# Attendance Rates in Public Schools

An Analysis of Student Groups and Attendance Rates

#### **Project Overview**

- Attendance rates compared to different student groups
- Attendance rates are an important part of a school's overall Academic Performance Index (API)
  - High attendance increases learning and therefore increases a school's API
  - Chronic absenteeism counts against a school's API
- Looking at attendance rates by student groups allows us to know which student groups and areas to provide supports for greater attendance rates.

#### The Data Sets

**Data Set 1:** This data set is a collection of the attendance rates of all public schools in the state of Connecticut for the past three schools years. The data is broken down into student count attendance rates by student groups. Through this data set, I investigated the differences between attendance amongst student groups.

Source: data.gov

**Data Set 2:** This data set has the demographics of school districts. It includes a list of the zip codes for each district in the state of Connecticut. This allowed me to map the school districts and their populations.

**Source:** Department of Education (.gov)

**Data Set 3**: This data set looks at each districts' API score and test scores. It is broken down by districts and allowed me to compare API scores to attendance.

Source: ct.gov

# Data Set 1

#### Data Set 1

- Breaks down into the following student groups:
  - Students with Disabilities
  - Free Meal Eligible
  - Reduced Price Meal Eligible
  - Free/Reduced Price Meal Eligible
  - English Learners
  - All Other Races
  - Black/African American
  - Hispanic/Latino of any race
  - White
  - Students with High Needs
  - Students without High Needs
  - All Students

- Looks at the following:
  - District
  - 2022-2023 Attendance Rates
  - 2022-2023 Student Counts
  - 2021-2022 Attendance Rates
  - 2021-2022 Student Counts
  - 2020-2021 Attendance Rates
  - 2020-2021 Student Counts

#### Data Set 1 - CT Public School Attendance

				2021-2022	021-2022		2020-2021	2019-2020	2019-2020		
				student count -	ttendance rate -	2020-2021	attendance	student	attendance	Reporting	
District code	District name	Category	Student group	year to date	ear to date	tudent count	rate	count	rate	period	Date update
00000CT	Connecticut		All Students	500285	0.9169	496092	0.9294	508346	0.9479	Jun-22	7/22/22
00000CT	Connecticut	Homelessness	Students Experiencing Homelessne	1814	0.8348	1735	0.8155	3916	0.8884	Jun-22	7/22/22
00000CT	Connecticut	Students With Disabilities	Students With Disabilities	78417	0.8899	76487	0.8946	80365	0.9277	Jun-22	7/22/22
00000CT	Connecticut	Free/Reduced Lunch	Free Meal Eligible	168984	0.8851	176225	0.8861	193706	0.9314	Jun-22	7/22/22
00000CT	Connecticut	Free/Reduced Lunch	Reduced Price Meal Eligible	29905	0.9184	30886	0.9299	27507	0.9518	Jun-22	7/22/22
00000CT	Connecticut	Free/Reduced Lunch	Free/Reduced Price Meal Eligible	198889	0.8901	207111	0.8927	221213	0.934	Jun-22	7/22/22
00000CT	Connecticut	English Learners	English Learners	43571	0.8976	40619	0.8948	45413	0.9389	Jun-22	7/22/22
00000CT	Connecticut	Race/Ethnicity	All other races	48700	0.9314	47339	0.9483	47260	0.9559	Jun-22	7/22/22
00000CT	Connecticut	Race/Ethnicity	Black or African American	63099	0.8941	62267	0.8931	64200	0.9401	Jun-22	7/22/22
00000CT	Connecticut	Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic/Latino of any race	146298	0.8935	138260	0.8975	136953	0.9362	Jun-22	7/22/22
00000CT	Connecticut	Race/Ethnicity	White	242188	0.9338	248226	0.9523	259933	0.9543	Jun-22	7/22/22
00000CT	Connecticut	High Needs	Students Without High Needs	241106	0.9398	236395	0.9616	241610	0.9606	Jun-22	7/22/22
00000CT	Connecticut	High Needs	Students With High Needs	248239	0.8954	251220	0.8996	266736	0.9361	Jun-22	7/22/22
0010011	Andover School District		All Students	161	0.9386	144	0.968	158	0.9502	Jun-22	7/22/22
0010011	Andover School District	Students With Disabilities	Students With Disabilities	23	0.9315					Jun-22	7/22/22
0010011	Andover School District	Free/Reduced Lunch	Free/Reduced Price Meal Eligible	30	0.9274	31	0.9414	37	0.9401	Jun-22	7/22/22
0010011	Andover School District	Race/Ethnicity	White	134	0.9365	115	0.9699	128	0.9479	Jun-22	7/22/22
0010011	Andover School District	High Needs	Students Without High Needs	113	0.941	100	0.9752	108	0.9552	Jun-22	7/22/22
0010011	Andover School District	High Needs	Students With High Needs	48	0.9328	44	0.9513	50	0.9389	Jun-22	7/22/22
0020011	Ansonia School District		All Students	2139	0.9045	2153	0.8923	2185	0.9413	Jun-22	7/22/22
0020011	Ansonia School District	Students With Disabilities	Students With Disabilities	369	0.8897	394	0.8692	411	0.9337	Jun-22	7/22/22
0020011	Ansonia School District	Free/Reduced Lunch	Free Meal Eligible	1192	0.8893	1217	0.8657	1312	0.9312	Jun-22	7/22/22
0020011	Ansonia School District	Free/Reduced Lunch	Reduced Price Meal Eligible	225	0.9282	213	0.9234	147	0.9563	Jun-22	7/22/22
0020011	Ansonia School District	Free/Reduced Lunch	Free/Reduced Price Meal Eligible	1417	0.8953	1430	0.8743	1459	0.9338	Jun-22	7/22/22
0020011	Ansonia School District	English Learners	English Learners	122	0.918	119	0.8951	129	0.9506	Jun-22	7/22/22
0020011	Ansonia School District	Race/Ethnicity	All other races	149	0.9191	166	0.9105	170	0.9451	Jun-22	7/22/22
0020011	Ansonia School District	Race/Ethnicity	Black or African American	434	0.8987	421	0.8693	434	0.9414	Jun-22	7/22/22
0020011	Ansonia School District	Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic/Latino of any race	987	0.8994	946	0.8798	923	0.9366	Jun-22	7/22/22
0020011	Ansonia School District	Race/Ethnicity	White	569	0.9136	620	0.9217	658	0.9468	Jun-22	7/22/22
0020011	Ansonia School District	High Needs	Students Without High Needs	528	0.9287	551	0.9389	587	0.9568	Jun-22	7/22/22
0020011	Ansonia School District	High Needs	Students With High Needs	1545	0.8968	1563	0.8764	1598	0.9355	Jun-22	7/22/22
0030011	Ashford School District		All Students	343	0.9309	344	0.955	348	0.9585	Jun-22	7/22/22
0030011	Ashford School District	Students With Disabilities	Students With Disabilities	46	0.9253	47	0.9573	56	0.9468	Jun-22	7/22/22
0030011	Ashford School District	Free/Reduced Lunch	Free Meal Eligible	92	0.9167	98	0.9281			Jun-22	7/22/22
0030011	Ashford School District	Free/Reduced Lunch	Reduced Price Meal Eligible	21	0.9174	28	0.9424			Jun-22	7/22/22

