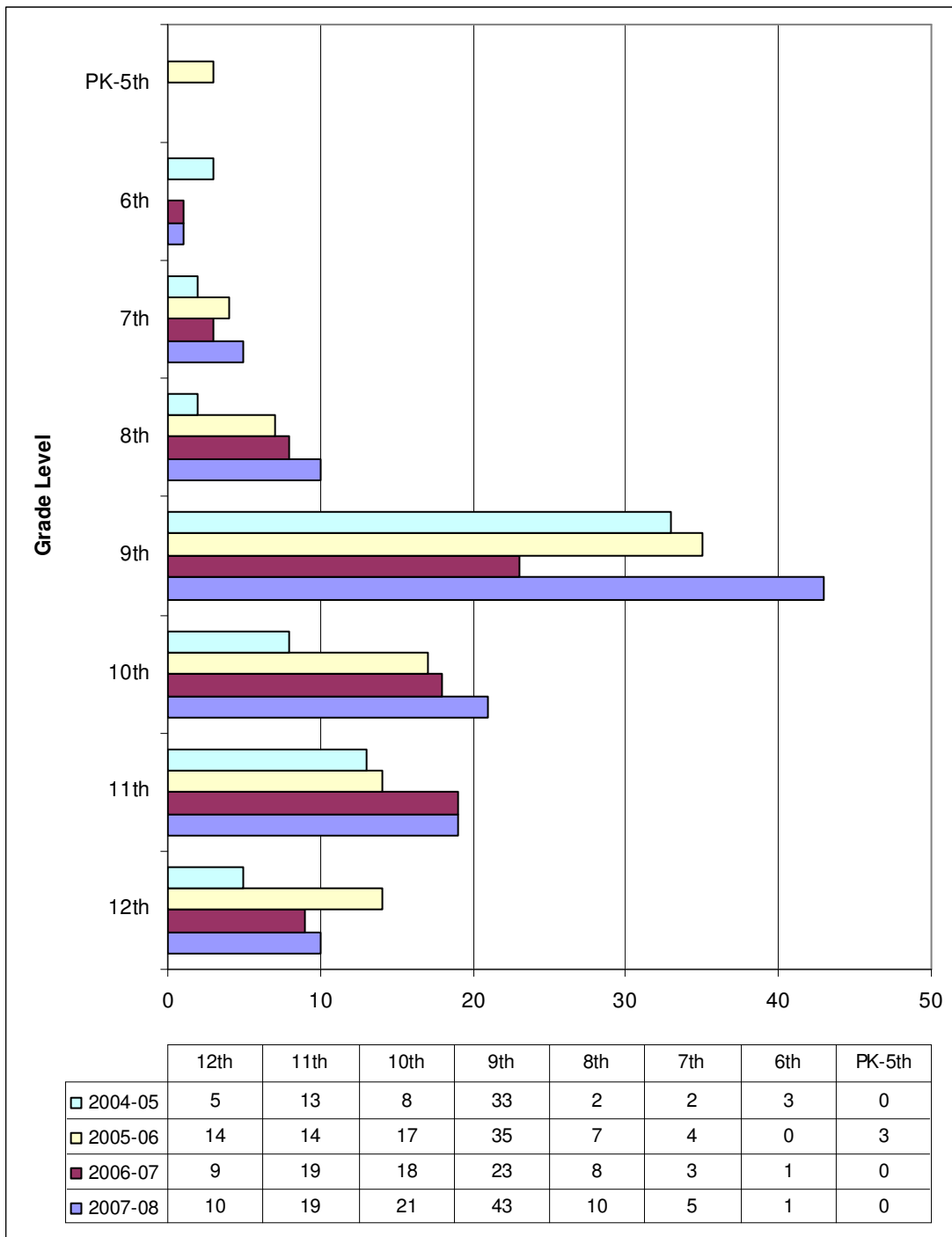


Note: Data includes charter schools for 2006-07 and 2007-08.

**Figure S12. Number of Expulsions by Ethnicity.**

- Among ethnic groups, Black students received the most expulsions, followed by White students.

Expulsions by Grade Level



Note: Data includes charter schools for 2006-07 and 2007-08. Grade data was missing for 2 expulsions in 2004-05, 1 expulsion in 2005-06, 9 expulsions in 2006-07, and 7 expulsions in 2007-08.

**Figure S13. Number of Expulsions by Grade Level.**

- As in previous years, ninth graders received the most expulsions.

## Expulsions for Students Receiving Special Education Services

| <b>Special Education Status</b>    | <b>2004-05</b> | <b>2005-06</b> | <b>2006-07</b> | <b>2007-08</b> |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Intellectual Disability - Moderate | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| Developmentally Delayed            | 0              | 1              | 0              | 0              |
| Other Health Impaired              | 0              | 4              | 2              | 2              |
| Serious Emotional Disability       | 5              | 4              | 2              | 4              |
| Intellectual Disability - Mild     | 2              | 4              | 2              | 2              |
| Specific Learning Disabled         | 1              | 7              | 7              | 4              |
| Traumatic Brain Injured            | 0              | 0              | 0              | 1              |
| <b>Total</b>                       | <b>8</b>       | <b>20</b>      | <b>13</b>      | <b>13</b>      |

Note: Data includes charter schools for 2006-07 and 2007-08.

**Table S1. Expulsions of Students Receiving Special Education Services.**

- 11.2% of all students expelled were EC students (13 of 116).



## **Section 5. Suspensions and Expulsions by LEA**

Table S2 contains counts of short-term suspensions, long-term suspensions, and expulsions in the 115 LEAs for each gender/race combination.

Table S3 contains counts of short-term suspensions, long-term suspensions, and expulsions in the charter schools for each gender/race combination. Charter schools are omitted if no suspensions or expulsions were reported.

Table S4 contains grades 9-12 short-term suspensions and short-term suspension rates for each LEA.

**Table S2. Suspensions and Expulsions by LEA, Gender, and Race**

| LEA                       | Gender | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|---------------------------|--------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Alamance-Burlington (010) | Female | American Indian | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Black           | 493                              | 15                              | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Hispanic        | 78                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Multiracial     | 34                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | White           | 287                              | 4                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | American Indian | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Black           | 1354                             | 38                              | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Hispanic        | 304                              | 16                              | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Multiracial     | 142                              | 4                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | White           | 1249                             | 36                              | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Other/Missing   | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Alexander County (020)    | Female | Black           | 26                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Hispanic        | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | White           | 145                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Black           | 42                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Hispanic        | 29                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Multiracial     | 15                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | White           | 345                              | 0                               | 0                    |
| Alleghany County (030)    | Female | White           | 26                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Hispanic        | 13                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | White           | 112                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Other/Missing   | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Anson County (040)        | Female | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Black           | 670                              | 4                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Hispanic        | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | White           | 51                               | 5                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Other/Missing   | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Asian           | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Black           | 1300                             | 38                              | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Hispanic        | 12                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | White           | 157                              | 7                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Other/Missing   | 25                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Ashe County (050)         | Female | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | White           | 29                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | American Indian | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Hispanic        | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Multiracial     | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |

**Table S2. Suspensions and Expulsions by LEA, Gender, and Race**

| LEA                    | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                        | Male    | White           | 156                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Missing | Other/Missing   | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Avery County (060)     | Female  | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 19                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Hispanic        | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 78                               | 1                               | 0                    |
| Beaufort County (070)  | Female  | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Black           | 401                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 16                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Multiracial     | 13                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 106                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Other/Missing   | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 1128                             | 6                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Hispanic        | 68                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 58                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 468                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Other/Missing   | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Bertie County (080)    | Female  | Black           | 165                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 456                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 27                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Bladen County (090)    | Female  | American Indian | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Black           | 376                              | 9                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 20                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Multiracial     | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 68                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | American Indian | 10                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 897                              | 24                              | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Hispanic        | 28                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 14                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 416                              | 8                               | 0                    |
| Brunswick County (100) | Female  | American Indian | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Black           | 298                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 44                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Multiracial     | 57                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 483                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | American Indian | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 656                              | 2                               | 0                    |

**Table S2. Suspensions and Expulsions by LEA, Gender, and Race**

| LEA                   | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|-----------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                       | Male    | Hispanic        | 98                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Multiracial     | 67                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | White           | 1158                             | 3                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Other/Missing   | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Missing | Other/Missing   | 110                              | 0                               | 0                    |
| Buncombe County (110) | Female  | American Indian | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Asian           | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Black           | 248                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Hispanic        | 22                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Multiracial     | 98                               | 3                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | White           | 684                              | 17                              | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | American Indian | 24                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Asian           | 5                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Black           | 449                              | 8                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Hispanic        | 151                              | 8                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Multiracial     | 145                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | White           | 1866                             | 52                              | 0                    |
|                       | Missing | Other/Missing   | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Asheville City (111)  | Female  | Black           | 290                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Hispanic        | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Multiracial     | 22                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | White           | 31                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Black           | 530                              | 6                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Hispanic        | 21                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Multiracial     | 69                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | White           | 116                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Missing | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Burke County (120)    | Female  | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Asian           | 18                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Black           | 59                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Hispanic        | 15                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Multiracial     | 12                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | White           | 351                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | American Indian | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Asian           | 57                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Black           | 163                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Hispanic        | 81                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Multiracial     | 91                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | White           | 853                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Missing | Other/Missing   | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Cabarrus County (130) | Female  | American Indian | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Asian           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Black           | 424                              | 19                              | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Hispanic        | 123                              | 11                              | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Multiracial     | 55                               | 2                               | 0                    |

**Table S2. Suspensions and Expulsions by LEA, Gender, and Race**

| LEA                   | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|-----------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                       | Female  | White           | 316                              | 40                              | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | American Indian | 9                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Asian           | 12                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Black           | 1097                             | 74                              | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Hispanic        | 292                              | 13                              | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Multiracial     | 127                              | 9                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | White           | 1173                             | 87                              | 0                    |
|                       | Missing | Other/Missing   | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Kannapolis City (132) | Female  | Black           | 210                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Hispanic        | 49                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Multiracial     | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | White           | 109                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Black           | 555                              | 5                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Hispanic        | 153                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Multiracial     | 47                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | White           | 362                              | 2                               | 0                    |
| Caldwell County (140) | Female  | Black           | 47                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Hispanic        | 16                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Multiracial     | 21                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | White           | 298                              | 7                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Black           | 180                              | 7                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Hispanic        | 66                               | 3                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Multiracial     | 73                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | White           | 932                              | 16                              | 0                    |
| Camden County (150)   | Female  | Black           | 12                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | White           | 22                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Black           | 32                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Multiracial     | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | White           | 113                              | 5                               | 0                    |
| Carteret County (160) | Female  | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Black           | 47                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Hispanic        | 16                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | Multiracial     | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female  | White           | 192                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Asian           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Black           | 168                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Hispanic        | 41                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | Multiracial     | 68                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male    | White           | 932                              | 8                               | 0                    |

**Table S2. Suspensions and Expulsions by LEA, Gender, and Race**

| LEA                       | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|---------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Caswell County (170)      | Female  | Black           | 115                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Hispanic        | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Multiracial     | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | White           | 52                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Black           | 301                              | 1                               | 1                    |
|                           | Male    | Hispanic        | 31                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Multiracial     | 16                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | White           | 251                              | 0                               | 0                    |
| Catawba County (180)      | Female  | American Indian | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Black           | 116                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Hispanic        | 16                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Multiracial     | 26                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | White           | 366                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | American Indian | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Asian           | 14                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Black           | 231                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Hispanic        | 100                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Multiracial     | 82                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | White           | 1024                             | 2                               | 0                    |
|                           | Missing | Other/Missing   | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Hickory City (181)        | Female  | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Black           | 165                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Hispanic        | 23                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Multiracial     | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | White           | 45                               | 3                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Asian           | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Black           | 227                              | 3                               | 2                    |
|                           | Male    | Hispanic        | 37                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Multiracial     | 27                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | White           | 167                              | 1                               | 0                    |
| Newton Conover City (182) | Female  | Black           | 58                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Hispanic        | 16                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Multiracial     | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | White           | 59                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Asian           | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Black           | 120                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Hispanic        | 33                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Multiracial     | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | White           | 84                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Chatham County (190)      | Female  | American Indian | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Black           | 37                               | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                    | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 35                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Multiracial     | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 62                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Other/Missing   | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 180                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Hispanic        | 111                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 15                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 219                              | 2                               | 0                    |
| Cherokee County (200)  | Female  | Black           | 0                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Multiracial     | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 52                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Hispanic        | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 144                              | 2                               | 0                    |
| Edenton/Chowan (210)   | Female  | Black           | 101                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 14                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 181                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 47                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Missing | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Clay County (220)      | Female  | White           | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 16                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Cleveland County (230) | Female  | American Indian | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Black           | 763                              | 19                              | 1                    |
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 19                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 498                              | 10                              | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Other/Missing   | 43                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | American Indian | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Asian           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 1465                             | 32                              | 5                    |
|                        | Male    | Hispanic        | 83                               | 5                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 1601                             | 26                              | 4                    |
|                        | Male    | Other/Missing   | 86                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Missing | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 11                              | 4                    |
| Columbus County (240)  | Female  | American Indian | 14                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Black           | 217                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Multiracial     | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 64                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                     | Gender                 | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                         | Male                   | American Indian | 35                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | Black           | 573                              | 1                               | 1                    |
|                         | Male                   | Hispanic        | 22                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | Multiracial     | 19                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | White           | 236                              | 0                               | 0                    |
| Whiteville City (241)   | Female                 | Black           | 95                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female                 | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female                 | Multiracial     | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female                 | White           | 17                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | Black           | 227                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | Hispanic        | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | Multiracial     | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | White           | 96                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Missing                | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Craven County (250)     | Female                 | American Indian | 20                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female                 | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female                 | Black           | 814                              | 1                               | 2                    |
|                         | Female                 | Hispanic        | 24                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female                 | Multiracial     | 27                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female                 | White           | 420                              | 7                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | American Indian | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | Asian           | 47                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | Black           | 1766                             | 26                              | 3                    |
|                         | Male                   | Hispanic        | 126                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | Multiracial     | 96                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | White           | 1200                             | 15                              | 1                    |
|                         | Male                   | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Missing                | Other/Missing   | 196                              | 3                               | 0                    |
| Cumberland County (260) | Female                 | American Indian | 64                               | 3                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female                 | Asian           | 14                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female                 | Black           | 2650                             | 29                              | 0                    |
|                         | Female                 | Hispanic        | 192                              | 4                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female                 | Multiracial     | 131                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female                 | White           | 545                              | 12                              | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | American Indian | 144                              | 4                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | Asian           | 37                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | Black           | 5971                             | 51                              | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | Hispanic        | 334                              | 3                               | 1                    |
|                         | Male                   | Multiracial     | 282                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                   | White           | 1798                             | 13                              | 0                    |
|                         | Currituck County (270) | Female          | Asian                            | 1                               | 0                    |
| Female                  |                        | Black           | 8                                | 2                               | 0                    |
| Female                  |                        | Hispanic        | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Female                  |                        | White           | 163                              | 4                               | 0                    |



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| LEA                    | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                        | Female  | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 52                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Hispanic        | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 18                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 421                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Dare County (280)      | Female  | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 45                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Other/Missing   | 0                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 5                                | 3                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Hispanic        | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 5                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 267                              | 1                               | 0                    |
| Davidson County (290)  | Female  | American Indian | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Black           | 55                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 27                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Multiracial     | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 605                              | 4                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | American Indian | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Asian           | 31                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 174                              | 4                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Hispanic        | 73                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 37                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 2163                             | 31                              | 0                    |
|                        | Missing | Other/Missing   | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Lexington City (291)   | Female  | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Black           | 170                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 19                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 41                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Other/Missing   | 15                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Asian           | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 316                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Hispanic        | 72                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 135                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Other/Missing   | 35                               | 1                               | 0                    |
| Thomasville City (292) | Female  | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Black           | 216                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 32                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Multiracial     | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 57                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | American Indian | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                    | Gender              | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                        | Male                | Black           | 478                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | Hispanic        | 99                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | Multiracial     | 69                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | White           | 175                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Missing             | Other/Missing   | 16                               | 1                               | 0                    |
| Davie County (300)     | Female              | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female              | Black           | 22                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female              | Hispanic        | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female              | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female              | White           | 73                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | Black           | 40                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | Hispanic        | 20                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | Multiracial     | 19                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | White           | 323                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Missing             | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Missing             | Other/Missing   | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Duplin County (310)    | Female              | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female              | Black           | 569                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female              | Hispanic        | 114                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female              | Multiracial     | 20                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female              | White           | 196                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | Black           | 1222                             | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | Hispanic        | 432                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | Multiracial     | 27                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male                | White           | 681                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Missing             | Other/Missing   | 13                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Durham County (320) | Female          | American Indian                  | 7                               | 0                    |
| Female                 |                     | Asian           | 3                                | 1                               | 0                    |
| Female                 |                     | Black           | 1623                             | 13                              | 0                    |
| Female                 |                     | Hispanic        | 124                              | 1                               | 0                    |
| Female                 |                     | Multiracial     | 65                               | 1                               | 0                    |
| Female                 |                     | White           | 134                              | 4                               | 0                    |
| Male                   |                     | American Indian | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Male                   |                     | Asian           | 13                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Male                   |                     | Black           | 3900                             | 40                              | 0                    |
| Male                   |                     | Hispanic        | 479                              | 11                              | 0                    |
| Male                   |                     | Multiracial     | 137                              | 4                               | 0                    |
| Male                   |                     | White           | 318                              | 10                              | 0                    |
| Edgecombe County (330) |                     | Female          | Black                            | 1019                            | 0                    |
|                        | Female              | Hispanic        | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female              | Multiracial     | 22                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female              | White           | 142                              | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                   | Gender        | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                       | Female        | Other/Missing   | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | Black           | 2307                             | 8                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | Hispanic        | 60                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | Multiracial     | 45                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | White           | 590                              | 1                               | 0                    |
| Forsyth County (340)  | Female        | American Indian | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female        | Asian           | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female        | Black           | 3342                             | 13                              | 1                    |
|                       | Female        | Hispanic        | 492                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female        | Multiracial     | 205                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female        | White           | 598                              | 1                               | 2                    |
|                       | Male          | American Indian | 30                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | Asian           | 24                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | Black           | 6810                             | 33                              | 21                   |
|                       | Male          | Hispanic        | 1573                             | 3                               | 4                    |
|                       | Male          | Multiracial     | 300                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | White           | 1866                             | 12                              | 12                   |
|                       | Male          | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Missing               | Other/Missing | 17              | 0                                | 0                               |                      |
| Franklin County (350) | Female        | Black           | 364                              | 10                              | 0                    |
|                       | Female        | Hispanic        | 42                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female        | Multiracial     | 9                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female        | White           | 170                              | 7                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | American Indian | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | Black           | 778                              | 22                              | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | Hispanic        | 123                              | 11                              | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | Multiracial     | 20                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | White           | 557                              | 30                              | 0                    |
|                       | Missing       | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Gaston County (360)   | Female        | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female        | Asian           | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female        | Black           | 1142                             | 5                               | 1                    |
|                       | Female        | Hispanic        | 82                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female        | Multiracial     | 53                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female        | White           | 1110                             | 7                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | American Indian | 20                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | Asian           | 22                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | Black           | 2248                             | 45                              | 3                    |
|                       | Male          | Hispanic        | 269                              | 0                               | 1                    |
|                       | Male          | Multiracial     | 111                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | White           | 3266                             | 27                              | 0                    |
|                       | Male          | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Missing       | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Gates County (370)    | Female        | Black           | 73                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female        | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                    | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                        | Female  | Multiracial     | 0                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 48                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 203                              | 7                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 161                              | 5                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Graham County (380)    | Female  | American Indian | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 13                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 35                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Granville County (390) | Female  | Asian           | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Black           | 239                              | 8                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 18                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Multiracial     | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 90                               | 3                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | American Indian | 4                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Asian           | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 786                              | 35                              | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Hispanic        | 74                               | 6                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 23                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 411                              | 11                              | 0                    |
|                        | Missing | Other/Missing   | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Greene County (400)    | Female  | Black           | 287                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 25                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 23                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 566                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Hispanic        | 62                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 70                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Guilford County (410)  | Female  | American Indian | 25                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Asian           | 51                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Black           | 2648                             | 7                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Hispanic        | 156                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | Multiracial     | 200                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female  | White           | 462                              | 4                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | American Indian | 73                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Asian           | 113                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Black           | 5939                             | 63                              | 1                    |
|                        | Male    | Hispanic        | 409                              | 5                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Multiracial     | 359                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | White           | 1577                             | 18                              | 0                    |
|                        | Male    | Other/Missing   | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Halifax County (420)   | Female  | American Indian | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                       | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|---------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                           | Female  | Black           | 462                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | White           | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | American Indian | 57                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Black           | 1186                             | 16                              | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Hispanic        | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Multiracial     | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | White           | 28                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Roanoke Rapids City (421) | Female  | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Black           | 68                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Multiracial     | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | White           | 98                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Black           | 170                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Hispanic        | 12                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Multiracial     | 12                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | White           | 290                              | 0                               | 0                    |
| Weldon City (422)         | Female  | Black           | 143                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Black           | 360                              | 9                               | 1                    |
|                           | Male    | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | White           | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Missing | Other/Missing   | 85                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Harnett County (430)      | Female  | American Indian | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Black           | 389                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Hispanic        | 68                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Multiracial     | 28                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | White           | 204                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | American Indian | 24                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Asian           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Black           | 907                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Hispanic        | 182                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Multiracial     | 69                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | White           | 756                              | 5                               | 0                    |
| Haywood County (440)      | Female  | American Indian | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | Multiracial     | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female  | White           | 252                              | 7                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | American Indian | 4                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male    | Hispanic        | 13                               | 1                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                       | Gender                | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                           | Male                  | Multiracial     | 10                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | White           | 602                              | 37                              | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Missing               | Other/Missing   | 46                               | 2                               | 0                    |
| Henderson County (450)    | Female                | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female                | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female                | Black           | 31                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female                | Hispanic        | 25                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female                | Multiracial     | 23                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female                | White           | 100                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female                | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | Black           | 71                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | Hispanic        | 104                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | Multiracial     | 40                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | White           | 459                              | 9                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Hertford County (460) | Female          | Black                            | 478                             | 4                    |
| Female                    |                       | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Female                    |                       | White           | 31                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Male                      |                       | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Male                      |                       | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Male                      |                       | Black           | 798                              | 14                              | 0                    |
| Male                      |                       | Hispanic        | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Male                      |                       | Multiracial     | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Male                      |                       | White           | 76                               | 1                               | 0                    |
| Hoke County (470)         | Female                | Other/Missing   | 619                              | 74                              | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | Other/Missing   | 1297                             | 217                             | 0                    |
| Hyde County (480)         | Female                | Black           | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female                | White           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | Black           | 26                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | White           | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Missing               | Other/Missing   | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Iredell-Statesville (490) | Female                | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female                | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female                | Black           | 384                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female                | Hispanic        | 68                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female                | Multiracial     | 27                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female                | White           | 394                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | American Indian | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | Asian           | 14                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | Black           | 908                              | 2                               | 1                    |
|                           | Male                  | Hispanic        | 260                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male                  | Multiracial     | 61                               | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                    | Gender        | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|------------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Mooresville City (491) | Male          | White           | 1396                             | 4                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | Black           | 53                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | Hispanic        | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | Multiracial     | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | White           | 71                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Black           | 156                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Hispanic        | 26                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Multiracial     | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Jackson County (500)   | Male          | White           | 202                              | 4                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | American Indian | 38                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | White           | 90                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | American Indian | 28                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Hispanic        | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Multiracial     | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Johnston County (510)  | Male          | White           | 243                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | American Indian | 4                                | 2                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | Black           | 688                              | 7                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | Hispanic        | 184                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | White           | 474                              | 6                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | Other/Missing   | 74                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | American Indian | 19                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Asian           | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Black           | 1904                             | 13                              | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Hispanic        | 747                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | White           | 1887                             | 26                              | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Other/Missing   | 198                              | 1                               | 0                    |
| Missing                | Other/Missing | 72              | 2                                | 0                               |                      |
| Jones County (520)     | Female        | Black           | 28                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | White           | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Black           | 70                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Male          | White           | 39                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Lee County (530)       | Female        | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | Black           | 318                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | Hispanic        | 116                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | Multiracial     | 18                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                        | Female        | White           | 160                              | 4                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                  | Gender | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|----------------------|--------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                      | Female | Other/Missing   | 16                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | American Indian | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Black           | 770                              | 25                              | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Hispanic        | 407                              | 11                              | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Multiracial     | 45                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | White           | 584                              | 19                              | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Other/Missing   | 16                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Lenoir County (540)  | Female | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | Black           | 793                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | Hispanic        | 25                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | Multiracial     | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | White           | 120                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | Other/Missing   | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Asian           | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Black           | 1895                             | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Hispanic        | 86                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Multiracial     | 27                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | White           | 372                              | 0                               | 1                    |
|                      | Male   | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Lincoln County (550) | Female | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | Black           | 87                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | Hispanic        | 39                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | Multiracial     | 23                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | White           | 471                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | Other/Missing   | 8                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | American Indian | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Asian           | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Black           | 277                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Hispanic        | 137                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Multiracial     | 51                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | White           | 1366                             | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Macon County (560)   | Female | Asian           | 16                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | Hispanic        | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | White           | 337                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Female | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Black           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Hispanic        | 67                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | Multiracial     | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                      | Male   | White           | 506                              | 0                               | 0                    |
| Madison County (570) | Female | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |



