Females of Color Performance Update

Council of Great City Schools

Research Department March 2023



Today's Agenda

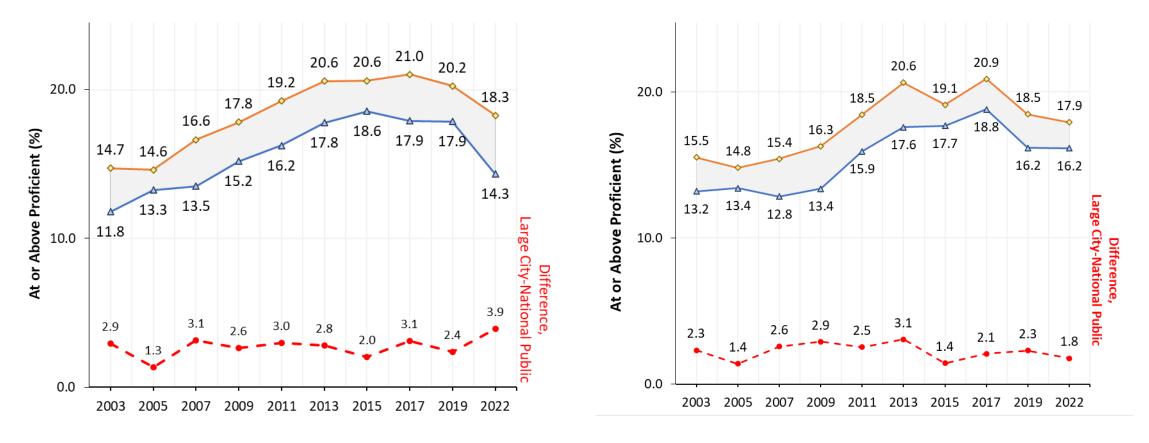
- A look at trends in NAEP performance among females of color, comparing students nationally (national-public) to students in large cities.
- Comparisons of NAEP performance among black and Hispanic female students and their male counterparts
- Examine how black, and Hispanic female performance on NAEP compares to White female performance.

Thoughts and considerations moving forward.