# Data Set 2

#### Data Set 2

- Breaks down into the following information:
  - School Districts in Connecticut

- Looks at the following:
  - School ID
  - District Name
  - Mailing Address
  - City
  - Zip Code
  - Telephone

#### Data Set 2 - CT Public School Demographics

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LEA I	State I ▼	District Name   ▼	Mailing Address <b>▼</b>	City ▼	Zip Code ▼	Telephone	, /º
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	T
900030	001	ANDOVER SCHOOL DISTRICT	35 SCHOOL ROAD	ANDOVER	06232	8607427339	8
900090	003	ASHFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT	P.O. BOX 128	ASHFORD	06278	8604291927	7
900150	005	BARKHAMSTED SCHOOL DISTRICT	65 RIPLEY HILL ROAD	BARKHAMSTED	06063	8607384016	7
900240	008	BETHANY SCHOOL DISTRICT	44 PECK ROAD	BETHANY	06524	2033931170	8
900390	013	BOZRAH SCHOOL DISTRICT	P.O. BOX 185	BOZRAH	06334	8608874873	8
900630	021	CANAAN SCHOOL DISTRICT	47 MAIN STREET	FALLS VILLAGE	06031	8608247791	7
900660	022	CANTERBURY SCHOOL DISTRICT	45 WESTMINSTER ROAD	CANTERBURY	06331	8605466950	7
900720	024	CHAPLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT	P.O. BOX 277	CHAPLIN	06235	8604559306	7
900780	026	CHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT	P.O. BOX 187	DEEP RIVER	06417	8605262417	4
900870	029	COLEBROOK SCHOOL DISTRICT	452 SMITH HILL ROAD	COLEBROOK	06021	8603792179	7
900900	030	COLUMBIA SCHOOL DISTRICT	P.O. BOX 166	COLUMBIA	06237	8602289493	8
900930	031	CORNWALL SCHOOL DISTRICT	246 WARREN TURNPIKE RO	FALLS VILLAGE	06031	8606726617	7
901080	036	DEEP RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT	P.O. BOX 187	DEEP RIVER	06417	8605262417	4
901360	253	EASTERN CONNECTICUT REGIONAL	376 HARTFORD TURNPIKE	HAMPTON	06247	8604550707	6,7
901380	039	EASTFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT	P.O. BOX 158	EASTFORD	06242	8609741130	7
903512	242	EDUCATION CONNECTION	345 MAIN STREET	DANBURY	00010	8605670863	7
901500	050	ESSEX SCHOOL DISTRICT	P.O. BOX 187	DEEP RIVER	06417	8605262417	4
900018	272	EXPLORATIONS DISTRICT	286 MAIN STREET	WINSTED	06098	8607389070	6
901590	053	FRANKLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT	206 POND ROAD	NORTH FRANKLIN	06254	8606427063	8
901890	063	HAMPTON SCHOOL DISTRICT	P.O. BOX 277	CHAPLIN	06235	8604559306	7
901950	065	HARTLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT	30 SOUTH ROAD	EAST HARTLAND	06027	8606537207	8
902040	068	KENT SCHOOL DISTRICT	246 WARREN TURNPIKE RO	FALLS VILLAGE	06031	8609273537	7
902190	073	LISBON SCHOOL DISTRICT	15 NEWENT ROAD	LISBON	06351	8603765565	8
902760	092	NEW HARTFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT	P.O. BOX 315	NEW HARTFORD	06057	8603798546	7
902940	098	NORFOLK SCHOOL DISTRICT	128 GREENWOODS ROAD EA	NORFOLK	06058	8605425553	7
903000	100	NORTH CANAAN SCHOOL DISTRICT	246 WARREN TURNPIKE RO	FALLS VILLAGE	06031	8608245149	7
903360	112	POMFRET SCHOOL DISTRICT	20 POMFRET STREET	POMFRET CENTER	06259	8609282718	7
903420	114	PRESTON SCHOOL DISTRICT	435 SHETUCKET TURNPIKE	PRESTON	06365	8608896098	8
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# Cleaning/Exploring Process

#### **Preliminary Cleaning Process**

- Imported csv
- Checked counts for each column
- Retrieved all column names
- Checked for data types

```
In [3]: #Count number of districts
        name_unique = data_set_df["District name"].value_counts()
        name count = len(name unique)
        name_count
Out[3]: 201
In [4]: #List all columns
        data set df.columns
Out[4]: Index(['District code', 'District name', 'Category', 'Student group',
                '2021-2022 student count - year to date',
                '2021-2022 attendance rate - year to date', '2020-2021 student c
        ount',
                '2020-2021 attendance rate', '2019-2020 student count',
                '2019-2020 attendance rate', 'Reporting period', 'Date update'],
              dtype='object')
In [5]: #Check for incomplete rows
        data set df.count()
Out[5]: District code
                                                    2019
        District name
                                                    2019
        Category
                                                    1818
        Student group
                                                    2019
```

## **Cleaning - Resizing Data Frames**

Both data sets had more information than needed.