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| LEA                         | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                             | Female  | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | White           | 87                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | American Indian | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | Hispanic        | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | White           | 342                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                             | Missing | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Martin County (580)         | Female  | Black           | 298                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | Hispanic        | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | Multiracial     | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | White           | 38                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | Black           | 897                              | 2                               | 2                    |
|                             | Male    | Hispanic        | 33                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | Multiracial     | 16                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | White           | 160                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| McDowell County (590)       | Female  | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | Black           | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | Multiracial     | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | White           | 201                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | Black           | 15                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | Hispanic        | 19                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | Multiracial     | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | White           | 511                              | 10                              | 0                    |
|                             | Missing | Other/Missing   | 24                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Charlotte-Mecklenburg (600) | Female  | American Indian | 55                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | Asian           | 53                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | Black           | 6345                             | 12                              | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | Hispanic        | 656                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | Multiracial     | 190                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | White           | 593                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                             | Female  | Other/Missing   | 26                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | American Indian | 108                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | Asian           | 188                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | Black           | 14713                            | 40                              | 10                   |
|                             | Male    | Hispanic        | 2043                             | 12                              | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | Multiracial     | 440                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                             | Male    | White           | 2167                             | 6                               | 2                    |
|                             | Male    | Other/Missing   | 138                              | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                     | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                         | Missing | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Missing | Black           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Missing | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Missing | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Missing | White           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Missing | Other/Missing   | 5807                             | 988                             | 3                    |
| Mitchell County (610)   | Female  | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 46                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 2                                | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | White           | 107                              | 3                               | 0                    |
| Montgomery County (620) | Female  | Black           | 162                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 22                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Multiracial     | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 137                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Asian           | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Black           | 296                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 92                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Multiracial     | 14                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | White           | 275                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Moore County (630)      | Female  | American Indian | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Black           | 349                              | 8                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 29                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Multiracial     | 32                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 237                              | 4                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | American Indian | 25                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Asian           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Black           | 788                              | 19                              | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 88                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Multiracial     | 63                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | White           | 794                              | 15                              | 0                    |
| Nash-Rocky Mount (640)  | Female  | American Indian | 16                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Black           | 1093                             | 6                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 30                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Multiracial     | 19                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 116                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | American Indian | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                      | Gender        | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|--------------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                          | Male          | Asian           | 22                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Black           | 2778                             | 33                              | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Hispanic        | 101                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Multiracial     | 34                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | White           | 439                              | 2                               | 0                    |
| New Hanover (650)        | Female        | American Indian | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | Asian           | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | Black           | 992                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | Hispanic        | 33                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | Multiracial     | 55                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | White           | 351                              | 0                               | 1                    |
|                          | Female        | Other/Missing   | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | American Indian | 24                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Asian           | 15                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Black           | 1999                             | 3                               | 2                    |
|                          | Male          | Hispanic        | 113                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Multiracial     | 171                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | White           | 1211                             | 1                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Other/Missing   | 18                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Missing                  | Other/Missing | 45              | 0                                | 0                               |                      |
| Northampton County (660) | Female        | Black           | 428                              | 6                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | White           | 19                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | Other/Missing   | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Black           | 992                              | 19                              | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | White           | 75                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Other/Missing   | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Onslow County (670)      | Female        | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | Black           | 263                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | Hispanic        | 36                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | Multiracial     | 91                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | White           | 234                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | Other/Missing   | 26                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | American Indian | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Asian           | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Black           | 730                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Hispanic        | 134                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Multiracial     | 155                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | White           | 939                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                          | Male          | Other/Missing   | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Missing                  | Other/Missing | 0               | 1                                | 0                               |                      |
| Orange County (680)      | Female        | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | Black           | 182                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                          | Female        | Hispanic        | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                            | Gender              | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                                | Female              | Multiracial     | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Female              | White           | 93                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Black           | 309                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Hispanic        | 43                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Multiracial     | 7                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | White           | 373                              | 1                               | 0                    |
| Chapel Hill-Carrboro (681)     | Female              | Black           | 75                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Female              | Hispanic        | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Female              | Multiracial     | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Female              | White           | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Asian           | 13                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Black           | 186                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Hispanic        | 25                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Multiracial     | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | White           | 89                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Other/Missing   | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Missing             | Other/Missing   | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Pamlico County (690)           | Female              | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Female              | Black           | 61                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Female              | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Female              | Multiracial     | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Female              | White           | 170                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | American Indian | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Black           | 141                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Hispanic        | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Multiracial     | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | White           | 212                              | 2                               | 0                    |
| Eliabeth City/Pasquotank (700) | Female              | Black           | 308                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                                | Female              | Hispanic        | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Female              | Multiracial     | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Female              | White           | 135                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Black           | 696                              | 11                              | 2                    |
|                                | Male                | Hispanic        | 19                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Multiracial     | 26                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | White           | 401                              | 4                               | 0                    |
|                                | Male                | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                | Pender County (710) | Female          | American Indian                  | 1                               | 0                    |
| Female                         |                     | Black           | 215                              | 0                               | 0                    |
| Female                         |                     | Hispanic        | 18                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Female                         |                     | Multiracial     | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Female                         |                     | White           | 172                              | 1                               | 0                    |
| Female                         |                     | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Male                           |                     | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Male                           |                     | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                     | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                         | Male    | Black           | 522                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 87                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Multiracial     | 24                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | White           | 670                              | 2                               | 0                    |
| Perquimans County (720) | Female  | Black           | 37                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 47                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Black           | 106                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | White           | 106                              | 0                               | 0                    |
| Person County (730)     | Female  | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Black           | 159                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Multiracial     | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 69                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | American Indian | 6                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Black           | 446                              | 7                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 16                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Multiracial     | 34                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | White           | 226                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Other/Missing   | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Pitt County (740)       | Female  | American Indian | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Asian           | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Black           | 2369                             | 22                              | 1                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 83                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Multiracial     | 54                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 315                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | American Indian | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Asian           | 21                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Black           | 4978                             | 86                              | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 255                              | 4                               | 1                    |
|                         | Male    | Multiracial     | 156                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | White           | 1026                             | 15                              | 0                    |
| Polk County (750)       | Female  | Black           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Multiracial     | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 9                                | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | White           | 23                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Missing | Other/Missing   | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Randolph County (760)   | Female  | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Black           | 53                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 32                               | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                     | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                         | Female  | Multiracial     | 11                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 170                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | American Indian | 5                                | 3                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Black           | 103                              | 6                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 81                               | 3                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Multiracial     | 20                               | 3                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | White           | 563                              | 29                              | 0                    |
| Asheboro City (761)     | Female  | Black           | 71                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 29                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Multiracial     | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 54                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Black           | 127                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 97                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Multiracial     | 21                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | White           | 118                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Missing | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Richmond County (770)   | Female  | American Indian | 15                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Black           | 282                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 13                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Multiracial     | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 103                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | American Indian | 54                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Asian           | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Black           | 655                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 28                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Multiracial     | 22                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | White           | 305                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Missing | Other/Missing   | 185                              | 1                               | 0                    |
| Robeson County (780)    | Female  | American Indian | 1310                             | 3                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Asian           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Black           | 1215                             | 4                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 138                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Multiracial     | 41                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 339                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Other/Missing   | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | American Indian | 3176                             | 22                              | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Asian           | 22                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Black           | 2936                             | 23                              | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 201                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Multiracial     | 127                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | White           | 841                              | 5                               | 0                    |
| Rockingham County (790) | Female  | Black           | 394                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 42                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Multiracial     | 21                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 464                              | 2                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                     | Gender               | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|-------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                         | Female               | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | Black           | 1026                             | 9                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | Hispanic        | 129                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | Multiracial     | 109                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | White           | 1507                             | 5                               | 0                    |
| Rowan-Salisbury (800)   | Female               | American Indian | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female               | Black           | 785                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female               | Hispanic        | 82                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female               | Multiracial     | 40                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female               | White           | 615                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female               | Other/Missing   | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | American Indian | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | Asian           | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | Black           | 1681                             | 5                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | Hispanic        | 269                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | Multiracial     | 125                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | White           | 1853                             | 10                              | 0                    |
| Rutherford County (810) | Female               | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female               | Black           | 138                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female               | Hispanic        | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female               | Multiracial     | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female               | White           | 357                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female               | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | Black           | 344                              | 6                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | Hispanic        | 44                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | Multiracial     | 42                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male                 | White           | 972                              | 10                              | 0                    |
|                         | Sampson County (820) | Female          | American Indian                  | 8                               | 0                    |
| Female                  |                      | Black           | 186                              | 0                               | 0                    |
| Female                  |                      | Hispanic        | 99                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Female                  |                      | Multiracial     | 12                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Female                  |                      | White           | 116                              | 0                               | 0                    |
| Male                    |                      | American Indian | 15                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Male                    |                      | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Male                    |                      | Black           | 707                              | 2                               | 0                    |
| Male                    |                      | Hispanic        | 255                              | 0                               | 0                    |
| Male                    |                      | Multiracial     | 42                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Male                    |                      | White           | 499                              | 1                               | 0                    |
| Missing                 |                      | Other/Missing   | 65                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Clinton City (821)      | Female               | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female               | Black           | 122                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female               | Hispanic        | 13                               | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                   | Gender             | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                       | Female             | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | White           | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | American Indian | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Black           | 242                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Hispanic        | 34                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Multiracial     | 14                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | White           | 77                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Missing            | Other/Missing   | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Scotland County (830) | Female             | American Indian | 82                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | Black           | 651                              | 5                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | Hispanic        | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | Multiracial     | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | White           | 78                               | 3                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | Other/Missing   | 19                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | American Indian | 267                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Black           | 1536                             | 17                              | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Hispanic        | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Multiracial     | 27                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | White           | 345                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Other/Missing   | 27                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Stanly County (840)   | Female             | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | Black           | 285                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | Hispanic        | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | Multiracial     | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | White           | 239                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | American Indian | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Asian           | 24                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Black           | 671                              | 3                               | 1                    |
|                       | Male               | Hispanic        | 75                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Multiracial     | 69                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | White           | 1338                             | 6                               | 1                    |
| Stokes County (850)   | Female             | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | Black           | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | Hispanic        | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | Multiracial     | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Female             | White           | 162                              | 7                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Black           | 62                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Hispanic        | 23                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | Multiracial     | 25                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                       | Male               | White           | 525                              | 6                               | 0                    |
|                       | Surry County (860) | Female          | Black                            | 23                              | 0                    |



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| LEA                       | Gender | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|---------------------------|--------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                           | Female | Hispanic        | 20                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | White           | 173                              | 6                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | American Indian | 0                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Black           | 52                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Hispanic        | 85                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Multiracial     | 17                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | White           | 724                              | 18                              | 0                    |
| Elkin City (861)          | Female | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | White           | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Black           | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Hispanic        | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | White           | 39                               | 1                               | 0                    |
| Mount Airy City (862)     | Female | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | White           | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Black           | 13                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Hispanic        | 4                                | 0                               | 1                    |
|                           | Male   | White           | 29                               | 0                               | 1                    |
| Swain County (870)        | Female | American Indian | 24                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | White           | 23                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | American Indian | 40                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Multiracial     | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | White           | 87                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Transylvania County (880) | Female | Black           | 17                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Multiracial     | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | White           | 70                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | American Indian | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Asian           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Black           | 32                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Hispanic        | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Multiracial     | 23                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | White           | 272                              | 8                               | 0                    |
| Tyrrell County (890)      | Female | Black           | 12                               | 4                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Hispanic        | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | Multiracial     | 0                                | 2                               | 0                    |
|                           | Female | White           | 3                                | 2                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Black           | 55                               | 4                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Hispanic        | 3                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                           | Male   | Multiracial     | 1                                | 2                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                 | Gender | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|---------------------|--------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Union County (900)  | Male   | White           | 23                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | American Indian | 13                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | Asian           | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | Black           | 793                              | 9                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | Hispanic        | 170                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | White           | 518                              | 15                              | 0                    |
|                     | Female | Other/Missing   | 50                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | American Indian | 22                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | Asian           | 15                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | Black           | 1997                             | 31                              | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | Hispanic        | 511                              | 19                              | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | White           | 2142                             | 27                              | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | Other/Missing   | 139                              | 4                               | 0                    |
| Vance County (910)  | Female | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | Black           | 1112                             | 8                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | Hispanic        | 41                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | White           | 111                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | Black           | 2407                             | 23                              | 1                    |
|                     | Male   | Hispanic        | 138                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | White           | 361                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | Other/Missing   | 21                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Wake County (920)   | Female | American Indian | 26                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | Asian           | 29                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | Black           | 4358                             | 172                             | 0                    |
|                     | Female | Hispanic        | 630                              | 14                              | 0                    |
|                     | Female | Multiracial     | 212                              | 11                              | 0                    |
|                     | Female | White           | 967                              | 41                              | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | American Indian | 45                               | 3                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | Asian           | 176                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | Black           | 10167                            | 626                             | 1                    |
|                     | Male   | Hispanic        | 1846                             | 65                              | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | Multiracial     | 621                              | 29                              | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | White           | 3630                             | 137                             | 0                    |
| Warren County (930) | Female | American Indian | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | Black           | 174                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | Hispanic        | 19                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | Multiracial     | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female | White           | 19                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | American Indian | 15                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | Black           | 527                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | Hispanic        | 13                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male   | Multiracial     | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                     | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Washington County (940) | Male    | White           | 43                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Black           | 86                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Multiracial     | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 14                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Black           | 144                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Watauga County (950)    | Male    | White           | 42                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 34                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Multiracial     | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Wayne County (960)      | Male    | White           | 189                              | 3                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Asian           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Black           | 1515                             | 6                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 85                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 401                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Other/Missing   | 54                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | American Indian | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Asian           | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Black           | 3512                             | 30                              | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 360                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | White           | 1470                             | 10                              | 0                    |
| Wilkes County (970)     | Male    | Other/Missing   | 128                              | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Black           | 13                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Multiracial     | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 151                              | 9                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Other/Missing   | 0                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Black           | 42                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Hispanic        | 42                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Multiracial     | 15                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | White           | 518                              | 10                              | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | Other/Missing   | 0                                | 4                               | 0                    |
|                         | Missing | Other/Missing   | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Wilson County (980)     | Female  | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Black           | 1047                             | 5                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Hispanic        | 58                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | White           | 154                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                         | Female  | Other/Missing   | 14                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                         | Male    | American Indian | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |

**Table S2. Suspensions and Expulsions by LEA, Gender, and Race**

| LEA                 | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|---------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                     | Male    | Asian           | 18                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male    | Black           | 2785                             | 8                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male    | Hispanic        | 176                              | 1                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male    | White           | 556                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male    | Other/Missing   | 34                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Yadkin County (990) | Female  | Black           | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female  | Hispanic        | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female  | White           | 34                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male    | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male    | Black           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male    | Hispanic        | 36                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male    | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male    | White           | 197                              | 3                               | 0                    |
| Yancey County (995) | Female  | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Female  | White           | 22                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male    | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male    | Hispanic        | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                     | Male    | White           | 90                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                     | Missing | Other/Missing   | 46                               | 0                               | 0                    |

**Table S3. Suspensions and Expulsions by Charter School, Gender, and Race.**

| LEA                                      | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|--|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| River Mill Academy (01B)                 | Female  | Black           | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Female  | White           | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | White           | 9                                | 1                               | 0                    |
| Clover Garden (01C)                      | Female  | White           | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Multiracial     | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | White           | 32                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| The Hawbridge School (01D)               | Female  | White           | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | White           | 19                               | 2                               | 0                    |
| Crossnore Academy (06B)                  | Female  | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Female  | White           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | White           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Washington Montessori (07A)              | Female  | Black           | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Female  | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Female  | White           | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Black           | 22                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Hispanic        | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | White           | 25                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Charter Day School (10A)                 | Female  | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Female  | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Female  | White           | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | American Indian | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Black           | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | White           | 13                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Evergreen Community Charter School (11A) | Female  | White           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Hispanic        | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | White           | 27                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| ArtSpace Charter School (11B)            | Female  | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Female  | White           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | White           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Francine Delany (11K)                    | Female  | White           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| The New Dimensions School (12A)          | Male    | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Carolina International School (13A)      | Male    | Black           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Male    | White           | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|  | Missing | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |

**Table S3. Suspensions and Expulsions by Charter School, Gender, and Race.**

| LEA   | Gender | Ethnicity     | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|---|--------|---------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Cape Lookout Marine Science High School (16A)         | Female | Black         | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Female | White         | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Female | Other/Missing | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Black         | 7                                | 0                               | 1                    |
|   | Male   | Hispanic      | 1                                | 0                               | 1                    |
|   | Male   | Multiracial   | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | White         | 29                               | 0                               | 4                    |
| Tiller School (16B)                                   | Female | White         | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | White         | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Chatham Charter School (19A)                          | Female | Hispanic      | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Female | White         | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Black         | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | White         | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| The Woods Charter School (19B)                        | Female | White         | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Asian         | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | White         | 15                               | 0                               | 1                    |
| Learning Center (20A)                                 | Male   | White         | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Alpha Academy (26B)                                   | Male   | Black         | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | White         | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Maureen Joy Charter School (32A)                      | Female | Black         | 53                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Black         | 49                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Healthy Start Academy Charter Elementary School (32B) | Female | Black         | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Black         | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Carter Community School (32C)                         | Female | Black         | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Black         | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Kestrel Heights School (32D)                          | Female | Black         | 15                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Female | Multiracial   | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Female | White         | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Black         | 24                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Hispanic      | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Multiracial   | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | White         | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Omuteko Gwamaziima (32G)                              | Female | Black         | 28                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Black         | 17                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Research Triangle Charter Academy (32H)               | Female | Black         | 13                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|   | Female | White         | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Asian         | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Black         | 47                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Hispanic      | 0                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | White         | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Voyager Academy (32L)                                 | Female | Multiracial   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Black         | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | Multiracial   | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male   | White         | 12                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Quality Education Academy (34B)                       | Female | Black         | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Female | Hispanic      | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                               | Gender | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|-----------------------------------|--------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| The Downtown Middle School (34C)  | Female | Black           | 70                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 96                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   |        |                 |                                  |                                 |                      |
| Carter G. Woodson (34D)           | Male   | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Forsyth Academies (34F)           | Female | Black           | 31                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | Multiracial     | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | White           | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 64                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 8                                | 1                               | 0                    |
| Arts Based Elementary (34G)       | Female | White           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Crosscreek Charter (35A)          | Female | White           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 11                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 10                               | 1                               | 0                    |
| Piedmont Community School (36B)   | Female | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | White           | 13                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | American Indian | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 13                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Hispanic        | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 25                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Greensboro Academy (41B)          | Female | Black           | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | White           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Guilford Prep Academy (41C)       | Female | Black           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 20                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Phoenix Academy (41D)             | Male   | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| American Renaissance School (49B) | Female | Black           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | White           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 24                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Neuse Charter School (51A)        | Male   | Black           | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Provisions Academy (53A)          | Female | Black           | 21                               | 5                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | White           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                                   | Gender | Ethnicity     | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|---------------------------------------|--------|---------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|                                       | Male   | Black         | 26                               | 12                              | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | White         | 7                                | 2                               | 0                    |
| The Children's Village Academy (54A)  | Female | Black         | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Black         | 13                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Kinston Charter Academy (54B)         | Female | Black         | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Black         | 14                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Multiracial   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | White         | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Lincoln Charter School (55A)          | Female | Black         | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Female | White         | 38                               | 0                               | 1                    |
|                                       | Male   | Black         | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Multiracial   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | White         | 76                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| The Community Charter School (60A)    | Female | Black         | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Black         | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | White         | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Sugar Creek Charter School (60B)      | Female | Black         | 62                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Female | Hispanic      | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Female | Multiracial   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Black         | 186                              | 0                               | 0                    |
| Kennedy School (60C)                  | Female | Black         | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Black         | 8                                | 0                               | 3                    |
| Lake Norman Charter School (60D)      | Female | Black         | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Female | White         | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Asian         | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Black         | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Hispanic      | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Multiracial   | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | White         | 30                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Metrolina Regional (60F)              | Male   | White         | 0                                | 0                               | 1                    |
| Queen's Grant Community Schools (60G) | Female | Black         | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Female | White         | 8                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Black         | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | White         | 44                               | 4                               | 0                    |
| Crossroads Charter High (60H)         | Female | Black         | 110                              | 2                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Female | Hispanic      | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Female | White         | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Asian         | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Black         | 107                              | 7                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | Hispanic      | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Socrates Academy (60J)                | Male   | White         | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Charlotte Secondary School (60K)      | Female | Black         | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Male   | White         | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| KIPP: Charlotte (60L)                 | Male   | Black         | 10                               | 1                               | 0                    |
| The Academy of Moore County (63A)     | Female | Black         | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                       | Female | Other/Missing | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |



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| LEA   | Gender  | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|---|---------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|   | Male    | Black           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | Other/Missing   | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Rocky Mount Preparatory School (64A)                | Female  | Black           | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Female  | White           | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | Black           | 23                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | White           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Missing | Other/Missing   | 51                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Cape Fear Center for Inquiry (65A)                  | Female  | White           | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | Black           | 12                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | Multiracial     | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | White           | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Missing | Other/Missing   | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Gaston College Preparatory (66A)                    | Female  | Black           | 16                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|   | Female  | White           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | Black           | 20                               | 2                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Missing | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| PACE Academy (68N)                                  | Female  | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Female  | White           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | Black           | 1                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | White           | 4                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|   | Missing | Other/Missing   | 19                               | 5                               | 0                    |
| Arapahoe Charter School (69A)                       | Male    | White           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| CIS Academy (78A)                                   | Female  | American Indian | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Female  | Black           | 4                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | American Indian | 25                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | Black           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Bethany Community (79A)                             | Male    | White           | 12                               | 2                               | 0                    |
| Thomas Jefferson Classical Academy (81A)            | Female  | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Female  | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Female  | White           | 17                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | White           | 26                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Missing | Other/Missing   | 15                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| The Laurinburg Homework Center Charter School (83B) | Female  | American Indian | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Female  | Black           | 23                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|   | Female  | White           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | American Indian | 6                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | Black           | 29                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | White           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Gray Stone Day School (84B)                         | Female  | Black           | 0                                | 1                               | 0                    |
|   | Male    | White           | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Millennium Charter                                  | Female  | White           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |

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| LEA                               | Gender | Ethnicity       | # Short-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Long-term suspensions 2007-08 | # Expulsions 2007-08 |
|-----------------------------------|--------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Academy (86T)                     | Male   | Black           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Mountain Discovery (87A)          | Male   | White           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Brevard Academy (88A)             | Female | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | White           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Union Academy (90A)               | Female | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | White           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Vance Charter School (91A)        | Female | White           | 5                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 13                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| The Franklin Academy (92F)        | Female | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | White           | 16                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 51                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| East Wake Academy (92G)           | Female | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | White           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 11                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 16                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| SPARC Academy (92I)               | Female | Black           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 9                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Raleigh Charter High School (92K) | Female | Asian           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | Black           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | White           | 10                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | Other/Missing   | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 14                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Torchlight Academy (92L)          | Female | Black           | 7                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 15                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Multiracial     | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| PreEminent Charter School (92M)   | Female | Black           | 53                               | 1                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Female | Hispanic        | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 78                               | 2                               | 0                    |
| Hope Elementary School (92Q)      | Female | Black           | 28                               | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Black           | 46                               | 0                               | 0                    |
| Casa Esperanza Montessori (92R)   | Male   | Black           | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Hispanic        | 2                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | Multiracial     | 3                                | 0                               | 0                    |
|                                   | Male   | White           | 1                                | 0                               | 0                    |
| Haliwa-Saponi Tribal (93A)        | Female | American Indian | 12                               | 0                               | 0                    |