Black Female Students

4th Grade Reading

8th Grade Reading

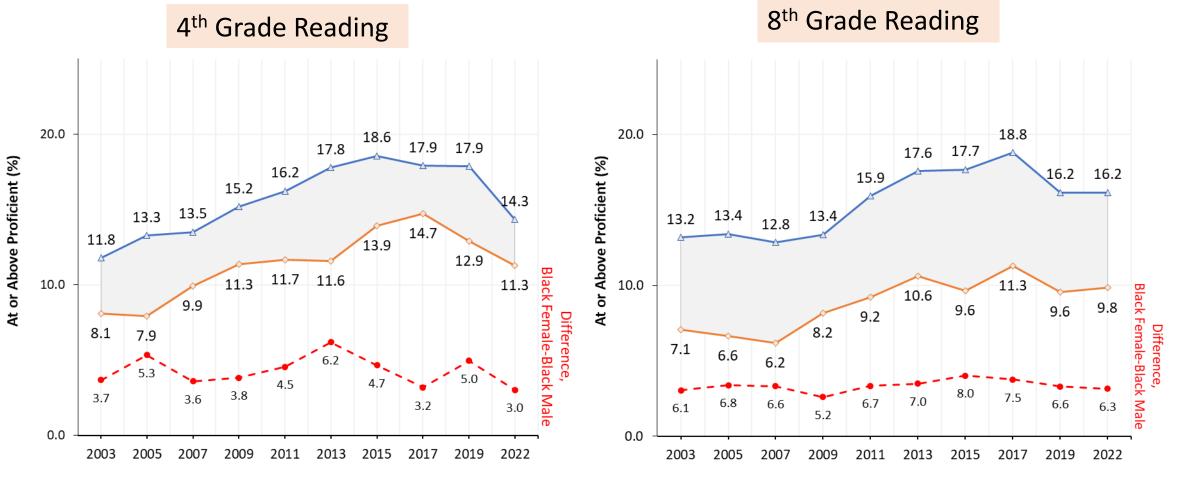




Black Female vs. Black Male Long-Term Trends

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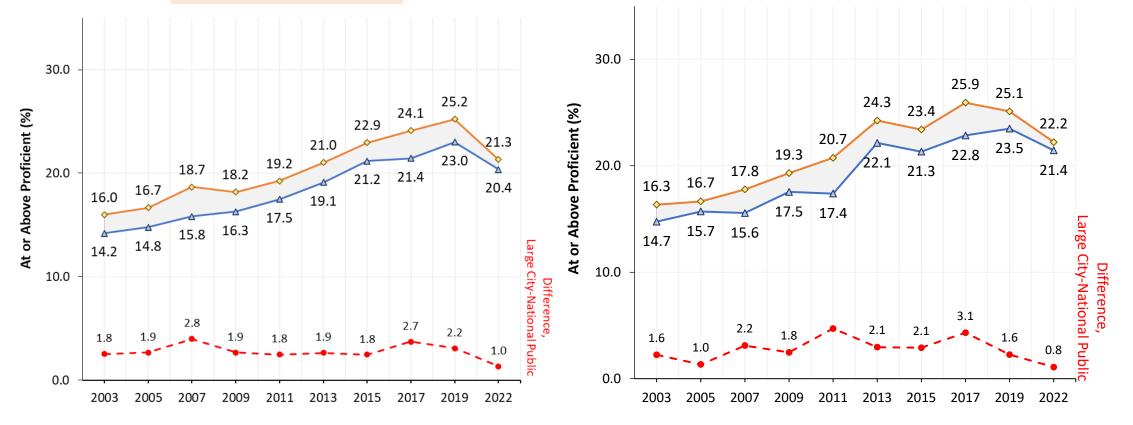
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Hispanic Female Students



