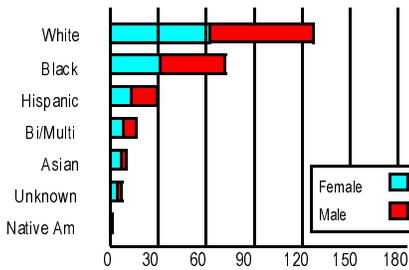




**Department of Defense Education Activity  
Giessen Elementary School (K-6)  
1998/99 School Profile  
David Russell, Principal**

**School Characteristics**

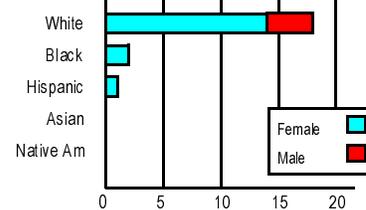
**Student Enrollment - 245**



Grade	#
K	43
1	47
2	45
3	33
4	25
5	24
6	28
Total	245

Sponsor Affiliation	
Marine	<.5%
Army	94%
Navy	<.5%
Air Force	<.5%
Coast Guard	<.5%
Non-US Military	<.5%
US Civilians	6%
Non-US Civilians	<.5%

**Professional Staffing**



School Staff	
Category	FTE
Administrators	1
Classroom Teachers	13
Special Education	2.5
Other Professionals	5

Teacher Education	
Degree	% Teachers
BA/BS	29 %
MA/MS	67 %
Doctorate	5 %

Teacher Experience	
Years	Teachers
New	0
1-2	0
3-9	0
10-20	5
> 20	12

Mobility Rate  
58% Per Year

**Principal's Highlights**

The Giessen Elementary School parents, teachers and staff coordinated a total community effort for the improvement of student learning. The School Home Partnership was extended to include opportunities for Parents as Teachers as seen in the Science Day, Pre-school Story Hour and Parents as Computer Teachers in the Internet connected Lab.

The integration of technology into all parts of student learning enabled the students to research, write, create and present using PowerPoint, the Internet for Science, reading and Social Studies. The writing assessments indicate strong growth in student writing through the use of the TAG teacher and parental support in the lab.

The math achievement gap between groups was significantly improved by the use of daily mathland skill drills in class and the supplemental materials purchased for use with parents. The utilization of technology with the strong support of the Educational Assistant provided the best possible usage for student improvement in this area.

The increased community and parental support through the PTA, CSC and School Home Partnership has made essential contributions that have greatly enhanced the learning of students in this school.

**DoDEA Strategic Plan: School Improvement Implementation  
School Year 98/99 Priorities**

**Goal 3: Student Achievement And Citizenship**

**Benchmark 3.1: Increase Proficiency in Reading Lang Arts, and Soc. Studies.....**

Our specific focus in this area is writing across the curriculum to increase students' proficiency of writing skills. The four point rubric continues to set the standard for student writing. This year the rubric has been given to students and parents to further increase the awareness of effective writing.

**Goal 4: Math And Science Achievement**

**Benchmark 4.2: Narrow Achievement Gap between Racial/Ethnic/Gender Grps.....**

In an effort to narrow the achievement between racial/ethnic/gender groups in math, our focus this is year is on applied problem-solving skills in mathematics. Using our Mathland program and supplemental materials, we reinforced skills through inclusion, small groups, and cooperative instruction.

**Goal 10: Organizational Development**

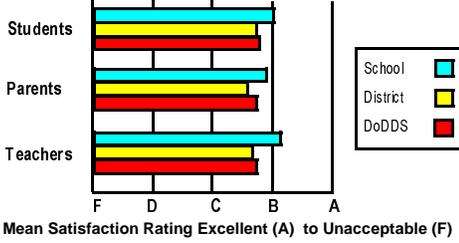
**Benchmark 10.7: Effective Communication Sys. for all DoDEA constituencies.....**

Giessen Elementary School is very strong in Home-School communication. Parent Newsletters go out on a monthly basis, and classroom teachers communicate regularly with parents. A Parent survey indicate 94% believe that teachers are available when they need to speak with them.

**Benchmark 10.8: Establish technology for teachers and administrators.....**

In an effort to go beyond our current technology successes, we are striving to utilize computers to enhance the academic curriculum. Teachers collaborate with the Talented and Gifted teacher and Informational Specialist to integrate technology in the daily classroom curriculum.

