

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** November 22, 2013

**SUBJECT:** Ethnic Diversity of Students in Bernards Twp. Public Schools - 2006 - 2013

Ethnic composition of students in Bernards Township Public Schools (BTPS) in recent years has followed a consistent pattern. Since 2006, total Public School Student (PSS) population increased 325 (6.0%). All increase in PSS has been in ethnic minority students, up **634 (64.0%)**. Number of *White* students reduced 309 (-7.0%). The largest *Minority* growth has been in students of *Asian* descent, an increase of 495 (60.3%). Total of all *Other Ethnic* groups increased 139 (281.8%).

The number of *White* public school students (PSS) peaked at **4,485** in 2008 when they comprised **79.9%** of the student body. At that time, *Asian* ethnic students totaled **931** and composed **16.6%** of total students. *Other Ethnic* PSS groups combined totaled **199** or **3.5%**. *Asian* ethnic students now (2013) total **1,316** or **22.8%** of the current student body. Numbers of ethnic *White* PSS have reduced by **348** and are **71.8%** of the PSS body.

The following graphs display ethnic diversity during these recent eight years:

**Graph 1a.** PSS Total and major Ethnic grouping - 2006 through 2013.

**Graph 1b.** Student ethnicity as a percent of total students - 2006 through 2013.

**Graphs 2.** Percent change from 2006 in number of students in Ethnicity Groupings - 2007 through 2013.

**Graph 3a.** 2007 Student Ethnicity percentages for Total of Grades K - 5, Wm Annin MS, Ridge High, and All Schools Total.

**Graph 4a.** 2007 Student Ethnicity percentages for Neighborhood Schools: Cedar Hill, Liberty Corner, Mt. Prospect, and Oak Street.

**Graphs 3b & 4b, Graphs 3c & 4c, Graphs 3d & 4d, Graphs 3e & 4e, Graph 3f & 4f and Graph 3g & 4g.** Repeat for Years 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013.

While English is the primary language spoken in **89.1%** of PSS homes, an additional **45** languages are principle in the remaining homes of PSS. Four (**4**) Chinese languages are spoken as primary language in **3.0%** of PSS homes, thirteen (**13**) Indian languages are spoken as primary language in **3.6%** of PSS homes, ditto Korean **1.0%**, Spanish **1.4%**, Portugese **0.3%** and Russian in **0.4%**. The remaining **24** languages are principle in the remaining **2.2%** PSS homes.

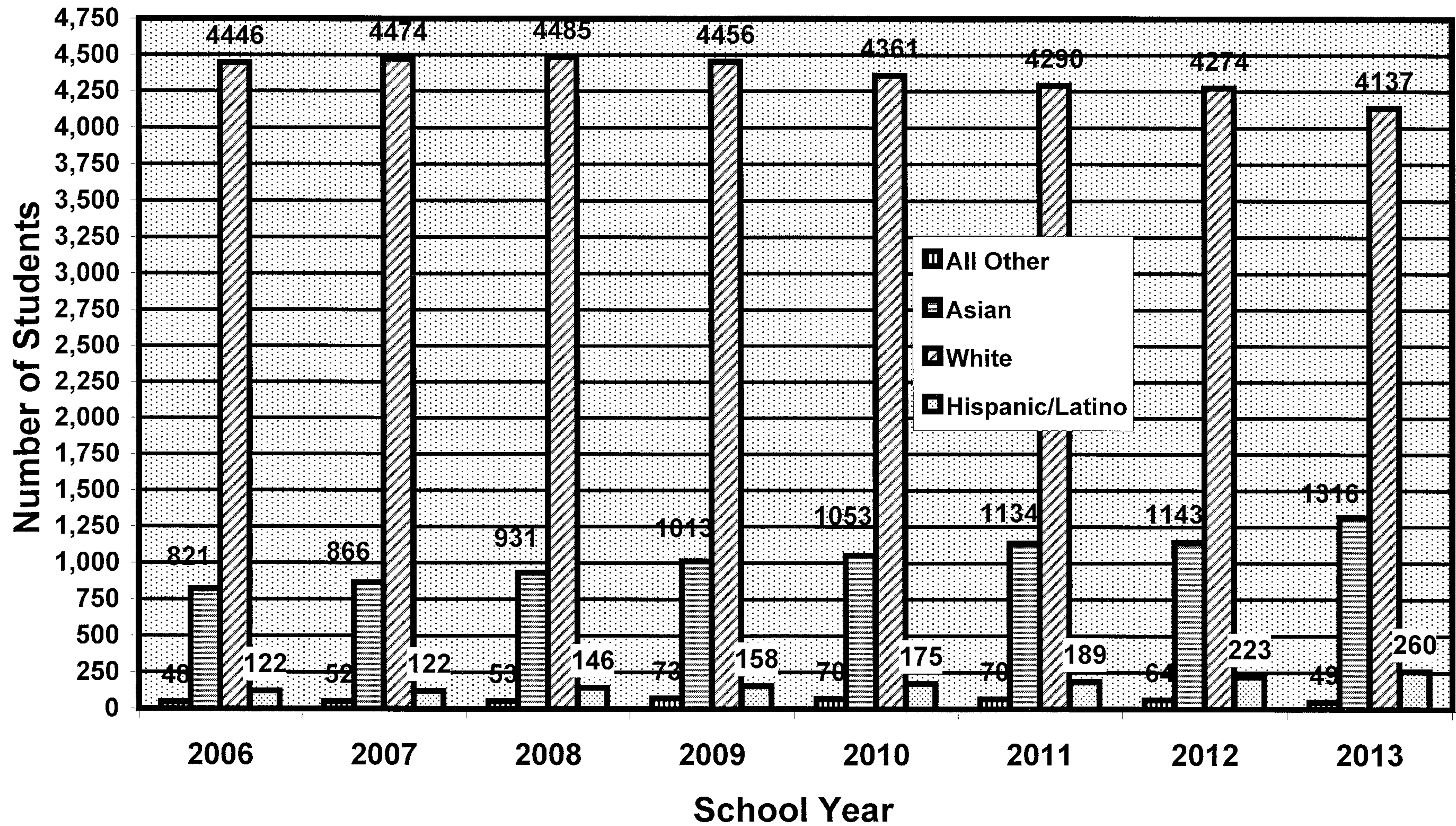


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Attachments: 9 pages (Graphs 1a through 4g)