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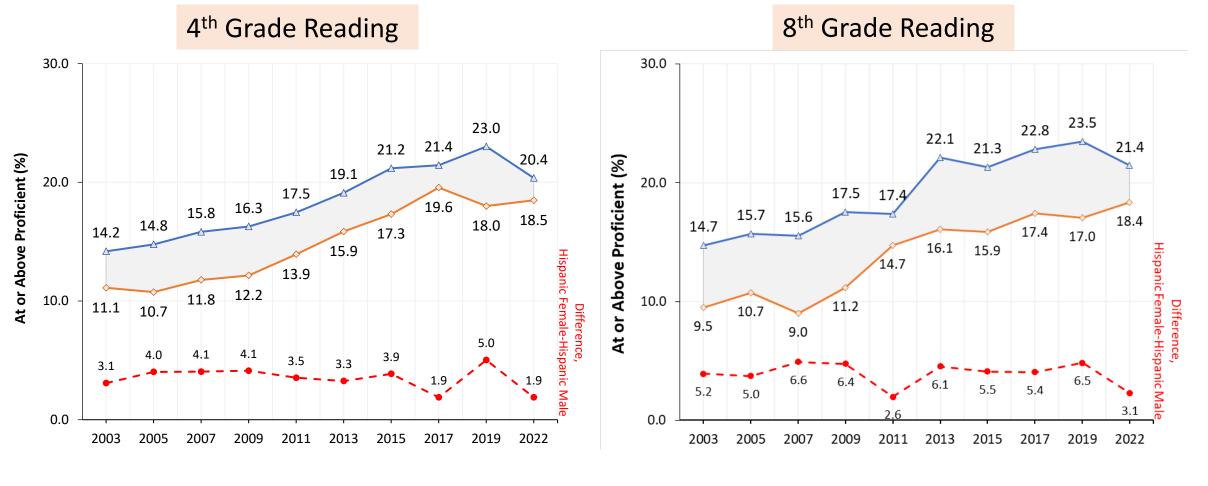
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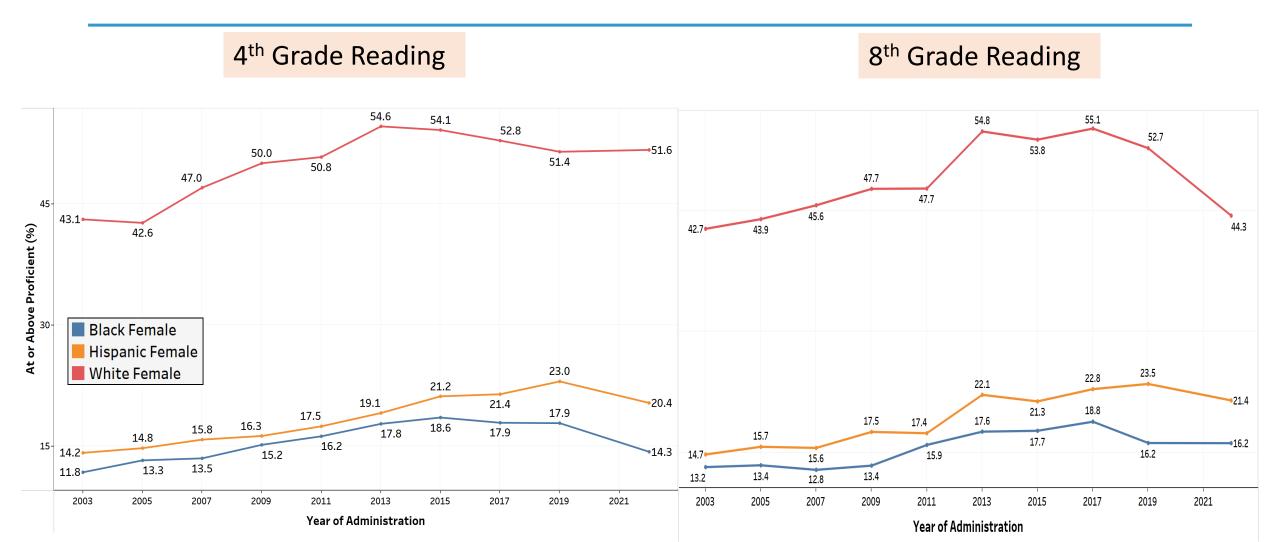
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Long-Term Reading Trend Comparison; White, Black, and Hispanic Females