**Table S3. Suspensions and Expulsions by Charter School, Gender, and Race.**

| <b>LEA</b>                        | <b>Gender</b> | <b>Ethnicity</b> | <b># Short-term suspensions 2007-08</b> | <b># Long-term suspensions 2007-08</b> | <b># Expulsions 2007-08</b> |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|------------------|---|--|-----------------------------|
|                                   | Female        | Black            | 3                                       | 0                                      | 0                           |
|                                   | Female        | White            | 1                                       | 0                                      | 0                           |
|                                   | Male          | American Indian  | 30                                      | 0                                      | 0                           |
|                                   | Male          | Black            | 1                                       | 0                                      | 0                           |
|                                   | Missing       | Other/Missing    | 46                                      | 0                                      | 0                           |
| Two Rivers Community School (95A) | Male          | White            | 1                                       | 0                                      | 0                           |
|                                   | Male          | Other/Missing    | 5                                       | 0                                      | 0                           |
| Dillard Academy (96C)             | Female        | Black            | 19                                      | 0                                      | 0                           |
|                                   | Male          | Black            | 54                                      | 0                                      | 0                           |
|                                   | Male          | Hispanic         | 1                                       | 0                                      | 0                           |
| Bridges (97D)                     | Male          | White            | 3                                       | 0                                      | 0                           |
|                                   | Male          | Other/Missing    | 1                                       | 0                                      | 0                           |
| Sallie B. Howard School (98A)     | Female        | Black            | 23                                      | 1                                      | 0                           |
|                                   | Female        | Hispanic         | 3                                       | 0                                      | 0                           |
|                                   | Female        | White            | 1                                       | 0                                      | 0                           |
|                                   | Male          | Black            | 44                                      | 4                                      | 0                           |
|                                   | Male          | Hispanic         | 9                                       | 1                                      | 0                           |
|                                   | Male          | Multiracial      | 1                                       | 1                                      | 0                           |

**Table S4. Grades 9-12 Short-Term Suspensions and Suspension Rates.**

| <b>LEA #</b> | <b>LEA Name</b>     | <b># Short-Term Suspensions</b> | <b>Short-Term Suspension Rate (per 100 Students)</b> |
|--------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 10           | ALAMANCE-BURLINGTON | 1795                            | 27.4   |
| 20           | ALEXANDER COUNTY    | 240                             | 15.3   |
| 30           | ALLEGHANY COUNTY    | 125                             | 25.4   |
| 40           | ANSON COUNTY        | 747                             | 62.0   |
| 50           | ASHE COUNTY         | 163                             | 17.4   |
| 60           | AVERY COUNTY        | 66                              | 10.0   |
| 70           | BEAUFORT COUNTY     | 1215                            | 58.3   |
| 80           | BERTIE COUNTY       | 311                             | 34.9   |
| 90           | BLADEN COUNTY       | 416                             | 26.9   |
| 100          | BRUNSWICK COUNTY    | 2064                            | 59.7   |
| 110          | BUNCOMBE COUNTY     | 2150                            | 28.3   |
| 111          | ASHEVILLE CITY      | 559                             | 48.7   |
| 120          | BURKE COUNTY        | 855                             | 20.1   |
| 130          | CABARRUS COUNTY     | 1907                            | 25.2   |
| 132          | KANNAPOLIS CITY     | 455                             | 37.3   |
| 140          | CALDWELL COUNTY     | 673                             | 17.7   |
| 150          | CAMDEN COUNTY       | 92                              | 16.2   |
| 160          | CARTERET COUNTY     | 971                             | 37.8   |
| 170          | CASWELL COUNTY      | 320                             | 33.1   |
| 180          | CATAWBA COUNTY      | 1076                            | 20.1   |
| 181          | HICKORY CITY        | 260                             | 20.3   |
| 182          | NEWTON-CONOVER      | 197                             | 22.7   |
| 190          | CHATHAM COUNTY      | 383                             | 17.6   |
| 200          | CHEROKEE COUNTY     | 79                              | 7.0  |
| 210          | EDENTON/CHOWAN      | 152                             | 21.0   |
| 220          | CLAY COUNTY         | 4                               | 1.0  |
| 230          | CLEVELAND COUNTY    | 2183                            | 43.5   |
| 240          | COLUMBUS COUNTY     | 448                             | 23.1   |
| 241          | WHITEVILLE CITY     | 175                             | 23.8   |
| 250          | CRAVEN COUNTY       | 2582                            | 62.0   |
| 260          | CUMBERLAND COUNTY   | 5388                            | 34.1   |
| 270          | CURRITUCK COUNTY    | 468                             | 37.5   |
| 280          | DARE COUNTY         | 174                             | 11.4   |
| 290          | DAVIDSON COUNTY     | 1977                            | 32.9   |
| 291          | LEXINGTON CITY      | 318                             | 41.1   |
| 292          | THOMASVILLE CITY    | 529                             | 73.6   |
| 300          | DAVIE COUNTY        | 221                             | 11.8   |
| 310          | DUPLIN COUNTY       | 1620                            | 69.3   |
| 320          | DURHAM COUNTY       | 3532                            | 37.2   |
| 330          | EDGECOMBE COUNTY    | 1534                            | 68.9   |
| 340          | FORSYTH COUNTY      | 8513                            | 57.0   |
| 350          | FRANKLIN COUNTY     | 1073                            | 45.1   |
| 360          | GASTON COUNTY       | 4112                            | 42.3   |
| 370          | GATES COUNTY        | 179                             | 29.2   |
| 380          | GRAHAM COUNTY       | 26                              | 8.1  |
| 390          | GRANVILLE COUNTY    | 892                             | 33.2   |

**Table S4. Grades 9-12 Short-Term Suspensions and Suspension Rates.**

| <b>LEA #</b> | <b>LEA Name</b>      | <b># Short-Term Suspensions</b> | <b>Short-Term Suspension Rate (per 100 Students)</b> |
|--------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 400          | GREENE COUNTY        | 674                             | 75.3   |
| 410          | GUILFORD COUNTY      | 6139                            | 28.5   |
| 420          | HALIFAX COUNTY       | 1069                            | 75.1   |
| 421          | ROANOKE RAPIDS CITY  | 315                             | 36.8   |
| 422          | WELDON CITY          | 359                             | 106.8  |
| 430          | HARNETT COUNTY       | 1556                            | 30.2   |
| 440          | HAYWOOD COUNTY       | 434                             | 18.9   |
| 450          | HENDERSON COUNTY     | 454                             | 12.3   |
| 460          | HERTFORD COUNTY      | 958                             | 92.5   |
| 470          | HOKE COUNTY          | 947                             | 55.2   |
| 480          | HYDE COUNTY          | 31                              | 14.9   |
| 490          | IREDELL-STATESVILLE  | 1856                            | 29.2   |
| 491          | MOORESVILLE CITY     | 289                             | 18.1   |
| 500          | JACKSON COUNTY       | 188                             | 18.2   |
| 510          | JOHNSTON COUNTY      | 2624                            | 33.5   |
| 520          | JONES COUNTY         | 55                              | 14.6   |
| 530          | LEE COUNTY           | 805                             | 29.6   |
| 540          | LENOIR COUNTY        | 1587                            | 52.7   |
| 550          | LINCOLN COUNTY       | 1123                            | 30.1   |
| 560          | MACON COUNTY         | 684                             | 54.4   |
| 570          | MADISON COUNTY       | 185                             | 25.6   |
| 580          | MARTIN COUNTY        | 471                             | 43.1   |
| 590          | MCDOWELL COUNTY      | 470                             | 25.7   |
| 600          | MECKLENBURG COUNTY   | 13206                           | 36.9   |
| 610          | MITCHELL COUNTY      | 120                             | 18.5   |
| 620          | MONTGOMERY COUNTY    | 528                             | 41.2   |
| 630          | MOORE COUNTY         | 1017                            | 26.9   |
| 640          | NASH-ROCKY MOUNT     | 2134                            | 41.2   |
| 650          | NEW HANOVER COUNTY   | 2083                            | 29.2   |
| 660          | NORTHAMPTON COUNTY   | 541                             | 66.6   |
| 670          | ONSLow COUNTY        | 1074                            | 16.6   |
| 680          | ORANGE COUNTY        | 603                             | 28.3   |
| 681          | CHAPEL HILL-CARRBORO | 227                             | 6.3  |
| 690          | PAMLICO COUNTY       | 461                             | 80.5   |
| 700          | PASQUOTANK COUNTY    | 726                             | 40.0   |
| 710          | PENDER COUNTY        | 659                             | 27.8   |
| 720          | PERQUIMANS COUNTY    | 244                             | 46.4   |
| 730          | PERSON COUNTY        | 382                             | 22.8   |
| 740          | PITT COUNTY          | 4198                            | 62.8   |
| 750          | POLK COUNTY          | 20                              | 2.7  |
| 760          | RANDOLPH COUNTY      | 534                             | 10.1   |
| 761          | ASHEBORO CITY        | 168                             | 13.4   |
| 770          | RICHMOND COUNTY      | 243                             | 11.1   |
| 780          | ROBESON COUNTY       | 5231                            | 79.9   |
| 790          | ROCKINGHAM COUNTY    | 1804                            | 43.0   |
| 800          | ROWAN-SALISBURY      | 2583                            | 41.4   |
| 810          | RUTHERFORD COUNTY    | 864                             | 29.5   |

**Table S4. Grades 9-12 Short-Term Suspensions and Suspension Rates.**

| <b>LEA #</b> | <b>LEA Name</b>           | <b># Short-Term Suspensions</b> | <b>Short-Term Suspension Rate (per 100 Students)</b> |
|--------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 820          | SAMPSON COUNTY            | 768                             | 34.8   |
| 821          | CLINTON CITY              | 96                              | 12.1   |
| 830          | SCOTLAND COUNTY           | 1116                            | 59.0   |
| 840          | STANLY COUNTY             | 1430                            | 50.0   |
| 850          | STOKES COUNTY             | 377                             | 17.2   |
| 860          | SURRY COUNTY              | 691                             | 27.1   |
| 861          | ELKIN CITY                | 30                              | 7.7  |
| 862          | MOUNT AIRY CITY           | 7                               | 1.3  |
| 870          | SWAIN COUNTY              | 112                             | 19.3   |
| 880          | TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY       | 245                             | 20.5   |
| 890          | TYRRELL COUNTY            | 66                              | 38.8   |
| 900          | UNION COUNTY              | 2800                            | 28.9   |
| 910          | VANCE COUNTY              | 667                             | 28.8   |
| 920          | WAKE COUNTY               | 11294                           | 30.4   |
| 930          | WARREN COUNTY             | 330                             | 36.8   |
| 940          | WASHINGTON COUNTY         | 110                             | 17.2   |
| 950          | WATAUGA COUNTY            | 172                             | 12.2   |
| 960          | WAYNE COUNTY              | 3030                            | 54.7   |
| 970          | WILKES COUNTY             | 336                             | 12.0   |
| 980          | WILSON COUNTY             | 1790                            | 52.4   |
| 990          | YADKIN COUNTY             | 100                             | 5.5  |
| 995          | YANCEY COUNTY             | 13                              | 1.7  |
|              | <b>State, Grades 9-12</b> |                                 | <b>34.56</b>   |



# Alternative Learning Program Placements

2007-08







# Alternative Learning Program Placements

## Introduction

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This report delivers disaggregated data on Alternative Learning Program and Alternative School enrollments per G.S. 115C-12(27).

### Alternative Learning Programs

Alternative learning programs (ALPs) operate with a range of missions and primary target populations. In addition to students who are enrolled because of academic, attendance, and life problems (pregnancy, parenting, work), some ALPs also enroll students with mild, moderate, or severe discipline problems, including suspended or expelled students, on a case-by-case basis. Some ALPs are programs within a regular school and some are actual schools. Usually, both alternative schools and alternative programs serve students from other regular schools in the school district.

Suspended and expelled students in North Carolina are sometimes placed in ALPs on a case-by-case basis, based on processes and procedures developed by each of the 115 LEAs and the nearly 100 charter schools.

The State Board of Education, as required by GS 115C-12(24) amended by HB 168 of the 1999 Session of the General Assembly, adopted a definition of what constitutes an alternative school or program. Basic differences between an alternative school and an alternative program usually have to do with size, management, and accountability. The following definition is described in SBE policy HSP-Q-001, in the broader policy having to do with school dropouts:

*Alternative Learning Programs - Alternative Learning Programs are defined as services for students at risk of truancy, academic failure, behavior problems, and/or dropping out of school. These services should be designed to better meet the needs of students who have not been successful in the regular public school setting. Alternative learning programs serve students at any level who:*

- *are suspended and/or expelled,*
- *are at risk of participation in juvenile crime,*
- *have dropped out and desire to return to school,*
- *have a history of truancy,*
- *are returning from juvenile justice settings or psychiatric hospitals, or*
- *have learning styles that are better served in an alternative setting.*

*Alternative learning programs provide individualized programs outside of a standard classroom setting in a caring atmosphere in which students learn the skills necessary to redirect their lives. An alternative learning program must:*

- *provide the primary instruction for selected at-risk students,*
- *enroll students for a designated period of time, usually a minimum of one academic grading period,*
- *offer course credit or grade-level promotion credit in core academic areas, and*
- *provide transition support to and from/between the school of origin and alternative learning program.*

*Alternative learning programs may also:*

- *address behavioral or emotional problems that interfere with adjustment to or benefiting from the regular education classroom,*
- *provide smaller classes and/or student/teacher ratios,*
- *provide instruction beyond regular school hours,*
- *provide flexible scheduling, and/or*
- *assist students in meeting graduation requirements other than course credits.*

*Alternative learning programs for at-risk students typically serve students in an alternative school or alternative program within the regular school.*

*An alternative school is one option for an alternative learning program. It serves at-risk students and has an organizational designation based on the NCDPI assignment of an official school code. An alternative school is different from a regular public school and provides choices of routes to completion of school. For the majority of students, the goal is to return to the regular public school. Alternative schools may vary from other schools in such areas as teaching methods, hours, curriculum, or sites, and they are intended to meet particular learning needs.*

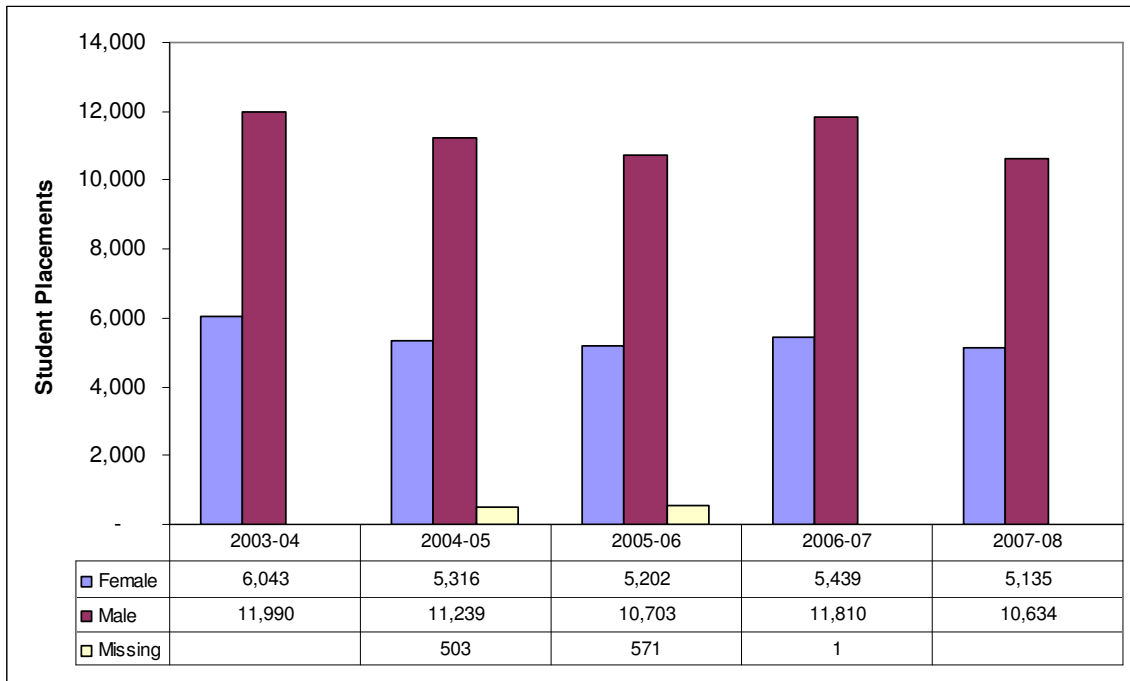
More information about alternative schools and the kinds of alternative learning programs aimed at addressing the needs of students is available on the NCDPI website: [www.ncpublicschools.org/alp/](http://www.ncpublicschools.org/alp/).

## General Findings

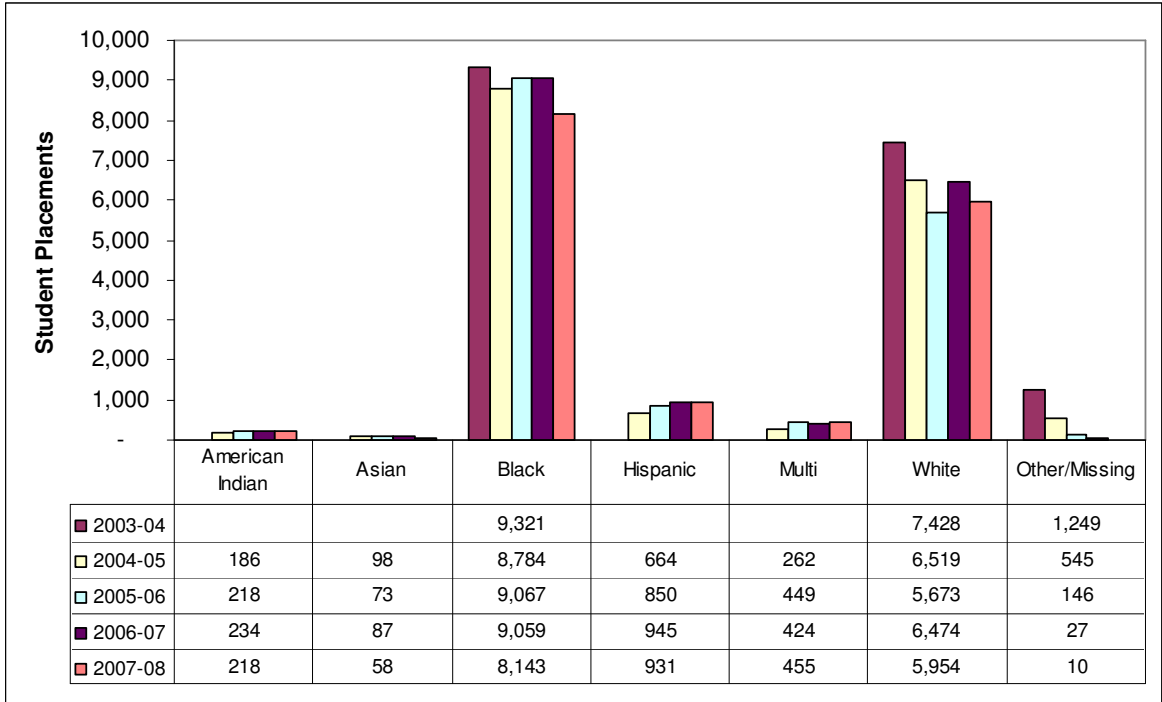
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Alternative schools and programs (ALPs) reported 15,769 student placements in 2007-08, a decrease of 4.3% from 2006-07. There were 14,414 individual students placed in ALPs over the course of the 2007-08 school year.

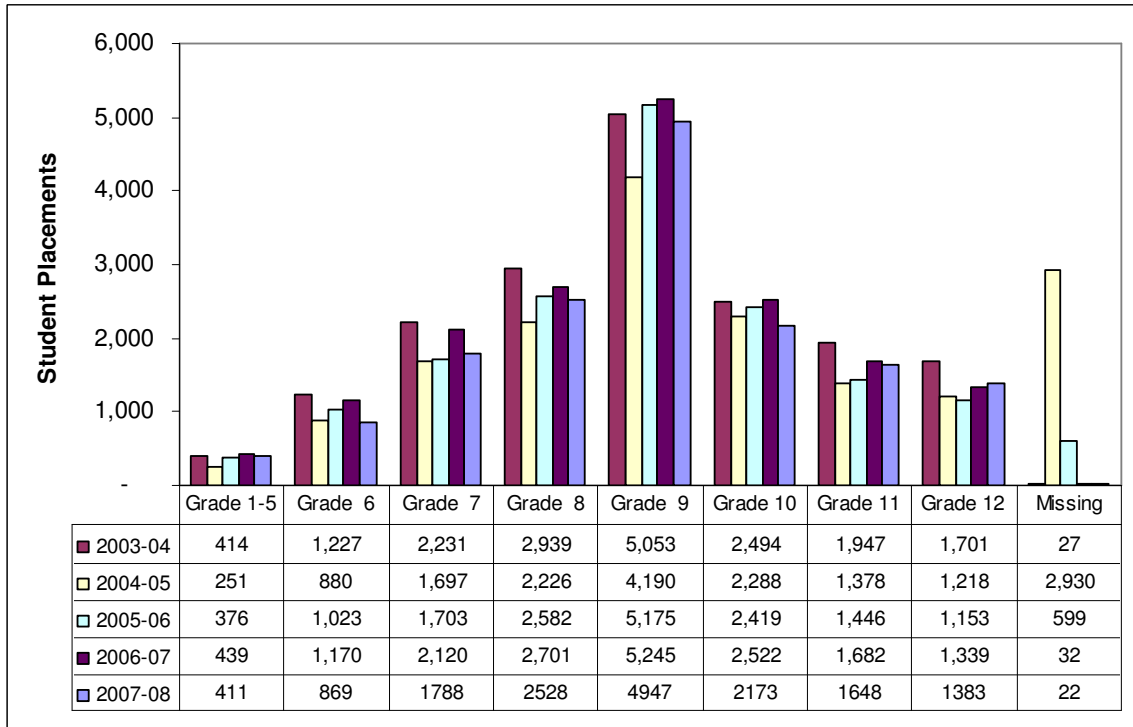
Males were placed in ALPs at higher rates than females, and black students were placed at higher rates than other ethnic groups. The grade level most frequently placed was ninth.



**Figure A1. ALP Placements by Gender.**



**Figure A2. ALP Placements by Ethnicity.**



**Figure A3. ALP Placements by Grade Level.**

# Dropout Rates and Counts

2007-08





## Introduction

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North Carolina General Statute 115C-12(27) requires the compilation of an annual report of students dropping out of schools in the state. Dropouts are reported for each Local Educational Agency (LEA) and charter school in the state, and “event dropout rates” are computed. The event dropout rate, or simply the “dropout rate,” is the number of students in a particular grade span dropping out in one year, divided by a measure of the total students in that particular grade span. Rates are calculated for grades 7-12 and 9-12.

The event rates are also referred to as “duplicate” rates, since a single individual may be counted as a dropout more than once if he or she drops out of school in multiple years. However, no student who drops out is counted more than once each year. For the purposes of this analysis, dropouts do not include students below the compulsory school age or students in Pre-kindergarten or Kindergarten.

A dropout is defined by State Board policy (HSP-Q-001) as “any student who leaves school for any reason before graduation or completion of a program of studies without transferring to another elementary or secondary school.” For reporting purposes, a dropout is a student who was enrolled at some time during the previous school year, but who was not enrolled (and who does not meet reporting exclusions) on day 20 of the current school year. Schools that cannot document a former student’s enrollment in a US school must report that student as a dropout. An exception is made for students who are known to have left the country.

Schools are allowed to exclude from their dropout count “initial enrollees,” students who leave school within twenty days of their first enrollment in a particular LEA, or school district. Reporting exclusions also include expelled students and students who transfer to a private school, home school, or a state-approved educational program. Students who are not enrolled on day 20 because they have serious illnesses or are serving suspensions are also not counted as dropouts. Since 1998, dropout rates have included students who leave the public schools to attend community colleges.

The Program Monitoring and Support Division in the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction collected and compiled dropout data submitted by each local school district and charter school. The data are self-reported by the districts, and the State agency does not conduct an official audit. The school districts across the state began submitting their data in October 2008. To facilitate accurate reporting, DPI ran error checks and placed error reports and listings of apparent duplicate dropouts on a secured website for review by the schools and LEAs. Corrections and verifications were completed by all schools and LEAs by December 2008.



## General Findings

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High schools in North Carolina reported a dropout rate of 4.97%, a decrease from the 5.24% rate reported from the previous year.

Grades 9-12 reported 22,434 dropouts in 2007-2008. Each grades 9-12 reported a decrease from 2006-07. There are decreases in 57% (66 of 115) of the Local Educational Agencies (LEAs), accounting for a reduction in 1,898 dropouts.