	District code	District name	Category	Student group	2021- 2022 student count - year to date	2021-2022 attendance rate - year to date	2020- 2021 student count	2020-2021 attendance rate	2019- 2020 student count	2019-2020 attendance rate	Reporting period	Date update
0	00000CT	Connecticut	NaN	All Students	500285	0.9169	496092.0	0.9294	508346.0	0.9479	June 2022	07/22/2022
1	00000CT	Connecticut	Homelessness	Students Experiencing Homelessness	1814	0.8348	1735.0	0.8155	3916.0	0.8884	June 2022	07/22/2022
2	00000CT	Connecticut	Students With Disabilities	Students With Disabilities	78417	0.8899	76487.0	0.8946	80365.0	0.9277	June 2022	07/22/2022
3	00000CT	Connecticut	Free/Reduced Lunch	Free Meal Eligible	168984	0.8851	176225.0	0.8861	193706.0	0.9314	June 2022	07/22/2022
4	00000CT	Connecticut	Free/Reduced Lunch	Reduced Price Meal Eligible	29905	0.9184	30886.0	0.9299	27507.0	0.9518	June 2022	07/22/2022
5	00000CT	Connecticut	Free/Reduced Lunch	Free/Reduced Price Meal Eligible	198889	0.8901	207111.0	0.8927	221213.0	0.9340	June 2022	07/22/2022
6	00000CT	Connecticut	English Learners	English Learners	43571	0.8976	40619.0	0.8948	45413.0	0.9389	June 2022	07/22/2022
7	00000CT	Connecticut	Race/Ethnicity	All other races	48700	0.9314	47339.0	0.9483	47260.0	0.9559	June 2022	07/22/2022
8	00000CT	Connecticut	Race/Ethnicity	Black or African American	63099	0.8941	62267.0	0.8931	64200.0	0.9401	June 2022	07/22/2022
9	00000CT	Connecticut	Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic/Latino of any race	146298	0.8935	138260.0	0.8975	136953.0	0.9362	June 2022	07/22/2022

## **Cleaning - Filtering and Merging Data Frames**

- .loc to filter by groups
- MergedDataFrames

	District name	Student group_x	2021-2022 student count - year to date_x	2021-2022 attendance rate - year to date	Student group_y	2021-2022 student count - year to date_y
0	Connecticut	All Students	500285	0.9169	English Learners	43571
1	Ansonia School District	All Students	2139	0.9045	English Learners	122
2	Avon School District	All Students	3057	0.9457	English Learners	76
3	Berlin School District	All Students	2613	0.9341	English Learners	95
4	Bethel School District	All Students	3102	0.9375	English Learners	167

## **Exploring - Calculate Total Percentages**

```
#Calculate ELL percents of total
merged_ell_df["Percentage ELL"]=merged_ell_df["2021-2022 student count - year to date_y"]\
/merged_ell_df['2021-2022 student count - year to date_x']
#Check Count
merged_ell_df.head()
```

	District name	Student group_x	2021-2022 student count - year to date_x	2021-2022 attendance rate - year to date	Student group_y	2021-2022 student count - year to date_y	Percentage ELL
0	Connecticut	All Students	500285	0.9169	English Learners	43571	0.087092
1	Ansonia School District	All Students	2139	0.9045	English Learners	122	0.057036
2	Avon School District	All Students	3057	0.9457	English Learners	76	0.024861
3	Berlin School District	All Students	2613	0.9341	English Learners	95	0.036357
4	Bethel School District	All Students	3102	0.9375	English Learners	167	0.053836

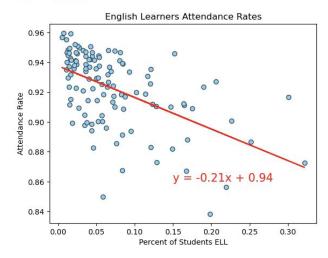
Added new column where calculated percentage of student group

# Plotting

#### **Plot - Scatter Plot**

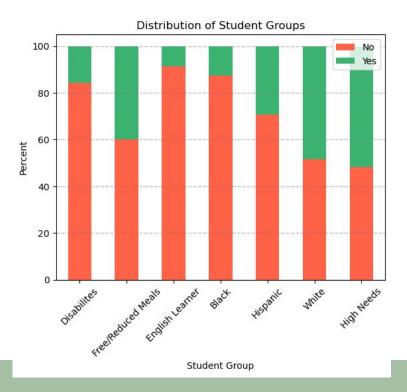
```
#Plot ELL Attendance Rates
x_values = merged_ell_df["Percentage ELL"]
y values = merged ell df["2021-2022 attendance rate - year to date"]
(slope, intercept, rvalue, pvalue, stderr) = linregress(x_values, y_values)
regress values = x values * slope + intercept
line_eq = "y = " + str(round(slope,2)) + "x + " + str(round(intercept,2))
plt.scatter(x values, y values, edgecolors="darkslategray", facecolors="lightskyblue")
plt.plot(x_values, regress_values, "r-")
plt.xlabel('Percent of Students ELL')
plt.ylabel('Attendance Rate')
plt.annotate(line_eq,(0.15,0.86),fontsize=15, color = "red")
plt.title("English Learners Attendance Rates")
print(rvalue)
#Save Figure
plt.savefig("Images/ScatterELL.png")
plt.show()
```

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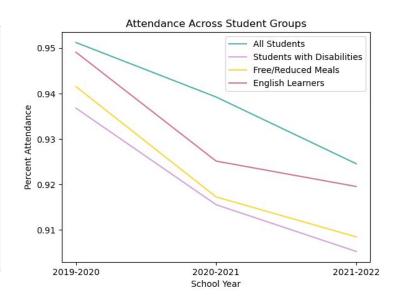
#### Plot - Stacked Bar Graph

```
#Stacked Bar Graph
plotdata=pd.DataFrame({
    "No": [no disabilities percent, no fr percent, no ell percent, no black percent,
          no his percent, no white percent, no needs percent],
    "Yes": [disabilities_percent, fr_percent, ell_percent, black_percent, his_percent,
           white percent, needs percent]
    index = ["Disabilites", "Free/Reduced Meals", "English Learner", "Black", "Hispanic",
             "White", "High Needs"])
plotdata.plot(rot=45, kind="bar", stacked = True, color={"No" : "tomato", "Yes":
                                                         "mediumseagreen"})
plt.title("Distribution of Student Groups")
plt.xlabel("Student Group")
plt.vlabel("Percent")
plt.grid(color="gray", linestyle="--", linewidth=1, axis="y", alpha=0.5)
#Save image
plt.savefig("Images/StackedBar.png", bbox inches="tight")
#Plot
plt.show()
```



