Data Resources Scavenger Hunt

DIRECTIONS: *Read each question below. Each question includes a link to a Web site where you can find its answer. (You might need to surf the site a bit to find the answer) Write the answer on the line.*

1. Where do you go to find a variety of statistical data about DCPS? Please list the URL and then navigation instructions needed to access the data.

2. What data can you find from the DCPS website?

3. What does APDS stand for?

4. What's the difference between the SAT-9 and SAT data profiles and the DCPS Academic Performance Database profiles?

5. On http://silicon.k12.dc.us/apds/APDSSummaryReports.asp , find the summary data for your school. In the spring 2003, what percentage of students in grade 9 and grade 10 had below basic performance in reading? In math?

6. Compare the performance of your school for the past 5 years for both reading and math.

7. Why is your school's data difficult to judge?

8. Compared to the general population on which test does your school have a higher percentile rank?

9. Where can you find the explanation or definitions of "Below Basic", "Basic", "Proficient", and "Advanced" Proficiency Levels for Math and reading.

10. Go back to the http://www.k12.dc.us/dcps/home.html site (DCPS homepage) and navigate to the curriculum standards.

    a. How did you get there?

    b. Locate your subject and grade level content standards (Standards for Teaching and Learning). What pathway did you take to get there?

    c. What are the 3 "categories" listed under each content standard and what are the differences between these categories?

11. What does the * indicate (under Essential skills)?