### Dropout Rates:

- LEAs reporting the lowest dropout rates are Chapel Hill-Carrboro, Dare, Newton Conover City, Elkin City, Mt. Airy City, Hertford, Yadkin, Guilford, Union, and Irdell-Statesville.
- LEAs reporting the highest dropout rates are Hickory City, Jackson, Swain, Madison, Mitchell, Yancey, Roanoke Rapids City, Kannapolis City, Granville, and Edgecombe.
- The largest 3-year decreases in grades 9-12 dropout rates are located in Hertford, Dare, Jones, Graham and Burke.
- LEAs with the largest 3-year rate increases were Hyde, Charlotte-Mecklenburg, Washington, Thomasville City, and Moore.

### Dropout Count:

- The 22,434 dropouts recorded in grades 9-12 represented a 4.7% decrease from the 23,550 reported in 2006-2007.
- The largest 3-year decreases in dropout count for grades 9-12 are found in Burke, Durham, Robeson, Lee, and Vance.
- LEAs with the largest 3-year dropout increases are Charlotte-Mecklenburg, Wake, Forsyth, Guilford, and Johnston.

### Gender, Race, and Age:

All ethnic groups, except Multiracial, contributed to the decrease in the number of reported dropouts. The dropout rate for American Indian students declined for the fourth consecutive year. Males accounted for 59.7% of the reported dropouts. Students dropping out of school at ages 15, 16, and 17 decreased, while students ages 18, 19, and 20 increased.

### Reason Codes:

For the fourth consecutive year, there is an increase in the “Enrollment in a Community College” dropout reason code. Attendance issues are again the reason most often noted for a reported dropout, accounting for almost half of all dropouts.

**§115C-12. Powers and duties of the Board generally.**

- (27) Reporting Dropout Rates, Suspensions, Expulsions, and Alternative Placements. – The State Board shall report annually to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee and the Commission on Improving the Academic Achievement of Minority and At-Risk Students on the numbers of students who have dropped out of school, been suspended, been expelled, or been placed in an alternative program. The data shall be reported in a disaggregated manner and be readily available to the public. The State Board shall not include students that have been expelled from school when calculating the dropout rate. The Board shall maintain a separate record of the number of students who are expelled from school.

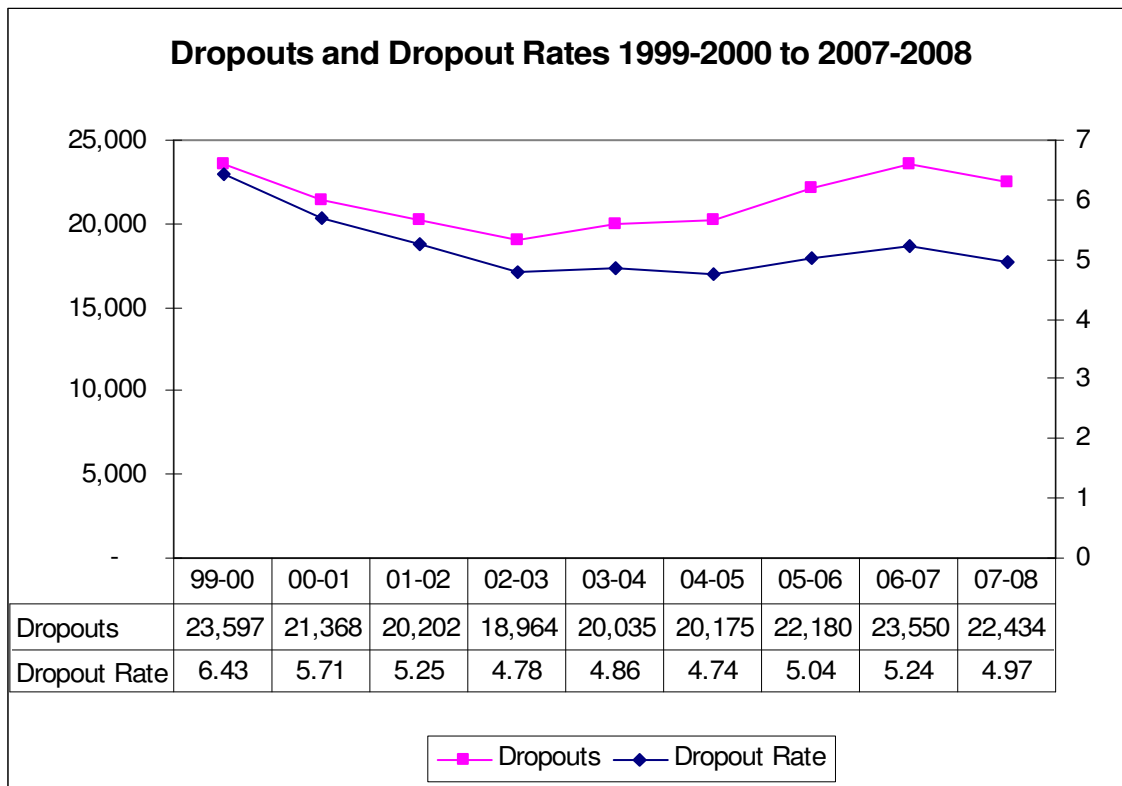
## Trends and Categorical Data

### North Carolina's dropouts and dropout rates over time

North Carolina recorded 22,434 dropouts in grades 9-12 for 2007-2008, a 4.7% decrease from the count reported in 2006-2007.

The grades 9-12 dropout rate in 2007-2008 was 4.97%, a decrease from the 5.24% rate reported for 2006-2007. This 0.27 percentage point decrease in the dropout rate was a 5.2% reduction.

Dropouts and dropout rates from 1999-2000 to 2007-2008 are shown below in Figure 1.



*Figure 1. Grades 9-12 dropouts and dropout rates from 1999-2000 to 2007-08.*

The dropout rate is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Number of Dropouts}}{[(20\text{th Day Membership } 2007-08 - \text{FM20s} + 20\text{th Day Membership } 2008-09) / 2] + \text{Number of Dropouts}}$$

The subtraction of “FM20s” is a very minor adjustment to the denominator. FM20s are “initial enrollees” who were enrolled on the 20<sup>th</sup> day in the 2007-08 school year. Initial

enrollees are students who drop out after spending 20 days or less in their first enrollment in a particular LEA. Because initial enrollees are exempt from dropout reporting, they must be removed from the measure of enrollment in the denominator.

Ages and grades of dropouts

In 2007-08, as in past years, students dropped out most frequently at grade 9 (32.6%), followed by grade 10 (25.2%), grade 11 (23.3%), and grade 12 (14.8%). Despite the decreases in dropouts shown in Figure 2 below, the proportions dropping out in each high school class are comparable to those in 2006-07.

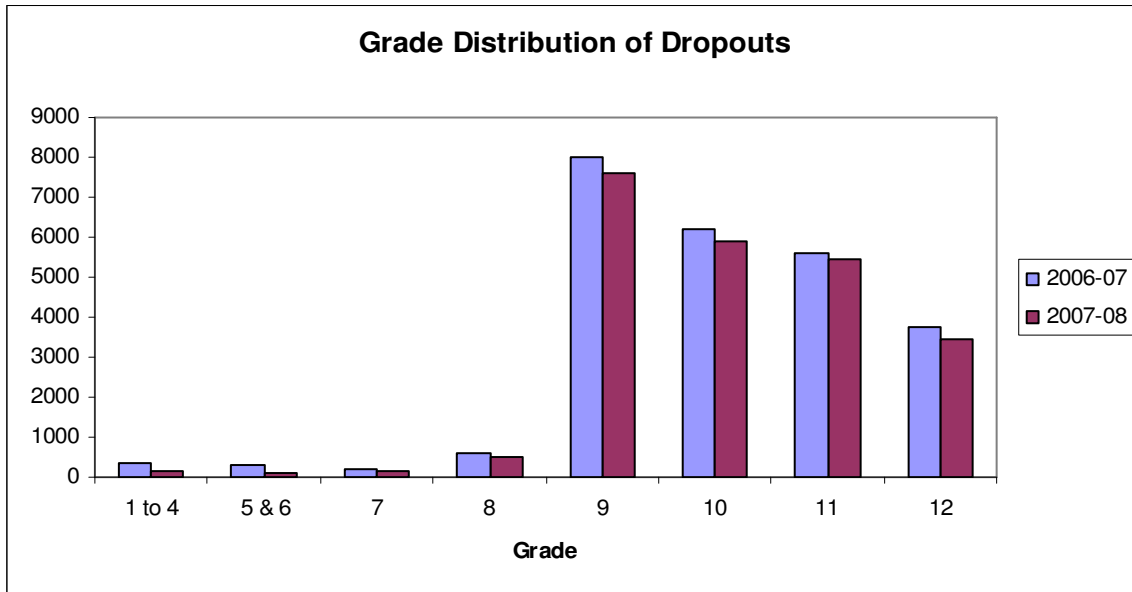


Figure 2. Frequency distribution of 2006-07 and 2007-08 dropouts by grade.

North Carolina’s compulsory school law, G.S. 115C-378, requires school attendance for all children between the ages of seven and 16. It is reasonable, therefore, that dropout events increase in frequency as students reach 16 years of age. Figure 3 shows the distribution of dropout events by student age for 2006-07 and 2007-08.

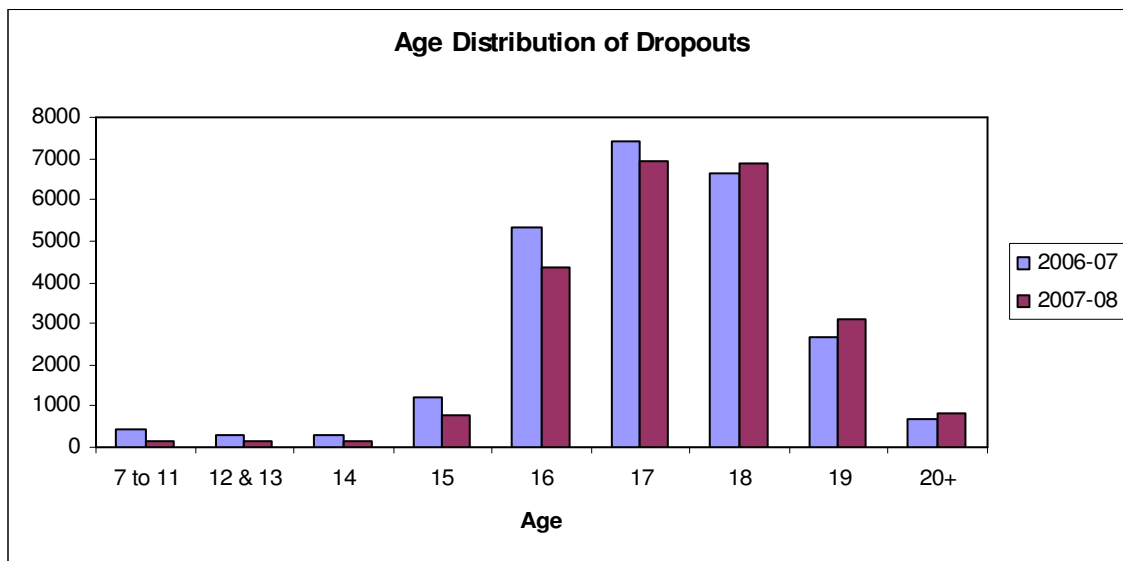


Figure 3. Frequency distribution of 2006-07 and 2007-08 dropouts by age.

An increase in the average age of dropping out can be seen in the age distribution of dropouts shown above in Figure 3. In 2007-08, the numbers of students dropping out at ages 18, 19, and 20 increased, while the numbers of students dropping out ages 15, 16, and 17 decreased. This is the continuation of a recent trend of students staying in school longer before dropping out.

#### Reasons for dropping out

State law (G.S. 115C-47) requires that local boards of education put in place a mechanism for referring dropouts to appropriate services. Many districts require exit conferences, which provide an opportunity for a discussion of the reasons for the decision to drop out. In most districts, school social workers or school counselors are responsible for documenting the reasons for dropping out.

By their very nature, dropout events can be difficult to investigate, and there are circumstances when a school official has to provide an “approximate” reason for a student’s leaving school. A reason code of MOVE is often used when the student cannot be located.

The attendance (ATTD) code has historically been used when one of the more specific reasons was not applicable. In 2007, DPI took action to clarify the circumstances when ATTD should be used. The Dropout Data Collecting and Reporting Procedures Manual, published online in August 2007, defined ATTD for use when “the student dropped out due to excessive absences that caused the student to become ineligible or in jeopardy of becoming ineligible to receive course credits.”

In order to reduce the inappropriate labeling of dropouts due to attendance factors, UNKN (“Unknown”) was introduced as a reason code for 2007-08. UNKN is to be used when no

other reason for the dropout can be cited. Three additional reason codes were added for the 2007-08 dropout data collection. Table 1 lists the new reason codes implemented in 2007-08.

*Table 1. New Dropout Reason Codes*

| <b>Code</b> | <b>Reason</b>                               |
|-------------|---|
| ENGA        | Lack of engagement with school and/or peers |
| EXPC        | Expectations of culture, family, or peers   |
| LANG        | Difficulties with English language          |
| UNKN        | Unknown                                     |

As expected, the use of ATTD as a reason code declined in 2007-08, but it again was by far the most widely reported code, accounting for 48% of the reasons for students dropping out in grades 9-12. Table 2 displays the frequencies of all reason codes that were submitted for dropout events that occurred in grades 9 through 12.

*Table 2. Grades 9-12 Dropout Reason Codes Reported in 2007-08.*

| <b>Reason</b>                                  | <b>Code</b> | <b>Count</b> | <b>Percent</b> |
|--|-------------|--------------|----------------|
| Attendance                                     | ATTD        | 10766        | 48.0%          |
| Enrollment in a community college              | COMM        | 3684         | 16.4%          |
| Academic problems                              | ACAD        | 1623         | 7.2%           |
| Moved, school status unknown                   | MOVE        | 1443         | 6.4%           |
| Unknown  | UNKN        | 944          | 4.2%           |
| Choice of work over school                     | WORK        | 770          | 3.4%           |
| Failure to return after a long-term suspension | LTSU        | 770          | 3.4%           |
| Discipline problem                             | DISC        | 511          | 2.3%           |
| Unstable home environment                      | HOME        | 321          | 1.4%           |
| Incarcerated in adult facility                 | INCR        | 288          | 1.3%           |
| Pregnancy                                      | PREG        | 256          | 1.1%           |
| Runaway  | RNAW        | 195          | 0.9%           |
| Need to care for children                      | CHLD        | 187          | 0.8%           |
| Health problems                                | HEAL        | 180          | 0.8%           |
| Lack of engagement with school and/or peers    | ENGA        | 174          | 0.8%           |
| Employment necessary                           | EMPL        | 166          | 0.7%           |
| Suspected substance abuse                      | ABUS        | 63           | 0.3%           |
| Expectations of culture, family, or peers      | EXPC        | 49           | 0.2%           |
| Marriage                                       | MARR        | 36           | 0.2%           |
| Difficulties with English language             | LANG        | 8            | 0.0%           |
| <b>Total</b>                                   |             | <b>22434</b> | <b>100.00%</b> |

Students who are expelled from a school and who fail to return to school are coded with “Expulsion” (EXPL) as a reason for dropping out. In accordance with NC General Statute §115C-12 (21), expelled students are not to be counted in the dropout rate; therefore, these

dropout events are not included in the official counts or rates that appear in this report. In 2007-2008, there were 64 grades 9-12 dropout events coded with EXPL.

Table 3 shows the change in the proportions of reason codes reported from 2006-07 to 2007-08. Some of the changes are due to the additions of the new reason codes, while some are due to actual changes in stated reasons for dropping out and perceptions of those reasons by school personnel.

*Table 3. Changes in proportions of grades 9-12 dropout reason codes reported in 2006-07 and 2007-08.*

| Reason   | Percent of Codes Reported |               | Change in Percent |
|--|---------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
|  | 2006-07                   | 2007-08       |                   |
| Attendance                                     | 53.2%                     | 48.0%         | -5.2              |
| Enrollment in a community college              | 13.6%                     | 16.4%         | +2.8              |
| Academic problems                              | 7.1%                      | 7.2%          | +0.1              |
| Moved, school status unknown                   | 10.1%                     | 6.4%          | -3.7              |
| Unknown  | --                        | 4.2%          | +4.2              |
| Choice of work over school                     | 3.6%                      | 3.4%          | 0.2               |
| Failure to return after a long-term suspension | 3.5%                      | 3.4%          | -0.1              |
| Discipline problem                             | 2.5%                      | 2.3%          | -0.2              |
| Unstable home environment                      | 1.2%                      | 1.4%          | +0.2              |
| Incarcerated in adult facility                 | 1.1%                      | 1.3%          | +0.2              |
| Pregnancy                                      | 1.1%                      | 1.1%          | 0.0               |
| Runaway  | 0.8%                      | 0.9%          | +0.1              |
| Need to care for children                      | 0.7%                      | 0.8%          | +0.1              |
| Health problems                                | 0.8%                      | 0.8%          | 0.0               |
| Lack of engagement with school and/or peers    | --                        | 0.8%          | +0.8              |
| Employment necessary                           | 0.4%                      | 0.7%          | +0.3              |
| Suspected substance abuse                      | 0.2%                      | 0.3%          | +0.1              |
| Expectations of culture, family, or peers      | --                        | 0.2%          | +0.2              |
| Marriage                                       | 0.2%                      | 0.2%          | 0.0               |
| Difficulties with English language             | --                        | 0.0%          | 0.0               |
| <b>Totals</b>                                  | <b>100.0%</b>             | <b>100.0%</b> | <b>0.0</b>        |

It is likely that in this 2007-08 dropout data collection, the “Attendance” (ATTD) reason was still being reported for students who “disappear” seemingly for no reason (instead of UNKN). We expect over the next few years for the number of the ATTD codes to decrease and the number of the UNKN codes to increase.

Tracking reason codes over time can assist in identifying the changes in both the outside incentives and the environmental stressors that can lead to dropouts. Figure 4 shows the variation in proportions of the six most frequently reported reason codes (other than ATTD) over the last six years. The data point for UNKN (Unknown) is shown for 2007-08.

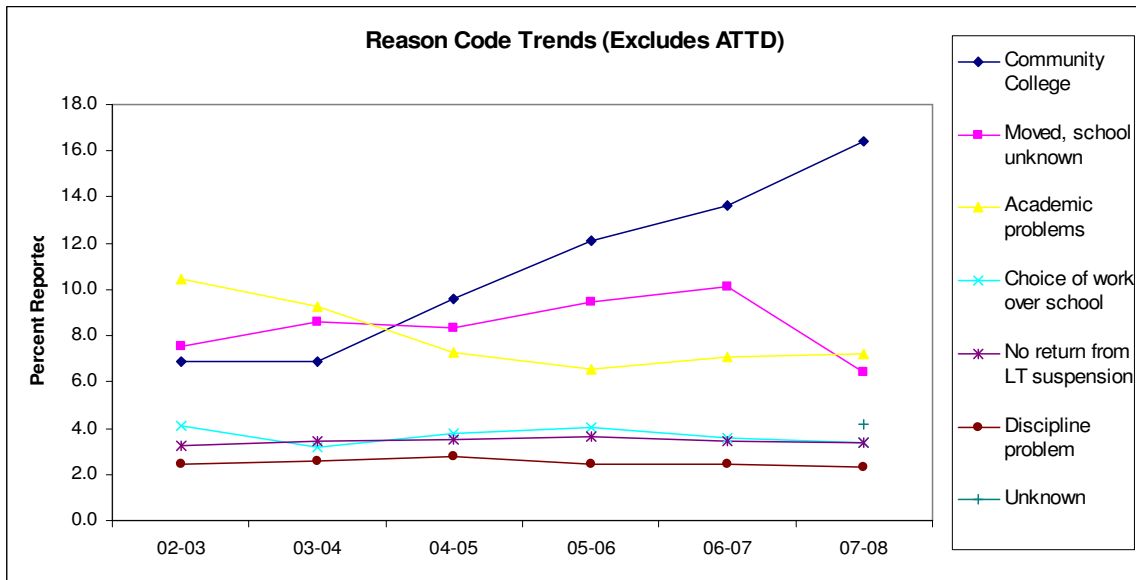


Figure 4. Proportions of grades 9-12 dropout reason codes reported.

For the fourth year in a row, an increasing proportion of dropouts were identified as leaving school to take part in a community college program. According to state guidelines, students leaving to attend community college programs must be counted as dropouts.

According to reason code data, the number of students leaving public schools for community college has almost tripled in the last four years. In the 2003-2004 report, 1,374 dropout events were coded COMM. The number increased to 1,930 in 2004-2005, to 2,692 in 2005-2006, to 3,207 in 2006-07, and to 3,684 in 2007-08.

The dropout reporting rules in North Carolina require that schools record a dropout for each student who is known to have moved away from the area, but who cannot be verified as attending school elsewhere. In these cases, a reason code of MOVE is used. As seen in Figure 4, the proportion of grades 9-12 MOVE reason codes in 2007-08 declined, however the introduction of the new UNKN code may explain this decline. The combined proportion of MOVE and UNKN codes in 2007-08 is approximately the same as the proportion of MOVE codes used in 2006-07. It is likely that a number of dropouts coded as MOVE or UNKN are “false positives,” however the requirement to report them provides a necessary incentive to locate all students with the goal of enrolling them in school.

#### Gender and race of dropouts

Historically, males have dropped out more frequently than females, and this pattern was again seen in the 2007-2008 dropout data. Males accounted for 59.7 % of the dropouts, up from 59.4 % in 2006-07.

Table 4 shows the contribution of each ethnic group to the total increase in dropouts reported in 2007-2008. Note that all groups except Multiracial contributed to the decrease in dropouts reported.



Table 4. Change in grades 9-12 dropout counts by ethnicity, 2006-07 to 2007-08.

| <b>Ethnic Group</b> | <b>2006-07</b> | <b>2007-08</b> | <b>Change</b> |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| American Indian     | 480            | 438            | -42           |
| Asian               | 229            | 216            | -13           |
| Black               | 8329           | 8065           | -264          |
| Hispanic            | 2344           | 2308           | -36           |
| Multi               | 494            | 540            | 46            |
| White               | 11674          | 10867          | -807          |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>23550</b>   | <b>22434</b>   | <b>-1116</b>  |

Figure 5 shows that American Indian, Hispanic, and black students were over-represented in 2007-2008 dropout rates, as they were in previous years. The state’s grades 9-12 dropout rate in 2007-2008 was 4.97 %. American Indian students, however, dropped out at a rate of 6.99 %; Hispanic students left school at a rate of 6.92 %; and Black students dropped out at a rate of 5.95 %. For the first time, the dropout rate for Multiracial students moved slightly above the state average at 5.06 %.

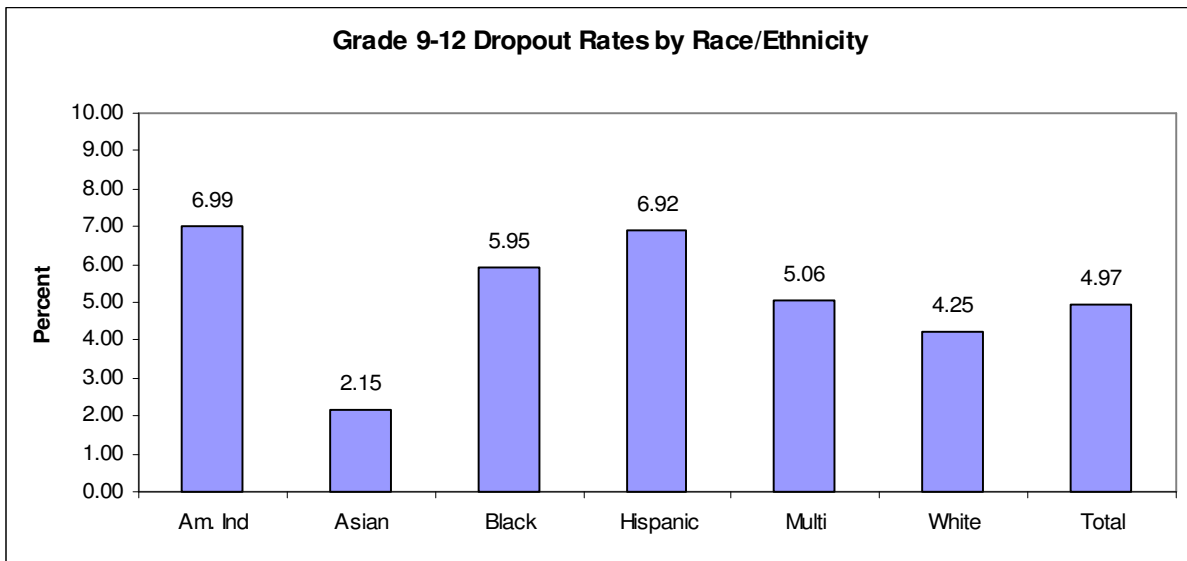


Figure 5. 2007-2008 grades 9-12 dropout rates by ethnicity.