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## Ethnicity of Students

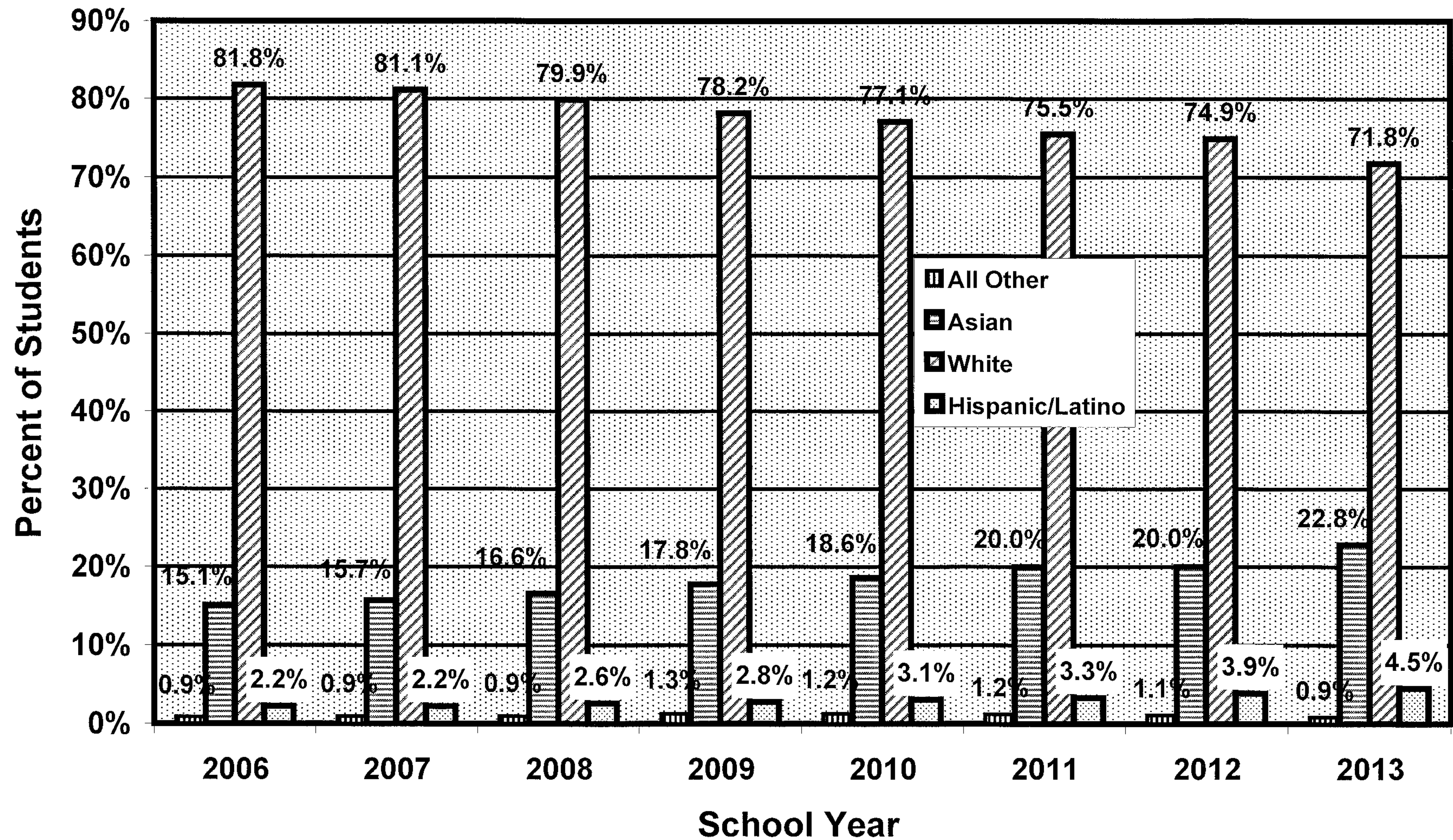


Graph 1a



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## Student Ethnicity, Percent of Total Students

