

DISTRICT PROFILE AND PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2013–14

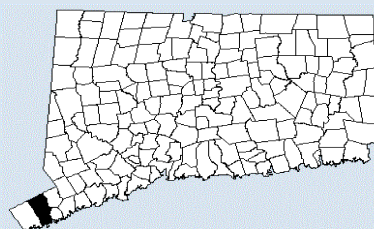


Trailblazers Academy District

203-977-5690

District Information

Grade Range	6-8
Number of Schools	1
Enrollment	162
Per Pupil Expenditures ¹	\$25,859
Total Expenditures ¹	\$4,344,389

¹Expenditure data reflect the 2012-13 year.

Community Information

[CERC Town Profiles](#) provide summary demographic and economic information for Connecticut's municipalities

Related Reports/Publications

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Notes

Unless otherwise noted, all data are for 2013-14 and include all grades offered by the district.

In most tables, data are displayed only for the three major race/ethnicity categories. For additional race/ethnicity categories, please visit [EdSight](#).

State totals are not displayed as they are not comparable to district totals.

Special Education tables reflect only students for whom the district is fiscally responsible.

* When an asterisk is displayed, data have been suppressed to ensure student confidentiality.

N/A is displayed when a category is not applicable for a district or school.

Students

October 1, 2013 Enrollment

	District		State
	Count	Percent of Total (%)	Percent of Total (%)
Female	73	45.1	48.3
Male	89	54.9	51.6
American Indian	0	0.0	0.2
Asian	*	*	4.6
Black or African American	89	54.9	12.9
Hispanic or Latino	63	38.9	21.2
Pacific Islander	0	0.0	0.0
White	6	3.7	58.4
Two or More Races	*	*	2.3
English Language Learners	0	0.0	5.7
Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals	143	88.3	37.3
Students with Disabilities ¹	40	24.7	12.8

¹Students in this category are students with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) only. This category does not include students with Section 504 Plans.

Chronic Absenteeism and Suspension/Expulsion

	Chronic Absenteeism ²		Suspension/Expulsion ³	
	Count	Rate (%)	Count	Rate (%)
Female	0	0.0	*	*
Male	0	0.0	*	*
Black or African American	0	0.0	10	12.6
Hispanic or Latino	0	0.0	*	*
White	0	*	*	*
English Language Learners	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals	0	0.0	13	9.9
Students with Disabilities	0	0.0	6	16.2
District	0	0.0	17	11.3
State		10.8		7.4

Number of students in 2012-13 qualified as truant under state statute: 0

²A student is chronically absent if he/she misses ten percent or greater of the total number of days enrolled in the school year for any reason. Pre-Kindergarten students are excluded from this calculation.

³The count and percentage of students who receive at least one in-school suspension, out-of-school suspension or expulsion.

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Educators

Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)¹ Staff

	FTE
General Education	
Teachers and Instructors	16.5
Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants	2.0
Special Education	
Teachers and Instructors	2.5
Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants	0.0
Administrators, Coordinators and Department Chairs	
District Central Office	0.0
School Level	3.0
Library/Media	
Specialists (Certified)	0.0
Support Staff	0.0
Instructional Specialists Who Support Teachers	0.0
Counselors, Social Workers and School Psychologists	0.0
School Nurses	0.8
Other Staff Providing Non-Instructional Services/Support	0.0

¹In the full-time equivalent count, staff members working part-time in the school are counted as a fraction of full-time. For example, a teacher who works half-time in a school contributes 0.50 to the school's staff count.

Educators by Race/Ethnicity

	Count	District Percent of Total (%)	State Percent of Total (%)
Asian	0	0	1.0
Black or African American	1	4.2	3.5
Hispanic	1	4.2	3.6
Native American	0	0	0.1
White	22	91.7	91.7

Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers²

	Percent of Total (%)
District	76.5
District Poverty Quartile: High	
State High Poverty Quartile Schools	97.8
State Low Poverty Quartile Schools	99.5

²Core academic classes taught by teachers who are fully certified to teach in that subject area.

Classroom Teacher Attendance: 2012-13

	District	State
Average Number of FTE Days Absent Due to Illness or Personal Time	3.5	9.3

Instruction and Resources

Students with Disabilities Who Spend 79.1 to 100 Percent of Time with Nondisabled Peers⁴

	Count	Rate (%)
Autism	N/A	N/A
Emotional Disturbance	N/A	N/A
Intellectual Disability	N/A	N/A
Learning Disability	N/A	N/A
Other Health Impairment	N/A	N/A
Other Disabilities	N/A	N/A
Speech/Language Impairment	N/A	N/A
District	N/A	N/A
State		69.2

⁴Ages 6-21

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Students with Disabilities by Primary Disability¹

	District		State
	Count	Rate (%)	Rate (%)
Autism	0	0	1.4
Emotional Disturbance	0	0	1.0
Intellectual Disability	0	0	0.4
Learning Disability	0	0	4.2
Other Health Impairment	0	0	2.5
Other Disabilities	0	0	1.0
Speech/Language Impairment	0	0	1.9
All Disabilities	0	0	12.4

