

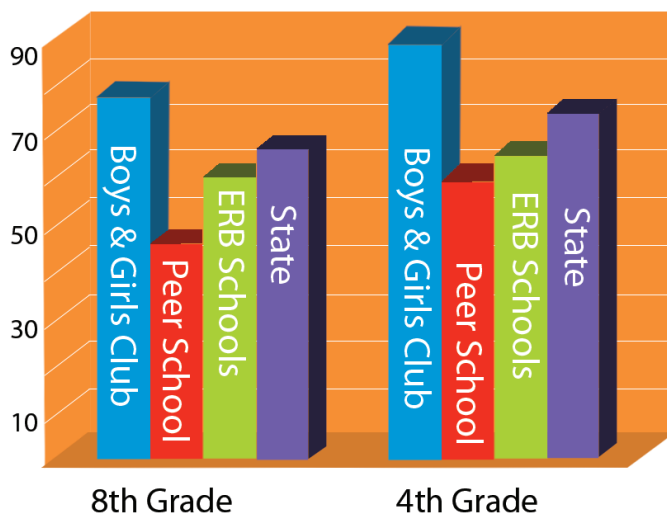
CLUB TIMES

Members Outperform Their Peers

LEAP Scores Indicate Impact of Club Programs

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- Carlos Daniels,
Boys & Girls Club,
Director of Program Operations



The above graph shows how Club members compared to their peers at their school, at all schools in East Baton Rouge Parish and the state of Louisiana. Fourth grade Club members had an 89 percent passing rate while eighth grade members had a passing rate of 77 percent. The Club's average is more than 29 percent higher than the parish's average passing rate.

The Boys & Girls Club's fourth and eighth grade members who completed the LEAP exam outperformed their peers at their school. They also outperformed East Baton Rouge Parish Schools and the State of Louisiana. "It's proven, if you are in the Boys & Girls Club, you are more likely to pass the LEAP," said Carlos Daniels, Director of Program Operations.

If a student does not score basic or above, that student is retained. Fourth grade Club members had an 89 percent passing rate (only three members failed). In the schools where Boys & Girls Clubs are located, the entire student population had an average of only 60 percent scoring basic or above. Eighth grade Club members had a 77 percent passing rate compared to the average of their school - 46 percent.

"We are often asked, 'why support the Boys & Girls Club?'" commented Daniels. "Our proven results on the LEAP exam is one outcome that most people can understand and see how the Club makes a difference in the lives of our members." Daniels continued to say he can see progress in the members' eyes, in the way they conduct themselves and the pride they have in being a Boys & Girls Club member. The Club is proud to demonstrate its impact and differentiate itself from other afterschool programs. "Our success on the LEAP exam is owed to our supporters. Without them, there would be no program," Daniels said.

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