

## MEMORANDUM

October 1, 2013

TO: Board Members

FROM: Terry B. Grier, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

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SUBJECT: **JULY 2013 STAAR END-OF-COURSE RE-TEST PERFORMANCE**

The Houston Independent School District (HISD) has received the results for the July 2013 administration of the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness End-of-Course (STAAR EOC) exams. These exams are a graduation requirement, and were given to eligible students who did not meet the satisfactory level of performance in previous administrations.

Under House Bill 5 (HB 5), passed by the 83rd Texas Legislature and signed by the governor, high school students are now required to pass five STAAR EOC assessments to meet the new graduation requirements. These five assessments include Algebra I, English I (combined reading/writing), English II (combined reading/writing), biology, and U.S. history. STAAR EOC assessments in Algebra II, geometry, English III, chemistry, physics, world geography, and world history have been eliminated from the testing requirements, and were not administered in July 2013.

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) will release a cumulative history data file for STAAR EOC to the school districts in late October or early November of 2013. This file will include information on students that have previously tested, and whether students have passed the requirement of the new English I assessment to be administered this year based on their performance on the previously administered English I Reading and Writing assessments under transitional rules posted by the Commissioner of Education. A full report on the STAAR EOC cumulative results will be provided upon receipt of the new cumulative history data file. Consequently, only the July 2013 retest results are presented in this report.

The results show the following:

- Of the 13,503 STAAR re-tests administered in July 2013, 8,231 (61%) were taken by students enrolled in ninth grade, and 5,131 (38%) by students enrolled in tenth grade. In addition, 153 STAAR L re-tests were administered of which 97 (63%) were taken by ninth grade students, and 55 (36%) by tenth grade students.
- Of the 8,231 STAAR re-tests taken by the ninth grade students, 5,943 (72%) were taken in English I reading and writing.
- Of the 5,131 STAAR re-tests taken by the tenth grade, 3,684 (72%) were taken in English II reading and writing.
- The percent satisfactory performance ranged from 19% in English I – reading to 41% in biology, with an average of 28% for all STAAR tests taken.
- The percent satisfactory performance is 27% for ninth grade students and 30% for tenth grade students across all STAAR tests taken.

**Table 1** shows the summary of the number of re-testers in HISD, the average scale score, the percent unsatisfactory and the percent satisfactory under phase-in 1 standards, and the percent advanced performance by the subject or test, and by the grade level of the students for STAAR and STAAR L test versions. An aggregation for all students tested is also shown for each test.

**Table 1: HISD STAAR and STAAR L EOC Retest Results, July 2013**

EOC Subject	Grade	STAAR					STAAR L				
		Tested N	Scale Score	% Unsatisf.	% Satisf.	% Adv.	Tested N	Scale Score	% Unsatisf.	% Satisf.	% Adv.
Algebra I	NR**	3	*	*	*	*					
	7	23	4360	0	100	48					
	8	43	3940	28	72	37					
	9	1,107	3337	75	25	0	52	3219	92	8	0
	10	167	3292	85	15	0	28	3195	93	7	0
	11	5	3356	60	40	0					
<b>All</b>		<b>1,348</b>	<b>3368</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>3211</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>
Biology	NR**	1	*	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	*
	9	747	3445	57	43	0	45	3295	84	16	0
	10	175	3418	64	36	0	27	3287	85	15	0
	11	3	*	*	*	*					
	12	1	*	*	*	*					
	1	1	*	*	*	*					
<b>All</b>		<b>927</b>	<b>3440</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>3292</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>
English I Reading	NR**	1	*	*	*	*					
	9	2,436	1730	80	20	0					
	10	472	1702	83	17	0					
	11	11	1632	100	0	0					
	12	1	*	*	*	*					
<b>All</b>		<b>2,921</b>	<b>1725</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>					
English I Writing	NR**	3	*	*	*	*					
	9	3,507	1778	72	28	0					
	10	627	1711	86	14	0					
	11	13	1760	85	15	0					
<b>All</b>		<b>4,150</b>	<b>1768</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0</b>					
English II Reading	6	1	*	*	*	*					
	9	157	1768	67	33	0					
	10	1,125	1796	65	35	1					
	11	8	1774	63	38	0					
	12	1	*	*	*	*					
<b>All</b>		<b>1,292</b>	<b>1792</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>0</b>					
English II Writing	NR**	6	1859	50	50	0					
	6	1	*	*	*	*					
	9	277	1752	78	22	0					
	10	2,559	1806	65	35	0					
	11	13	1745	77	23	0					
	12	1	*	*	*	*					
<b>All</b>		<b>2,857</b>	<b>1801</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>0</b>					
U.S. History	10	6	3346	83	17	0					
	11	1	*	*	*	*					
	12	1	*	*	*	*					
	<b>All</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>3404</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>0</b>				

\*Masked: n < 5,  
 \*\*NR: grade level not reported

**Table 2** shows the total number of eligible testers, the number of students tested, and the number of unsatisfactory outcomes by the EOC subject/test in the July 2013 re-tests.