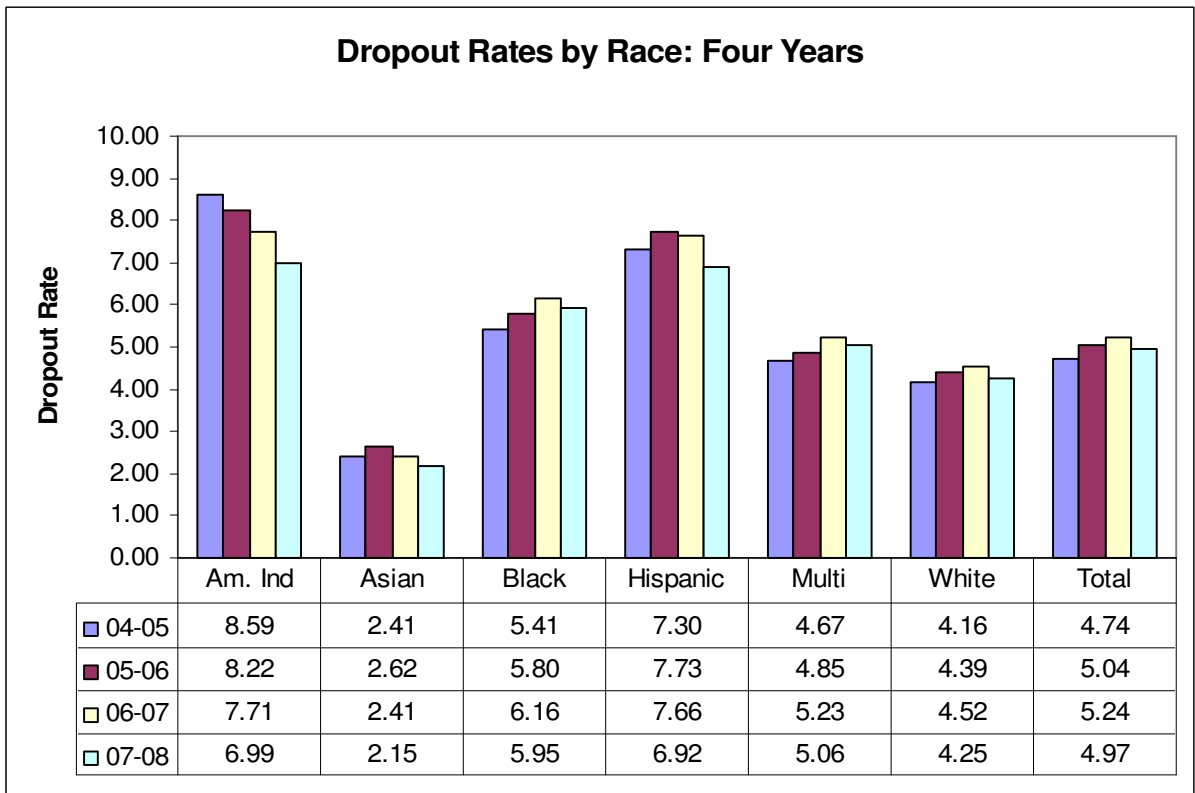


Figure 6. Grades 9-12 dropout rates among ethnic groups, 2004-05 to 2007-08.

Figure 6 shows the dropout rates for each group over time. The dropout rates for American Indian, Asian, and Hispanic students fell to their lowest levels in the last four years. The dropout rates for black, multiracial, and white students also decreased in 2007-08, reversing a two-year trend of rising rates.

Figure 7 illustrates the grades 9-12 dropout rates among combined ethnic and gender groups. Male American Indian students have the highest dropout event rate at 7.89 %, followed by Hispanic males at 7.52 %, black males at 7.33 %, and Hispanic females at 6.28 %. Other groups with rates higher than the state average of 4.97 % were American Indian females (6.05 %) and multiracial males (5.86 %).

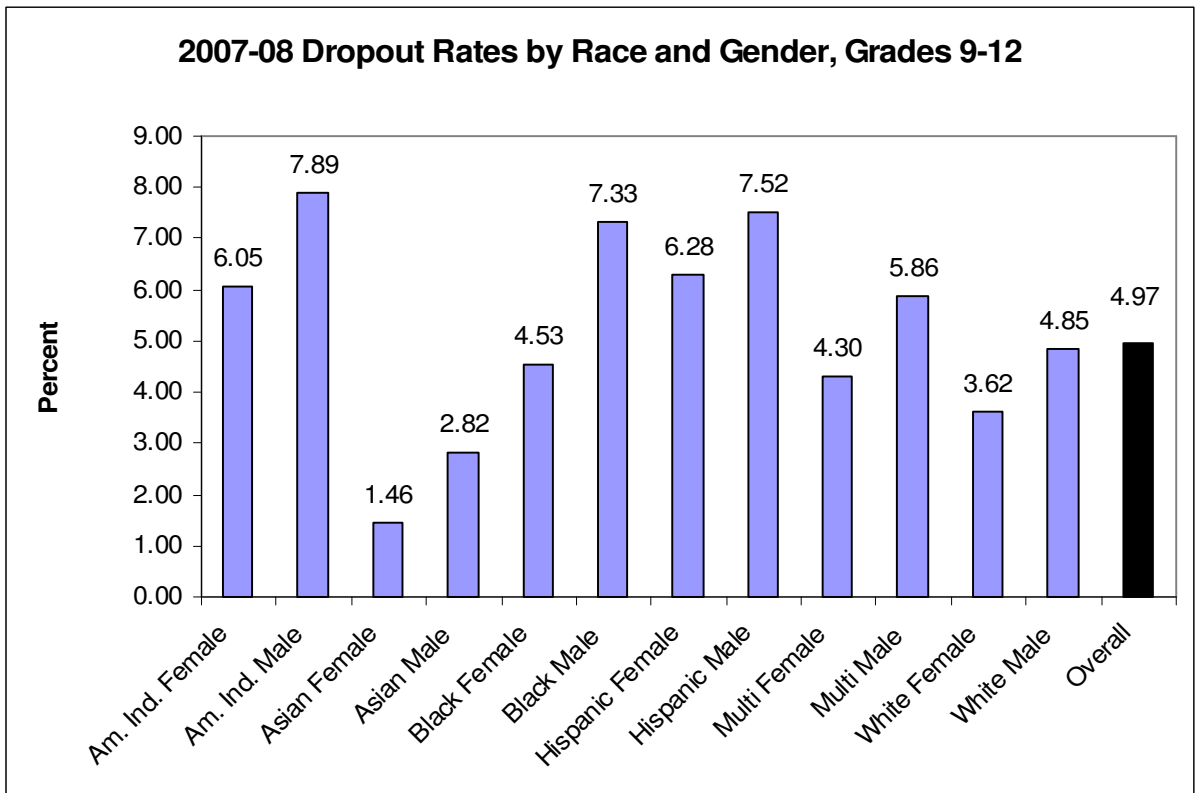


Figure 7. Grades 9-12 dropout rates among ethnic/gender groups for 2007-08.

Figure 8 shows the changes in grades 9-12 dropout rates for ethnic/gender groupings from 2004-2005 to 2008-2008. Multiracial males had the highest rate increase of 23.6 % during this time period. The other groups with rate increases during this time period were black males (10.9 %), black females (7.8 %), white males (2.8 %), and white females (1.4 %).

American Indian males had the largest dropout rate decrease over the period 2004-05 to 2007-08, 20.3 %. Other groups with rate decreases were American Indian females (17.1 %), Asian females (13.1 %), Asian males (8.4 %), Hispanic males (8.2 %), multiracial females (6.9 %), and Hispanic females (0.8 %).

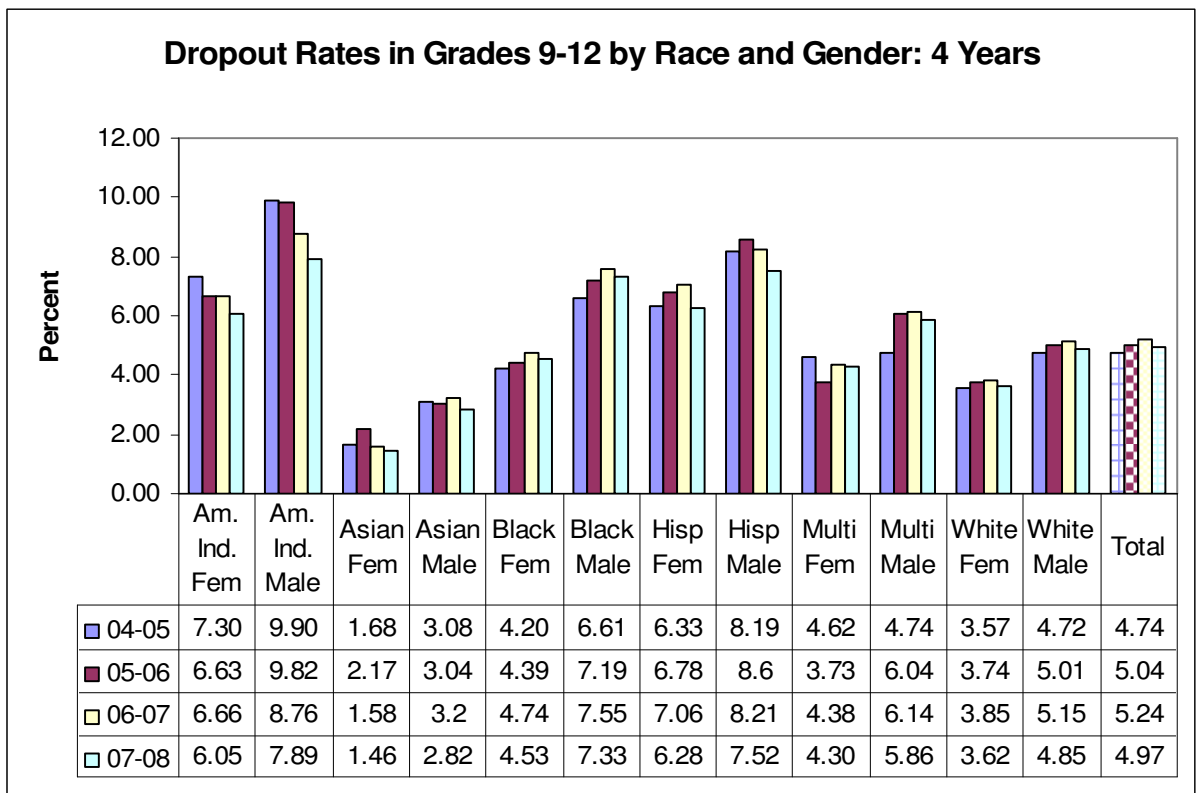


Figure 8. Grades 9-12 dropout rates for ethnic/gender groups, 2004-05 to 2007-08.

### Summary of Trends

In 2007-2008, dropout counts and rates decreased in North Carolina's public schools. The analysis of trend data revealed the following significant findings:

- 1) There was a continuation of the trend in increased proportions of dropouts being attributed to students' choosing to participate in community college programs. In 2007-08 students leaving school for community college accounted for 16.4 % of the reasons for dropping out of school.
- 2) There was a continuation of the upward trend in the age at which students dropped out of school.
- 3) Despite recent large improvements, male American Indian students have the highest dropout rate (7.89 %) of any ethnic/gender group. Other groups with rates substantially higher than the state average are Hispanic males (7.52 %), black males (7.33 %), Hispanic females (6.28 %), American Indian females (6.05 %) and multiracial males (5.86 %).

## **Dropout Report Appendix – LEA Dropout Data**

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Table 5 presents 2006-07 and 2007-2008 grades 9-12 dropout counts and rates for each school district and charter school along with percent increases or decreases in counts.

Table 6 shows grades 9-12 dropout counts and rates for 2007-2008 and the five previous years for each school district and charter school.

Table 7 lists 2007-08 grades 9-12 dropout counts by school district (and charter school), gender, and ethnicity.

Table 5. Dropout Counts and Rates, 2006-07 and 2007-08.

| LEA # | LEA or Charter School         | Count   |         |          | Rate    |         |
|-------|-------------------------------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|
|       |                               | 2006-07 | 2007-08 | % Change | 2006-07 | 2007-08 |
| 010   | Alamance-Burlington Schools   | 439     | 457     | 4.10     | 6.00    | 6.28    |
| 01B   | River Mill Academy            | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 01C   | Clover Garden                 | 2       | 2       | 0.00     | 2.42    | 2.22    |
| 01D   | New Century Charter High      | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 020   | Alexander County Schools      | 98      | 87      | -11.22   | 5.74    | 5.07    |
| 030   | Alleghany County Schools      | 16      | 21      | 31.25    | 3.09    | 4.09    |
| 040   | Anson County Schools          | 60      | 52      | -13.33   | 4.53    | 3.89    |
| 050   | Ashe County Schools           | 65      | 63      | -3.08    | 6.13    | 6.19    |
| 060   | Avery County Schools          | 26      | 26      | 0.00     | 3.61    | 3.62    |
| 06A   | Grandfather Academy           | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 06B   | Crossnore Academy             | 1       | 1       | 0.00     | 2.78    | 2.78    |
| 070   | Beaufort County Schools       | 145     | 135     | -6.90    | 6.16    | 5.76    |
| 07A   | Washington Montessori         | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 080   | Bertie County Schools         | 24      | 46      | 91.67    | 2.41    | 4.74    |
| 090   | Bladen County Schools         | 148     | 87      | -41.22   | 8.12    | 5.14    |
| 100   | Brunswick County Schools      | 213     | 197     | -7.51    | 5.66    | 5.22    |
| 10A   | Charter Day School            | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 110   | Buncombe County Schools       | 448     | 380     | -15.18   | 5.38    | 4.53    |
| 111   | Asheville City Schools        | 60      | 66      | 10.00    | 4.63    | 5.34    |
| 11A   | Evergreen Community Charter   | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 11B   | Artspace Charter              | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 11K   | Francine Delany New School    | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 120   | Burke County Schools          | 267     | 200     | -25.09   | 5.73    | 4.33    |
| 12A   | The New Dimensions School     | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 130   | Cabarrus County Schools       | 383     | 394     | 2.87     | 4.77    | 4.76    |
| 132   | Kannapolis City Schools       | 92      | 98      | 6.52     | 6.77    | 7.06    |
| 13A   | Carolina International School | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 140   | Caldwell County Schools       | 223     | 235     | 5.38     | 5.35    | 5.60    |
| 150   | Camden County Schools         | 15      | 26      | 73.33    | 2.61    | 4.30    |
| 160   | Carteret County Schools       | 140     | 108     | -22.86   | 4.93    | 3.86    |
| 16A   | Cape Lookout Marine Sci High  | 58      | 39      | -32.76   | 32.04   | 26.35   |
| 16B   | Tiller School                 | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 170   | Caswell County Schools        | 88      | 66      | -25.00   | 7.89    | 6.22    |
| 180   | Catawba County Schools        | 236     | 230     | -2.54    | 4.15    | 4.02    |
| 181   | Hickory City Schools          | 122     | 125     | 2.46     | 8.03    | 8.65    |
| 182   | Newton Conover City Schools   | 30      | 20      | -33.33   | 3.25    | 2.21    |
| 190   | Chatham County Schools        | 112     | 92      | -17.86   | 4.64    | 3.93    |
| 19A   | Chatham Charter               | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 19B   | Woods Charter                 | 1       | 1       | 0.00     | 0.86    | 0.67    |
| 200   | Cherokee County Schools       | 54      | 48      | -11.11   | 4.57    | 3.98    |
| 20A   | The Learning Center           | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 210   | Edenton/Chowan Schools        | 37      | 32      | -13.51   | 4.56    | 4.07    |
| 220   | Clay County Schools           | 11      | 16      | 45.45    | 2.55    | 3.86    |
| 230   | Cleveland County Schools      | 352     | 376     | 6.82     | 6.31    | 6.76    |
| 240   | Columbus County Schools       | 101     | 83      | -17.82   | 4.64    | 3.90    |
| 241   | Whiteville City Schools       | 22      | 40      | 81.82    | 2.83    | 5.20    |

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| 24A   | Columbus Charter School       | na      | 0       |          | na      | 0.00    |
| 250   | Craven County Schools         | 230     | 204     | -11.30   | 5.10    | 4.56    |
| 260   | Cumberland County Schools     | 610     | 615     | 0.82     | 3.56    | 3.61    |
| 26B   | Alpha Academy                 | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 270   | Currituck County Schools      | 53      | 64      | 20.75    | 4.04    | 4.79    |
| 280   | Dare County Schools           | 33      | 26      | -21.21   | 2.07    | 1.68    |
| 290   | Davidson County Schools       | 389     | 394     | 1.29     | 5.85    | 5.96    |
| 291   | Lexington City Schools        | 47      | 49      | 4.26     | 5.52    | 5.59    |
| 292   | Thomasville City Schools      | 57      | 52      | -8.77    | 6.98    | 6.62    |
| 300   | Davie County Schools          | 96      | 125     | 30.21    | 4.76    | 6.10    |
| 310   | Duplin County Schools         | 151     | 149     | -1.32    | 5.81    | 5.78    |
| 320   | Durham Public Schools         | 508     | 439     | -13.58   | 4.90    | 4.19    |
| 32A   | Maureen Joy Charter           | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 32B   | Healthy Start Academy         | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 32C   | Carter Community Charter      | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 32D   | Kestrel Heights Sch           | 10      | 6       | -40.00   | 6.58    | 3.47    |
| 32H   | Research Triangle Charter     | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 32K   | Central Park School For Child | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 32L   | Voyager Academy               | na      | 0       |          | na      | 0.00    |
| 330   | Edgecombe County Schools      | 153     | 166     | 8.50     | 6.23    | 6.83    |
| 340   | Forsyth County Schools        | 1062    | 898     | -15.44   | 6.43    | 5.49    |
| 34B   | Quality Education Academy     | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 34C   | Downtown Middle               | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 34D   | C G Woodson Sch Of Challenge  | 1       | 0       | -100.00  | 1.29    | 0.00    |
| 34F   | Forsyth Academies             | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 34G   | Arts Based Elementary         | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 350   | Franklin County Schools       | 158     | 138     | -12.66   | 6.13    | 5.34    |
| 35A   | Crosscreek Charter School     | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 360   | Gaston County Schools         | 684     | 607     | -11.26   | 6.29    | 5.69    |
| 36A   | Highland Charter              | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 36B   | Piedmont Community Charter    | 1       | 1       | 0.00     | 1.14    | 0.89    |
| 370   | Gates County Schools          | 47      | 39      | -17.02   | 6.64    | 5.88    |
| 380   | Graham County Schools         | 30      | 13      | -56.67   | 8.16    | 3.82    |
| 390   | Granville County Schools      | 136     | 204     | 50.00    | 4.70    | 6.86    |
| 400   | Greene County Schools         | 52      | 63      | 21.15    | 5.29    | 6.32    |
| 410   | Guilford County Schools       | 680     | 760     | 11.76    | 2.99    | 3.31    |
| 41B   | Greensboro Academy            | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 41C   | Guilford Preparatory          | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 41D   | Phoenix Academy Inc           | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 420   | Halifax County Schools        | 109     | 97      | -11.01   | 6.73    | 6.27    |
| 421   | Roanoke Rapids City Schools   | 71      | 67      | -5.63    | 7.28    | 7.07    |
| 422   | Weldon City Schools           | 19      | 17      | -10.53   | 5.33    | 4.86    |
| 430   | Harnett County Schools        | 372     | 296     | -20.43   | 6.53    | 5.16    |
| 440   | Haywood County Schools        | 154     | 158     | 2.60     | 6.05    | 6.23    |
| 450   | Henderson County Schools      | 161     | 177     | 9.94     | 4.01    | 4.41    |

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| 45A   | The Mountain Community Sch     | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 460   | Hertford County Schools        | 35      | 32      | -8.57    | 3.14    | 2.95    |
| 470   | Hoke County Schools            | 145     | 99      | -31.72   | 7.65    | 5.13    |
| 480   | Hyde County Schools            | 12      | 8       | -33.33   | 5.19    | 3.69    |
| 490   | Iredell-Statesville Schools    | 307     | 242     | -21.17   | 4.52    | 3.52    |
| 491   | Mooresville City Schools       | 83      | 72      | -13.25   | 4.96    | 4.26    |
| 49B   | American Renaissance School    | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 49D   | Success Charter                | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 49E   | Pine Lake Preparatory          | na      | 0       |          | na      | 0.00    |
| 500   | Jackson County Schools         | 82      | 87      | 6.10     | 6.90    | 7.45    |
| 50A   | Summit Charter                 | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 510   | Johnston County Schools        | 454     | 428     | -5.73    | 5.39    | 4.92    |
| 51A   | Neuse Charter School           | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 520   | Jones County Schools           | 23      | 21      | -8.70    | 5.62    | 5.21    |
| 530   | Lee County Schools             | 172     | 148     | -13.95   | 5.83    | 4.97    |
| 53A   | Provisions Academy             | 3       | 11      | 266.67   | 4.84    | 15.28   |
| 540   | Lenoir County Schools          | 189     | 144     | -23.81   | 5.74    | 4.46    |
| 54A   | Children's Village Academy     | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 54B   | Kinston Charter Academy        | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 550   | Lincoln County Schools         | 192     | 179     | -6.77    | 4.79    | 4.44    |
| 55A   | Lincoln Charter                | 4       | 3       | -25.00   | 2.13    | 1.38    |
| 560   | Macon County Schools           | 92      | 57      | -38.04   | 6.61    | 4.12    |
| 570   | Madison County Schools         | 51      | 59      | 15.69    | 6.04    | 7.19    |
| 580   | Martin County Schools          | 81      | 71      | -12.35   | 6.17    | 5.66    |
| 590   | Mcdowell County Schools        | 144     | 123     | -14.58   | 7.10    | 6.10    |
| 600   | Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools  | 2512    | 2355    | -6.25    | 6.39    | 5.91    |
| 60A   | Community Charter School       | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 60B   | Sugar Creek Charter            | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 60C   | Kennedy Charter                | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 60D   | Lake Norman Charter            | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 60F   | Metrolina Reg Scholars Academy | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 60G   | Queen's Grant Community        | 0       | 1       |          | 0.00    | 0.62    |
| 60H   | Crossroads Charter High        | 51      | 66      | 29.41    | 17.86   | 21.29   |
| 60I   | Children's Community School    | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 60J   | Socrates Academy               | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 60K   | Charlotte Secondary School     | na      | 0       |          | na      | 0.00    |
| 60L   | Kipp: Charlotte                | na      | 0       |          | na      | 0.00    |
| 610   | Mitchell County Schools        | 43      | 51      | 18.60    | 5.93    | 7.08    |
| 620   | Montgomery County Schools      | 76      | 88      | 15.79    | 5.40    | 6.28    |
| 630   | Moore County Schools           | 173     | 172     | -0.58    | 4.29    | 4.29    |
| 63A   | The Academy Of Moore County    | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 63B   | Sandhills Theatre Arts Renaiss | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 640   | Nash-Rocky Mount Schools       | 373     | 386     | 3.49     | 6.45    | 6.76    |
| 64A   | Rocky Mount Preparatory        | 1       | 11      | 1000.00  | 0.48    | 4.47    |
| 650   | New Hanover County Schools     | 463     | 421     | -9.07    | 5.92    | 5.40    |