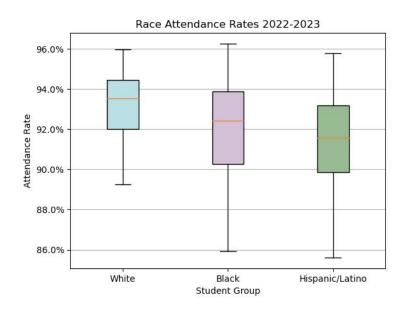
#### **Plot - Line Graphs**

```
#Student Groups Line Graph
x = ["2019-2020", "2020-2021", "2021-2022"]
all student = [attendance 2020 mean, attendance 2021 mean, attendance 2022 mean]
dis = [dis_2020_mean, dis_2021_mean, dis_2022_mean]
fr = [fr_2020_mean, fr_2021_mean, fr_2022_mean]
ell = [ell 2020 mean, ell 2021 mean, ell 2022 mean]
plt.plot(x, all student, color="lightseagreen", label = "All Students")
plt.plot(x, dis, color="plum", label = "Students with Disabilities")
plt.plot(x, fr, color="gold", label = "Free/Reduced Meals")
plt.plot(x, ell, color = "palevioletred", label="English Learners")
plt.xlabel("School Year")
plt.vlabel("Percent Attendance")
plt.legend()
plt.title("Attendance Across Student Groups")
plt.savefig("Images/StudentGroupsLinePlot.png")
plt.show()
```



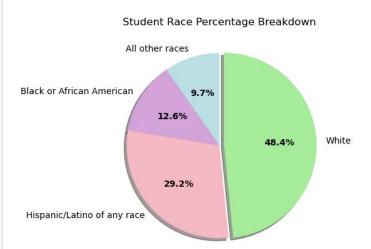
#### **Plot - Box and Whisker**

```
#Races Plot No Outliers
labels = ["White", "Black", "Hispanic/Latino"]
#Plot
x_axis = [rates_2022_white, rates_2022_black, rates_2022_his]
fig, ax1 = plt.subplots()
ax1.set vlabel("Attendance Rate")
ax1.set xlabel("Student Group")
bp white = ax1.boxplot(x axis, patch artist = True, labels = labels, showfliers=False)
colors = ["powderblue", "thistle", "darkseagreen"]
for patch, color in zip(bp_white['boxes'], colors):
    patch.set facecolor(color)
ax1.set_title("Race Attendance Rates 2022-2023")
ax1.yaxis.grid(True)
ax1.yaxis.set major formatter(mtick.PercentFormatter(xmax=1, decimals=None, symbol='%', is latex=False))
plt.savefig("Images/RacesNoOutBoxPlot.png")
plt.show()
```



#### **Plot - Pie Charts**

```
#Races Piechart
#Labels
labels = student_group
#Values
values = student count
#Colors
colors = ["powderblue", "plum", "lightpink", "lightgreen"]
#Explode
explode = (0, 0, 0, 0.05)
#Plot with percents
fig1, ax1 = plt.subplots()
_, _, autopcts = ax1.pie(values,explode= explode, labels=labels, autopct='%1.1f%',
        shadow=True.startangle=90. colors=colors)
plt.setp(autopcts, color='black', fontweight='bold')
#plt.pie(values, explode=explode, labels=labels, colors=colors,
      # autopct="%1.1f%", shadow=True, startangle=90)
#plt.legend(labels, loc="lower right")
plt.title("Student Race Percentage Breakdown")
plt.savefig("Images/RacesPie.png", bbox_inches="tight")
plt.show()
```



# API - Geoapify

## **Cleaning - Reducing Data Frame**

```
#Attempt to clean out populations
all_students_df = data_set_df.loc[(data_set_df["Student group"]=="All Students")]
all_students_df = all_students_df[["District name", "2021-2022 student count - year to date"
all_students_df["District name"] = all_students_df["District name"].str.upper()
all_students_df
```

#### District name 2021-2022 student count - year to date 0 CONNECTICUT 500285 ANDOVER SCHOOL DISTRICT 161 19 ANSONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT 2139 31 ASHFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT 343 AVON SCHOOL DISTRICT 3057 1972 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #2 78 CONNECTICUT TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND CAREER SYSTEM 11138 1990 NORWICH FREE ACADEMY DISTRICT 2068 2002 THE GILBERT SCHOOL DISTRICT 421 2011 THE WOODSTOCK ACADEMY DISTRICT 1060

- Reduce to columns needed
- Make all uppercase District Name so can merge

201 rows x 2 columns

### **Exploring - Requests JSON**

 Build URL and test zipcode to view request

```
# Import API kev
from config3 import geoapify key
#Set up base API URL
zip code = "06473"
country = "United States"
url = f"https://api.geoapify.com/v1/geocode/search?text={zip_code}&format=json&apiKey={geoap.
geo data = requests.get(url).json()
pprint(geo_data)
{'query': {'parsed': {'expected_type': 'unknown', 'postcode': '06473'},
           'text': '06473'},
 'results': [{'address line1': 'North Haven',
              'address_line2': 'North Haven, CT 06473, United States of '
                                'America',
              'bbox': {'lat1': 41.221443578114,
                       'lat2': 41.541443578114,
                       'lon1': -73.019669765131.
                       'lon2': -72.699669765131},
              'city': 'North Haven',
              'country': 'United States',
              'country_code': 'us',
              'county': 'South Central Connecticut Planning Region',
              'datasource': {'attribution': '@ OpenStreetMap contributors',
                             'license': 'Open Database License'.
```

## **Exploring - Building Lists**

```
: zip code = []
  districts = []
  for item in merged_df["Zip Code"]:
      zip code.append(item)
  for district in merged df["2021-2022 student count - year to date"]:
      districts.append(district)
  districts
545.
   3057,
   199.
   2613.
   391,
   3102.
   1734.
   745,
   159.
   2527.
   18482,
   7439.
   2545.
   804,
   77.
   429,
   1462,
   143.
   4119,
   214.
```

```
district data = []
country code = "us"
i=0
for code in zip code:
        #zip_code_url = f"https://api.geoapify.com/v1/geocode/search?text={code}&format=json
       zip_code_url = f"https://api.geoapify.com/v1/geocode/search?text={code}%20{country_c
        zip_code_requests = requests.get(zip_code_url).json()
        print(f"Zip Code URL: {zip code url}")
    #Find Lat and Long
       zip_lat = zip_code_requests['results'][0]['lat']
       zip_lng = zip_code_requests['results'][0]['lon']
       zip code 1 = zip code requests["results"][0]["postcode"]
     # Append the City information into city data list
        district_data.append({"Zip Code": zip_code_1,
                          "Lat": zip lat,
                          "Lng": zip_lng,
                            "Population": districts[i]/75
                          })
        print(f"not working")
    i=i+1
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```

## **Exploring - Building Data Frame and Plot**

- Turn list of collected data into
   Data Frame
- Plot Data Frame using hvplot