**Table 2. Number of Students Eligible and Tested in July 2013 Re-Tests: STAAR and STAAR L Combined**

Subject	Eligible N	Tested N	Not Tested N	Unsatisf. N	Not Tested and Unsatisf. N
Algebra I	3,285	1,428	1,857	1,059	2,916
Biology	2,685	1,000	1,685	605	2,290
English I - Reading	4,814	2,921	1,893	2,353	4,246
English I - Writing	6,734	4,150	2,584	3,070	5,654
English II - Reading	2,482	1,292	1,190	841	2,031
English II - Writing	4,712	2,857	1,855	1,896	3,751
U.S. History	15	8	7	6	13
Duplicated Count	24,727	13,656	11,071	9,830	20,901

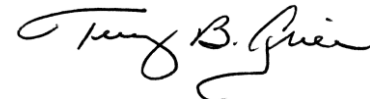
Campus-level performance for all subjects is provided in **Figures 1-6**.

- **Figure 1.** Number Tested and Percent Satisfactory by Campus: July 2013 STAAR and STAAR L EOC, Algebra I
- **Figure 2.** Number Tested and Percent Satisfactory by Campus: July 2013 STAAR and STAAR L EOC, Biology
- **Figure 3.** Number Tested and Percent Satisfactory by Campus: July 2013 STAAR and STAAR L EOC, English I Reading
- **Figure 4.** Number Tested and Percent Satisfactory by Campus: July 2013 STAAR and STAAR L EOC, English I Writing
- **Figure 5.** Number Tested and Percent Satisfactory by Campus: July 2013 STAAR and STAAR L EOC, English II Reading
- **Figure 6.** Number Tested and Percent Satisfactory by Campus: July 2013 STAAR and STAAR L EOC, English II Writing

**Appendix A** shows the summary of the number of re-tests administered and the number with unsatisfactory performance at each high school by subject, and the total number of re-tests.

**Appendix B** shows the summary of the number of re-tests administered and the number with unsatisfactory performance at each middle/combination school by subject or test, and the total number of re-tests.

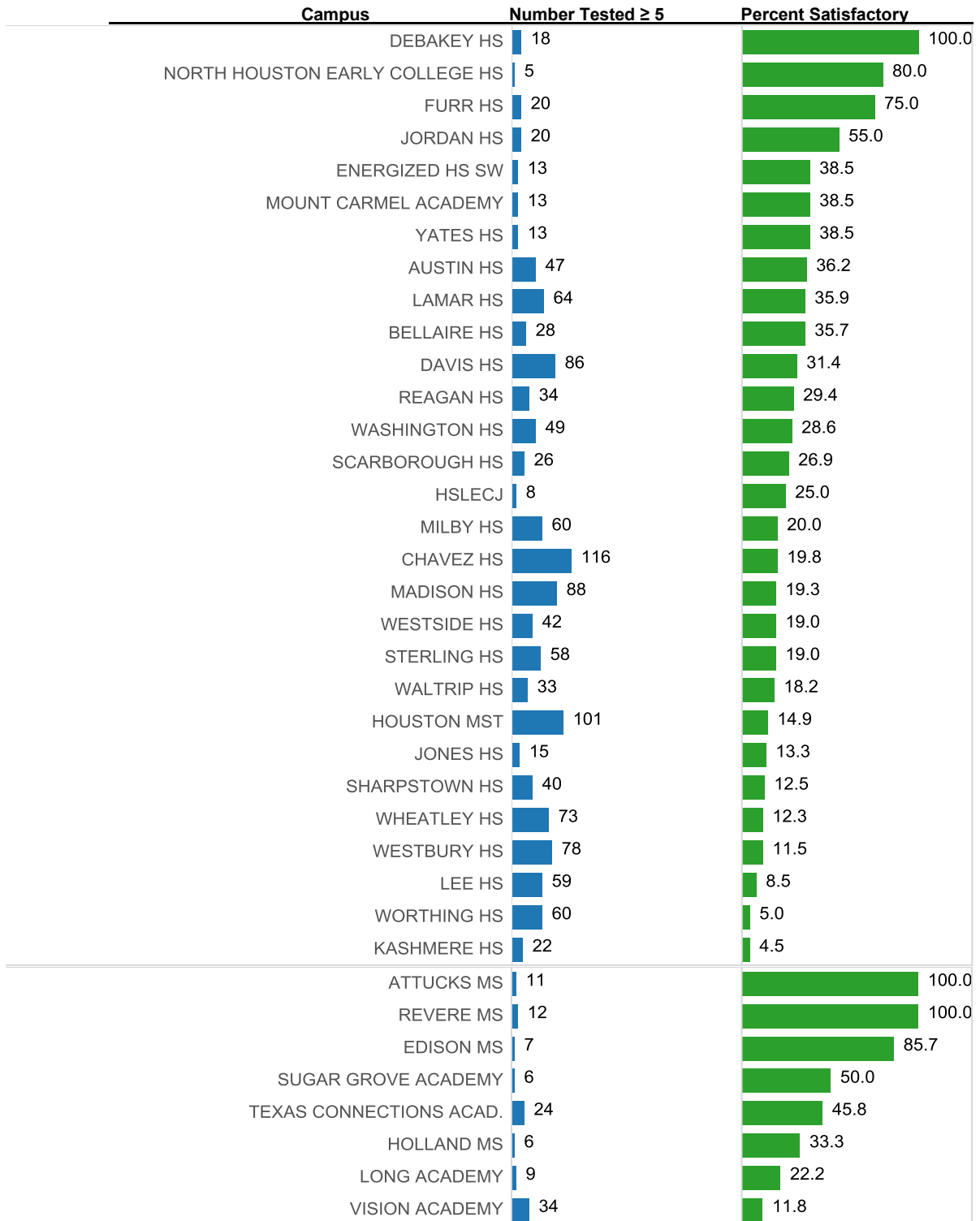
Should you have further questions, please contact my office or Carla Stevens in the Department of Research and Accountability at (713) 556-6700.