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|-------|--------------------------------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|
|       |                                | 2006-07 | 2007-08 | % Change | 2006-07 | 2007-08 |
| 65A   | Cape Fear Center For Inquiry   | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 65B   | Wilmington Preparatory Academy | na      | 0       |          | na      | 0.00    |
| 660   | Northampton County Schools     | 86      | 48      | -44.19   | 8.68    | 5.63    |
| 66A   | Gaston College Preparatory     | 1       | 4       | 300.00   | 0.50    | 1.56    |
| 670   | Onslow County Schools          | 319     | 314     | -1.57    | 4.53    | 4.48    |
| 680   | Orange County Schools          | 99      | 107     | 8.08     | 4.28    | 4.58    |
| 681   | Chapel Hill-Carrboro Schools   | 41      | 57      | 39.02    | 1.12    | 1.53    |
| 68A   | Orange Charter                 | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 68N   | Pace Academy                   | 22      | 17      | -22.73   | 16.99   | 13.49   |
| 690   | Pamlico County Schools         | 26      | 30      | 15.38    | 4.00    | 4.79    |
| 69A   | Arapahoe Charter School        | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 700   | Pasquotank County Schools      | 104     | 81      | -22.12   | 5.19    | 4.26    |
| 710   | Pender County Schools          | 121     | 103     | -14.88   | 4.81    | 3.95    |
| 720   | Perquimans County Schools      | 30      | 31      | 3.33     | 5.23    | 5.39    |
| 730   | Person County Schools          | 98      | 96      | -2.04    | 5.29    | 5.38    |
| 73A   | Bethel Hill Charter            | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 73B   | Roxboro Community School       | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 740   | Pitt County Schools            | 509     | 482     | -5.30    | 6.89    | 6.44    |
| 750   | Polk County Schools            | 27      | 39      | 44.44    | 3.45    | 4.87    |
| 760   | Randolph County Schools        | 379     | 346     | -8.71    | 6.41    | 5.95    |
| 761   | Asheboro City Schools          | 71      | 73      | 2.82     | 5.18    | 5.38    |
| 770   | Richmond County Schools        | 178     | 119     | -33.15   | 7.22    | 4.94    |
| 780   | Robeson County Schools         | 476     | 462     | -2.94    | 6.46    | 6.29    |
| 78A   | Cis Academy                    | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 790   | Rockingham County Schools      | 280     | 298     | 6.43     | 6.01    | 6.39    |
| 79A   | Bethany Community Middle       | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 800   | Rowan-Salisbury Schools        | 380     | 380     | 0.00     | 5.47    | 5.54    |
| 810   | Rutherford County Schools      | 243     | 202     | -16.87   | 7.26    | 6.27    |
| 81A   | Thomas Jefferson Class Academy | 3       | 3       | 0.00     | 1.62    | 1.37    |
| 820   | Sampson County Schools         | 143     | 151     | 5.59     | 6.04    | 6.04    |
| 821   | Clinton City Schools           | 73      | 53      | -27.40   | 7.57    | 6.21    |
| 830   | Scotland County Schools        | 97      | 78      | -19.59   | 4.62    | 3.79    |
| 83B   | The Laurinburg Homework Ctr    | 34      | 50      | 47.06    | 25.56   | 5.95    |
| 840   | Stanly County Schools          | 173     | 142     | -17.92   | 5.45    | 4.62    |
| 84B   | Gray Stone Day                 | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 850   | Stokes County Schools          | 120     | 144     | 20.00    | 4.97    | 5.94    |
| 860   | Surry County Schools           | 184     | 130     | -29.35   | 6.54    | 4.70    |
| 861   | Elkin City Schools             | 11      | 10      | -9.09    | 2.75    | 2.47    |
| 862   | Mount Airy City Schools        | 18      | 16      | -11.11   | 2.90    | 2.77    |
| 86T   | Millennium Charter Academy     | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 870   | Swain County Schools           | 56      | 49      | -12.50   | 8.25    | 7.45    |
| 87A   | Mountain Discovery Charter     | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 880   | Transylvania County Schools    | 62      | 65      | 4.84     | 4.76    | 5.04    |
| 88A   | Brevard Academy                | 0       | 0       |          | 0.00    | 0.00    |
| 890   | Tyrrell County Schools         | 9       | 9       | 0.00     | 4.50    | 4.69    |

Table 5. Dropout Counts and Rates, 2006-07 and 2007-08.

| LEA #      | LEA or Charter School         | Count        |              |              | Rate        |             |
|------------|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
|            |                               | 2006-07      | 2007-08      | % Change     | 2006-07     | 2007-08     |
| 900        | Union County Schools          | 315          | 357          | 13.33        | 3.15        | 3.40        |
| 90A        | Union Academy                 | 0            | 1            |              | 0.00        | 0.49        |
| 910        | Vance County Schools          | 174          | 145          | -16.67       | 6.70        | 5.75        |
| 91A        | Vance Charter School          | 0            | 0            |              | 0.00        | 0.00        |
| 920        | Wake County Schools           | 1647         | 1689         | 2.55         | 4.21        | 4.17        |
| 92B        | Exploris                      | 0            | 0            |              | 0.00        | 0.00        |
| 92D        | Magellan Charter              | 0            | 0            |              | 0.00        | 0.00        |
| 92E        | Sterling Montessori Academy   | 0            | 0            |              | 0.00        | 0.00        |
| 92F        | Franklin Academy              | 1            | 0            | -100.00      | 0.40        | 0.00        |
| 92G        | East Wake Academy             | 1            | 2            | 100.00       | 0.58        | 0.97        |
| 92K        | Raleigh Charter High          | 2            | 0            | -100.00      | 0.38        | 0.00        |
| 92L        | Torchlight Academy            | 0            | 0            |              | 0.00        | 0.00        |
| 92M        | Preeminent Charter            | 0            | 0            |              | 0.00        | 0.00        |
| 92N        | Quest Academy                 | 0            | 0            |              | 0.00        | 0.00        |
| 92P        | Community Partners Charter Hs | 9            | 16           | 77.78        | 8.57        | 14.16       |
| 92Q        | Hope Elementary               | 0            | 0            |              | 0.00        | 0.00        |
| 92R        | Casa Esperanza Montessori     | 0            | 0            |              | 0.00        | 0.00        |
| 930        | Warren County Schools         | 59           | 59           | 0.00         | 5.88        | 6.12        |
| 93A        | Haliwa-Saponi Tribal School   | 1            | 4            | 300.00       | 2.38        | 8.16        |
| 940        | Washington County Schools     | 13           | 30           | 130.77       | 1.99        | 4.47        |
| 950        | Watauga County Schools        | 68           | 78           | 14.71        | 4.39        | 5.09        |
| 95A        | Two Rivers Community School   | 0            | 0            |              | 0.00        | 0.00        |
| 960        | Wayne County Schools          | 249          | 316          | 26.91        | 4.16        | 5.25        |
| 96C        | Dillard Academy               | 0            | 0            |              | 0.00        | 0.00        |
| 970        | Wilkes County Schools         | 189          | 211          | 11.64        | 6.12        | 6.81        |
| 97D        | Bridges Charter School        | 0            | 0            |              | 0.00        | 0.00        |
| 980        | Wilson County Schools         | 311          | 210          | -32.48       | 7.98        | 5.51        |
| 98A        | Sallie B Howard School        | 0            | 0            |              | 0.00        | 0.00        |
| 990        | Yadkin County Schools         | 76           | 58           | -23.68       | 3.94        | 3.01        |
| 995        | Yancey County Schools         | 38           | 61           | 60.53        | 4.55        | 7.07        |
| <b>999</b> | <b>NORTH CAROLINA</b>         | <b>23550</b> | <b>22434</b> | <b>-4.74</b> | <b>5.24</b> | <b>4.97</b> |

Table 6. Grades 9-12 Dropout Counts and Rates, 2003-04 through 2007-08.

| <b>Dropout Counts and Rates for Grades 9 - 12 (Excludes Expulsions)</b> |                               |         |      |         |      |         |      |         |      |         |      |
|---|-------------------------------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|------|
| LEA #   | LEA or Charter School         | 2003-04 |      | 2004-05 |      | 2005-06 |      | 2006-07 |      | 2007-08 |      |
|   |                               | #       | Rate | #       | Rate | #       | Rate | #       | Rate | #       | Rate |
| 010   | Alamance-Burlington Schools   | 361     | 5.14 | 390     | 5.42 | 407     | 5.58 | 439     | 6.00 | 457     | 6.28 |
| 01B   | River Mill Academy            | 1       | 1.29 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 01C   | Clover Garden                 | 0       | 0.00 | 1       | 1.47 | 2       | 2.44 | 2       | 2.42 | 2       | 2.22 |
| 01D   | New Century Charter High      | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 020   | Alexander County Schools      | 82      | 4.96 | 78      | 4.65 | 89      | 5.22 | 98      | 5.74 | 87      | 5.07 |
| 030   | Alleghany County Schools      | 17      | 3.85 | 25      | 5.36 | 13      | 2.69 | 16      | 3.09 | 21      | 4.09 |
| 040   | Anson County Schools          | 71      | 5.27 | 74      | 5.41 | 89      | 6.49 | 60      | 4.53 | 52      | 3.89 |
| 050   | Ashe County Schools           | 50      | 4.87 | 44      | 4.25 | 40      | 3.76 | 65      | 6.13 | 63      | 6.19 |
| 060   | Avery County Schools          | 35      | 4.98 | 40      | 5.63 | 38      | 5.21 | 26      | 3.61 | 26      | 3.62 |
| 06A   | Grandfather Academy           | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 06B   | Crossnore Academy             | 2       | 5.63 | 1       | 3.28 | 2       | 5.48 | 1       | 2.78 | 1       | 2.78 |
| 070   | Beaufort County Schools       | 125     | 5.35 | 163     | 6.84 | 134     | 5.69 | 145     | 6.16 | 135     | 5.76 |
| 07A   | Washington Montessori         | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 080   | Bertie County Schools         | 58      | 5.18 | 48      | 4.33 | 46      | 4.26 | 24      | 2.41 | 46      | 4.74 |
| 090   | Bladen County Schools         | 94      | 5.47 | 102     | 5.70 | 106     | 5.85 | 148     | 8.12 | 87      | 5.14 |
| 100   | Brunswick County Schools      | 169     | 5.22 | 206     | 6.00 | 205     | 5.70 | 213     | 5.66 | 197     | 5.22 |
| 10A   | Charter Day School            | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 110   | Buncombe County Schools       | 423     | 5.28 | 423     | 5.18 | 442     | 5.37 | 448     | 5.38 | 380     | 4.53 |
| 111   | Asheville City Schools        | 54      | 4.12 | 75      | 5.62 | 67      | 5.02 | 60      | 4.63 | 66      | 5.34 |
| 11A   | Evergreen Community Charter   | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 11B   | Artspace Charter              | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 11K   | Francine Delany New School    | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 120   | Burke County Schools          | 198     | 4.38 | 329     | 6.93 | 276     | 5.90 | 267     | 5.73 | 200     | 4.33 |
| 12A   | The New Dimensions School     | 0       | 0.00 | na      | na   | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 130   | Cabarrus County Schools       | 273     | 4.09 | 375     | 5.24 | 382     | 5.03 | 383     | 4.77 | 394     | 4.76 |
| 132   | Kannapolis City Schools       | 72      | 5.32 | 82      | 5.87 | 91      | 6.60 | 92      | 6.77 | 98      | 7.06 |
| 13A   | Carolina International School | na      | na   | na      | na   | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 140   | Caldwell County Schools       | 260     | 6.50 | 279     | 6.76 | 190     | 4.64 | 223     | 5.35 | 235     | 5.60 |
| 150   | Camden County Schools         | 19      | 3.89 | 20      | 3.83 | 27      | 4.85 | 15      | 2.61 | 26      | 4.30 |
| 160   | Carteret County               | 145     | 5.21 | 97      | 3.48 | 127     | 4.46 | 140     | 4.93 | 108     | 3.86 |

Table 6. Grades 9-12 Dropout Counts and Rates, 2003-04 through 2007-08.

| Dropout Counts and Rates for Grades 9 - 12 (Excludes Expulsions) |                              |         |       |         |       |         |       |         |       |         |       |
|--|------------------------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|
| LEA #  | LEA or Charter School        | 2003-04 |       | 2004-05 |       | 2005-06 |       | 2006-07 |       | 2007-08 |       |
|  |                              | #       | Rate  | #       | Rate  | #       | Rate  | #       | Rate  | #       | Rate  |
|  | Schools                      |         |       |         |       |         |       |         |       |         |       |
| 16A  | Cape Lookout Marine Sci High | 49      | 30.25 | 40      | 24.39 | 66      | 32.92 | 58      | 32.04 | 39      | 26.35 |
| 16B  | Tiller School                | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 170  | Caswell County Schools       | 93      | 8.27  | 64      | 5.95  | 56      | 5.19  | 88      | 7.89  | 66      | 6.22  |
| 180  | Catawba County Schools       | 208     | 4.00  | 195     | 3.65  | 218     | 3.95  | 236     | 4.15  | 230     | 4.02  |
| 181  | Hickory City Schools         | 126     | 8.24  | 111     | 7.33  | 100     | 6.60  | 122     | 8.03  | 125     | 8.65  |
| 182  | Newton Conover City Schools  | 26      | 2.91  | 29      | 3.13  | 21      | 2.28  | 30      | 3.25  | 20      | 2.21  |
| 190  | Chatham County Schools       | 124     | 5.25  | 108     | 4.50  | 90      | 3.72  | 112     | 4.64  | 92      | 3.93  |
| 19A  | Chatham Charter              | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 19B  | Woods Charter                | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 1       | 1.03  | 1       | 0.86  | 1       | 0.67  |
| 200  | Cherokee County Schools      | 55      | 4.84  | 52      | 4.57  | 60      | 5.14  | 54      | 4.57  | 48      | 3.98  |
| 20A  | The Learning Center          | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 210  | Edenton/Chowan Schools       | 40      | 5.02  | 37      | 4.67  | 29      | 3.54  | 37      | 4.56  | 32      | 4.07  |
| 220  | Clay County Schools          | 7       | 1.69  | 12      | 2.85  | 22      | 4.92  | 11      | 2.55  | 16      | 3.86  |
| 230  | Cleveland County Schools     | 112     | 2.76  | 304     | 5.57  | 381     | 6.81  | 352     | 6.31  | 376     | 6.76  |
| 240  | Columbus County Schools      | 105     | 4.84  | 115     | 5.27  | 119     | 5.40  | 101     | 4.64  | 83      | 3.90  |
| 241  | Whiteville City Schools      | 46      | 5.28  | 39      | 4.76  | 38      | 4.79  | 22      | 2.83  | 40      | 5.20  |
| 24A  | Columbus Charter School      | na      | na    | na      | na    | na      | 0.00  | na      | na    | 0       | 0.00  |
| 250  | Craven County Schools        | 204     | 4.66  | 240     | 5.38  | 239     | 5.34  | 230     | 5.10  | 204     | 4.56  |
| 260  | Cumberland County Schools    | 619     | 3.72  | 556     | 3.33  | 618     | 3.64  | 610     | 3.56  | 615     | 3.61  |
| 26B  | Alpha Academy                | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 270  | Currituck County Schools     | 71      | 5.99  | 74      | 5.84  | 61      | 4.71  | 53      | 4.04  | 64      | 4.79  |
| 280  | Dare County Schools          | 41      | 2.64  | 46      | 2.81  | 54      | 3.28  | 33      | 2.07  | 26      | 1.68  |
| 290  | Davidson County Schools      | 266     | 4.52  | 299     | 4.86  | 376     | 5.79  | 389     | 5.85  | 394     | 5.96  |
| 291  | Lexington City Schools       | 60      | 7.05  | 55      | 6.49  | 47      | 5.63  | 47      | 5.52  | 49      | 5.59  |
| 292  | Thomasville City Schools     | 27      | 3.92  | 29      | 4.01  | 29      | 3.76  | 57      | 6.98  | 52      | 6.62  |
| 300  | Davie County Schools         | 84      | 4.86  | 68      | 3.73  | 100     | 5.15  | 96      | 4.76  | 125     | 6.10  |
| 310  | Duplin County Schools        | 140     | 5.53  | 134     | 5.23  | 150     | 5.76  | 151     | 5.81  | 149     | 5.78  |
| 320  | Durham Public Schools        | 572     | 5.93  | 566     | 5.71  | 520     | 5.15  | 508     | 4.90  | 439     | 4.19  |
| 32A  | Maureen Joy Charter          | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 32B  | Healthy Start Academy        | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 32C  | Carter Community Charter     | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 32D  | Kestrel Heights Sch          | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 6       | 5.77  | 10      | 6.58  | 6       | 3.47  |
| 32H  | Research Triangle            | 0       | 0.00  | na      | na    | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |

Table 6. Grades 9-12 Dropout Counts and Rates, 2003-04 through 2007-08.

| Dropout Counts and Rates for Grades 9 - 12 (Excludes Expulsions) |                               |         |      |         |      |         |      |         |      |         |      |
|--|-------------------------------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|------|
| LEA #  | LEA or Charter School         | 2003-04 |      | 2004-05 |      | 2005-06 |      | 2006-07 |      | 2007-08 |      |
|  |                               | #       | Rate | #       | Rate | #       | Rate | #       | Rate | #       | Rate |
|  | Charter                       |         |      |         |      |         |      |         |      |         |      |
| 32K  | Central Park School For Child | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 32L  | Voyager Academy               | na      | na   | na      | na   | na      | 0.00 | na      | na   | 0       | 0.00 |
| 330  | Edgecombe County Schools      | 151     | 6.34 | 144     | 5.97 | 181     | 7.30 | 153     | 6.23 | 166     | 6.83 |
| 340  | Forsyth County Schools        | 756     | 5.18 | 760     | 5.00 | 919     | 5.74 | 1062    | 6.43 | 898     | 5.49 |
| 34B  | Quality Education Academy     | na      | na   | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 34C  | Downtown Middle               | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 34D  | C G Woodson Sch of Challenge  | 0       | 0.00 | na      | na   | 0       | 0.00 | 1       | 1.29 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 34F  | Forsyth Academies             | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 34G  | Arts Based Elementary         | na      | na   | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 350  | Franklin County Schools       | 145     | 6.16 | 110     | 4.55 | 150     | 5.98 | 158     | 6.13 | 138     | 5.34 |
| 35A  | Crosscreek Charter School     | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 360  | Gaston County Schools         | 490     | 4.94 | 531     | 5.10 | 588     | 5.47 | 684     | 6.29 | 607     | 5.69 |
| 36A  | Highland Charter              | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 36B  | Piedmont Community Charter    | na      | na   | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 1       | 1.14 | 1       | 0.89 |
| 370  | Gates County Schools          | 40      | 5.79 | 29      | 4.19 | 26      | 3.69 | 47      | 6.64 | 39      | 5.88 |
| 380  | Graham County Schools         | 16      | 4.16 | 24      | 6.27 | 16      | 4.46 | 30      | 8.16 | 13      | 3.82 |
| 390  | Granville County Schools      | 104     | 4.10 | 144     | 5.35 | 189     | 6.63 | 136     | 4.70 | 204     | 6.86 |
| 400  | Greene County Schools         | 71      | 7.58 | 60      | 6.36 | 62      | 6.32 | 52      | 5.29 | 63      | 6.32 |
| 410  | Guilford County Schools       | 639     | 3.09 | 644     | 2.98 | 766     | 3.41 | 680     | 2.99 | 760     | 3.31 |
| 41B  | Greensboro Academy            | 0       | 0.00 | na      | na   | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 41C  | Guilford Preparatory          | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 41D  | Phoenix Academy Inc           | 0       | 0.00 | na      | na   | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 420  | Halifax County Schools        | 71      | 4.30 | 106     | 6.36 | 78      | 4.80 | 109     | 6.73 | 97      | 6.27 |
| 421  | Roanoke Rapids City Schools   | 59      | 6.30 | 62      | 6.54 | 68      | 7.04 | 71      | 7.28 | 67      | 7.07 |
| 422  | Weldon City Schools           | 17      | 5.11 | 16      | 4.75 | 14      | 4.06 | 19      | 5.33 | 17      | 4.86 |
| 430  | Harnett County Schools        | 274     | 5.50 | 305     | 5.81 | 347     | 6.27 | 372     | 6.53 | 296     | 5.16 |
| 440  | Haywood County Schools        | 187     | 7.48 | 176     | 7.09 | 150     | 6.03 | 154     | 6.05 | 158     | 6.23 |
| 450  | Henderson County Schools      | 214     | 5.50 | 137     | 3.46 | 156     | 3.87 | 161     | 4.01 | 177     | 4.41 |
| 45A  | The Mountain Community Sch    | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 |
| 460  | Hertford County Schools       | 50      | 4.38 | 64      | 5.54 | 68      | 5.82 | 35      | 3.14 | 32      | 2.95 |

Table 6. Grades 9-12 Dropout Counts and Rates, 2003-04 through 2007-08.

| Dropout Counts and Rates for Grades 9 - 12 (Excludes Expulsions) |                               |         |       |         |      |         |      |         |       |         |       |
|--|-------------------------------|---------|-------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|-------|---------|-------|
| LEA #  | LEA or Charter School         | 2003-04 |       | 2004-05 |      | 2005-06 |      | 2006-07 |       | 2007-08 |       |
|  |                               | #       | Rate  | #       | Rate | #       | Rate | #       | Rate  | #       | Rate  |
| 470  | Hoke County Schools           | 110     | 6.37  | 111     | 6.13 | 118     | 6.43 | 145     | 7.65  | 99      | 5.13  |
| 480  | Hyde County Schools           | 12      | 5.52  | 1       | 0.50 | 7       | 3.16 | 12      | 5.19  | 8       | 3.69  |
| 490  | Iredell-Statesville Schools   | 273     | 4.67  | 260     | 4.29 | 257     | 4.00 | 307     | 4.52  | 242     | 3.52  |
| 491  | Mooreville City Schools       | 56      | 4.17  | 63      | 4.42 | 87      | 5.55 | 83      | 4.96  | 72      | 4.26  |
| 49B  | American Renaissance School   | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 49D  | Success Charter               | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 49E  | Pine Lake Preparatory         | na      | na    | na      | na   | na      | 0.00 | na      | na    | 0       | 0.00  |
| 500  | Jackson County Schools        | 70      | 6.04  | 90      | 7.51 | 79      | 6.65 | 82      | 6.90  | 87      | 7.45  |
| 50A  | Summit Charter                | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 510  | Johnston County Schools       | 339     | 5.01  | 325     | 4.46 | 404     | 5.08 | 454     | 5.39  | 428     | 4.92  |
| 51A  | Neuse Charter School          | na      | na    | na      | na   | na      | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 520  | Jones County Schools          | 15      | 3.75  | 36      | 8.60 | 19      | 4.70 | 23      | 5.62  | 21      | 5.21  |
| 530  | Lee County Schools            | 163     | 5.90  | 207     | 7.20 | 230     | 7.80 | 172     | 5.83  | 148     | 4.97  |
| 53A  | Provisions Academy            | 0       | 0.00  | 2       | 3.85 | 2       | 3.77 | 3       | 4.84  | 11      | 15.28 |
| 540  | Lenoir County Schools         | 184     | 5.91  | 179     | 5.66 | 246     | 7.43 | 189     | 5.74  | 144     | 4.46  |
| 54A  | Children's Village Academy    | 0       | 0.00  | na      | na   | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 54B  | Kinston Charter Academy       | na      | na    | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 550  | Lincoln County Schools        | 177     | 4.77  | 166     | 4.31 | 235     | 5.85 | 192     | 4.79  | 179     | 4.44  |
| 55A  | Lincoln Charter               | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 | 3       | 1.90 | 4       | 2.13  | 3       | 1.38  |
| 560  | Macon County Schools          | 85      | 6.41  | 79      | 5.98 | 90      | 6.64 | 92      | 6.61  | 57      | 4.12  |
| 570  | Madison County Schools        | 35      | 4.32  | 44      | 5.18 | 34      | 4.02 | 51      | 6.04  | 59      | 7.19  |
| 580  | Martin County Schools         | 86      | 5.97  | 85      | 6.00 | 73      | 5.41 | 81      | 6.17  | 71      | 5.66  |
| 590  | McDowell County Schools       | 131     | 6.55  | 157     | 7.61 | 127     | 6.30 | 144     | 7.10  | 123     | 6.10  |
| 600  | Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools | 1528    | 4.48  | 1108    | 3.14 | 1724    | 4.61 | 2512    | 6.39  | 2355    | 5.91  |
| 60A  | Community Charter School      | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 60B  | Sugar Creek Charter           | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 60C  | Kennedy Charter               | 2       | 3.45  | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 60D  | Lake Norman Charter           | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 60F  | Metrolina Reg Scholars Acad   | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 60G  | Queen's Grant Community       | 0       | 0.00  | na      | na   | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 1       | 0.62  |
| 60H  | Crossroads Charter High       | 28      | 10.41 | 10      | 4.42 | 16      | 6.93 | 51      | 17.86 | 66      | 21.29 |
| 60I  | Children's Community School   | na      | na    | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 60J  | Socrates Academy              | na      | na    | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |

Table 6. Grades 9-12 Dropout Counts and Rates, 2003-04 through 2007-08.