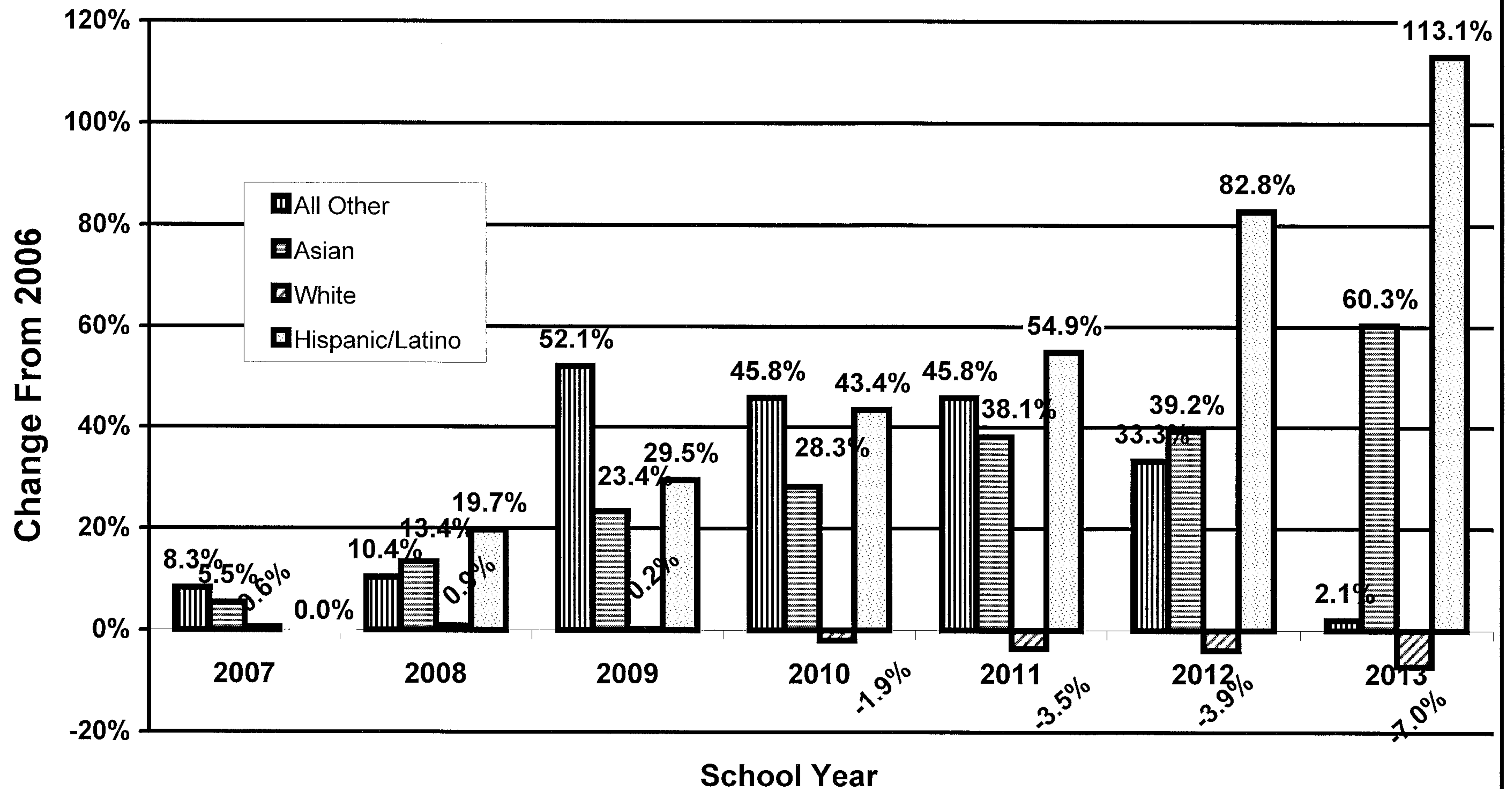


Graph 1b

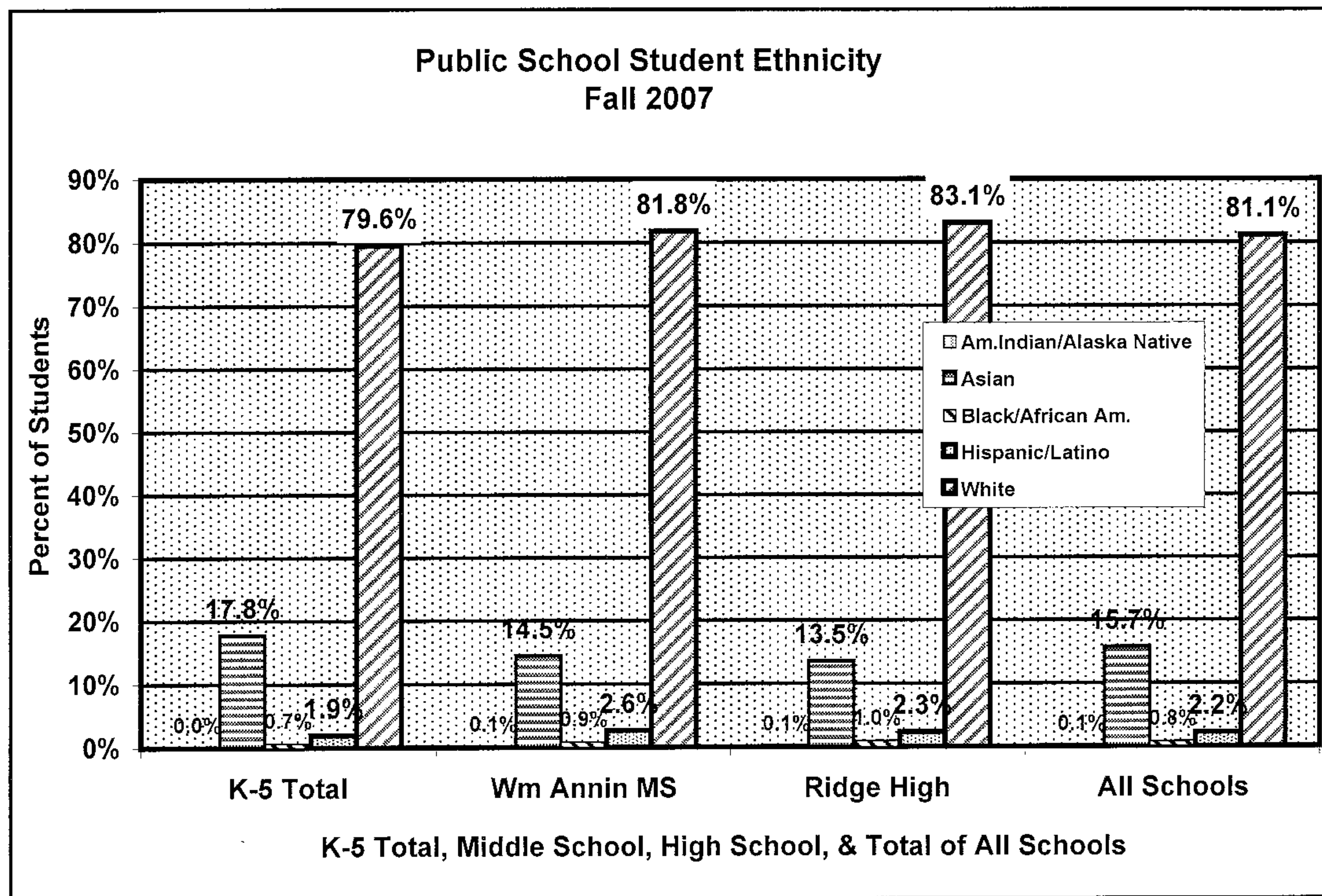


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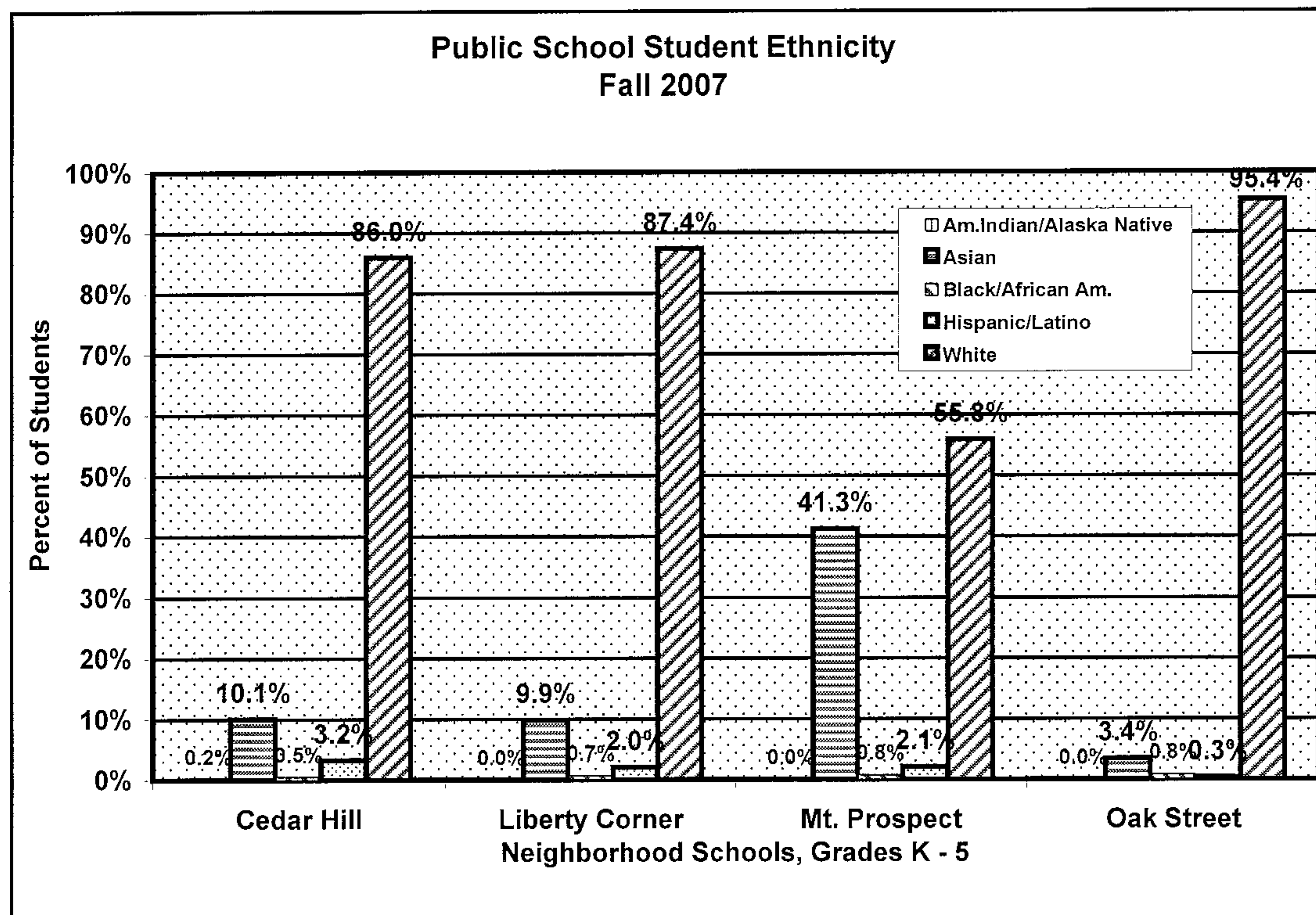
## Percent Change from 2006 in Number of Students in Ethnicity Groupings