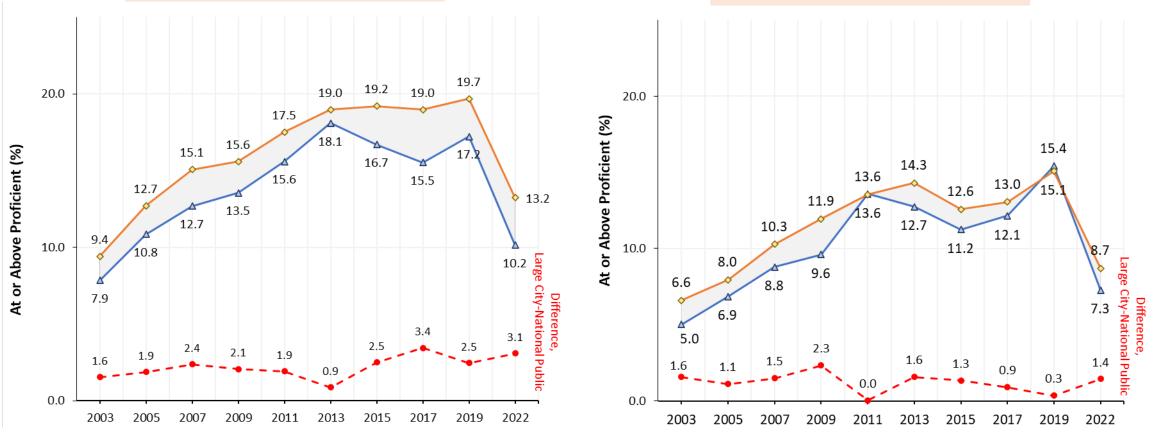




Black Female Students

4th Grade Mathematics

8th Grade Mathematics

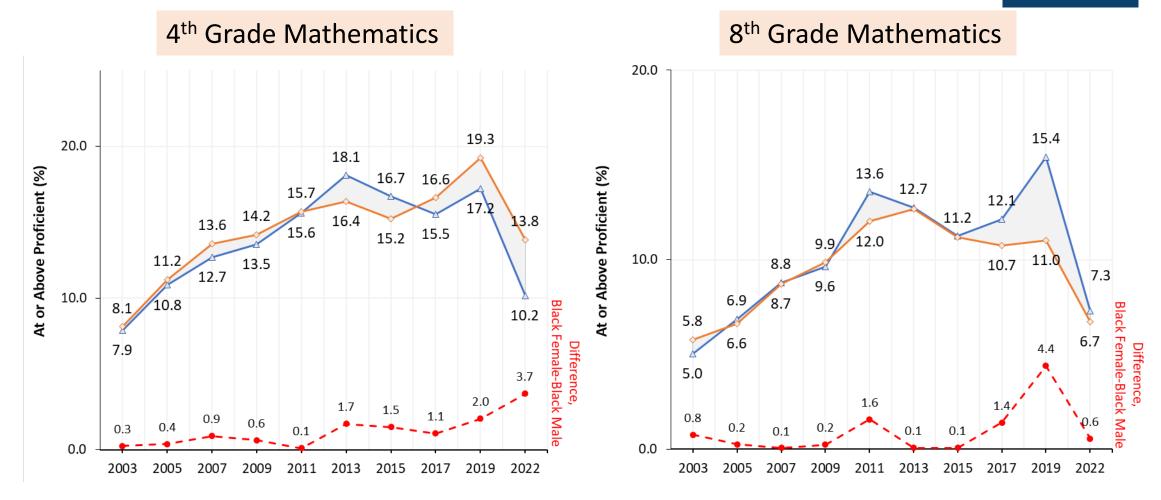




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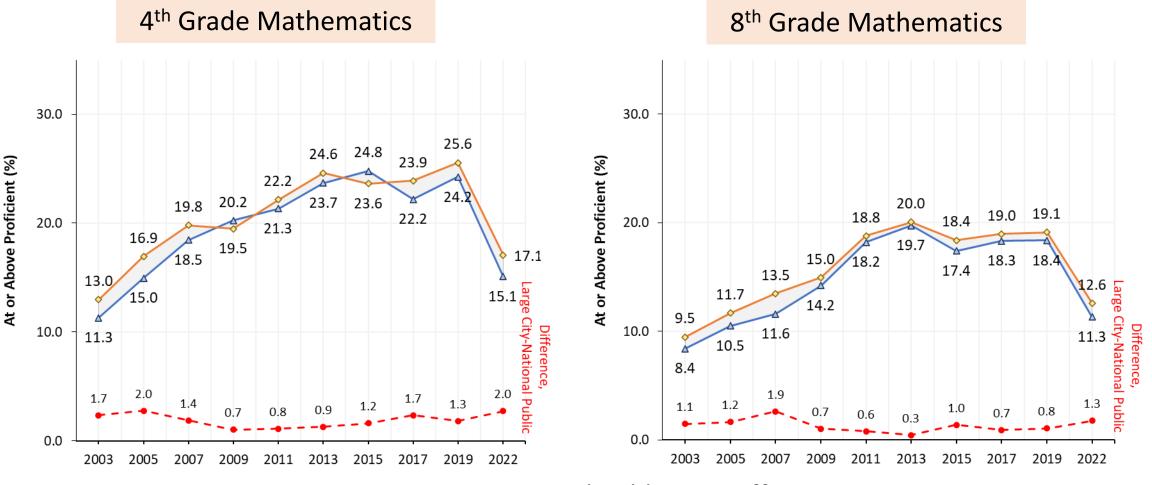
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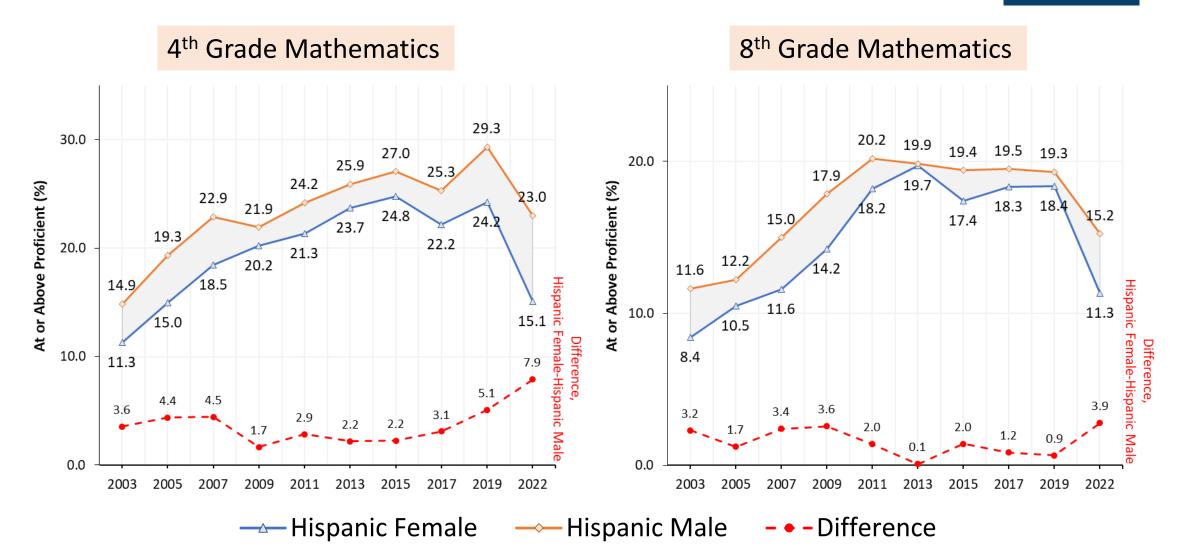