| Dropout Counts and Rates for Grades 9 - 12 (Excludes Expulsions) |                                |         |      |         |       |         |      |         |       |         |       |
|--|--------------------------------|---------|------|---------|-------|---------|------|---------|-------|---------|-------|
| LEA #  | LEA or Charter School          | 2003-04 |      | 2004-05 |       | 2005-06 |      | 2006-07 |       | 2007-08 |       |
|  |                                | #       | Rate | #       | Rate  | #       | Rate | #       | Rate  | #       | Rate  |
| 60K  | Charlotte Secondary School     | na      | na   | na      | na    | na      | 0.00 | na      | na    | 0       | 0.00  |
| 60L  | Kipp: Charlotte                | na      | na   | na      | na    | na      | 0.00 | na      | na    | 0       | 0.00  |
| 610  | Mitchell County Schools        | 41      | 5.38 | 36      | 4.82  | 40      | 5.43 | 43      | 5.93  | 51      | 7.08  |
| 620  | Montgomery County Schools      | 63      | 4.66 | 64      | 4.64  | 72      | 5.14 | 76      | 5.40  | 88      | 6.28  |
| 630  | Moore County Schools           | 125     | 3.33 | 101     | 2.62  | 181     | 4.56 | 173     | 4.29  | 172     | 4.29  |
| 63A  | The Academy Of Moore County    | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 63B  | Sandhills Theatre Arts Renaiss | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 640  | Nash-Rocky Mount Schools       | 329     | 5.93 | 349     | 6.13  | 411     | 7.07 | 373     | 6.45  | 386     | 6.76  |
| 64A  | Rocky Mount Preparatory        | 4       | 2.49 | 9       | 5.20  | 4       | 2.26 | 1       | 0.48  | 11      | 4.47  |
| 650  | New Hanover County Schools     | 398     | 5.36 | 414     | 5.35  | 306     | 3.97 | 463     | 5.92  | 421     | 5.40  |
| 65A  | Cape Fear Center For Inquiry   | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 65B  | Wilmington Preparatory Acad    | na      | na   | na      | na    | na      | 0.00 | na      | na    | 0       | 0.00  |
| 660  | Northampton County Schools     | 54      | 4.92 | 59      | 5.34  | 87      | 8.00 | 86      | 8.68  | 48      | 5.63  |
| 66A  | Gaston College Preparatory     | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 | 1       | 0.50  | 4       | 1.56  |
| 670  | Onslow County Schools          | 293     | 4.36 | 313     | 4.55  | 329     | 4.70 | 319     | 4.53  | 314     | 4.48  |
| 680  | Orange County Schools          | 95      | 4.57 | 109     | 4.93  | 98      | 4.31 | 99      | 4.28  | 107     | 4.58  |
| 681  | Chapel Hill-Carrboro Schools   | 43      | 1.24 | 54      | 1.52  | 57      | 1.59 | 41      | 1.12  | 57      | 1.53  |
| 68A  | Orange Charter                 | na      | na   | na      | na    | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 68N  | Pace Academy                   | na      | na   | 11      | 11.00 | 8       | 7.31 | 22      | 16.99 | 17      | 13.49 |
| 690  | Pamlico County Schools         | 40      | 5.64 | 34      | 4.87  | 44      | 6.32 | 26      | 4.00  | 30      | 4.79  |
| 69A  | Arapahoe Charter School        | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 700  | Pasquotank County Schools      | 119     | 5.91 | 112     | 5.52  | 118     | 5.76 | 104     | 5.19  | 81      | 4.26  |
| 710  | Pender County Schools          | 141     | 6.48 | 107     | 4.73  | 145     | 5.95 | 121     | 4.81  | 103     | 3.95  |
| 720  | Perquimans County Schools      | 46      | 7.34 | 36      | 5.92  | 47      | 7.75 | 30      | 5.23  | 31      | 5.39  |
| 730  | Person County Schools          | 84      | 4.57 | 99      | 5.25  | 89      | 4.77 | 98      | 5.29  | 96      | 5.38  |
| 73A  | Bethel Hill Charter            | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 73B  | Roxboro Community School       | na      | na   | na      | na    | na      | 0.00 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  |
| 740  | Pitt County Schools            | 464     | 6.95 | 454     | 6.56  | 417     | 5.89 | 509     | 6.89  | 482     | 6.44  |
| 750  | Polk County Schools            | 20      | 2.76 | 48      | 6.18  | 36      | 4.62 | 27      | 3.45  | 39      | 4.87  |
| 760  | Randolph County                | 341     | 6.27 | 313     | 5.57  | 342     | 5.89 | 379     | 6.41  | 346     | 5.95  |

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| Dropout Counts and Rates for Grades 9 - 12 (Excludes Expulsions) |                             |         |       |         |       |         |       |         |       |         |      |
|--|-----------------------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|------|
| LEA #  | LEA or Charter School       | 2003-04 |       | 2004-05 |       | 2005-06 |       | 2006-07 |       | 2007-08 |      |
|  |                             | #       | Rate  | #       | Rate  | #       | Rate  | #       | Rate  | #       | Rate |
|  | Schools                     |         |       |         |       |         |       |         |       |         |      |
| 761  | Asheboro City Schools       | 71      | 5.28  | 66      | 4.84  | 53      | 3.93  | 71      | 5.18  | 73      | 5.38 |
| 770  | Richmond County Schools     | 114     | 4.87  | 108     | 4.50  | 120     | 4.90  | 178     | 7.22  | 119     | 4.94 |
| 780  | Robeson County Schools      | 586     | 8.16  | 525     | 7.28  | 548     | 7.46  | 476     | 6.46  | 462     | 6.29 |
| 78A  | Cis Academy                 | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 |
| 790  | Rockingham County Schools   | 247     | 5.32  | 301     | 6.34  | 304     | 6.46  | 280     | 6.01  | 298     | 6.39 |
| 79A  | Bethany Community Middle    | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 |
| 800  | Rowan-Salisbury Schools     | 389     | 5.78  | 374     | 5.49  | 300     | 4.37  | 380     | 5.47  | 380     | 5.54 |
| 810  | Rutherford County Schools   | 153     | 5.00  | 151     | 4.79  | 193     | 5.86  | 243     | 7.26  | 202     | 6.27 |
| 81A  | Thomas Jefferson Class Acad | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 3       | 1.62  | 3       | 1.37 |
| 820  | Sampson County Schools      | 130     | 5.57  | 145     | 6.10  | 160     | 6.84  | 143     | 6.04  | 151     | 6.04 |
| 821  | Clinton City Schools        | 46      | 5.52  | 51      | 5.77  | 48      | 4.96  | 73      | 7.57  | 53      | 6.21 |
| 830  | Scotland County Schools     | 93      | 4.70  | 91      | 4.55  | 97      | 4.68  | 97      | 4.62  | 78      | 3.79 |
| 83B  | The Laurinburg Homework Ctr | 19      | 17.76 | 25      | 21.37 | 30      | 22.56 | 34      | 25.56 | 50      | 5.95 |
| 840  | Stanly County Schools       | 123     | 3.91  | 104     | 3.32  | 127     | 3.99  | 173     | 5.45  | 142     | 4.62 |
| 84B  | Gray Stone Day              | 0       | 0.00  | na      | na    | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 |
| 850  | Stokes County Schools       | 122     | 5.26  | 117     | 5.01  | 135     | 5.62  | 120     | 4.97  | 144     | 5.94 |
| 860  | Surry County Schools        | 124     | 4.69  | 138     | 5.00  | 162     | 5.77  | 184     | 6.54  | 130     | 4.70 |
| 861  | Elkin City Schools          | 14      | 3.83  | 10      | 2.61  | 15      | 3.78  | 11      | 2.75  | 10      | 2.47 |
| 862  | Mount Airy City Schools     | 8       | 1.40  | 19      | 3.10  | 18      | 2.83  | 18      | 2.90  | 16      | 2.77 |
| 86T  | Millennium Charter Academy  | na      | na    | na      | na    | na      | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 |
| 870  | Swain County Schools        | 55      | 8.96  | 43      | 6.96  | 37      | 5.68  | 56      | 8.25  | 49      | 7.45 |
| 87A  | Mountain Discovery Charter  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 |
| 880  | Transylvania County Schools | 74      | 5.69  | 55      | 4.31  | 65      | 5.04  | 62      | 4.76  | 65      | 5.04 |
| 88A  | Brevard Academy             | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 |
| 890  | Tyrrell County Schools      | 20      | 8.08  | 14      | 6.00  | 17      | 7.56  | 9       | 4.50  | 9       | 4.69 |
| 900  | Union County Schools        | 283     | 3.53  | 322     | 3.68  | 389     | 4.09  | 315     | 3.15  | 357     | 3.40 |
| 90A  | Union Academy               | 0       | 0.00  | na      | na    | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 1       | 0.49 |
| 910  | Vance County Schools        | 161     | 6.68  | 192     | 7.52  | 217     | 8.26  | 174     | 6.70  | 145     | 5.75 |
| 91A  | Vance Charter School        | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 |
| 920  | Wake County Schools         | 1130    | 3.45  | 1274    | 3.66  | 1437    | 3.88  | 1647    | 4.21  | 1689    | 4.17 |
| 92B  | Exploris                    | na      | na    | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00  | 0       | 0.00 |



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| <b>Dropout Counts and Rates for Grades 9 - 12 (Excludes Expulsions)</b> |                               |                |             |                |             |                |             |                |             |                |             |
|---|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| <b>LEA #</b>  | <b>LEA or Charter School</b>  | <b>2003-04</b> |             | <b>2004-05</b> |             | <b>2005-06</b> |             | <b>2006-07</b> |             | <b>2007-08</b> |             |
|   |                               | <b>#</b>       | <b>Rate</b> | <b>#</b>       | <b>Rate</b> | <b>#</b>       | <b>Rate</b> | <b>#</b>       | <b>Rate</b> | <b>#</b>       | <b>Rate</b> |
| 92D   | Magellan Charter              | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        |
| 92E   | Sterling Montessori Academy   | na             | na          | na             | na          | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        |
| 92F   | Franklin Academy              | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 1              | 0.40        | 0              | 0.00        |
| 92G   | East Wake Academy             | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 1              | 0.69        | 1              | 0.58        | 2              | 0.97        |
| 92K   | Raleigh Charter High          | 1              | 0.21        | 4              | 0.79        | 3              | 0.58        | 2              | 0.38        | 0              | 0.00        |
| 92L   | Torchlight Academy            | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        |
| 92M   | Preeminent Charter            | 0              | 0.00        | na             | na          | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        |
| 92N   | Quest Academy                 | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        |
| 92P   | Community Partners Charter HS | 2              | 1.67        | 9              | 7.66        | 15             | 13.64       | 9              | 8.57        | 16             | 14.16       |
| 92Q   | Hope Elementary               | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        |
| 92R   | Casa Esperanza Montessori     | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        |
| 930   | Warren County Schools         | 56             | 5.24        | 55             | 5.14        | 39             | 3.82        | 59             | 5.88        | 59             | 6.12        |
| 93A   | Haliwa-Saponi Tribal School   | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 1              | 2.38        | 4              | 8.16        |
| 940   | Washington County Schools     | 35             | 5.46        | 17             | 2.61        | 28             | 4.20        | 13             | 1.99        | 30             | 4.47        |
| 950   | Watauga County Schools        | 67             | 4.28        | 51             | 3.33        | 76             | 4.84        | 68             | 4.39        | 78             | 5.09        |
| 95A   | Two Rivers Community School   | na             | na          | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        |
| 960   | Wayne County Schools          | 317            | 5.36        | 304            | 5.09        | 344            | 5.70        | 249            | 4.16        | 316            | 5.25        |
| 96C   | Dillard Academy               | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        |
| 970   | Wilkes County Schools         | 224            | 7.15        | 223            | 7.14        | 189            | 6.14        | 189            | 6.12        | 211            | 6.81        |
| 97D   | Bridges Charter School        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        |
| 980   | Wilson County Schools         | 193            | 5.21        | 229            | 6.02        | 258            | 6.70        | 311            | 7.98        | 210            | 5.51        |
| 98A   | Sallie B Howard School        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        | 0              | 0.00        |
| 990   | Yadkin County Schools         | 89             | 4.79        | 76             | 4.01        | 89             | 4.59        | 76             | 3.94        | 58             | 3.01        |
| 995   | Yancey County Schools         | 38             | 4.70        | 50             | 5.99        | 36             | 4.31        | 38             | 4.55        | 61             | 7.07        |
|   | <b>NORTH CAROLINA</b>         | <b>20035</b>   | <b>4.86</b> | <b>20175</b>   | <b>4.74</b> | <b>22180</b>   | <b>5.04</b> | <b>23550</b>   | <b>5.24</b> | <b>22434</b>   | <b>4.97</b> |

Table 7. 2007-2008 Grades 9-12 Dropout Events by LEA, Gender and Ethnicity.

| LEA # | LEA or Charter School          | All | Male | Female | White | Black | Am. Indian | Hispanic | Asian | Other |
|-------|--------------------------------|-----|------|--------|-------|-------|------------|----------|-------|-------|
| 010   | Alamance-Burlington Schools    | 457 | 284  | 173    | 252   | 128   | 2          | 60       | 3     | 12    |
| 01B   | River Mill Academy             | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 01C   | Clover Garden                  | 2   | 0    | 2      | 2     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 01D   | New Century Charter High       | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 020   | Alexander County Schools       | 87  | 62   | 25     | 77    | 2     | 1          | 6        | 1     | 0     |
| 030   | Alleghany County Schools       | 21  | 9    | 12     | 17    | 0     | 0          | 2        | 0     | 2     |
| 040   | Anson County Schools           | 52  | 31   | 21     | 15    | 36    | 0          | 1        | 0     | 0     |
| 050   | Ashe County Schools            | 63  | 44   | 19     | 57    | 0     | 1          | 5        | 0     | 0     |
| 060   | Avery County Schools           | 26  | 14   | 12     | 23    | 0     | 0          | 1        | 0     | 2     |
| 06A   | Grandfather Academy            | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 06B   | Crossnore Academy              | 1   | 0    | 1      | 0     | 1     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 070   | Beaufort County Schools        | 135 | 81   | 54     | 61    | 61    | 0          | 11       | 0     | 2     |
| 07A   | Washington Montessori          | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 080   | Bertie County Schools          | 46  | 30   | 16     | 10    | 36    | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 090   | Bladen County Schools          | 87  | 55   | 32     | 41    | 40    | 0          | 6        | 0     | 0     |
| 100   | Brunswick County Schools       | 197 | 121  | 76     | 146   | 35    | 3          | 7        | 0     | 6     |
| 10A   | Charter Day School             | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 110   | Buncombe County Schools        | 380 | 224  | 156    | 302   | 38    | 4          | 21       | 1     | 14    |
| 111   | Asheville City Schools         | 66  | 40   | 26     | 23    | 37    | 0          | 0        | 0     | 6     |
| 11A   | Evergreen Community Charter    | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 11B   | Artspace Charter               | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 11K   | Francine Delany New School     | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 120   | Burke County Schools           | 200 | 117  | 83     | 174   | 9     | 0          | 4        | 5     | 8     |
| 12A   | The New Dimensions School      | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 130   | Cabarrus County Schools        | 394 | 227  | 167    | 254   | 73    | 2          | 50       | 4     | 11    |
| 132   | Kannapolis City Schools        | 98  | 58   | 40     | 41    | 29    | 0          | 26       | 1     | 1     |
| 13A   | Carolina International School  | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 140   | Caldwell County Schools        | 235 | 127  | 108    | 205   | 15    | 0          | 7        | 0     | 8     |
| 150   | Camden County Schools          | 26  | 18   | 8      | 22    | 2     | 0          | 0        | 1     | 1     |
| 160   | Carteret County Public Schools | 108 | 67   | 41     | 92    | 6     | 0          | 7        | 0     | 3     |
| 16A   | Cape Lookout Marine Sci High   | 39  | 23   | 16     | 34    | 4     | 0          | 1        | 0     | 0     |
| 16B   | Tiller School                  | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 170   | Caswell County Schools         | 66  | 42   | 24     | 28    | 33    | 0          | 1        | 0     | 4     |
| 180   | Catawba County Schools         | 230 | 124  | 106    | 179   | 17    | 2          | 19       | 10    | 3     |
| 181   | Hickory City Schools           | 125 | 70   | 55     | 44    | 55    | 1          | 17       | 4     | 4     |
| 182   | Newton Conover City Schools    | 20  | 10   | 10     | 9     | 4     | 0          | 6        | 0     | 1     |
| 190   | Chatham County Schools         | 92  | 62   | 30     | 44    | 22    | 1          | 23       | 0     | 2     |
| 19A   | Chatham Charter                | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 19B   | Woods Charter                  | 1   | 1    | 0      | 1     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 200   | Cherokee County Schools        | 48  | 22   | 26     | 41    | 2     | 2          | 2        | 0     | 1     |

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| LEA # | LEA or Charter School          | All | Male | Female | White | Black | Am. Indian | Hispanic | Asian | Other |
|-------|--------------------------------|-----|------|--------|-------|-------|------------|----------|-------|-------|
| 20A   | The Learning Center            | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 210   | Edenton/Chowan Schools         | 32  | 21   | 11     | 13    | 16    | 0          | 2        | 0     | 1     |
| 220   | Clay County Schools            | 16  | 12   | 4      | 16    | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 230   | Cleveland County Schools       | 376 | 219  | 157    | 224   | 132   | 0          | 13       | 1     | 6     |
| 240   | Columbus County Schools        | 83  | 56   | 27     | 38    | 41    | 4          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 241   | Whiteville City Schools        | 40  | 21   | 19     | 12    | 23    | 1          | 1        | 2     | 1     |
| 24A   | Columbus Charter School        | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 250   | Craven County Schools          | 204 | 115  | 89     | 100   | 83    | 0          | 10       | 4     | 7     |
| 260   | Cumberland County Schools      | 615 | 376  | 239    | 223   | 316   | 14         | 40       | 4     | 18    |
| 26B   | Alpha Academy                  | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 270   | Currituck County Schools       | 64  | 37   | 27     | 61    | 2     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 1     |
| 280   | Dare County Schools            | 26  | 16   | 10     | 21    | 3     | 0          | 1        | 0     | 1     |
| 290   | Davidson County Schools        | 394 | 224  | 170    | 366   | 11    | 3          | 6        | 4     | 4     |
| 291   | Lexington City Schools         | 49  | 30   | 19     | 18    | 20    | 1          | 3        | 4     | 3     |
| 292   | Thomasville City Schools       | 52  | 29   | 23     | 22    | 22    | 1          | 5        | 1     | 1     |
| 300   | Davie County Schools           | 125 | 70   | 55     | 102   | 10    | 0          | 12       | 0     | 1     |
| 310   | Duplin County Schools          | 149 | 83   | 66     | 51    | 52    | 0          | 45       | 0     | 1     |
| 320   | Durham Public Schools          | 439 | 260  | 179    | 50    | 306   | 1          | 72       | 0     | 10    |
| 32A   | Maureen Joy Charter            | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 32B   | Healthy Start Academy          | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 32C   | Carter Community Charter       | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 32D   | Kestrel Heights Sch            | 6   | 3    | 3      | 1     | 2     | 0          | 2        | 0     | 1     |
| 32H   | Research Triangle Charter      | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 32K   | Central Park School For Child  | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 32L   | Voyager Academy                | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 330   | Edgecombe County Public School | 166 | 104  | 62     | 68    | 93    | 0          | 0        | 1     | 4     |
| 340   | Forsyth County Schools         | 898 | 518  | 380    | 315   | 408   | 4          | 145      | 3     | 23    |
| 34B   | Quality Education Academy      | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 34C   | Downtown Middle                | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 34D   | C G Woodson Sch Of Challenge   | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 34F   | Forsyth Academies              | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 34G   | Arts Based Elementary          | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 350   | Franklin County Schools        | 138 | 86   | 52     | 62    | 57    | 0          | 18       | 0     | 1     |
| 35A   | Crosscreek Charter School      | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 360   | Gaston County Schools          | 607 | 348  | 259    | 412   | 140   | 2          | 41       | 4     | 8     |
| 36A   | Highland Charter               | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 36B   | Piedmont Community Charter     | 1   | 1    | 0      | 1     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 370   | Gates County Schools           | 39  | 23   | 16     | 16    | 23    | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 380   | Graham County Schools          | 13  | 7    | 6      | 11    | 0     | 2          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 390   | Granville County Schools       | 204 | 128  | 76     | 96    | 89    | 0          | 13       | 2     | 4     |

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| LEA # | LEA or Charter School         | All  | Male | Female | White | Black | Am. Indian | Hispanic | Asian | Other |
|-------|-------------------------------|------|------|--------|-------|-------|------------|----------|-------|-------|
| 400   | Greene County Schools         | 63   | 40   | 23     | 16    | 36    | 0          | 10       | 1     | 0     |
| 410   | Guilford County Schools       | 760  | 462  | 298    | 231   | 426   | 3          | 50       | 22    | 28    |
| 41B   | Greensboro Academy            | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 41C   | Guilford Preparatory          | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 41D   | Phoenix Academy Inc           | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 420   | Halifax County Schools        | 97   | 68   | 29     | 4     | 79    | 14         | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 421   | Roanoke Rapids City Schools   | 67   | 33   | 34     | 48    | 18    | 0          | 1        | 0     | 0     |
| 422   | Weldon City Schools           | 17   | 12   | 5      | 3     | 14    | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 430   | Harnett County Schools        | 296  | 167  | 129    | 144   | 93    | 4          | 37       | 0     | 18    |
| 440   | Haywood County Schools        | 158  | 95   | 63     | 147   | 0     | 2          | 4        | 0     | 5     |
| 450   | Henderson County Schools      | 177  | 100  | 77     | 136   | 7     | 2          | 22       | 3     | 7     |
| 45A   | The Mountain Community Sch    | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 460   | Hertford County Schools       | 32   | 23   | 9      | 1     | 31    | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 470   | Hoke County Schools           | 99   | 57   | 42     | 30    | 41    | 14         | 11       | 1     | 2     |
| 480   | Hyde County Schools           | 8    | 3    | 5      | 4     | 1     | 0          | 3        | 0     | 0     |
| 490   | Iredell-Statesville Schools   | 242  | 151  | 91     | 170   | 49    | 0          | 16       | 4     | 3     |
| 491   | Mooreville City Schools       | 72   | 44   | 28     | 51    | 10    | 1          | 7        | 0     | 3     |
| 49B   | American Renaissance School   | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 49D   | Success Charter               | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 49E   | Pine Lake Preparatory         | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 500   | Jackson County Schools        | 87   | 50   | 37     | 64    | 0     | 16         | 6        | 0     | 1     |
| 50A   | Summit Charter                | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 510   | Johnston County Schools       | 428  | 262  | 166    | 216   | 114   | 1          | 83       | 0     | 14    |
| 51A   | Neuse Charter School          | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 520   | Jones County Schools          | 21   | 10   | 11     | 13    | 7     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 1     |
| 530   | Lee County Schools            | 148  | 94   | 54     | 79    | 33    | 1          | 30       | 0     | 5     |
| 53A   | Provisions Academy            | 11   | 8    | 3      | 1     | 10    | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 540   | Lenoir County Public Schools  | 144  | 78   | 66     | 48    | 78    | 0          | 14       | 0     | 4     |
| 54A   | Children's Village Academy    | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 54B   | Kinston Charter Academy       | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 550   | Lincoln County Schools        | 179  | 104  | 75     | 150   | 12    | 1          | 13       | 2     | 1     |
| 55A   | Lincoln Charter               | 3    | 1    | 2      | 2     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 1     |
| 560   | Macon County Schools          | 57   | 33   | 24     | 46    | 1     | 0          | 8        | 1     | 1     |
| 570   | Madison County Schools        | 59   | 43   | 16     | 57    | 0     | 0          | 2        | 0     | 0     |
| 580   | Martin County Schools         | 71   | 55   | 16     | 19    | 48    | 0          | 4        | 0     | 0     |
| 590   | Mcdowell County Schools       | 123  | 66   | 57     | 110   | 7     | 2          | 4        | 0     | 0     |
| 600   | Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools | 2355 | 1416 | 939    | 433   | 1372  | 22         | 439      | 61    | 28    |
| 60A   | Community Charter School      | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 60B   | Sugar Creek Charter           | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 60C   | Kennedy Charter               | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 60D   | Lake Norman Charter           | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |

