

THE NATIONAL ASSESSMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS (NAEP)

NAEP is the only nationally administered test of academic performance; it compares the performance of state or jurisdictional school systems.

On the 1998 NAEP test on writing, DoD students led the Nation. Among the 39 participating states and jurisdictions, no system scored significantly higher than DDESS, and only one state, Connecticut, scored significantly higher than DoDDS. In addition, DDESS had the highest percentage of students in the Nation scoring in the "Advanced" category on the exam.

DoD minority students performed exceptionally well on the NAEP writing exam. Eighth-grade African-American students in DDESS ranked first, and DoDDS students second, when compared to their peers across the Nation. Eighth-grade Hispanic students in DoDDS and DDESS achieved identical scores, to earn first place among their peers nationwide.

Department of Defense Education Activity students also took part in the 1998 NAEP test of Reading. Among the 43 states and jurisdictions participating in that test, DoDDS fourth-graders ranked fifth, and DDESS fourth graders ranked seventh. At the eighth-grade level, DoDDS and DDESS earned identical scores, placing them fourth in the Nation. African-American and Hispanic students in DoDDS and DDESS ranked first and second respectively among their fourth-grade peers nationally.

The DoDDS and DDESS national ranking for the NAEP Assessment for 1994-1998 by system and by ethnic group are displayed on this page.

DoDDS National Rankings for the NAEP Assessment 1994-1998 by System and by Ethnic Group

	1994	1996	1996		1998		1998
	Reading	Science	Math		Reading		Writing
	4th Grade	8th Grade	4th Grade	8th Grade	4th Grade	8th Grade	8th Grade
DoDDS	9th	8th	9th	8th	5th	4th	2nd
African American	1st	2nd	3rd	1st	1st	1st	2nd
Hispanic	3rd	3rd	7th	1st	1st	2nd	1st

DDESS National Rankings for the NAEP Assessment 1994-1998 by System and by Ethnic Group

	1994	1996	1996		1998		1998
	Reading	Science	Math		Reading		Writing
	4th Grade	8th Grade	4th Grade	8th Grade	4th Grade	8th Grade	8th Grade
DDESS	**	9th	8th	12th	7th	4th	1st
African American	**	3rd	2nd	3rd	2nd	2nd	1st
Hispanic	**	1st	6th	2nd	2nd	1st	1st

** DDESS did not participate as part of DoDEA