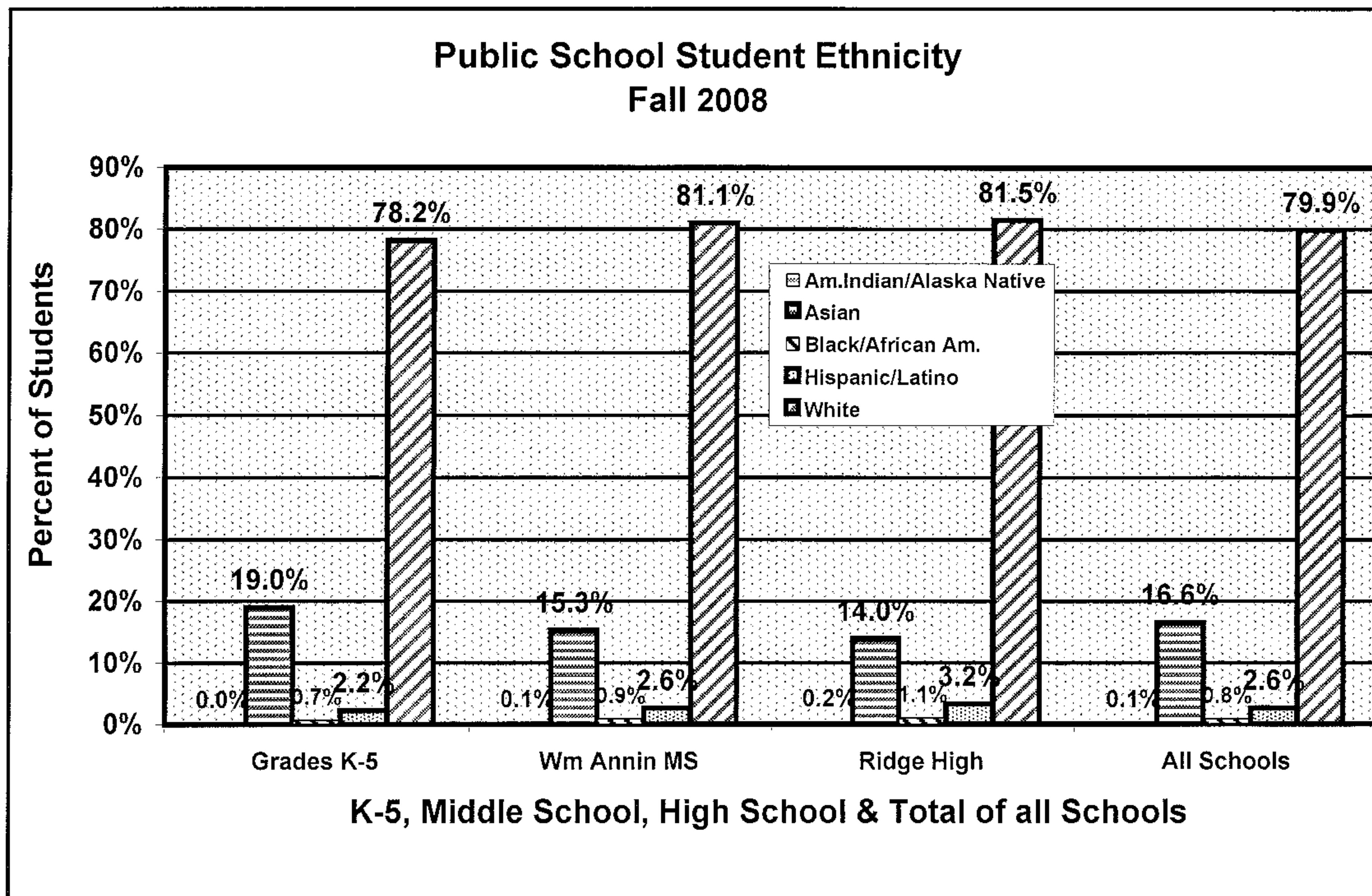
Graph 2



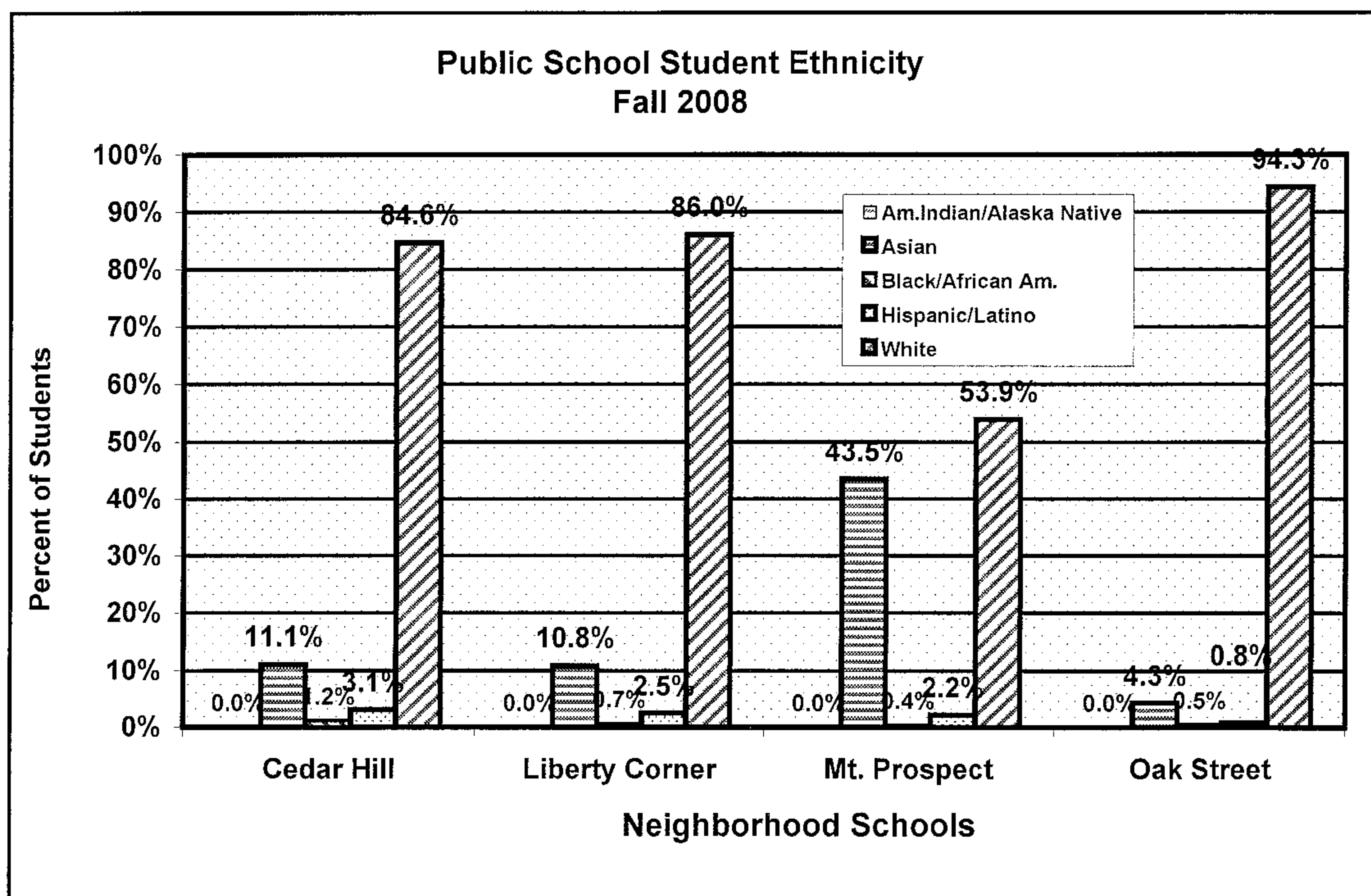
Graph 3a



Graph 4a

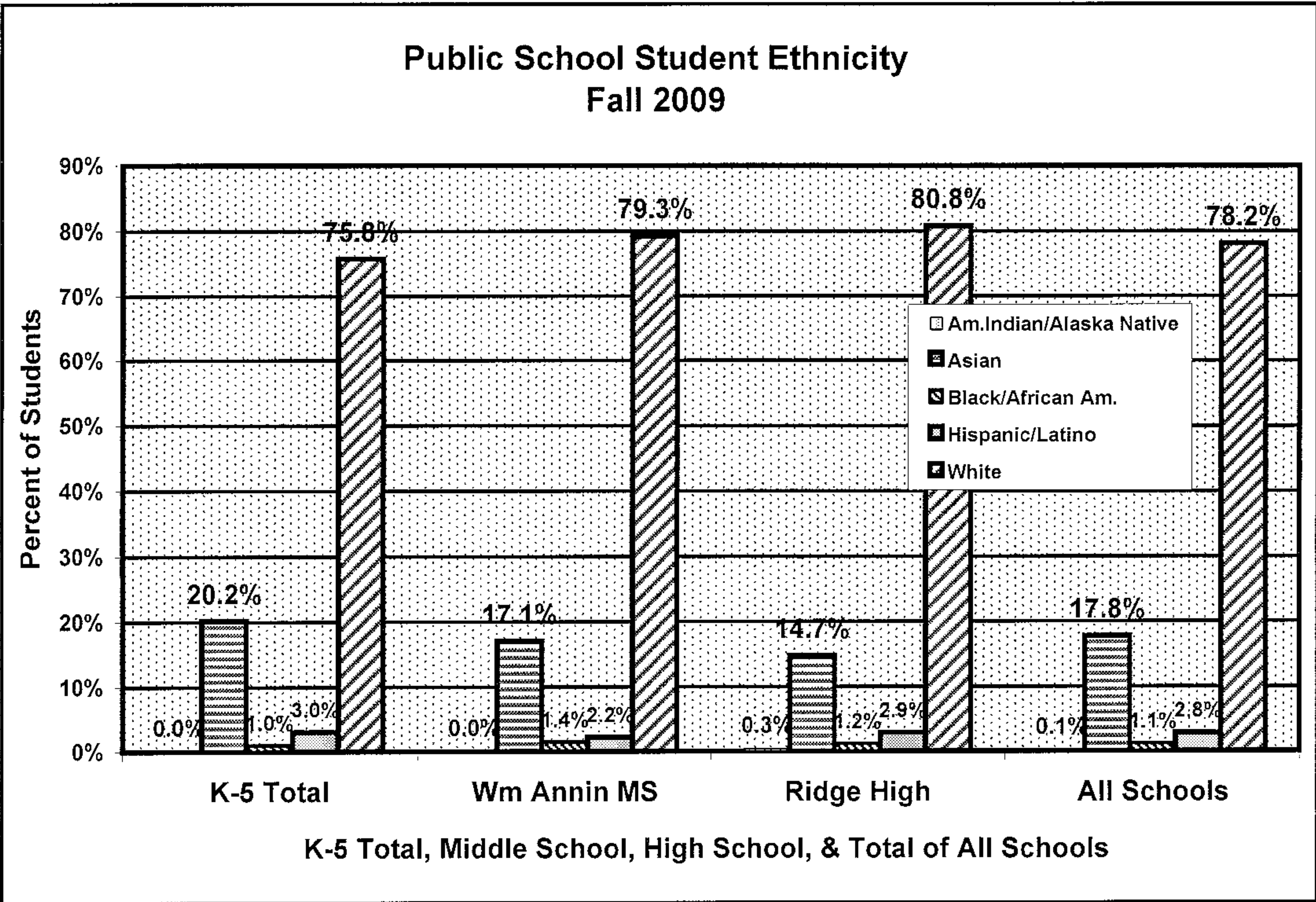