  
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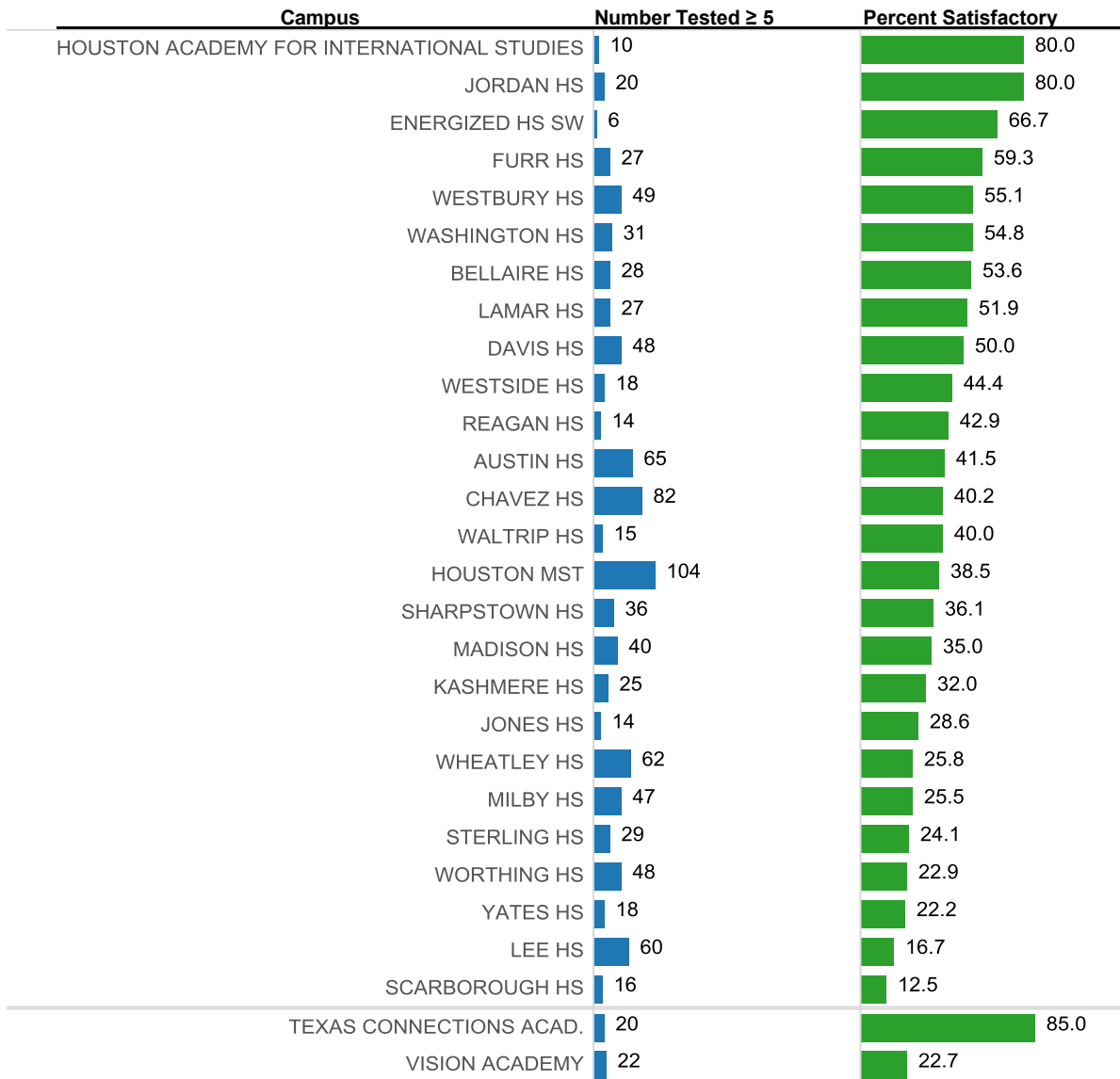
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Chief School Officers  
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Nancy Gregory  
Sowmya Kumar  
Altagracia Guerrero  
Michael Dorsey  
High School Principals  
Middle School Principals

