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ATLANTA JOURNAL-CONSTITUTION

"1 in 5, and More, Flunk Part of Crucial Tests"
The good news is that student performance on the Georgia's curriculum tests -- which will be used for grading schools -- improved this year. The bad news is that 18% to 41% of children failed sections of the test that, in a few years, they would have to pass to win promotion to the next grade.

LOS ANGELES TIMES

"Poor Results Posted on New State Tests"
Fewer than one-third of California public school students
achieved proficiency on a key test offering the first
glimpse of their ability to meet challenging English
standards, the state education department reported Wednesday.

"New York City Schools Chief to Cut 1,500 Jobs and Increase Local Autonomy"
Schools Chancellor Harold O. Levy announced a sweeping reorganization of the Board of Education staff, a plan that would eliminate more than 1,500 administrative jobs over three years and give far more autonomy to local school superintendents to make their own decisions about

SAN JOSE MERCURY NEWS

how to spend their money.

"Students Fall Short in Statewide Exam"

NEW YORK TIMES (free registration required)

Fewer than one in three California public school students reached the state's goal this year on an exam tailor-made to match its rigorous standards in English and language arts, according to statewide achievement test scores released Wednesday.

WASHINGTON POST

"Public Reform, Private Windfall?"
President Bush says his education reform plan will empower parents and hold educators responsible for how students perform in school. But the bill also is certain to a lode of new business for private educational firms. Test development and preparation companies, tutoring specialists, firms selling materials that aid young readers and others that manage public schools are among those that stand to reap hundreds of millions of dollars in new business.