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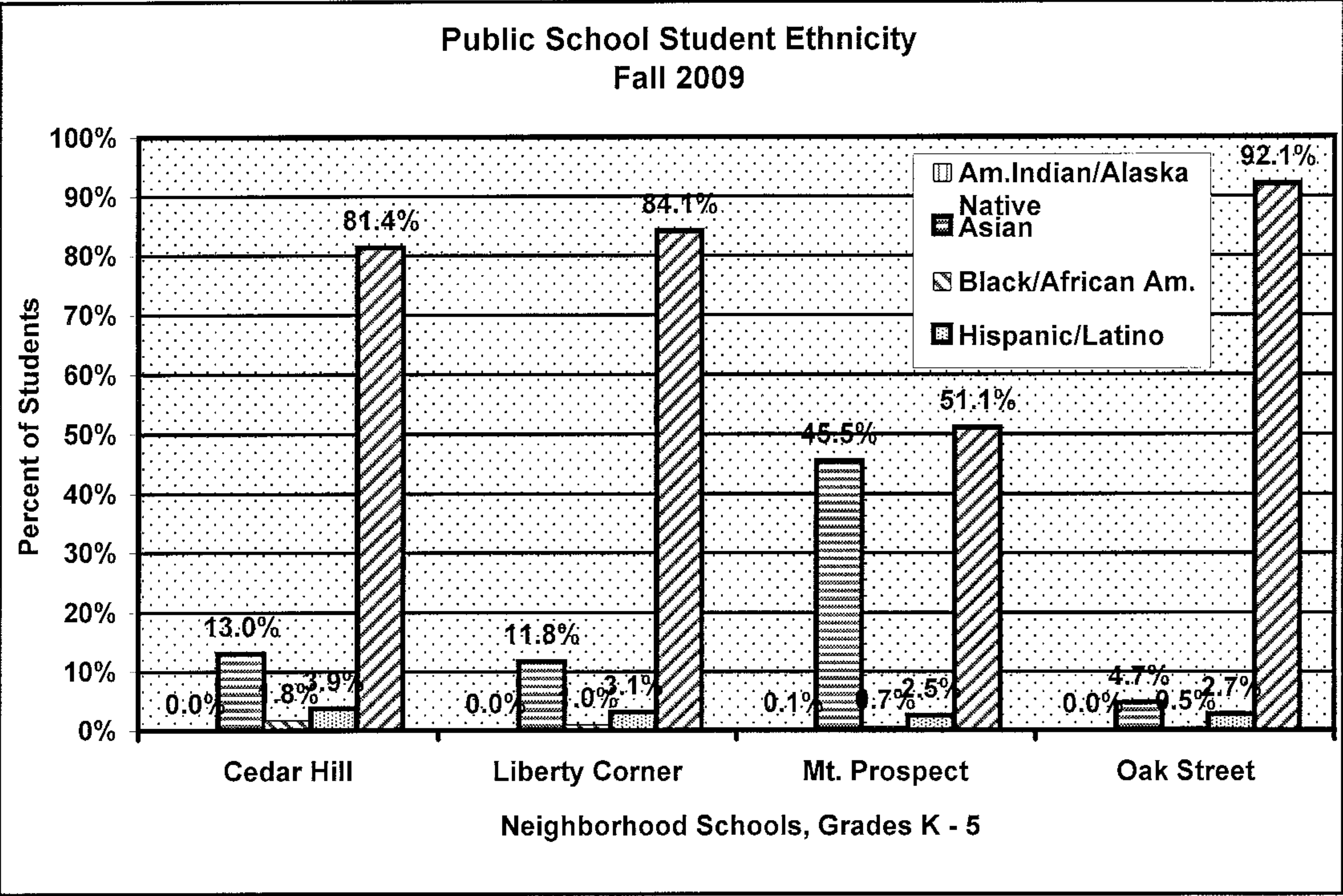


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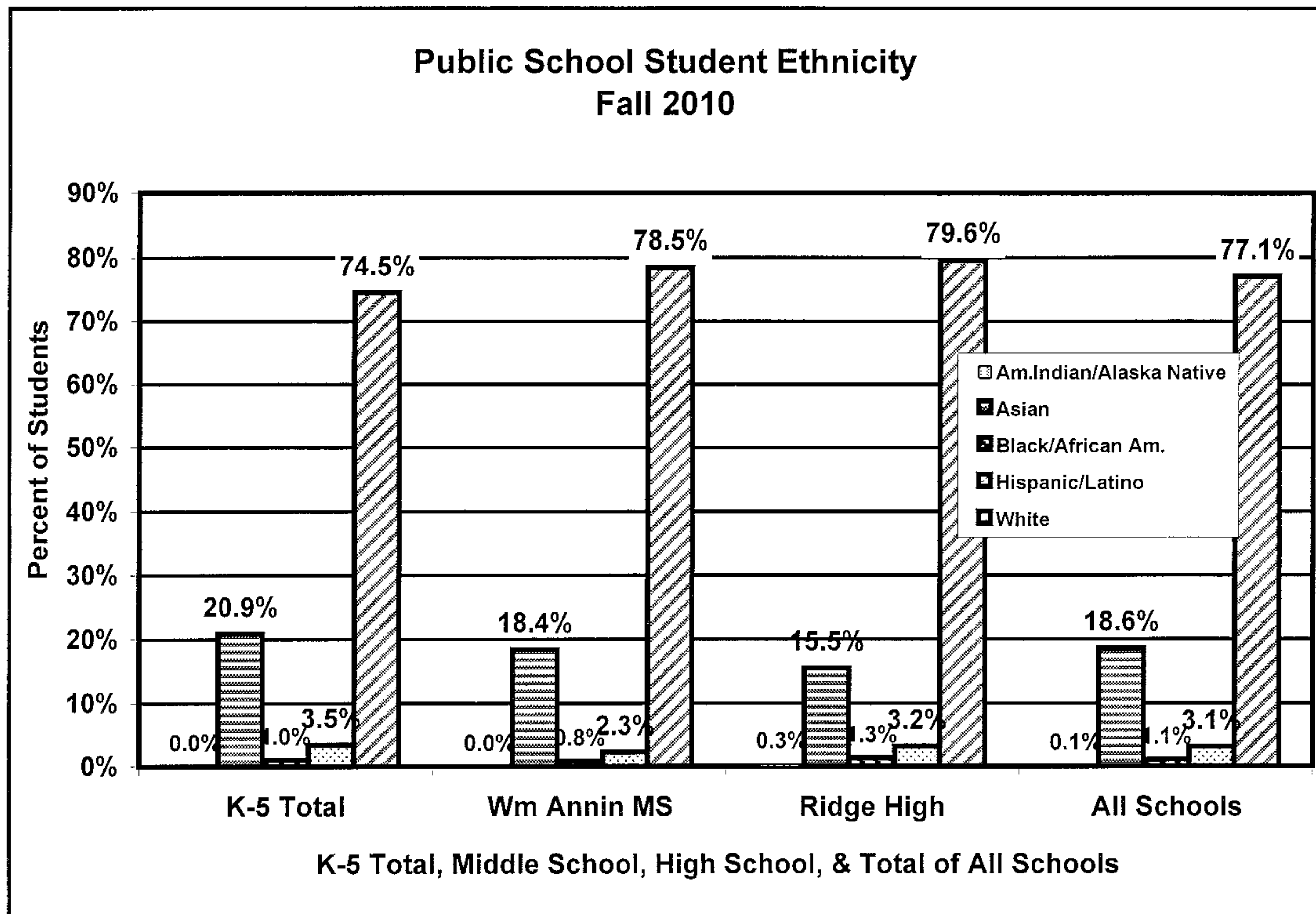