**Figure 1. Number Tested and Percent Satisfactory by Campus: July 2013 STAAR and STAAR L EOC Algebra I**



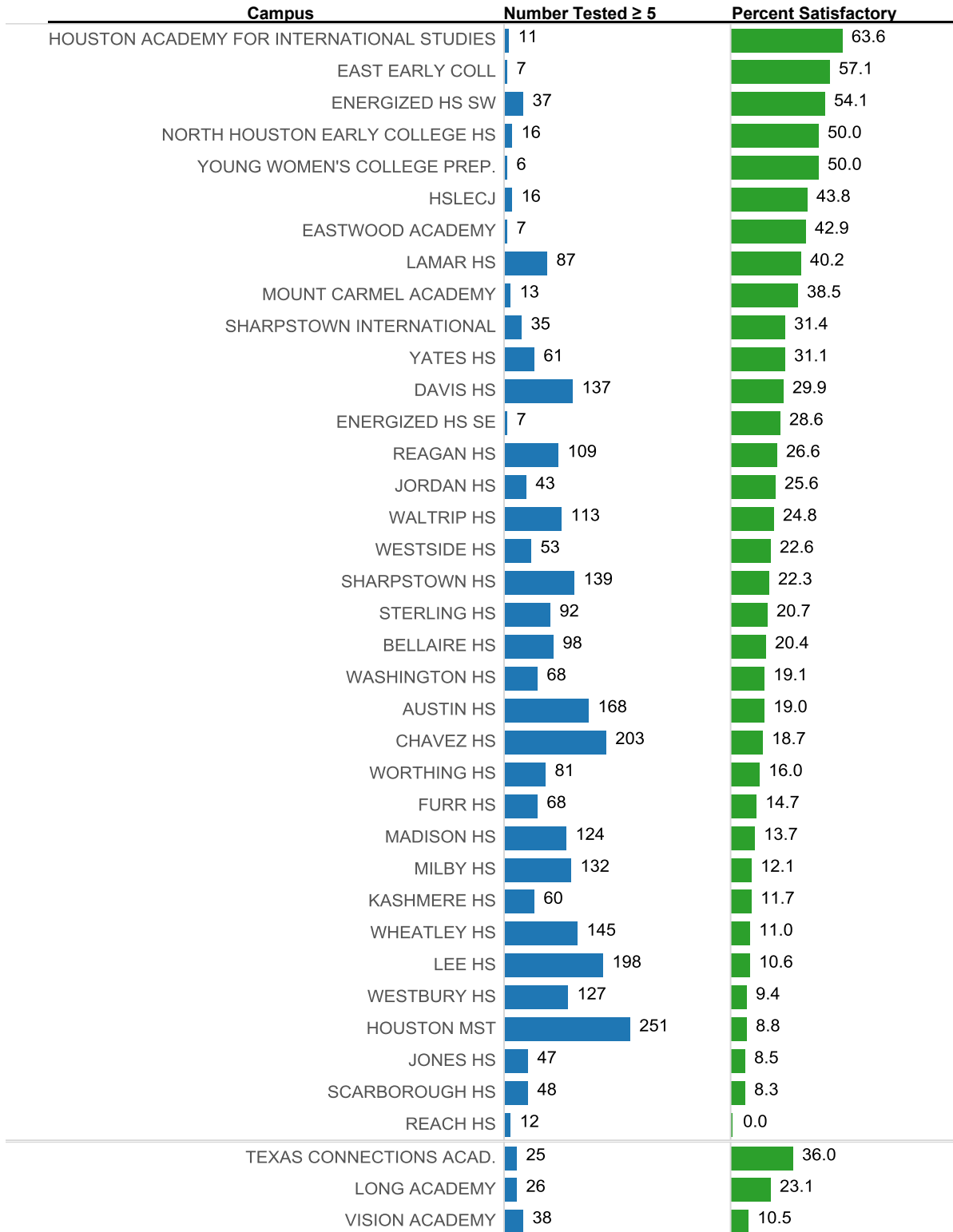
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**Figure 2. Number Tested and Percent Satisfactory by Campus: July 2013 STAAR and STAAR L EOC Biology**