```
map_plot_1 = district_data_df.hvplot.points(
    "Lng",
    "Lat",
    s="Population",
    geo = True,
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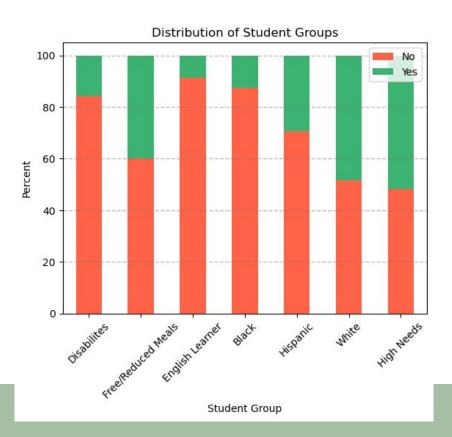
)
hvplot.save(map_plot_1, "population.png")
map_plot_1

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s width and height to be set: figure(id='p1951', ...)
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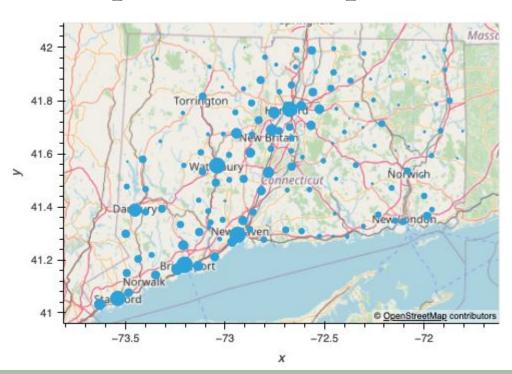


# Results

#### **Breakdown of Student Groups**

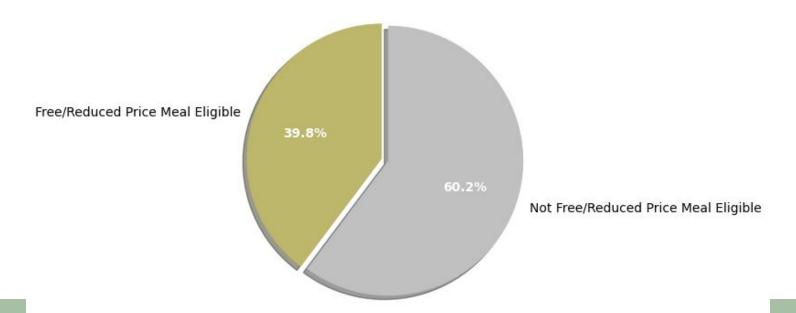


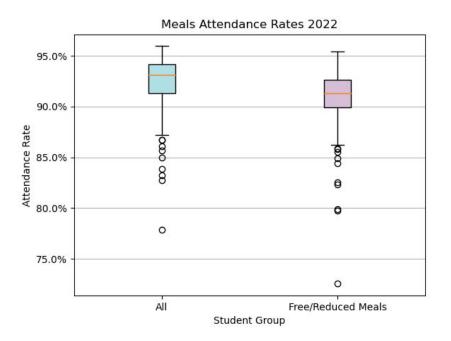
#### **Map of Student Population**

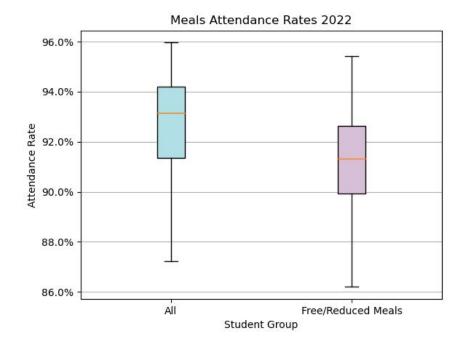


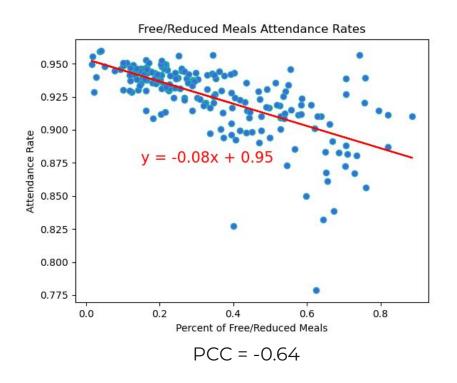
## 1.) Is there a correlation between the percentage of students receiving free or reduced meals in a district with the overall district attendance rate?

