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Grey House Publishing announces the Fifth Edition of *The Comparative Guide to American Elementary & Secondary Schools*

Praise for Earlier Editions:

“Anyone interested in public education will welcome this recent reference from Grey House Publishing...the main value of the entries are the demographics like the number of teachers, male and female student, English language learners, those eligible for school lunches...number of diploma recipients, and high school drop out rate...Well focused and easy to use statistical sources on important issues like this are always of value. The *Comparative Guide to American Elementary & Secondary School[s]*...should find a home in academic, as well as larger public libraries.”

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Grey House Publishing is proud to announce the publication of the Fifth Edition of *The Comparative Guide to American Elementary & Secondary Schools*. This useful resource brings together pertinent evaluative and demographic and comparative statistics from a wide range of sources for over 5,900 public school districts in the United States—all districts with more than 1,500 students, representing nearly 80% of all public schools in the country. It is the most comprehensive guide to the American public school system, offering valuable, current, and detailed information to education professionals, businesses and interested individuals nationwide.

This newly updated 2008 edition is the result of extensive research, providing in-depth, hard-to-find information, all in a single volume. Each district listing provides not only basic contact information (phone, fax, address, web site, and e-mail) but also other important data, such as Number of Students, Student/Staff Ratios, and College Entrance Exam Scores.

The user-friendly format of *The Comparative Guide to American Elementary & Secondary Schools* saves hours of research time and effort for its users. This comprehensive compilation of district details, test scores, and ranking data is conveniently arranged into state chapters; each then divided into three sections.

Section One: State Education Profile, covers all schools within the particular state, regardless of the number of students served. Information in this section includes: Schools, Students, Diploma Recipients, High School Drop-out Rate, Staff, Student/Staff Ratios, Current Spending and College

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Entrance Exam Scores. In addition to this information, each entry includes test scores from the *National Assessment of Educational Progress*, where users will find reading and mathematics scores for both 4th and 8th grade levels, broken down by Gender, Race, Ethnicity and Class Size.

Section Two: School District Profiles, covers individual school districts and is arranged alphabetically by county. This section includes schools with 1,500 or more students. Each district profile includes basic contact information, along with data on nine other categories: Grade Span, District Type, Number and Type of Schools, Number of Teachers, Number of Librarians/Media Specialists and Guidance Counselors, Current Spending, Enrollment, Drop-out Rates and Diploma Recipients by Race/Ethnicity, Male/Female Ratio and Number of High School Diploma Recipients by Race.

Section Three: School District Rankings, ranks the schools covered in Section Two by 16 pieces of data, such as Male/Female Ratios and High School Diploma Recipients by Race. Following the 50 state chapters is a valuable **National Ranking** section where you can compare, state by state, each piece of criteria found in the **School District Profiles**.

To ensure easy access to all listings in *The Comparative Guide to American Elementary & Secondary Schools*, two indices have been included:

- **School District Index**, an alphabetical listing of all school districts in the guide, along with the city in which they are located and the page on which their profile appears.
- **City Index**, an alphabetical listing of all cities represented by the school districts featured in the Guide, along with the page number of the profile in which each city appears.

The Comparative Guide to American Elementary & Secondary Schools is an invaluable research tool for anyone within the education profession, as well as businesses and families seeking information about school districts and the areas in which they operate. This one-stop reference has proven to be the premier guide in its field, containing an unprecedented amount of up-to-date information. This Guide will be an indispensable source of information for all those searching for the educational environment of a particular area, those considering relocating a family and educational professionals. This updated edition will be a must for all reference collections.

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