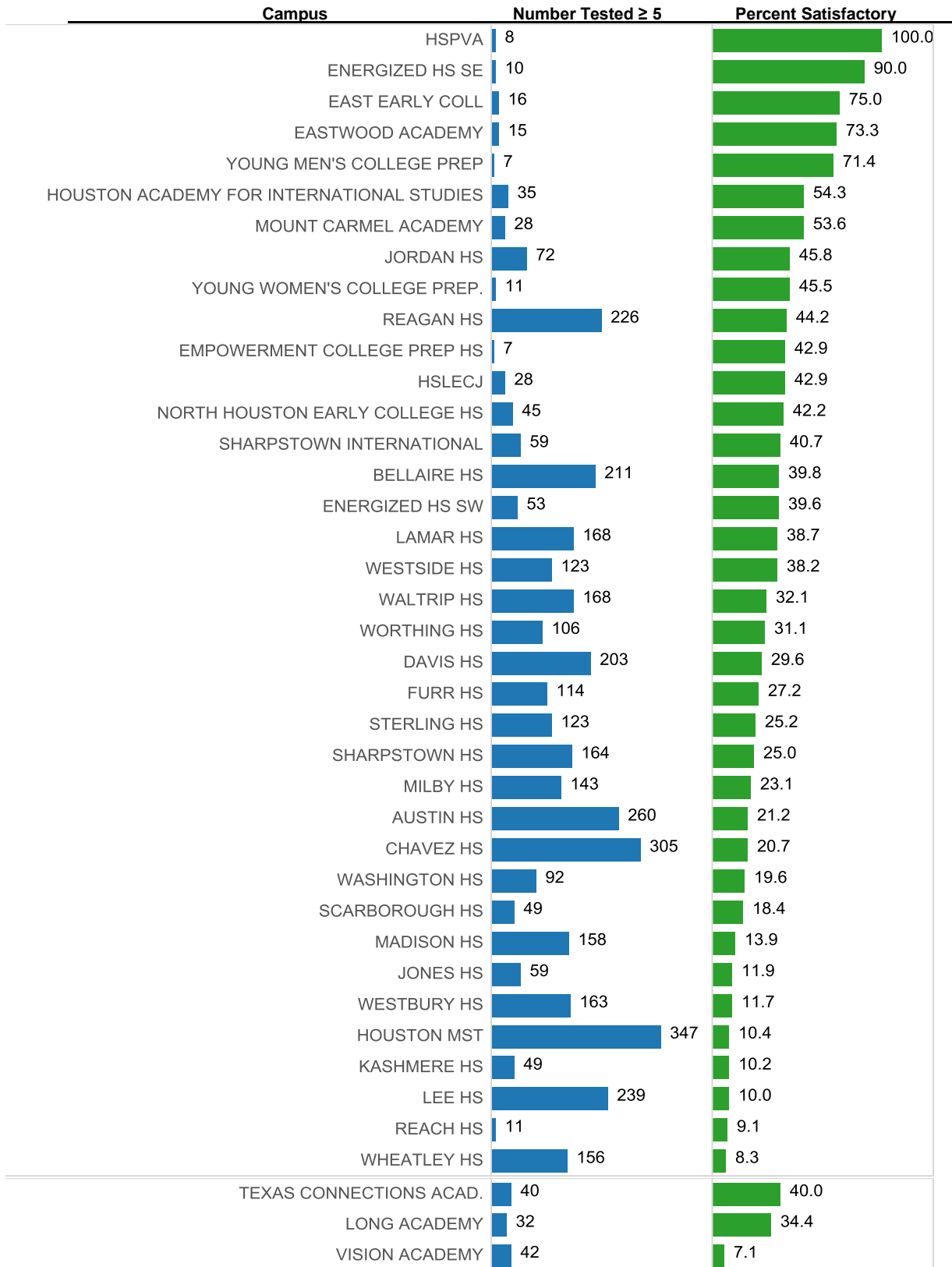
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**Figure 3. Number Tested and Percent Satisfactory by Campus: July 2013 STAAR and STAAR L EOC English I Reading**