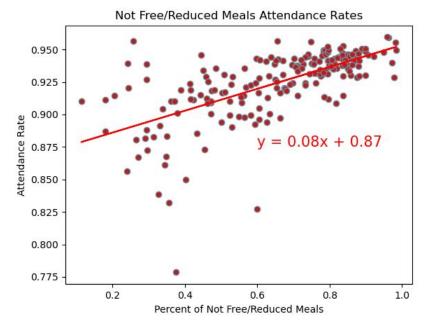
Free/Reduced Meals Percentage Breakdown

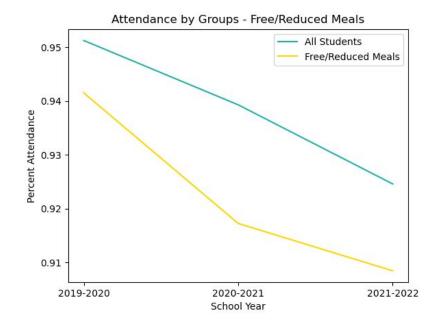


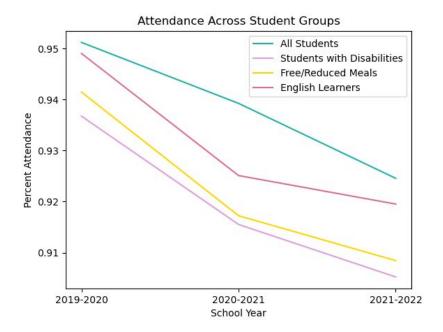






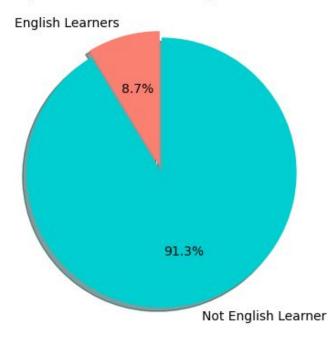


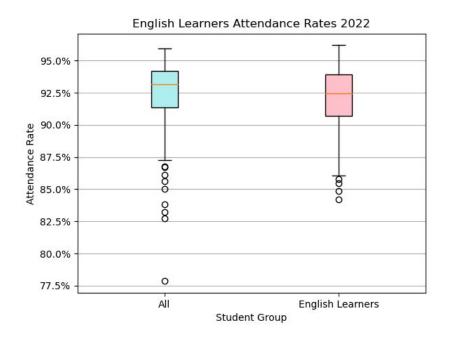


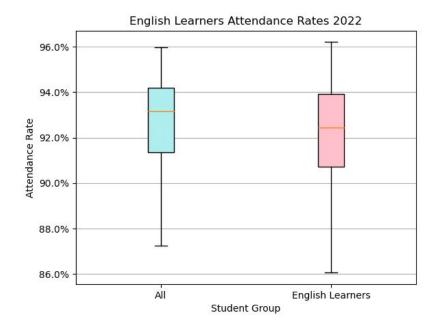


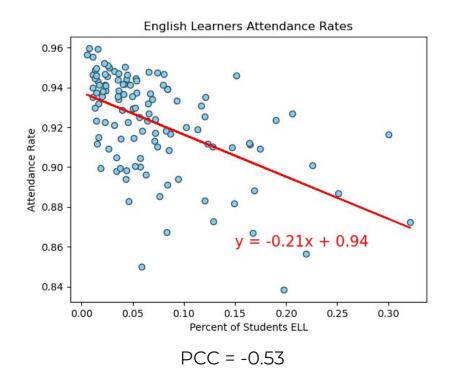
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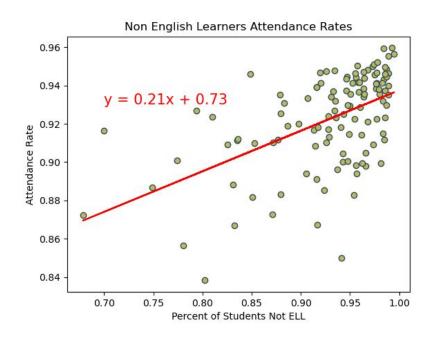
English Learners Percentage Breakdown



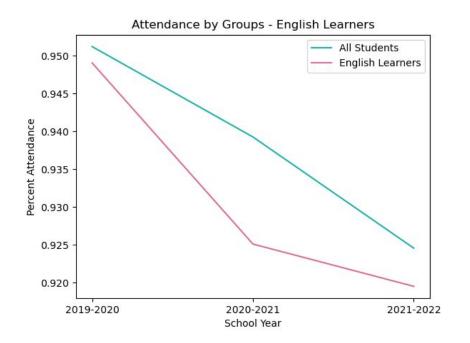


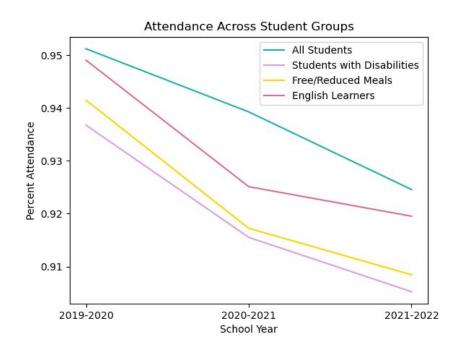






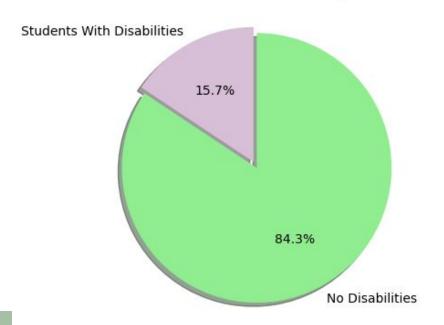
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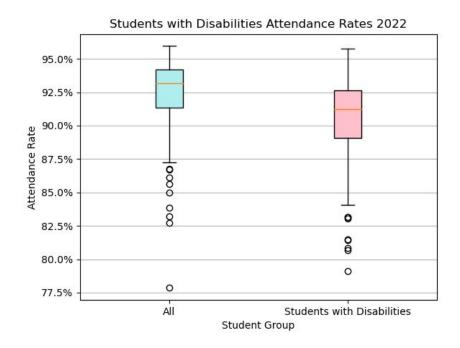


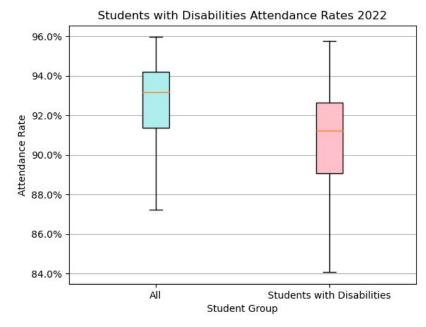


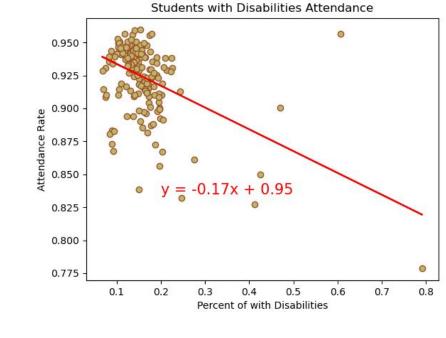
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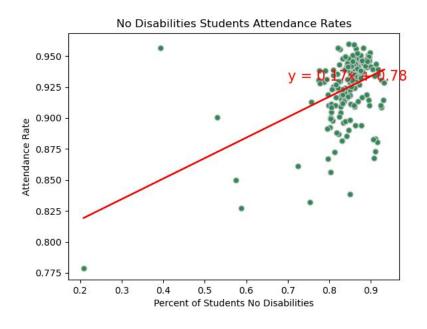
Students with Disabilities Percentage Breakdown



