

# Student Safety Act Reporting on Suspensions

2016-2017 School Year

#### 35,234 total suspensions

[6.4% decrease from 2015-16]

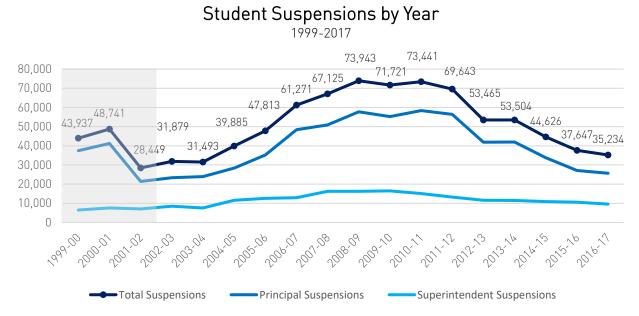
- 72.9% short-term (principal) suspensions (25,696) [5.3% decrease from 2015-16]
- 27.1% long-term (superintendent) suspensions (9,538) [9.4% decrease from 2015-16]
- 46.9% suspensions of Black students
- 38.6% suspensions of Latino students
- 8.1% suspensions of white students
- 6.4% suspensions of students of another race
- 38.9% suspensions of students with an IEP
- 10.5% suspensions of English language learners
- 328 suspensions of grades K-2

## DOE Enrollment (Oct. 31, 2016)

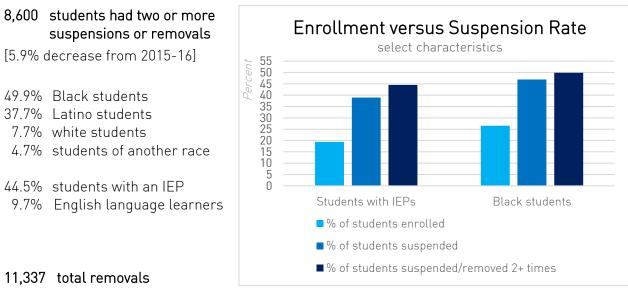
### K-12 student population: 1,068,679

- 26.5% Black 40.4% Latino 14.9% white
- 15.8% Asian
- 19.4% students with an IEP
- 13.4% English language learners

Source: DOE demographic snapshot



Shaded grey area represents years prior to mayoral control.



[5.1% decrease from 2015-16]

Pursuant to New York City DOE rules, teachers can remove a child from a classroom for up to four days. Classroom removals can be an important cooling off period for students and adults, but they can also be abused as suspensions without process.

### Most Frequently Suspended Infractions

Serious infractions, for which the DOE requires a school to suspend, account for less than 15 percent of suspensions reported for the 2016-2017 school year. This means that, according to DOE disciplinary guidelines, over 85 percent of the infractions for which suspensions were issued could have been dealt with in other ways that involve less missed class days, including parent conference, detention or removal from the classroom.

# Of Suspensions	Infraction	
8,462	B36	Altercation and/or Physically Aggressive Behavior
4,944	B24	Minor Altercation (previously "Horseplay")
2,446	B37	Coercion/Threats
1,869	B39	Intimidating or Bullying Behavior
1,609	B58	Weapon Possession (other than firearm)

#### Infractions with the most suspensions, Grades 6-12

#### Infractions with the most suspensions, Grades K-5

# Of Suspensions	Infraction		
956	A33	Altercation and/or Physically Aggressive Behavior	
277	A24	Minor Altercation	
274	A34	Coercion/Threats	
224	A56	Weapon Possession (other than firearm)	
201	A43	Reckless Behavior with Substantial Risk of Serious Injury	