¹Grades K-12

Students with Disabilities Placed Outside of the District²

	District		State
	Count	Rate (%)	Rate (%)
Public Schools in Other Districts	0	0	2.8
Private Schools or Other Settings	0	0	8.1

²Grades K-12

Overall Expenditures:³ 2012-13

	Total (\$)	Per Pupil	
		District (\$)	State (\$)
Instructional Staff and Services	1,488,362	8,859	8,769
Instructional Supplies and Equipment	17,411	104	275
Improvement of Instruction and Educational Media Services	0	0	487
Student Support Services	498,542	2,968	965
Administration and Support Services	1,976,566	11,765	1,600
Plant Operation and Maintenance	224,613	1,337	1,472
Transportation	6,299	.	786
Costs of Students Tuitioned Out	.	N/A	N/A
Other	132,596	789	178
Total	4,344,389	25,859	14,642

Additional Expenditures

Land, Buildings, and Debt Service	0	0	1,434
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³Expenditures may be supported by local tax revenues, state grants, federal grants, municipal in-kind services, tuition and other sources.

Special Education Expenditures: 2012-13

	District		State
	Total (\$)	Percent of Total (%)	Percent of Total (%)
Certified Personnel	0	0.0	35.6
Noncertified Personnel	0	0.0	14.5
Purchased Services	0	0.0	5.0
Tuition to Other Schools	0	0.0	21.4
Special Ed. Transportation	0	0.0	8.5
Other Expenditures	0	0.0	14.9
Total Expenditures	0	0.0	100.0
PK-12 Expenditures Used for Special Education	.		21.9

Expenditures by Revenue Source:⁴ 2012-13

	Percent of Total (%)	
	Including School Construction	Excluding School Construction
Local	0.0	0.0
State	39.6	39.6
Federal	4.3	4.3
Tuition & Other	56.1	56.1

⁴Revenue sources do not include state-funded Teachers' Retirement Board contributions, vocational-technical school operations, SDE budgeted costs for salaries and leadership activities and other state-funded school districts (e.g., Dept. of Children and Families and Dept. of Correction).

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Performance

District Performance Index (DPI)

A District Performance Index (DPI) for the Connecticut Mastery Test (CMT) is the test performance of all subjects tested for all students in the district. The DPI ranges in value from 0 to 100 points. Connecticut's ultimate target for a DPI is 88 because in a district with a DPI of 88 or above, students will have performed at or above the "goal" level on the majority of tests. Detailed reports of CMT assessment results are available at www.ctreports.com. School and District Performance Reports produced by the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) are also available online.

CMT	DPI				2013-14				Note: If no data are displayed for 2013-14, the district implemented the Smarter Balanced Field Test.
	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	Count	DPI	Target	Achieved	
Black or African American	43.0	45.2	46.4	42.7	79	34.2	50.8	No	
Hispanic or Latino	49.2	44.7	46.9	44.9	61	41.3	52.9	No	
English Language Learners		
Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals	44.1	44.2	46.1	43.7	130	39.1	50.8	No	
Students with Disabilities	23.4	29.9	30.4	32.1	36	18.4	33.8	No	
High Needs	44.4	44.5	45.3	43.6	137	37.6	50.6	No	
District	46.1	45.8	47.1	44.1	146	38.0	52.3	No	

2013 National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP): Percent At or Above Proficient¹

READING	Grade 4	Grade 8	Grade 12
Connecticut	43%	45%	50%
National Public	34%	34%	36%
MATH	Grade 4	Grade 8	Grade 12
Connecticut	45%	37%	32%
National Public	41%	34%	25%

¹NAEP is often called the "Nation's Report Card." It is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education. This table compares Connecticut's performance to that of national public school students. Performance standards for state assessments and NAEP are set independently. Therefore, one should not expect performance results to be the same across CMT/CAPT and NAEP. Instead, NAEP results are meant to complement CMT/CAPT results.

Physical Fitness Tests: Students Reaching Health Standard²

	Percent of Students by			All Tested Grades	
	4	6	8	Count	Rate (%)
Sit & Reach	N/A	100.0	96.8	100	98.0
Curl Up	N/A	86.8	71.0	100	77.0
Push Up	N/A	60.5	61.3	100	61.0
Mile Run/PACER	N/A	68.4	58.1	100	62.0
All Tests - District	N/A	44.7	35.5	100	39.0
All Tests - State	50.2	50.7	50.3		51.1

²The Connecticut Physical Fitness Assessment (CPFA) is administered to all students in Grades 4, 6, 8 and 10. The health-related fitness scores gathered through the CPFA should be used to educate and motivate children and their families to increase physical activity and develop lifetime fitness habits.

³Only students assessed in all four areas are included in this calculation.

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Narratives

School District Improvement Plans and Parental Outreach Activities

Efforts to Reduce Racial, Ethnic and Economic Isolation

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Equitable Allocation of Resources among District Schools