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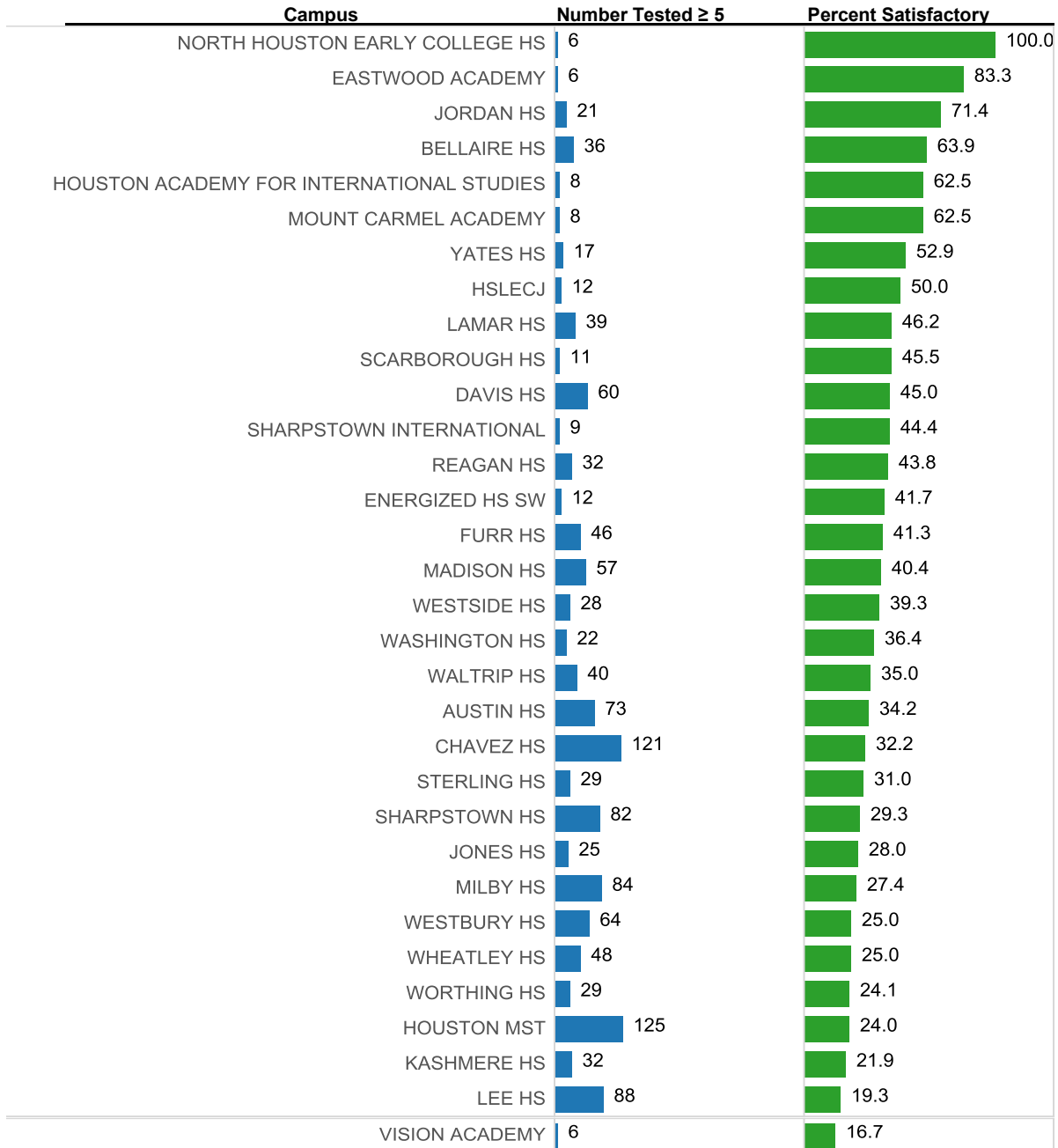