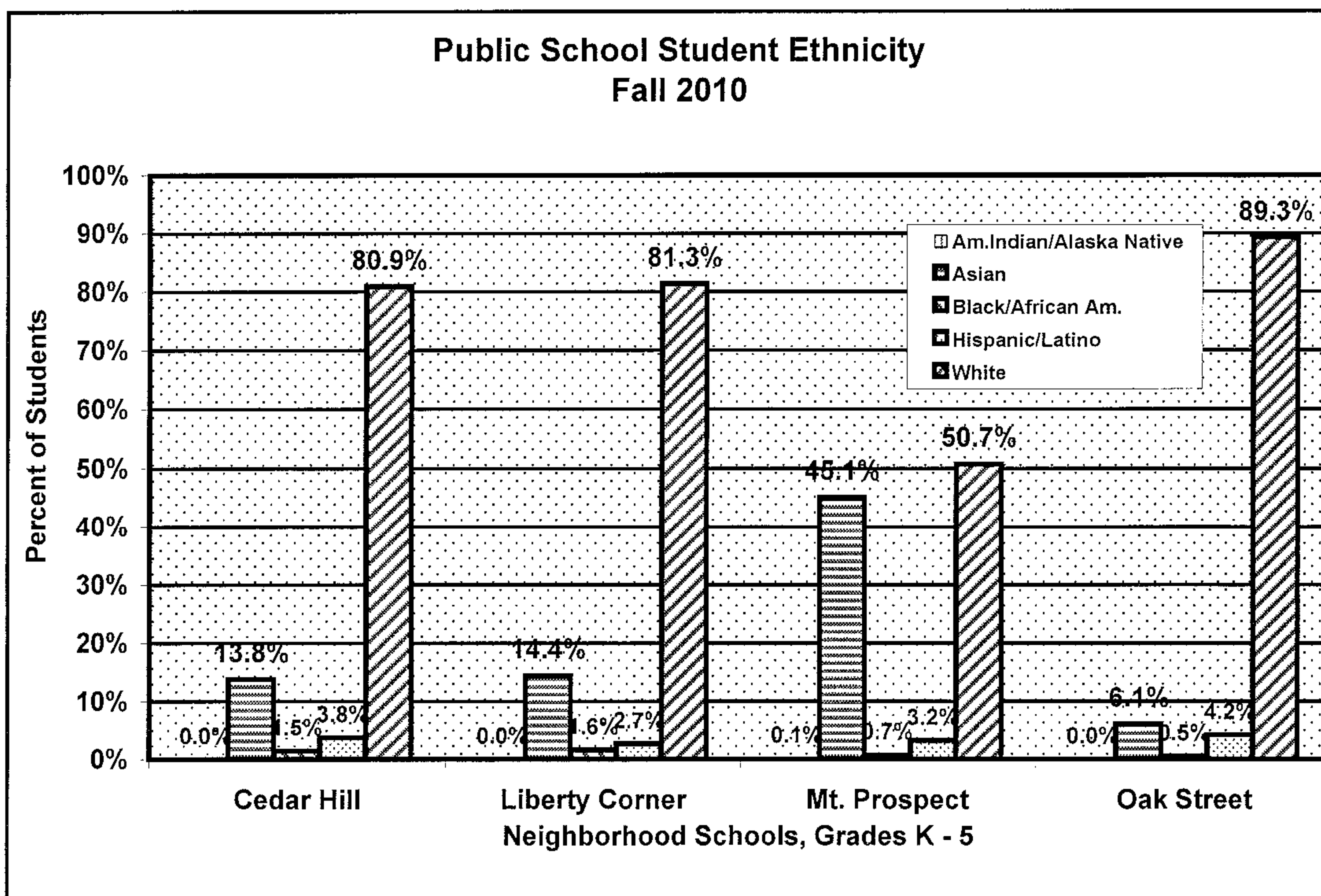
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Graph 4c

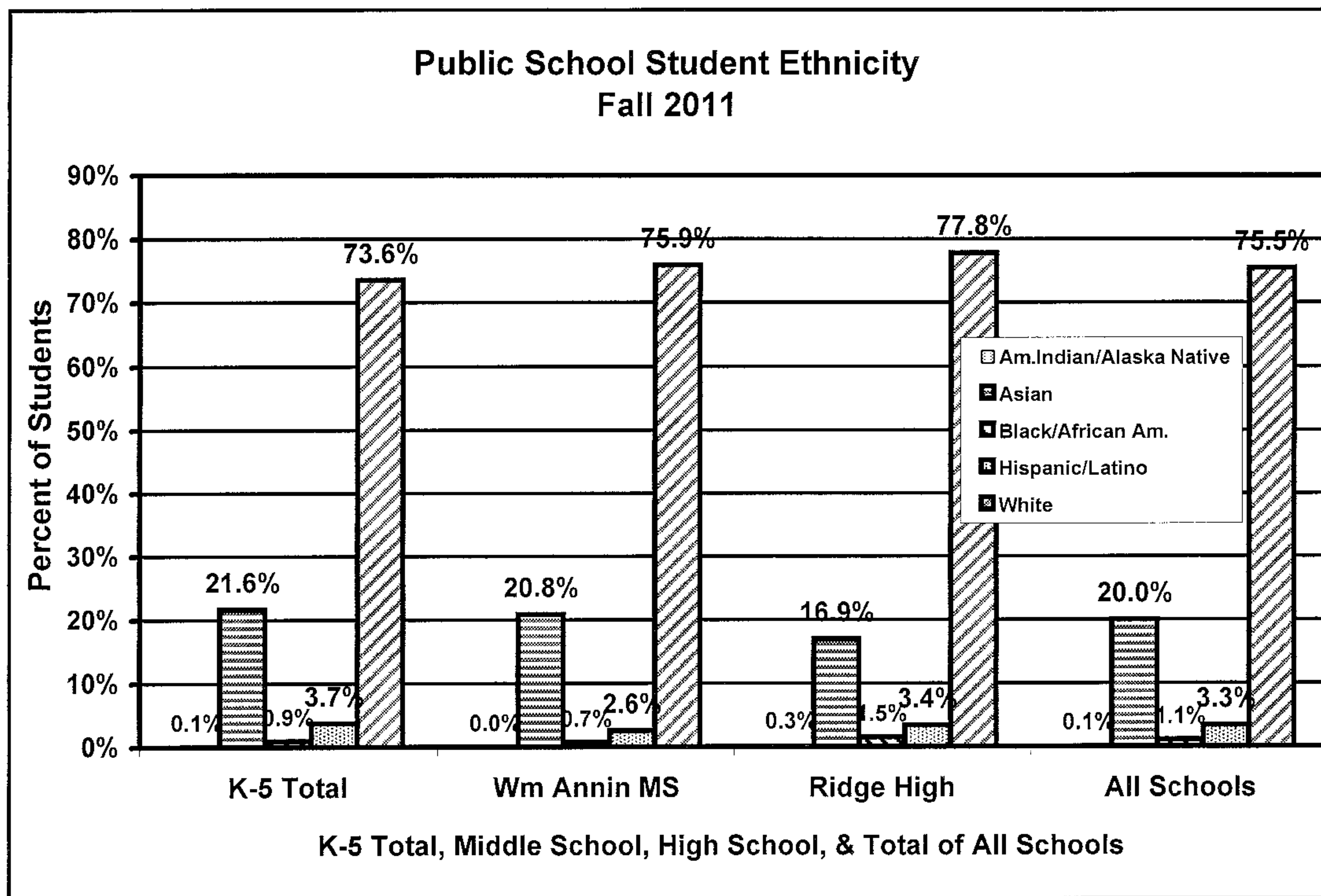


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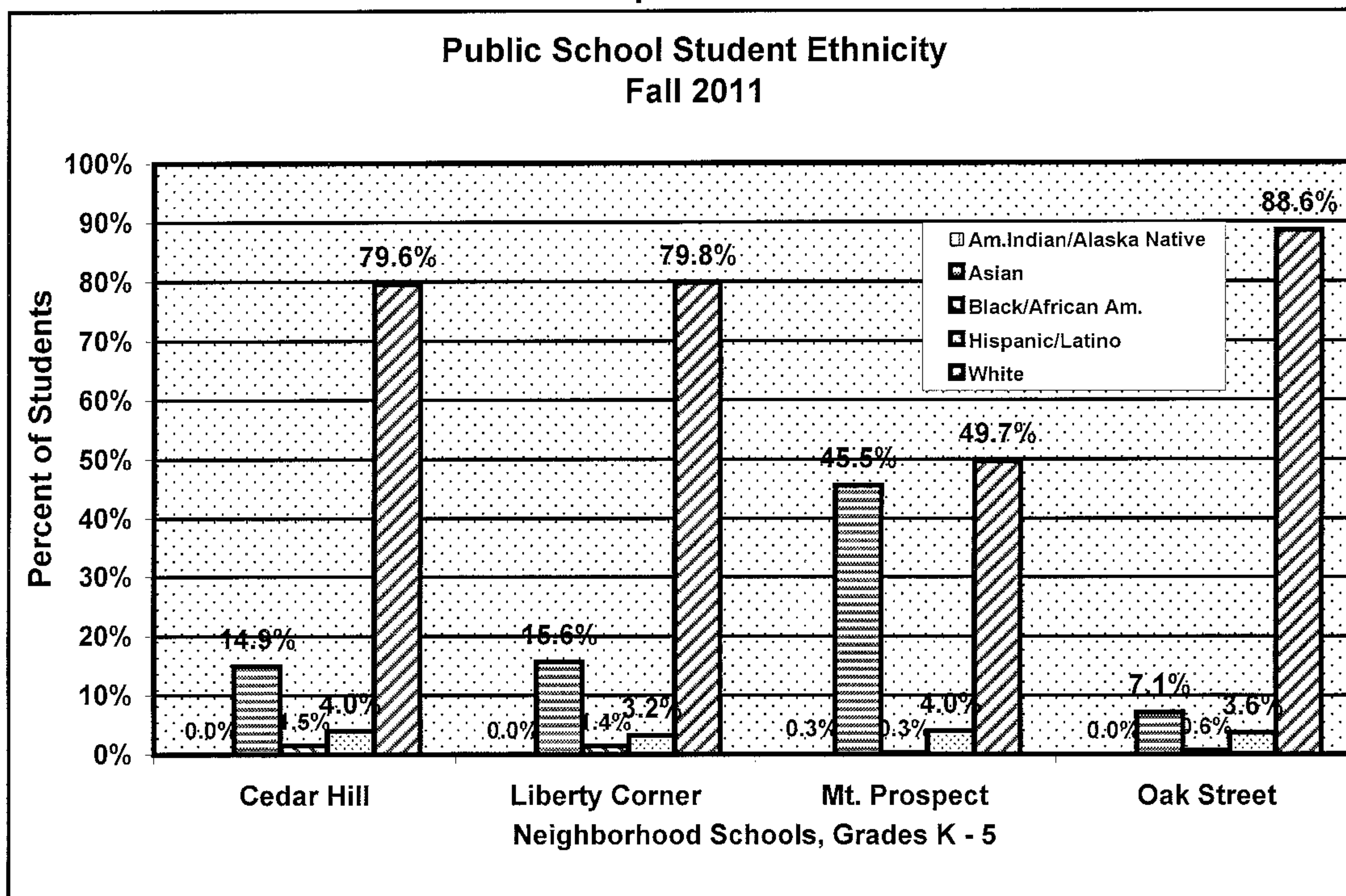