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| LEA # | LEA or Charter School          | All | Male | Female | White | Black | Am. Indian | Hispanic | Asian | Other |
|-------|--------------------------------|-----|------|--------|-------|-------|------------|----------|-------|-------|
| 60F   | Metrolina Reg Scholars Academy | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 60G   | Queen's Grant Community        | 1   | 1    | 0      | 1     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 60H   | Crossroads Charter High        | 66  | 29   | 37     | 1     | 60    | 0          | 4        | 1     | 0     |
| 60I   | Children's Community School    | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 60J   | Socrates Academy               | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 60K   | Charlotte Secondary School     | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 60L   | Kipp: Charlotte                | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 610   | Mitchell County Schools        | 51  | 29   | 22     | 46    | 0     | 0          | 4        | 0     | 1     |
| 620   | Montgomery County Schools      | 88  | 51   | 37     | 41    | 18    | 0          | 26       | 3     | 0     |
| 630   | Moore County Schools           | 172 | 93   | 79     | 97    | 56    | 2          | 9        | 0     | 8     |
| 63A   | The Academy Of Moore County    | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 63B   | Sandhills Theatre Arts Renaiss | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 640   | Nash-Rocky Mount Schools       | 386 | 234  | 152    | 105   | 249   | 1          | 25       | 0     | 6     |
| 64A   | Rocky Mount Preparatory        | 11  | 6    | 5      | 6     | 2     | 1          | 0        | 0     | 2     |
| 650   | New Hanover County Schools     | 421 | 269  | 152    | 237   | 148   | 1          | 12       | 3     | 20    |
| 65A   | Cape Fear Center For Inquiry   | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 65B   | Wilmington Preparatory Academy | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 660   | Northampton County Schools     | 48  | 30   | 18     | 9     | 39    | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 66A   | Gaston College Preparatory     | 4   | 2    | 2      | 0     | 4     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 670   | Onslow County Schools          | 314 | 194  | 120    | 193   | 79    | 1          | 20       | 3     | 18    |
| 680   | Orange County Schools          | 107 | 74   | 33     | 60    | 32    | 0          | 9        | 0     | 6     |
| 681   | Chapel Hill-Carrboro Schools   | 57  | 36   | 21     | 14    | 21    | 0          | 13       | 5     | 4     |
| 68A   | Orange Charter                 | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 68N   | Pace Academy                   | 17  | 14   | 3      | 6     | 8     | 0          | 2        | 0     | 1     |
| 690   | Pamlico County Schools         | 30  | 16   | 14     | 28    | 2     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 69A   | Arapahoe Charter School        | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 700   | Pasquotank County Schools      | 81  | 48   | 33     | 34    | 41    | 0          | 3        | 0     | 3     |
| 710   | Pender County Schools          | 103 | 68   | 35     | 66    | 25    | 0          | 9        | 0     | 3     |
| 720   | Perquimans County Schools      | 31  | 12   | 19     | 21    | 9     | 0          | 1        | 0     | 0     |
| 730   | Person County Schools          | 96  | 55   | 41     | 49    | 42    | 0          | 3        | 0     | 2     |
| 73A   | Bethel Hill Charter            | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 73B   | Roxboro Community School       | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 740   | Pitt County Schools            | 482 | 295  | 187    | 149   | 297   | 0          | 26       | 2     | 8     |
| 750   | Polk County Schools            | 39  | 21   | 18     | 35    | 0     | 0          | 3        | 0     | 1     |
| 760   | Randolph County Schools        | 346 | 205  | 141    | 287   | 17    | 1          | 28       | 5     | 8     |
| 761   | Asheboro City Schools          | 73  | 39   | 34     | 39    | 2     | 0          | 27       | 0     | 5     |
| 770   | Richmond County Schools        | 119 | 64   | 55     | 60    | 40    | 10         | 5        | 1     | 3     |
| 780   | Robeson County Schools         | 462 | 284  | 178    | 107   | 129   | 220        | 3        | 1     | 2     |
| 78A   | Cis Academy                    | 0   | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |

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| LEA # | LEA or Charter School          | All  | Male | Female | White | Black | Am. Indian | Hispanic | Asian | Other |
|-------|--------------------------------|------|------|--------|-------|-------|------------|----------|-------|-------|
| 790   | Rockingham County Schools      | 298  | 182  | 116    | 191   | 77    | 3          | 21       | 0     | 6     |
| 79A   | Bethany Community Middle       | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 800   | Rowan-Salisbury Schools        | 380  | 221  | 159    | 245   | 94    | 0          | 30       | 1     | 10    |
| 810   | Rutherford County Schools      | 202  | 125  | 77     | 158   | 32    | 0          | 3        | 0     | 9     |
| 81A   | Thomas Jefferson Class Academy | 3    | 2    | 1      | 3     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 820   | Sampson County Schools         | 151  | 86   | 65     | 65    | 45    | 4          | 32       | 0     | 5     |
| 821   | Clinton City Schools           | 53   | 30   | 23     | 12    | 29    | 1          | 9        | 1     | 1     |
| 830   | Scotland County Schools        | 78   | 39   | 39     | 25    | 33    | 20         | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 83B   | The Laurinburg Homework Ctr    | 50   | 24   | 26     | 15    | 23    | 12         | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 840   | Stanly County Schools          | 142  | 90   | 52     | 114   | 19    | 0          | 3        | 0     | 6     |
| 84B   | Gray Stone Day                 | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 850   | Stokes County Schools          | 144  | 79   | 65     | 127   | 4     | 1          | 5        | 2     | 5     |
| 860   | Surry County Schools           | 130  | 85   | 45     | 108   | 5     | 0          | 15       | 0     | 2     |
| 861   | Elkin City Schools             | 10   | 6    | 4      | 9     | 0     | 0          | 1        | 0     | 0     |
| 862   | Mount Airy City Schools        | 16   | 10   | 6      | 9     | 2     | 0          | 1        | 1     | 3     |
| 86T   | Millennium Charter Academy     | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 870   | Swain County Schools           | 49   | 28   | 21     | 32    | 0     | 16         | 1        | 0     | 0     |
| 87A   | Mountain Discovery Charter     | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 880   | Transylvania County Schools    | 65   | 37   | 28     | 52    | 6     | 0          | 4        | 0     | 3     |
| 88A   | Brevard Academy                | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 890   | Tyrrell County Schools         | 9    | 6    | 3      | 1     | 5     | 0          | 2        | 0     | 1     |
| 900   | Union County Public Schools    | 357  | 207  | 150    | 200   | 85    | 4          | 56       | 3     | 9     |
| 90A   | Union Academy                  | 1    | 1    | 0      | 1     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 910   | Vance County Schools           | 145  | 80   | 65     | 54    | 69    | 0          | 20       | 0     | 2     |
| 91A   | Vance Charter School           | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 920   | Wake County Schools            | 1689 | 1040 | 649    | 481   | 824   | 1          | 302      | 27    | 54    |
| 92B   | Exploris                       | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 92D   | Magellan Charter               | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 92E   | Sterling Montessori Academy    | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 92F   | Franklin Academy               | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 92G   | East Wake Academy              | 2    | 1    | 1      | 1     | 0     | 0          | 1        | 0     | 0     |
| 92K   | Raleigh Charter High           | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 92L   | Torchlight Academy             | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 92M   | Preeminent Charter             | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 92N   | Quest Academy                  | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 92P   | Community Partners Charter Hs  | 16   | 11   | 5      | 8     | 7     | 0          | 1        | 0     | 0     |
| 92Q   | Hope Elementary                | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 92R   | Casa Esperanza Montessori      | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 930   | Warren County Schools          | 59   | 37   | 22     | 12    | 43    | 0          | 4        | 0     | 0     |
| 93A   | Haliwa-Saponi Tribal School    | 4    | 3    | 1      | 0     | 0     | 4          | 0        | 0     | 0     |
| 940   | Washington County Schools      | 30   | 18   | 12     | 7     | 21    | 0          | 2        | 0     | 0     |

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| LEA #      | LEA or Charter School       | All          | Male         | Female      | White        | Black       | Am. Indian | Hispanic    | Asian      | Other      |
|------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| 950        | Watauga County Schools      | 78           | 47           | 31          | 71           | 0           | 0          | 7           | 0          | 0          |
| 95A        | Two Rivers Community School | 0            | 0            | 0           | 0            | 0           | 0          | 0           | 0          | 0          |
| 960        | Wayne County Public Schools | 316          | 183          | 133         | 123          | 160         | 0          | 23          | 1          | 9          |
| 96C        | Dillard Academy             | 0            | 0            | 0           | 0            | 0           | 0          | 0           | 0          | 0          |
| 970        | Wilkes County Schools       | 211          | 118          | 93          | 180          | 9           | 0          | 20          | 0          | 2          |
| 97D        | Bridges Charter School      | 0            | 0            | 0           | 0            | 0           | 0          | 0           | 0          | 0          |
| 980        | Wilson County Schools       | 210          | 128          | 82          | 55           | 129         | 0          | 23          | 1          | 2          |
| 98A        | Sallie B Howard School      | 0            | 0            | 0           | 0            | 0           | 0          | 0           | 0          | 0          |
| 990        | Yadkin County Schools       | 58           | 25           | 33          | 43           | 3           | 0          | 11          | 0          | 1          |
| 995        | Yancey County Schools       | 61           | 41           | 20          | 58           | 0           | 0          | 3           | 0          | 0          |
| <b>999</b> | <b>STATE TOTAL</b>          | <b>22434</b> | <b>13384</b> | <b>9050</b> | <b>10867</b> | <b>8065</b> | <b>438</b> | <b>2308</b> | <b>216</b> | <b>540</b> |

# Appendices



## **Appendix I**

### **General Statutes**

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The following General Statutes are relevant to the reporting of dropout, crime, discipline, and alternative program enrollments.

#### **Chapter 115C. Elementary and Secondary Education.**

##### **§ 115C-12. Powers and duties of the Board generally.**

The general supervision and administration of the free public school system shall be vested in the State Board of Education. The State Board of Education shall establish policy for the system of free public schools, subject to laws enacted by the General Assembly. The powers and duties of the State Board of Education are defined as follows:

(21) **Duty to Monitor Acts of School Violence.** – The State Board of Education shall monitor and compile an annual report on acts of violence in the public schools. The State Board shall adopt standard definitions for acts of school violence and shall require local boards of education to report them to the State Board in a standard format adopted by the State Board.

(27) **Reporting Dropout Rates, Suspensions, Expulsions, and Alternative Placements.** – The State Board shall report annually to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee and the Commission on Improving the Academic Achievement of Minority and At-Risk Students on the numbers of students who have dropped out of school, been suspended, been expelled, or been placed in an alternative program. The data shall be reported in a disaggregated manner and be readily available to the public. The State Board shall not include students that have been expelled from school when calculating the dropout rate. The Board shall maintain a separate record of the number of students who are expelled from school.

## Appendix II

### SBE Policies

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#### **Policy Identification**

**Priority:** Healthy Students in Safe, Orderly & Caring Schools

**Category:** Safe Schools Program Guidelines

**Policy ID Number:** SS-A-006

Policy Title: Policy defining persistently dangerous schools

Current Policy Date: 06/06/2002

Other Historical Information:

Statutory Reference: 20 USCS 7912 (2002)

Administrative Procedures Act (APA) Reference Number and Category:

(This policy addresses Certification of Compliance with Unsafe School Choice Option Requirements as required in the Consolidated Plan for No Child Left Behind.)

1. The following definitions apply to this policy.
  - a. Violent criminal offenses are the following crimes as reported in the "*Report on School Crime and Violence*":
    - Homicide
    - Assault Resulting in Serious Bodily Injury
    - Assault Involving Use of a Weapon
    - Rape
    - Sexual Offense
    - Sexual Assault
    - Kidnapping
    - Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon
    - Robbery
    - Taking Indecent Liberties with a Minor
  - b. A persistently dangerous school is a public elementary, middle or secondary school or a charter school in which a total of five or more violent criminal offenses were committed per 1000 students (0.5 or more per 100 students) during each of the two most recent school years and in which the conditions that contributed to the commission of those offenses are likely to continue into another school year.
2. Along with the annual Report on School Crime and Violence, the Superintendent for each LEA shall write and inform the State Board of Education of:
  - a. All the public schools within that LEA that have reported a total of five or more violent criminal offenses were committed per 1000 students (0.5 or more per 100 students) during the most recent school year; and
  - b. All the public schools within that LEA that have reported a total of five or more violent criminal offenses were committed per 1000 students (0.5 or more per 100 students) during each of the two most recent school years.

3. No later than June 30 of any year, the chairman of the board of directors of the nonprofit corporation that holds the charter for a charter school shall notify the State Board of Education:
  - a. Whether five or more violent criminal offenses were committed per 1000 students (0.5 or more per 100 students) in a charter school during the most recent school year; and
  - b. Whether five or more violent criminal offenses were committed per 1000 students (0.5 or more per 100 students) in a charter school during each of the two most recent school years.
4. Whenever the State Board of Education has information that five or more violent criminal offenses were committed per 1000 students (0.5 or more per 100 students) in a public elementary, middle or secondary school or a charter school during each of the two most recent school years, the State Board of Education shall provide the local board of education or the nonprofit corporation that holds the charter for the school the opportunity to report on conditions in the school and any plans it may have to eliminate the conditions that contributed to the commission of the violent criminal offenses.
5. After consideration of that report and consultation with a representative sample of local educational agencies or charter schools, the State Board of Education shall determine whether the school is a persistently dangerous school, whether the school should be placed on probation, or whether no additional interventions are necessary to protect students from violent crimes.
6. During the probationary year, the school shall implement additional strategies to protect students from violent criminal offenses and incorporate them into the Safe Schools Plan.
7. If at any time during the probationary year, the State Board of Education determines that conditions that contributed to the commission of the violent criminal offenses in the school have not been eliminated, then the State Board of Education may determine that the school is a persistently dangerous school.
8. Once the State Board has determined that a school is a persistently dangerous school, the school shall retain that designation for at least one full school year.
9. Students assigned to a school which the State Board of Education has determined to be persistently dangerous shall be allowed to attend another school in the LEA which is not designated a persistently dangerous school, provided there is such a school in the LEA which offers instruction at the student's grade level.
10. Any student who is the victim of a violent criminal offense committed against him or her while he or she was in or on the grounds of a public elementary, middle or secondary school or charter school that he or she attends shall be allowed to attend another school in the LEA, provided there is such a school in the LEA which offers instruction at the student's grade level and provided the student's choice shall not be limited to persistently dangerous schools.

11. Local school systems shall establish a process for assuring any student who has the right to transfer from a school under this policy is allowed to transfer to a school in the LEA which is not persistently dangerous. The process must be included in the system's Safe School Plan.
12. The LEA shall report each student transfer effected pursuant to this policy to the State Board of Education in its "Report on School Crime and Violence."
13. Nothing in this policy shall be construed to grant any student the right to attend a charter school, grant any student a preference in admission to a charter school or limit a student's right to transfer from a charter school.

## Appendix III Reportable Offenses

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**1. Assault Resulting in Serious Injury.** An intentional physical attack causing the victim obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving (a) broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injuries; severe lacerations and bleeding; or loss of consciousness; and/or (b) requiring emergency medical services by trained school personnel or other health professionals (e.g. EMS) and/or hospitalization. If the offender used a weapon in an assault resulting in serious injury, report both Assault Resulting in Serious Injury and Assault Involving Use of a Weapon. Fights or affrays, where no weapon was used, resulting in no apparent or serious injuries are not required by state law to be reported, even if the incident resulted in suspensions or expulsion for the student. Local School Board policy may require reporting of fights or affrays to law enforcement. (State law G.S. 115C-391 requires that local boards of education remove to an alternative educational setting any student who is at least 13 and who physically assaults and seriously injures a teacher or other school personnel. If no appropriate alternative education setting is available, then the board shall suspend for no less than 300 days but no more than 365 days any student who is at least 13 and who physically assaults and seriously injures a teacher or other school personnel.)

**2. Assault Involving Use of a Weapon.** An assault by one person against another where the attacker either uses a weapon or displays a weapon in a threatening manner. Weapon is defined as: Any firearm or explosive device; force-impacting device; knife or sharp-edged or sharp-pointed utensil, device or tool; or any article, instrument or substance which can or is likely to produce death or great bodily harm. If a firearm or other weapon is used in the commission of any offense, the type of weapon must be identified in the WEAPON field of the USDDC.

**3. Assault on School Personnel.** An assault is an intentional physical attack by one person on another. An assault is either the actual intentional striking of another person, or an attempt to physically strike another by an intentional show of force or menace of violence sufficient to put a reasonable person in fear of immediate physical injury. This offense includes assaults on school personnel that do not involve use of a weapon and do not result in apparent serious injury. If apparent serious injury to school personnel results from the assault, report as Assault Resulting in Serious Injury. If the assault involves use of a weapon, report as Assault Involving Use of a Weapon. Victims included in this category are school administrators, education professionals (e.g. teachers), classified staff members (e.g. custodial, clerical), and adult volunteers. Acts which would not be reported are things such as unintentional pushing and jostling, as in a crowd; a school staff member who is accidentally struck while attempting to break up a fight or affray; or a volunteer who is knocked down by a student carelessly rushing through a door. Verbal threats to physically attack are not included unless they are accompanied by an act that is an intentional show of force or menace of violence sufficient to put a reasonable person in fear of immediate physical injury.

**4. Bomb Threat<sup>4</sup>** (See G.S. 14-69.1 and 14-69.2). Making or communicating a false bomb threat in any form, including a computer message; or perpetrating a bomb threat hoax by bringing a fake explosive device, whether openly or concealed, onto school property or to

school-sponsored events (both are considered Class H felonies by G.S. 14-69.1 and G.S. 14-69.2).

**5. Burning of a School Building** (See G.S. 14-60). Any person who maliciously and willfully sets fire to, burns or causes to be burned (i.e. aids, directs or procures the burning of) any school building owned, leased or used by the public schools (considered a Class F felony by G.S. 14-60).

**6. Death By Other Than Natural Causes.** The killing of a living person, done either by another or by suicide. Acts to be reported under this category include murder, manslaughter, death by vehicle, killing in self-defense, killing done by an insane person, accidental killing and suicide. Killing is to be reported if either the death or the act causing it occurred on school property, and regardless of whether the victim is associated with the school. Examples of incidents to be reported are the accidental death of a child in a school bus accident, or a victim on school property shot by someone located on or off school property.

**7. Kidnapping.** Confining, restraining or removing from one place to another a person, without his/her or the victim's or a minor victim's parents' consent, for the purpose of committing a felony; or holding a victim as hostage or for ransom, or for use as a shield. A parent taking a child in violation of a court order, although it may be a crime, is not kidnapping for this purpose.

**8. Possession of Alcoholic Beverage<sup>5</sup>** (See G.S. 18B-300 to 302). Any underage person who purchases, provides or sells to another, possesses or has in his/her immediate custody or control, or consumes malt beverages, fortified or unfortified wine, or spirituous liquor, in any amount or form, on school property owned or leased by the local board of education, or at school-sponsored events (comparable to a misdemeanor violation by G.S. 18B-102 and G.S. 18B-300, 301 and 302).

**9. Possession of Controlled Substance in Violation of Law.** Possession of narcotic drugs on or in the immediate control of the person. Narcotic drugs include any form of cocaine, marijuana, heroin, LSD, methamphetamine, and all drugs listed in the North Carolina Controlled Substances Act. Possession of any amount in any form must be reported. Unauthorized possession of a prescription drug (e.g., Ritalin) is included in this category. The principal should confer with law enforcement personnel when in doubt as to whether a drug is a controlled substance. Alcohol possession should be reported as Possession of Alcoholic Beverage.

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**10. Possession of a Firearm or Powerful Explosive.**<sup>6</sup> Any unauthorized person possessing on their person or within their custody or control, or storing, or carrying, whether openly or concealed, locked or unlocked, any firearm or powerful explosive, whether operable or inoperable, on school property; or bringing such a device onto school property. Persons authorized to carry weapons on school property are law enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency service personnel *when discharging their official duties* (State law G.S. 115C-391 requires that local boards of education suspend for 365 days any student who brings a “weapon” onto school property. Weapons are defined as any gun, rifle, pistol, or other firearm of any kind, or any dynamite cartridge, bomb, grenade, mine or other powerful explosive, as defined in G.S. 14-284.1; and this does not apply to fireworks. Superintendents may modify the suspension on a case-by-case basis, but a written explanation for the decision must be included with the school’s Annual Report on School Crime and Violence). The type of any firearm(s) that is/are involved must be identified in the WEAPON field of the USDDC.

**11. Possession of a Weapon.** Possessing on their person or within their custody or control, storing, or carrying, by any unauthorized person, whether openly or concealed, a weapon, excluding firearms and powerful explosives, defined as follows: Any BB gun, stun gun, air rifle, air pistol, bowie knife, dirk, dagger, slungshot, leaded cane, switchblade knife, blackjack, metallic knuckles, razors and razor blades, any sharp pointed or edged instrument except instructional supplies, unaltered nail files and clips and tools used solely for preparation of food, instruction and maintenance. This category covers possession of all weapons, other than firearms and powerful explosives, which the law prohibits on educational property (N.C.G.S. § 14-269.2). Persons authorized to possess such weapons are law enforcement officers, firefighters and emergency service personnel when discharging their official duties. Report type of weapon unlawfully possessed in the WEAPON field of the USDDC.

**12. Rape.** Rape may be statutory or forcible. Forcible Rape is vaginal intercourse committed by force and without the consent of the victim, regardless of age. Statutory Rape is vaginal intercourse committed on a child under the age of 16 by a person who is at least 12 years old and at least 4 years older than the victim, regardless of whether the victim consented. Consensual vaginal intercourse between a 13, 14 or 15 year old girl or boy and a 16 year old girl or boy is not a crime; statutory rape requires at least four years between birthdays of the victim and perpetrator. Some examples of incidents which must be reported under this category are consensual intercourse between a 19-year old and a 15-year old; consensual intercourse with a person who is mentally handicapped or incapacitated, or physically helpless, regardless of whether the victim consented; or intercourse with an intoxicated or drugged victim who is too incapacitated to give consent.

<sup>6</sup>Because “Bomb Possession” involves the G.S. 14-269.2 definition of a bomb or “powerful explosive” as a **felony-level weapon** (G.S. 14-269.2 (b1)), as differentiated from a felony “firearm” weapon (G.S. 14-269.2 (b)), former definitions of “possession of a firearm” and “possession of a (misdemeanor) weapon” have been revised.

**13. Robbery With a Dangerous Weapon (Armed Robbery).** Theft or attempted theft of anything of value from the person of another, or from the area under the immediate bodily control of the other, by using a dangerous weapon or by an act threatening use of a dangerous weapon. A dangerous weapon is any article, instrument or substance that is likely to produce death or great bodily harm. Forcible theft or attempted theft from a person without the use of a dangerous weapon should be reported under Robbery Without a Dangerous Weapon. Report type of weapon used in the WEAPON field of the USDDC.

**14. Robbery Without a Dangerous Weapon.** The taking or attempting to take anything of value from another's person, by force, or by an act threatening force or violence, which puts a victim in fear, without the use of a weapon. The stealing of someone's property without the use of force or from a source other than the victim's person is not included in this offense. If the taking from the person involves use of a dangerous weapon the incident is reported under Robbery With a Dangerous Weapon.

**15. Sexual Assault (Not Involving Rape or Sexual Offense).** An assault of a sexual nature. An unauthorized and unwanted, intentional, or forcible touching of a sex organ of a person of the opposite sex. Sex organs are the breasts of females and genital areas of males and females. This category includes forcibly and intentionally grabbing the clothed or unclothed breast or genitals of a person of the opposite sex, without the consent of the victim. Report attempted rape and attempted sexual offense under this category. The difference between Sexual Assault and Sexual Offense is that Sexual Assault involves forcible and intentional touching without penetration of a sex organ, and Sexual Offense involves penetration of a sex organ or anus by any object, or touching another's mouth or anus by the male sex organ.

**16. Sexual Offense.** Sexual Offense may be forcible or statutory. Forcible Sexual Offense is actual oral-genital contact, or penile-anal penetration, or insertion of any object, including a finger, into the genital or anal opening of another person's body, committed by force and without the consent of the victim. Statutory Sexual Offense is any of the above acts committed on a child under the age of 16 by a person who is at least 12 years old and at least 4 years older than the victim, regardless of whether the victim consented. Statutory Sexual Offense is also any of the above acts committed on a person who is mentally handicapped or incapacitated or physically helpless, regardless of whether the victim consented. The difference between Rape and Sexual Offense is that Rape involves vaginal intercourse only, and Sexual Offense involves oral-genital contact, penile-anal penetration, or genital or anal penetration by any object.

**17. Taking Indecent Liberties With A Minor.** Committing a sexual act with or in the presence of a child under the age of 16 years, by a person at least age 16 and at least five years older than the child, for sexual gratification, regardless of whether force was used, or whether the victim consented. Examples of acts to be reported under this category are intentional exposure of genitals in front of a child; showing a child pornography, secretly or in the child's presence; or photographing girls changing clothes or using toilets, if these acts are done for sexual gratification.