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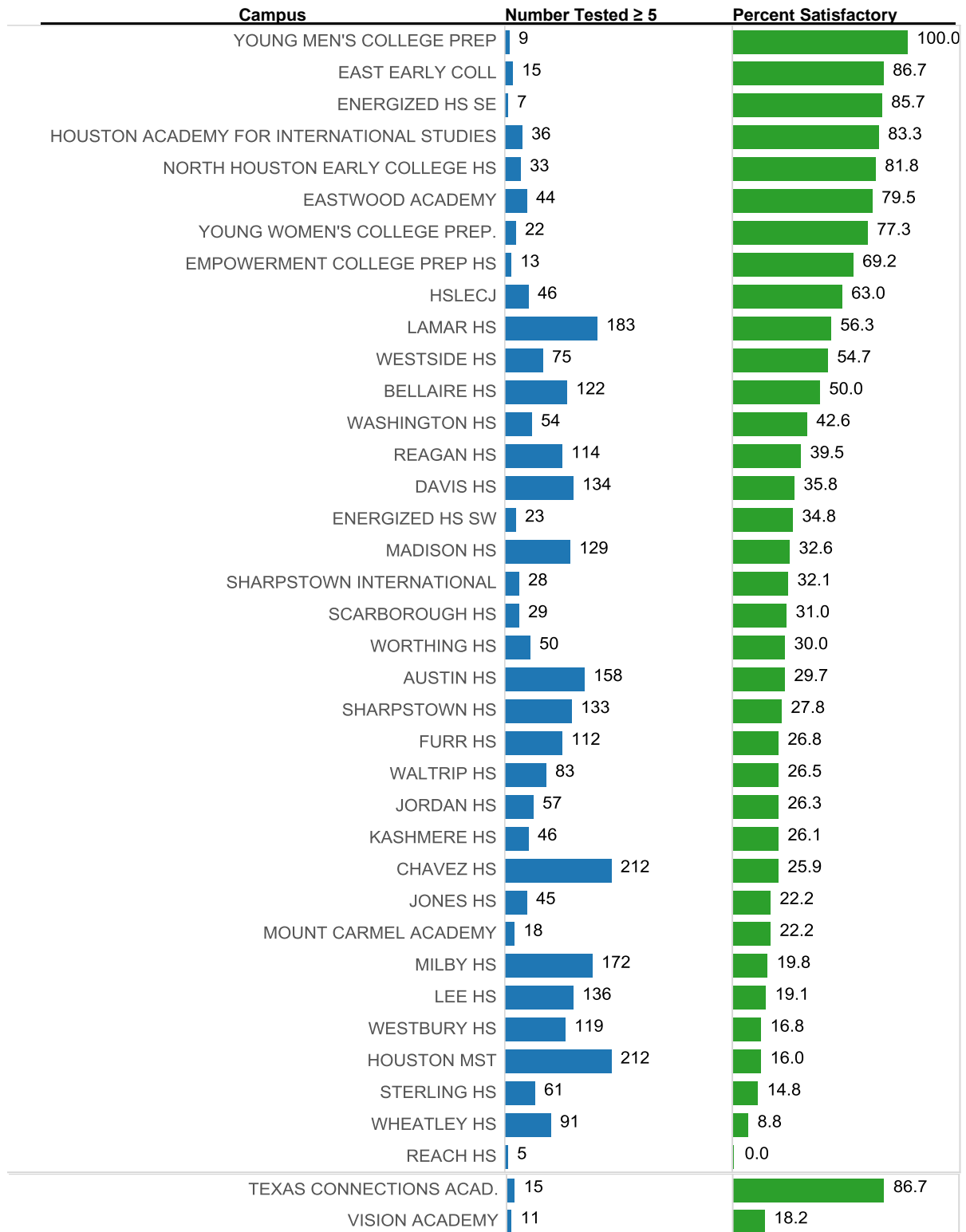