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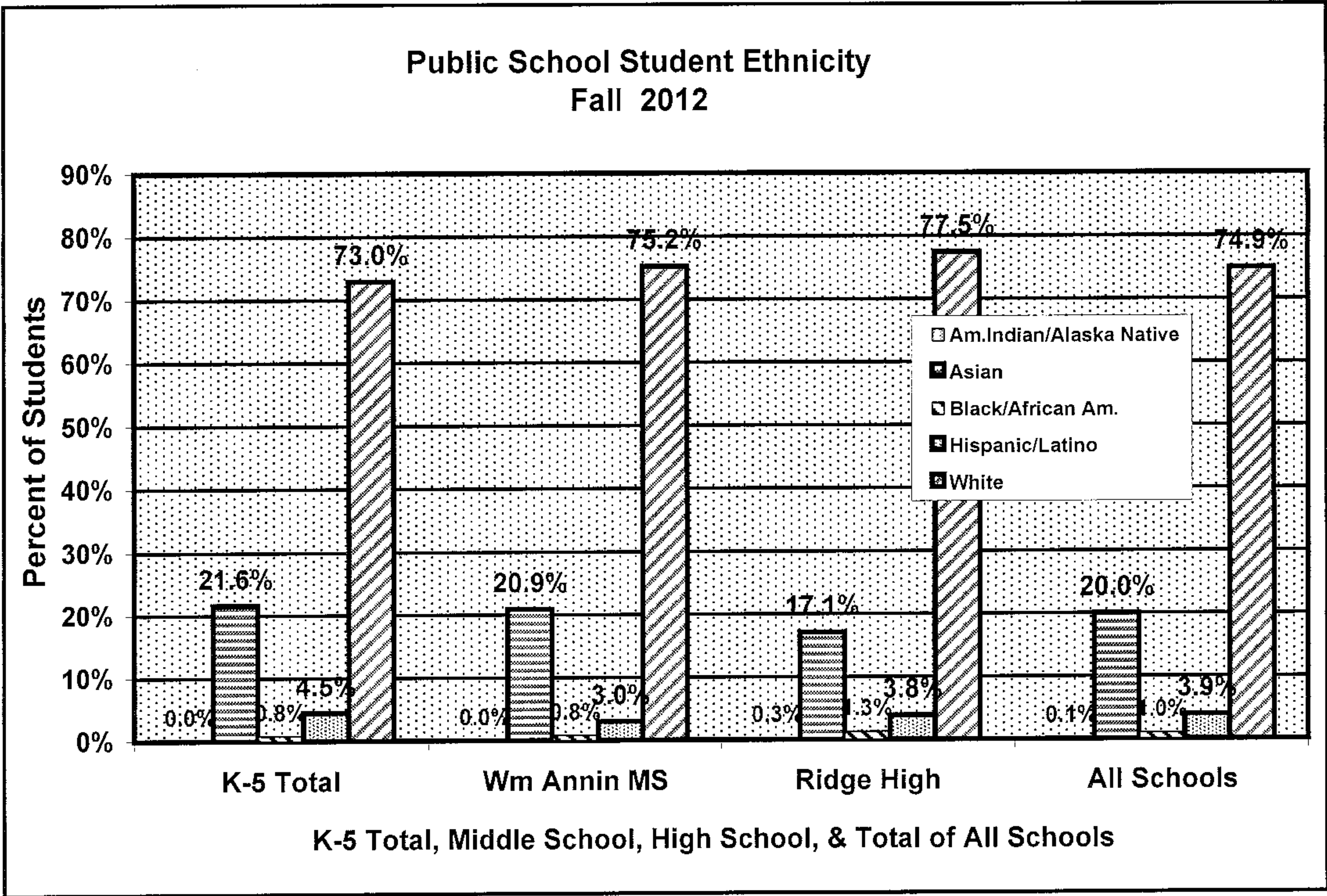




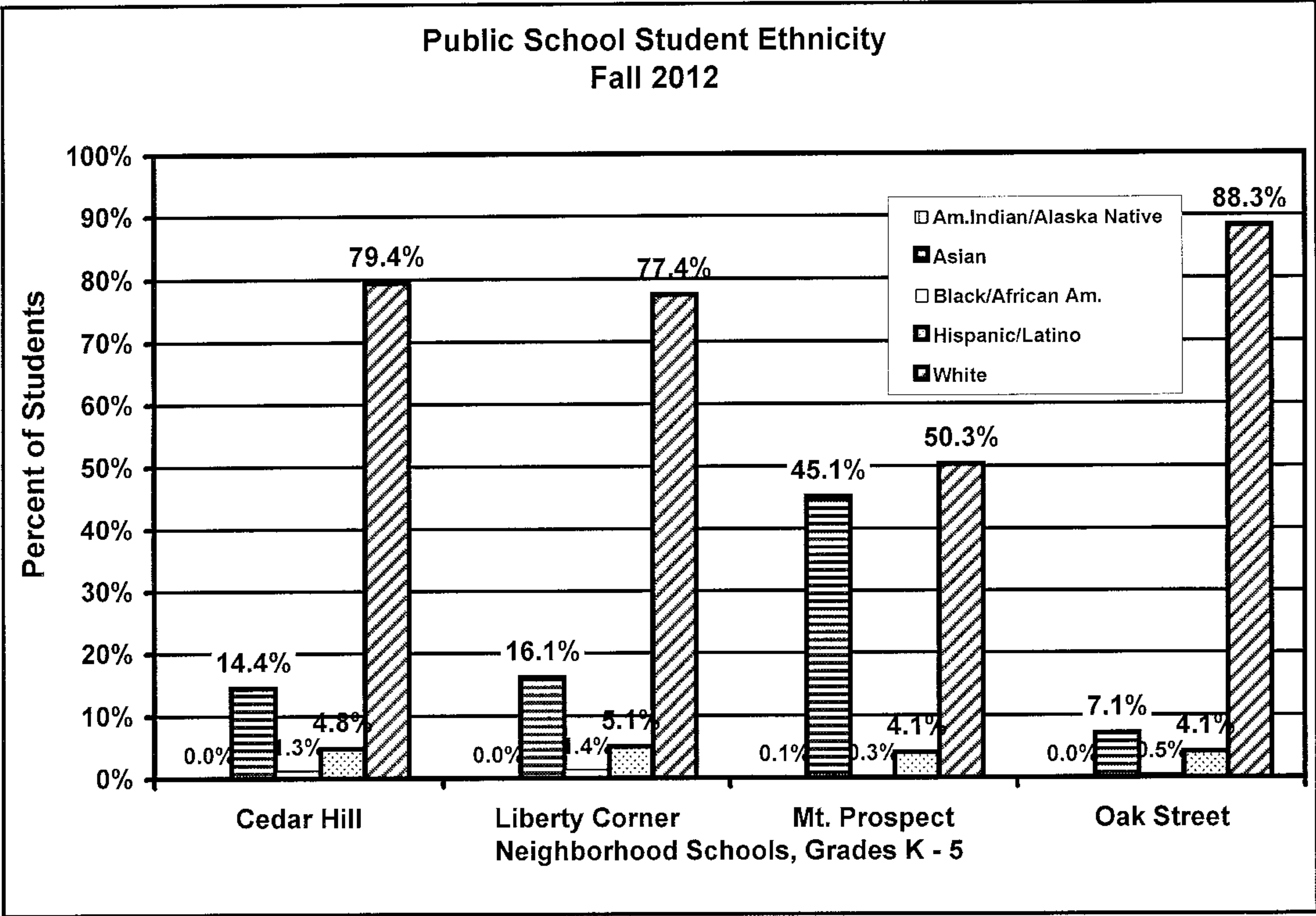
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Graph 4e

