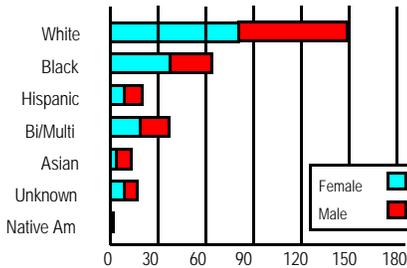




**Department of Defense Education Activity  
Rainbow Elementary School (K-6)  
1999/00 School Profile  
C. Margaret Deatherage, Principal**

**School Characteristics**

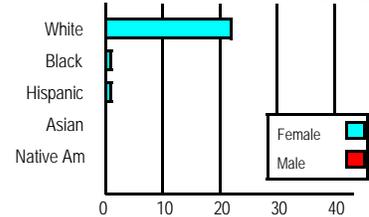
**Student Enrollment - 302**



Grade	#
K	65
1	47
2	46
3	44
4	33
5	27
6	32
<b>Total</b>	<b>302</b>

Sponsor Affiliation	
Marine	<.5%
Army	96%
Navy	<.5%
Air Force	2%
Coast Guard	<.5%
Non-US Military	<.5%
US Civilians	2%
Non-US Civilians	<.5%

**Professional Staffing**



School Staff	
Category	FTE
Administrators	1
Classroom Teachers	17
Special Education	1.5
Other Professionals	5

Special Programs			
Grade Offered	Program	#	%
PK-12	Special Education	31	10%
K-8	TAG	53	18%
K-12	ESL	34	11%
1	Reading Recovery	N/A	0%
7-12	AVID	N/A	
AP Courses Offered		N/A	
Students Taking AP Courses		N/A	N/A

Teacher Experience	
Years	Teachers
New	3
1-2	2
3-9	3
10-20	9
> 20	7

**Mobility Rate  
40% Per Year**

Teacher Education	
Degree	% Teachers
BA/BS	42 %
MA/MS	58 %
Doctorate	0 %

**Principal's Highlights**

Rainbow is located in Ansbach, Germany, a lovely, wooded area of Bavaria. The building is attractive and well-designed for the elementary level. Rainbow follows a standard DoDDS and state-side curriculum. Some of the achievements this year were: implementation of full-day kindergarten and planning for reduced-class size of the primary grades, hosting the Language Arts Fest, chorus, band, and musical programs presented by all grade levels. This also included the Artist-in-Residence program, a Russian Dance Troop, an artist from Zimbabwe, and learning about Japanese silk-screening. Students participated in a Science Expo, Read-Across-America, book fairs, trips to sites including the Nuremberg Zoo, an Open Air Museum, the Play Mobile Center, the Pottenstein Caves, a Munich TV center, and the Stuttgart History Museum. The fifth grade students attended Hinterbrand Lodge. Primary grade students sang at the Ansbach Christkindl Markt. Clubs included: Student Council, Computer Club, Art Club, "Guys & Dolls," and Cooking Club. At Rainbow, we believe that every child has something special to offer. We celebrate the arts and emphasize a strong academic education.

**DoDEA Strategic Plan: School Improvement Implementation  
School Year 99/00 Priorities**

**Goal 3: Student Achievement And Citizenship**  
*Benchmark 3.1: Increase Proficiency in Reading, Language Arts, and Social Studies...*  
 The focus for student achievement was on writing. Specialists, as well as classroom teachers, collected and assessed three writing samples from students from all grade levels. In addition to regular writing assignments, students in grades 2-6 authored books for the Language Arts Festival. Students utilized technology in the writing process.

**Goal 4: Math And Science Achievement**  
*Benchmark 4.2: Narrow Achievement Gap between Racial/Ethnic/Gender Grps.*  
 The special emphasis this school year was on math, patterns, and problem-solving. Various classroom methods of teaching problem-solving included: Daily Oral Math, Problem of the Day, real life problem-solving, logic, and using manipulatives. The school has seen very significant growth in its standardized math scores over the past four years.

**Goal 10: Organizational Development**  
*Benchmark 10.7: Effective Communication Sys. for all DoDEA constituencies...*  
 The Communicator, our weekly newsletter, keeps parents up-to-date on activities, educational issues, SIP, words and websites of the week, and the school calendar. The Newspaper Club produces a student paper. The Rainbow Elementary website can be found at www.ansbach.army.mil. Contacts with the base include SAC, IAC, headquarters' meetings, and community events.