### School Overall Satisfaction Rating

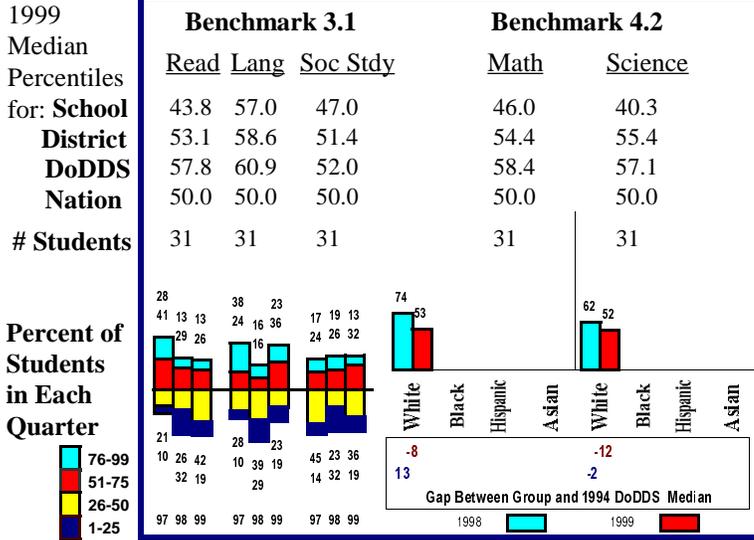


### Goal 8: Parental Participation

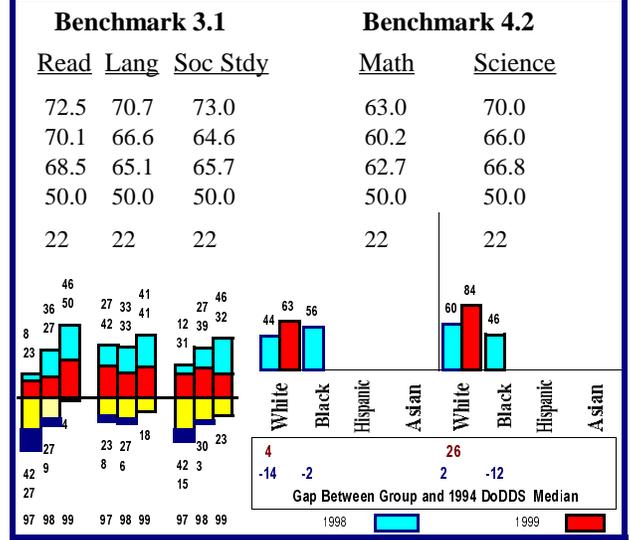
#### Benchmark 8.1: Implement/Evaluate Multi-Tiered School-Home Partnership

The School home partnership at Giessen ES is strong. This year we focused on the co-learning and co-supporting tiers. Parents have been surveyed to provide input to the SILT team on how we can more effectively promote these tiers. Parents are involved in classrooms, and school-wide activities such as our Science Day.

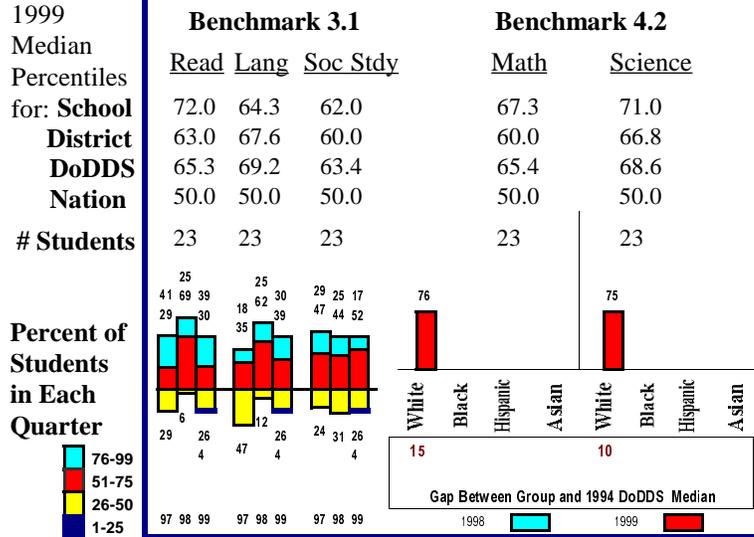
### Grade 3



### Grade 5



### Grade 6



### SAT Results

	School	District	DoDDS	Nation
% Participating	98	NA	53%	62%
	99	NA	59%	63%
Math Avg Score	98	NA	466	505
	99	NA	468	501
Verbal Avg Score	98	NA	494	505
	99	NA	496	506

### Notes

**Customer Satisfaction Survey:** The Overall Satisfaction Ratings above are only a part of the full report available for each school, district, area, and system. This report provides indepth information on topics such as technology, curriculum, parent involvement/communication, school buses and other topics.

**CTBS Test Results:** A Percentile score indicates the % of students nationally who scored below that score. Quarter(s) are the four percentile ranges: 1-25th, 26-50th, 51-75th, and 76-99th. Gaps are the differences between the group median percentiles and the 1994 DoDDS baseline medians.

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### DoDEA Writing Assessment

Grade	Yr	Number Tested	Benchmark Criteria 75% => Proficient	Percent at Each Performance Level				
				Distinguished	Proficient	Apprentice	Novice/ Undeveloped	Not Scoreable
				5	97	26	Met	38%
5	98	24	Met	4%	92%	4%	0%	0%
5	99	23	Met	4%	91%	4%	0%	0%