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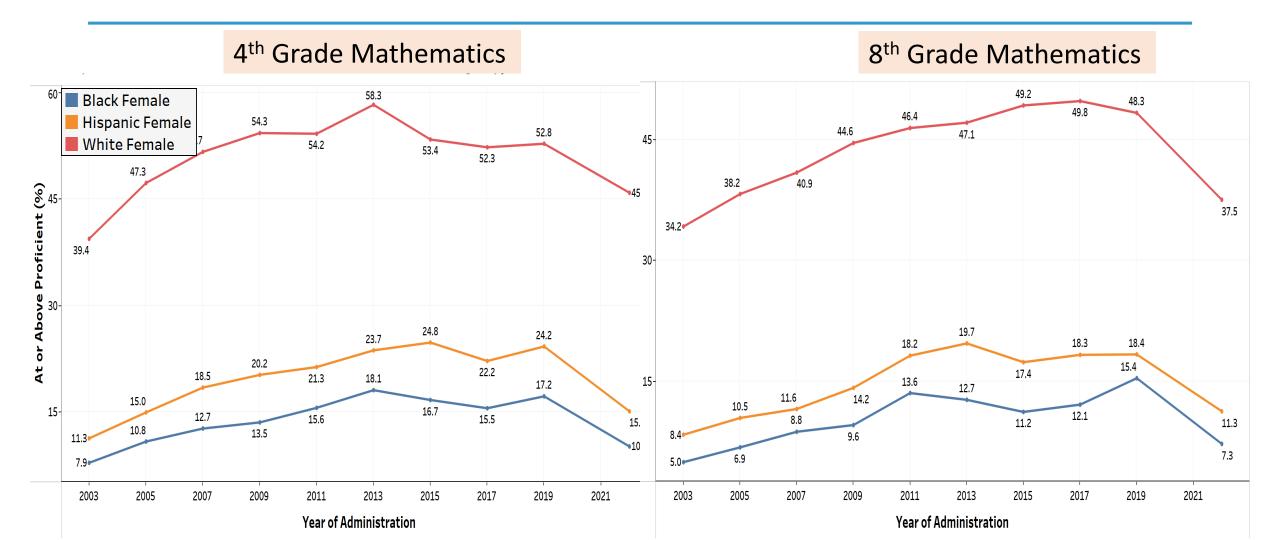
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Key Takeaways

- While the data doesn't paint a consistent pattern, NAEP results generally demonstrate that:
 - $\circ\,$ Prior to the pandemic, black and Hispanic females were improving in both reading and math in 4th and 8th grades
 - $\circ\,$ The gaps between national public and large city remain larger for Black females than Hispanic females
 - The gaps for black females are also larger in reading than in math
 - $\circ\,$ Black females perform better than black males in most tested grades and subjects, although these differences are not always significant
 - $_{\odot}$ Hispanic males perform significantly better than Hispanic females in math; few differences in reading
 - $\circ\,$ Hispanic females perform about the same in reading nationally as they do in large cities
 - White female students continue to perform significantly better than black and Hispanic students in reading and math.

Thoughts and Considerations



- How does your district disaggregate student performance data?
- What are we doing to better understand the specific needs of black and Hispanic female students in our districts? What are their barriers to learning? Have those barriers changed post-pandemic?
- How are we intentionally supporting the education of females of color in our districts (ie engagement, mental health supports, access to advanced course programming, etc.)?
- What community factors may be influencing the lived experiences of your black and Hispanic students that may be interfering with their ability to stay engaged in their learning?