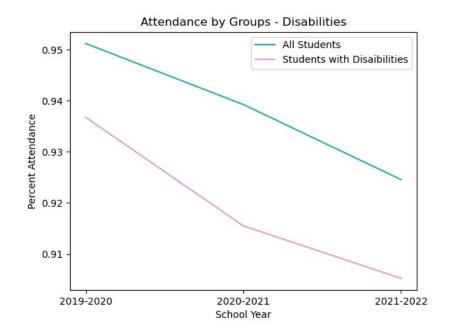


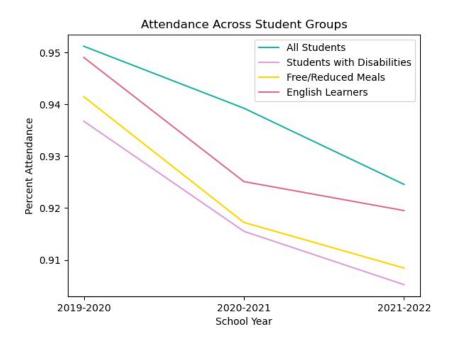






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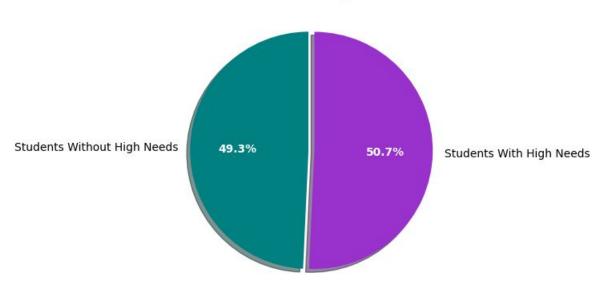


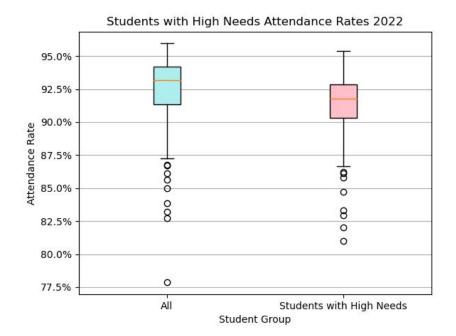
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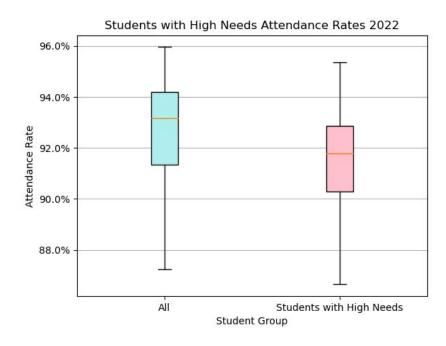
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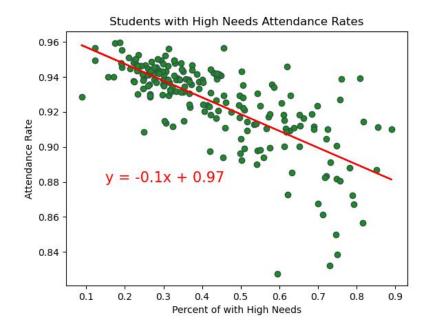
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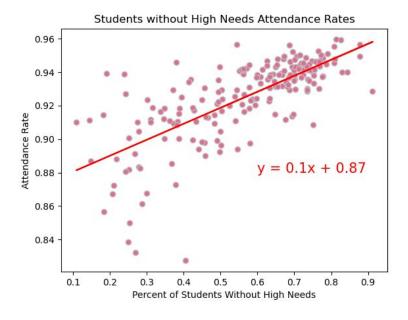
Student Needs Percentage Breakdown





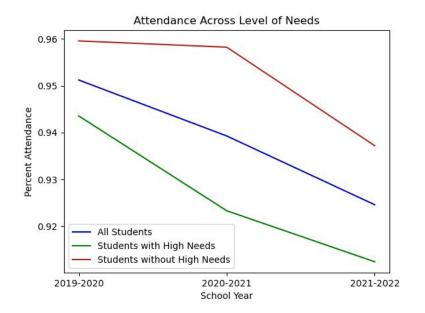


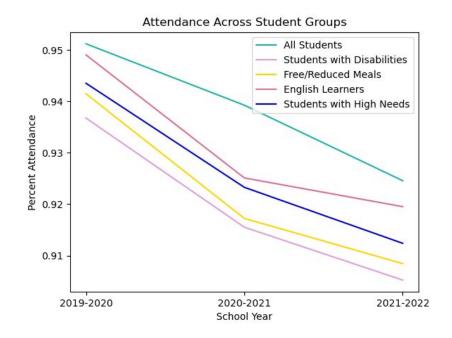




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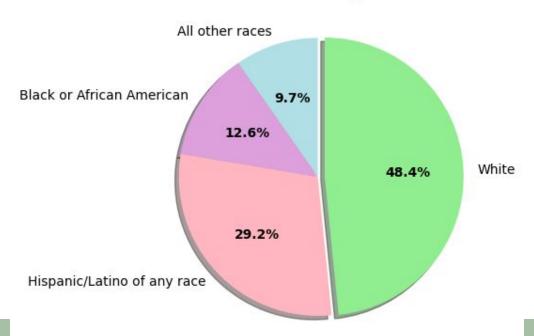
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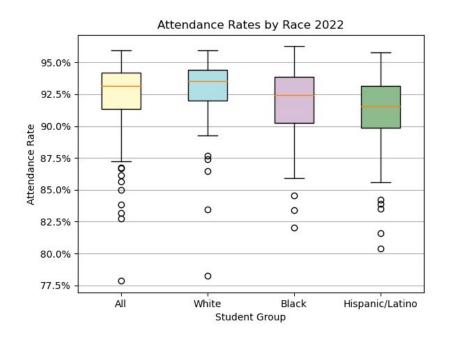


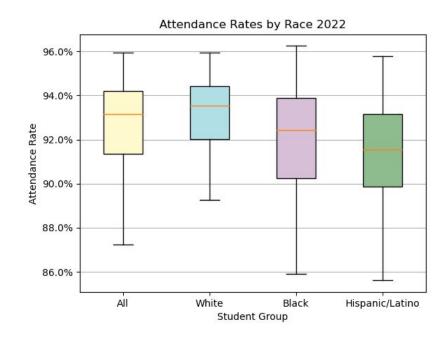


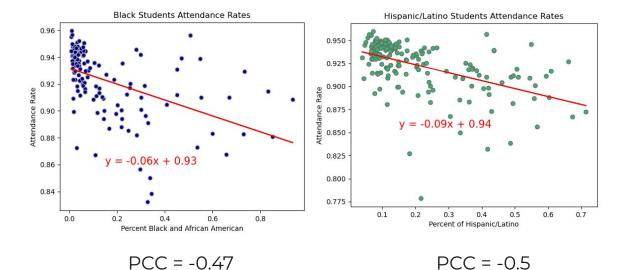
#### 5.) Is there a correlation between the percentage of students by race in a district with the overall district attendance rate?