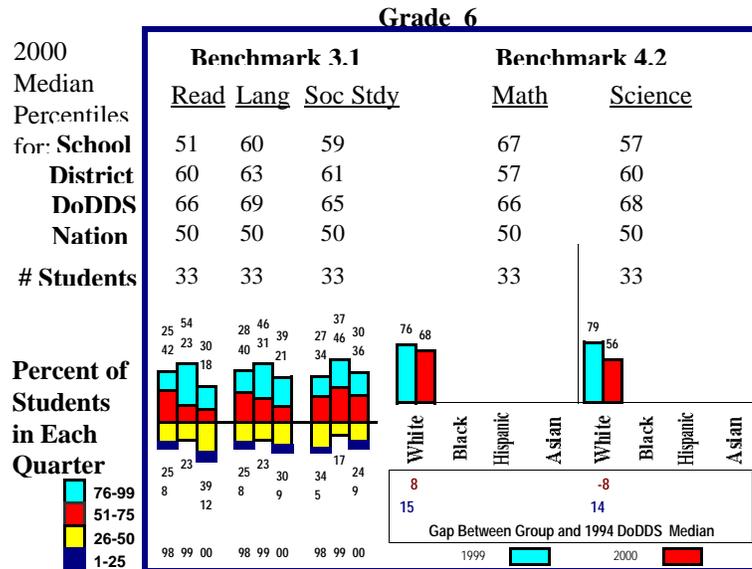
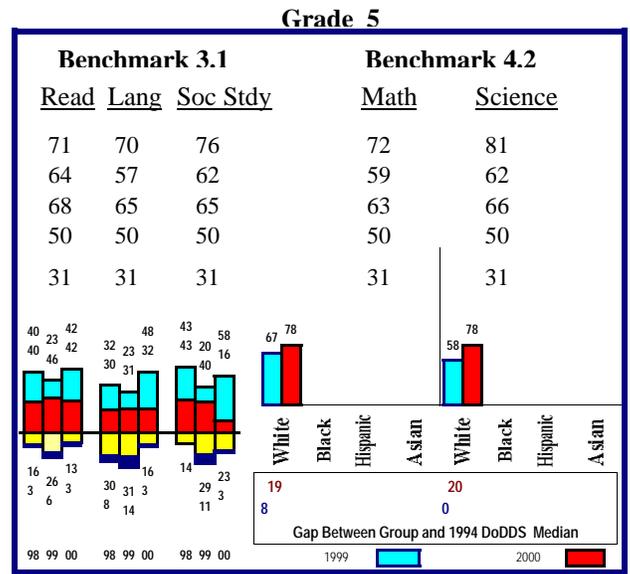
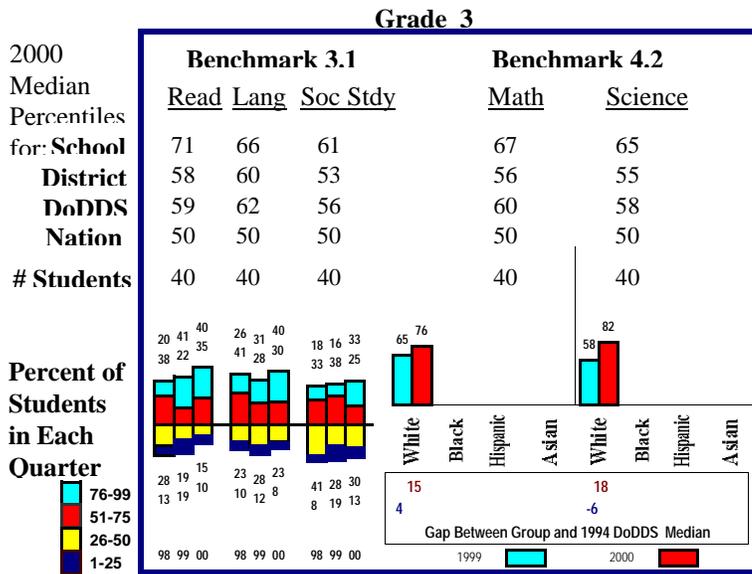
*Benchmark 10.8: Establish technology for teachers and administrators.....*  
 During the school year, the Rainbow faculty and students have made extensive use of the Windows NT computer lab and AlphaSmart computers. Teachers and students work with Internet sites, Wiggeworks, PowerPoint, and Word. Students use appropriate software in the lab, as well as on their classroom computers. Keyboarding is taught at all grade levels.

Customer Satisfaction Survey-Parent Results			
Major Category	School	District	DoDDS
Computer Technology	7.7	7.2	7.1
Communications/ Involvement	7.1	6.7	6.7
Child's Teacher(s)	8.0	7.4	7.3
Curriculum/Training	6.3	6.1	6.2
Overall Satisfaction	7.0	6.8	6.8
Rating Scale: 10(A); 7(B); 4(C); 1(D); 0(F)			

### Goal 8: Parental Participation

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

Parents are encouraged to volunteer and visit at Rainbow. Parents read to small groups of children, help with writing and Accelerated Reader tests, chaperone field trips, and work with teachers in their rooms. The school holds workshops, such as PESA, to encourage active parenting. Parents also support the Science Expo, family trips, music and art programs.



SAT Results					
	School	District	DoDDS	Nation	
% Participating	99	NA	65%	63%	43%
	00	NA	56%	64%	44%
Math Avg Score	99	NA	461	501	511
	00	NA	476	501	514
Verbal Avg Score	99	NA	483	506	505
	00	NA	494	505	505

### Notes

**Customer Satisfaction Survey:** The Parent 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	00	31	Met	36%	64%	0%	0%	0%
5	99	32	Met	3%	94%	3%	0%	0%
5	98	36	Met	14%	81%	6%	0%	0%