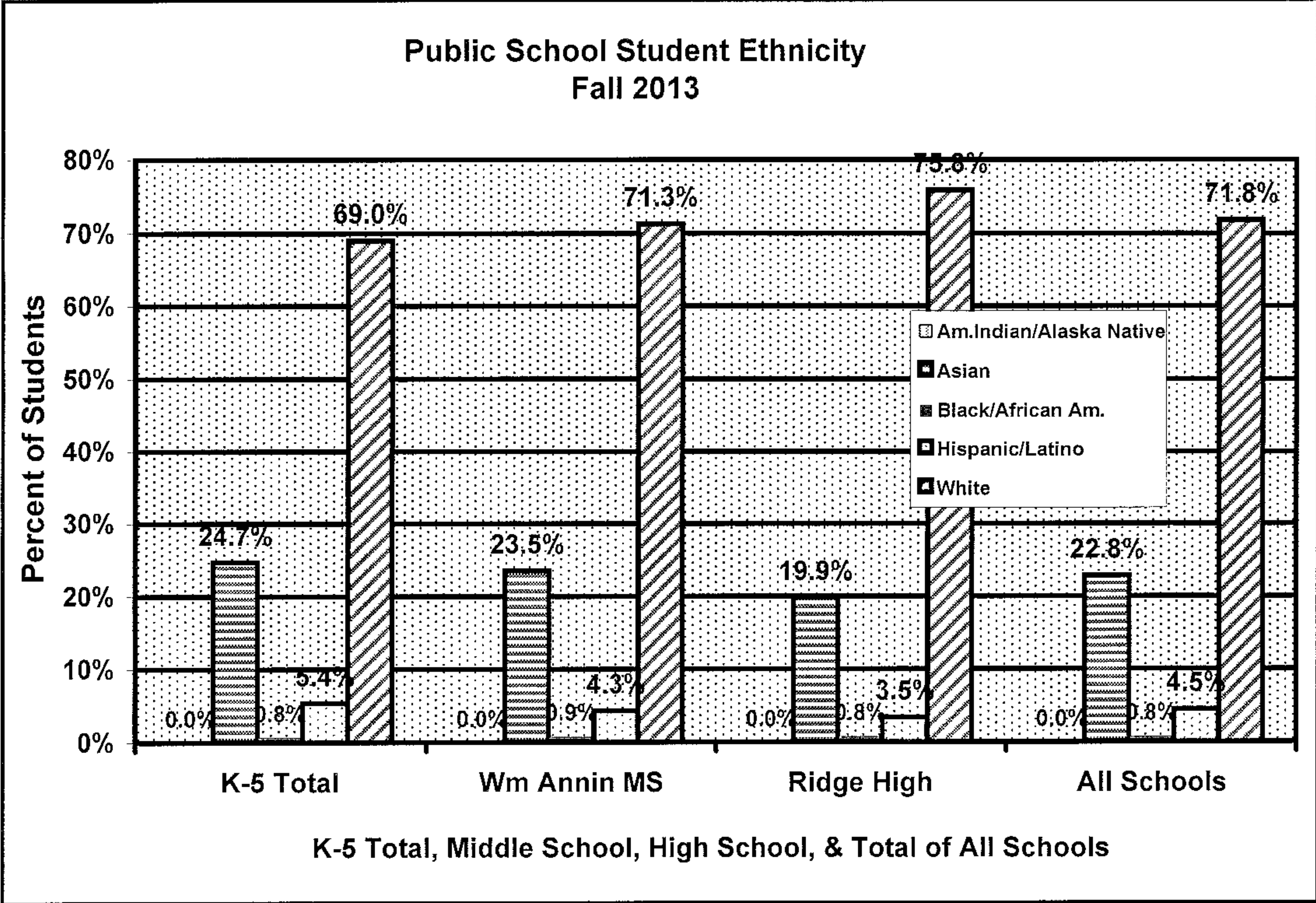


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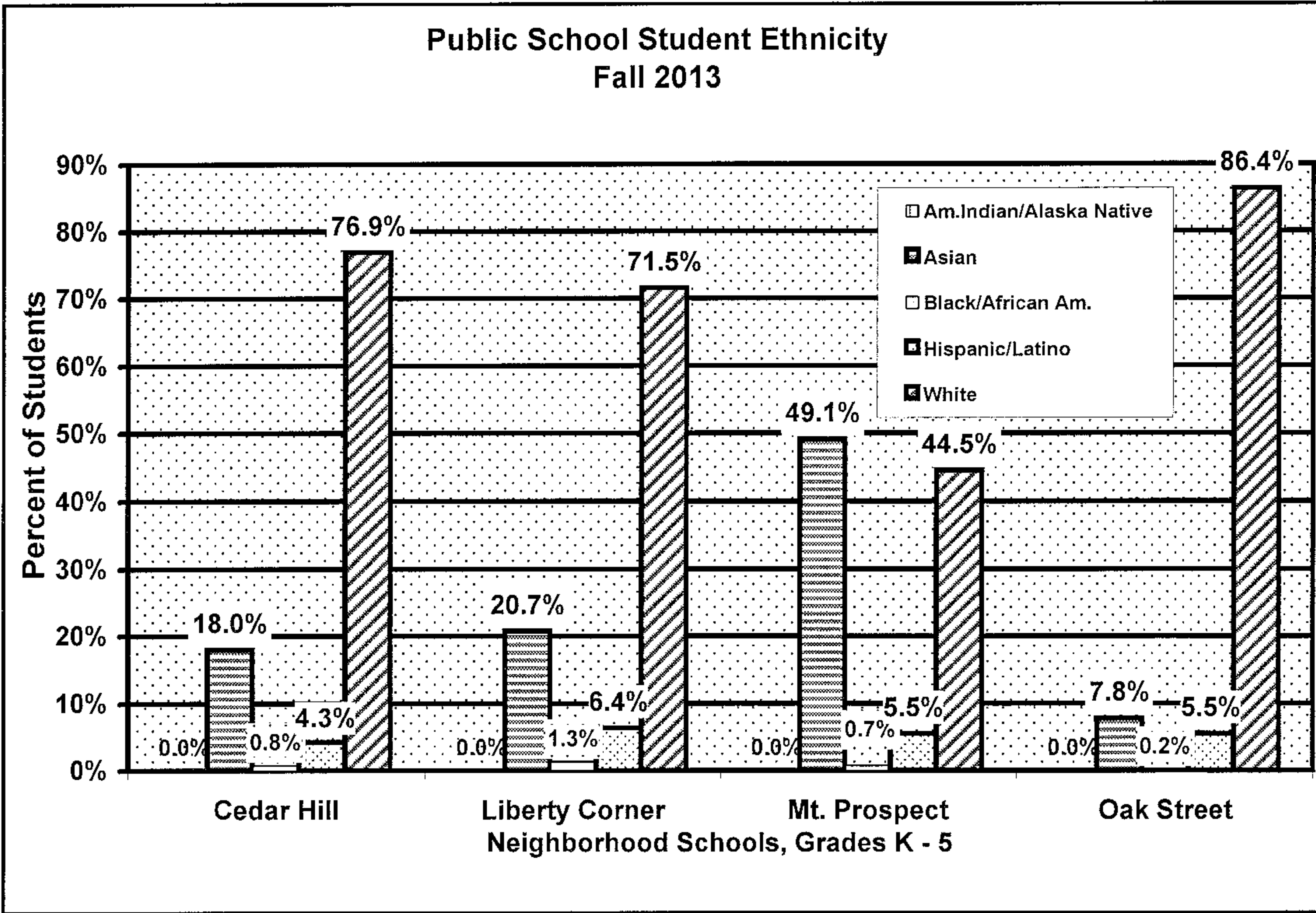


Graph 4f





Graph 3g



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