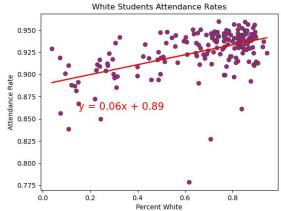
Student Race Percentage Breakdown



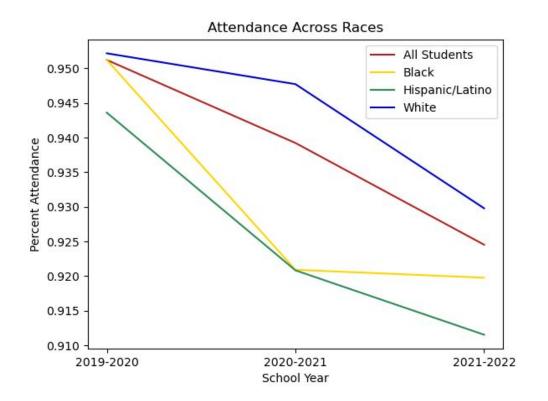




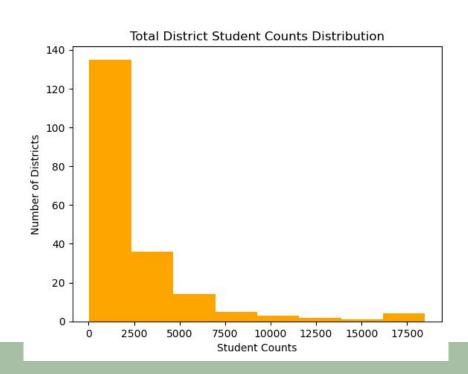


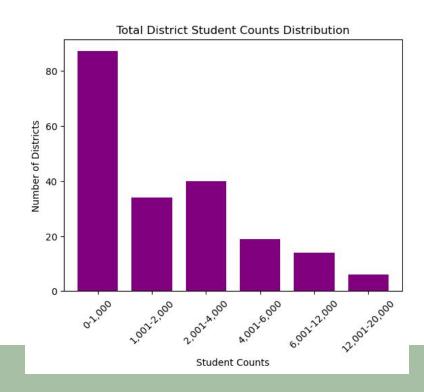


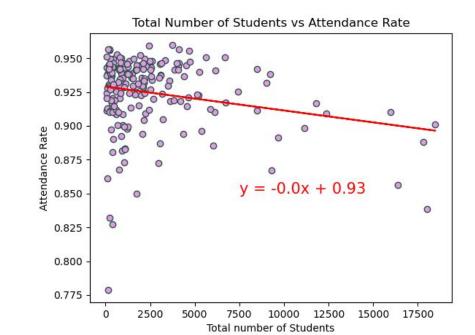
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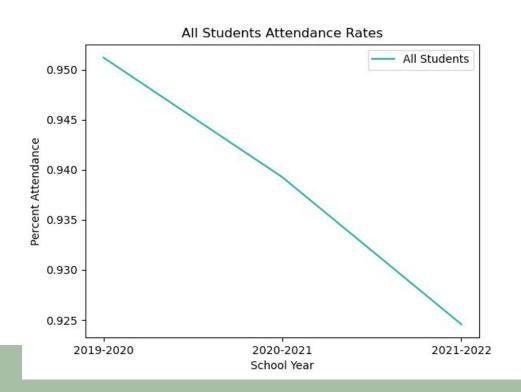
# 6.) Is there a correlation between the size of a district and the attendance rate?



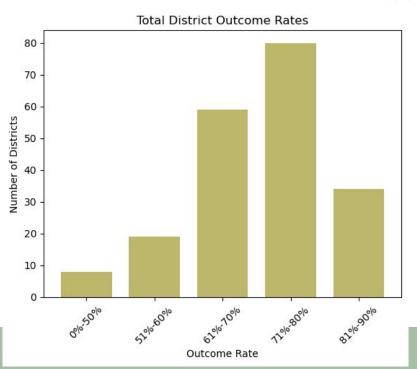


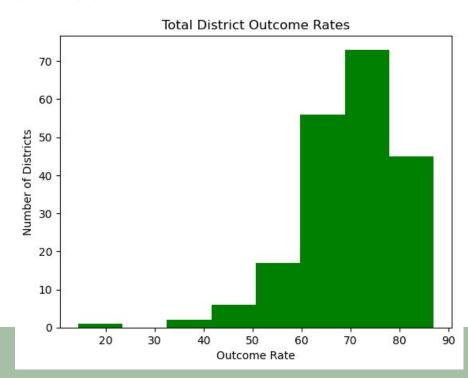


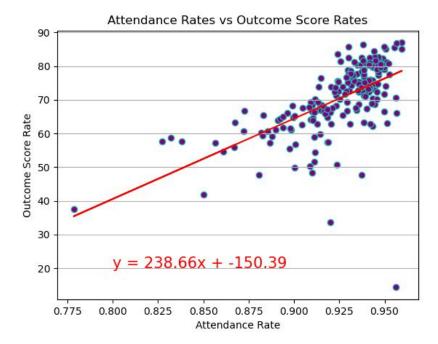
# 7.) Is there a trend in the change in attendance rates over the years?



# Extension: How do API scores relate to student attendance?







PCC = 0.61

#### Takeaways

- Strongest correlation between students with high needs and attendance rates
  - The higher percentage of students with high needs, the lower attendance rate
- Strong correlation between students receiving free/reduced meals and attendance.
  - The higher percentage of students receiving free/reduced meals, the lower the attendance rate
- Moderate correlation between race and attendance rates
  - The higher percentage of white students, the higher the attendance rate
- The attendance rate is not affected by the total number of students
- There is a strong correlation between attendance rate and API scores
  - The higher attendance rate, the higher API score