**Figure 5. Number Tested and Percent Satisfactory by Campus: July 2013 STAAR and STAAR L EOC English II Reading**



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**Figure 6. Number Tested and Percent Satisfactory by Campus: July 2013 STAAR and STAAR L EOC English II Writing**



Results for North Forest in 2012-21013 testing are not included.

**Number Tested and Number Unsatisfactory by Subject/Test and High School**  
**July 2013 STAAR and STAAR L EOC**

Campus	Algebra I		Biology		Eng I - Reading		Eng I - Writing		Eng II - Reading		Eng II - Writing		U.S. History		Grand Total**	
	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.
AUSTIN HS	47	30	65	38	168	136	260	205	73	48	158	111			771	568
BELLAIRE HS	28	18	28	13	98	78	211	127	36	13	122	61			523	310
CARNEGIE HS			1	*	2	*	2	*			1	*			6	0
CHAVEZ HS	116	93	82	49	203	165	305	242	121	82	212	157			1,039	788
DAVIS HS	86	59	48	24	137	96	203	143	60	33	134	86			668	441
DEBAKEY HS	18	0	2	*	1	*	1	*							22	0
EAST EARLY COLLEGE					7	3	16	4	2	*	15	2			40	9
EASTWOOD ACADEMY	3	*			7	4	15	4	6	1	44	9			75	18
EMPOWERMENT COLLEGE PREP HS	1	*	2	*	2	*	7	4	4	*	13	4			29	12
ENERGIZED HS SE	4	*	3	*	7	5	10	1	3	*	7	1			34	11
ENERGIZED HS SW	13	8	6	2	37	17	53	32	12	7	23	15			144	81
FURR HS	20	5	27	11	68	58	114	83	46	27	112	82	1	*	388	266
HOPE ACADEMY	1	*			1	*	2	*							4	*
HOUSTON ACAD. FOR INT'L STUDIES	4	*	10	2	11	4	35	16	8	3	36	6			104	34
HOUSTON MSTC	101	86	104	64	251	229	347	311	125	95	212	178			1,140	963
HSLECJ	8	6	1	*	16	9	28	16	12	6	46	17			111	54
HSPVA	3	*			3	*	8	0			3	*			17	1
JONES HS	15	13	14	10	47	43	59	52	25	18	45	35			205	171
JORDAN HS	20	9	20	4	43	32	72	39	21	6	57	42			233	132
KASHMERE HS	22	21	25	17	60	53	49	44	32	25	46	34			234	194
LAMAR HS	64	41	27	13	87	52	168	103	39	21	183	80			568	310
LEE HS	59	54	60	50	198	177	239	215	88	71	136	110	1	*	781	678
MADISON HS	88	71	40	26	124	107	158	136	57	34	129	87	2	*	598	462
MILBY HS	60	48	47	35	132	116	143	110	84	61	172	138			638	508
MOUNT CARMEL ACADEMY	13	8			13	8	28	13	8	3	18	14			80	46
NORTH HOUSTON EARLY COLLEGE HS	5	1	4	*	16	8	45	26	6	0	33	6			109	41
REACH HS	4	*	3	*	12	12	11	10	4	*	5	5	1	*	40	34
REAGAN HS	34	24	14	8	109	80	226	126	32	18	114	69			529	325
SCARBOROUGH HS	26	19	16	14	48	44	49	40	11	6	29	20			179	143
SHARPSTOWN HS	40	35	36	23	139	108	164	123	82	58	133	96			594	443
SHARPSTOWN INTERNATIONAL	3	*	3	*	35	24	59	35	9	5	28	19			137	87

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Campus	Algebra I		Biology		Eng I - Reading		Eng I - Writing		Eng II - Reading		Eng II - Writing		U.S. History		Grand Total**	
	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.
STERLING HS	58	47	29	22	92	73	123	92	29	20	61	52			392	306
WALTRIP HS	33	27	15	9	113	85	168	114	40	26	83	61			452	322
WASHINGTON HS	49	35	31	14	68	55	92	74	22	14	54	31			316	223
WESTBURY HS	78	69	49	22	127	115	163	144	64	48	119	99	1	*	601	498
WESTSIDE HS	42	34	18	10	53	41	123	76	28	17	75	34			339	212
WHEATLEY HS	73	64	62	46	145	129	156	143	48	36	91	83			575	501
WORTHING HS	60	57	48	37	81	68	106	73	29	22	50	35			374	292
YATES HS	13	8	18	14	61	42			17	8	1	*			110	73
YOUNG MEN'S COLLEGE PREP	1	*			4	*	7	2	1	*	9	0			22	2
YOUNG WOMEN'S COLLEGE PREP.					6	3	11	6			22	5			39	14
<b>High Schools Grand Total</b>	<b>1,313</b>	<b>999</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>2,832</b>	<b>2,283</b>	<b>4,036</b>	<b>2,986</b>	<b>1,284</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>2,831</b>	<b>1,885</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13,260</b>	<b>9,577</b>

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**Number Tested and Number Unsatisfactory by Subject/Test and Middle/Combination School**  
**July 2013 STAAR and STAAR L EOC**

Campus	Algebra I		Biology		Eng I - Reading		Eng I - Writing		Eng II - Reading		Eng II - Writing		U.S. History		Grand Total**	
	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.	Tested	Unsat.
ATTUCKS MS	11	0													11	0
EDISON MS	7	1													7	1
FONVILLE MS	1	*													1	*
HOGG MS	2	*													2	*
HOLLAND MS	6	4													6	4
LANIER MS	1	*													1	*
LONG ACADEMY	9	7			26	20	32	21							67	48
REVERE MS	12	0													12	0
SUGAR GROVE ACADEMY	6	3													6	3
TEXAS CONNECTIONS ACAD.	24	13	20	3	25	16	40	24	2	*	15	2			126	59
THOMAS MS	2	*													2	*
VISION ACADEMY	34	30	22	17	38	34	42	39	6	5	11	9	2	*	155	136
<b>Middle Schools Grand Total</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>253</b>

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