

DROPOUT STUDY

The ninth grade class of 90-91 was used as a base for comparison to the 10th, 11th and 12th grade classes of successive years.

The "not matched" refers to students of the successive grade levels who could not be found among the 90-91 ninth graders. Presumably these are students who entered Berkeley High at a grade level above grade 9. Some of them are errors in matching names, however. Names were matched by comparing the first twelve letters of students' names - last name, first name, middle initial - in the student file of successive years. The accuracy of this depends upon consistent listing of students' names in each year. I hand checked a few of these non-matches and found a few that resulted from inconsistent spellings. To improve the reliability of the figures all 547 non-matches should be hand-compared and matched where possible. I have a complete listing of the names of the non-matched.

I also have a listing of the "non-graduates", the students who were among the 90-91 ninth graders but were not among the 93-94 twelfth graders.

Students Matched to 9th graders: 10th: 461 11th: 368 12th: 330
 Students Not Matched to 9th graders: 10th: 207 11th: 175 12th: 165

Total Records 2447 (90-91 9th + 91-92 10th + 92-93 11th + 93-94 12th)

Ethnicity of 739 90-91 ninth graders:

	WHT	BLK	ASN	HSP	MULT	STUDENTS					
9TH GR	32%	236	43%	317	9%	67	9%	69	5%	39	739

Ethnicity of 326 graduates:

	WHT	BLK	ASN	HSP	MULT	STUDENTS					
GRADUATES	47%	152	28%	90	11%	35	8%	26	5%	17	326

Ethnicity of 413 9th graders who did not graduate:

	WHT	BLK	ASN	HSP	MULT	STUDENTS					
NON-GRADS	20%	84	55%	227	8%	32	10%	43	5%	22	413

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