### Connecticut State Department of Education

### DISTRICT PROFILE AND PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2019–20



## Marlborough School District

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Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals

#### **District Information**

Grade Range	PK-6
Number of Schools/Programs	1
Enrollment	448
Per Pupil Expenditures <sup>1</sup>	\$16,230
Total Expenditures <sup>1</sup>	\$7,595,546

<sup>1</sup> Expenditure data reflect the 2018-19 school year.



#### **Community Information**

<u>AdvanceCT Town Profiles</u> provide summary demographic and economic information for Connecticut's municipalities

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#### **Notes**

Unless otherwise noted, all data are for 2019-20 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.ct.gov.

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 safeguard student confidentiality, or to ensure that statistics based on a very small sample size are not interpreted as equally representative as those based on a sufficiently larger sample size.

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

#### **Students**

Two or More Races

Students with Disabilities<sup>3</sup>

**English Learners** 

White

		District	State
	Count	Percent of Total (%)	Percent of Total (%)
Female	222	49.6	48.4
Male	226	50.4	51.6
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	0.3
Asian	*	*	5.2
Black or African American	8	1.8	12.7
Hispanic or Latino of any race	28	6.3	26.9

0

15

388

6

73

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1.3

16.3

11.6

0.1

3.8

51.1

8.3

43.3

16.0

October 1, 2019 Enrollment<sup>2</sup>

NOTE: To protect student privacy, gender counts are suppressed (\*) when fewer than 6 students enrolled in the district identify as non-binary.

#### Chronic Absenteeism and Suspension/Expulsion

	Chronic Absenteeism⁴		Suspension	/Expulsion⁵
	Count	Rate (%)	Count	Rate (%)
Female	13	6.1	0	0.0
Male	19	8.9	*	*
Black or African American	*	*	0	*
Hispanic or Latino of any race	*	*	0	0.0
White	29	7.9	*	*
English Learners	*	*	0	*
Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals	*	*	0	0.0
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*
District	32	7.5	*	*
State		12.2		4.9

Number of students in 2018-19 qualified as truant under state statute: 22

Number of school-based arrests: 0

NOTE: In the 2019-20 school year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, in-person classes were cancelled in mid-March; all districts switched to fully remote instruction for the remainder of the school year. Chronic absenteeism calculations are based only on in-person school days.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This table represents students in grades PK-12 reported by the district in the Public School Information System (i.e., PSIS Reporting District).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Students in this category are students with an individualized education program (IEP) only. This category does not include students with Section 504 plans or services plans.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> A student is chronically absent if they miss 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> This column displays the count and percentage of students who receive at least one in-school suspension, out-of-school suspension or expulsion.

### **Educators**

#### Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)1 Staff

	FTE
General Education	
Teachers and Instructors	31.3
Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants	4.0
Special Education	
Teachers and Instructors	3.8
Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants	14.3
Administrators, Coordinators and Department Chairs	
District Central Office	1.5
School Level	2.0
Library/Media	
Specialists (Certified)	1.0
Support Staff	0.5
Instructional Specialists Who Support Teachers	1.0
Counselors, Social Workers and School Psychologists	1.8
School Nurses	1.0
Other Staff Providing Non-Instructional Services/Support	23.2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In 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**

		District	State
	Count	Percent of Total (%)	Percent of Total (%)
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0.0	0.1
Asian	0	0.0	1.2
Black or African American	0	0.0	4.0
Hispanic or Latino of any race	0	0.0	4.1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0	0.1
Two or More Races	0	0.0	0.1
White	44	100.0	90.4

#### Classroom Teacher Attendance: 2018-19

	District	State
Average Number of FTE Days Absent Due to Illness or Personal Time	9.6	10.4

## **Instruction and Resources**

# Students with Disabilities Who Spend 79.1 to 100 Percent of Time with Nondisabled Peers<sup>2</sup>

	Count	Rate (%)
Autism	*	*
Emotional Disturbance	*	*
Intellectual Disability	0	0
Learning Disability	16	76.2
Other Health Impairment	6	*
Other Disabilities	*	*
Speech/Language Impairment	8	*
District	34	72.3
State		67.8

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This table represents students ages 6-21 for whom the district is fiscally responsible (i.e., Nexus District students with an IEP or services plan).

#### Students with Disabilities by Primary Disability<sup>1</sup>

	Dis	State	
	Count	Rate (%)	Rate (%)
Autism	*	*	2.0
<b>Emotional Disturbance</b>	*	*	1.1
Intellectual Disability	*	*	0.5
Learning Disability	21	4.8	5.7
Other Health Impairment	7	1.6	3.3
Other Disabilities	*	*	1.1
Speech/Language Impairment	10	2.3	1.8
All Disabilities	52	11.9	15.6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This table represents students in grades K-12 for whom the district is fiscally responsible (i.e., Nexus District students with an IEP or services plan).

# Students with Disabilities Placed Outside of the District<sup>2</sup>

	District		State
	Count	Rate (%)	Rate (%)
Public Schools in Other Districts	*	*	8.2
Private Schools or Other Settings	N/A	N/A	5.0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This table represents students in grades K-12 for whom the district is fiscally responsible (i.e., Nexus District students with an IEP or services plan).

#### Overall Expenditures<sup>3</sup>: 2018-19

		Per Pupil	
	Total (\$)	District (\$)	State (\$)
Instruction	\$4,933,349	\$10,541	\$10,923
Support services - students	\$474,859	\$1,058	\$1,277
Support services - instruction	\$239,190	\$533	\$682
Support services - general administration	\$252,469	\$562	\$467
Support services - school based administration	\$506,879	\$1,129	\$1,021
Central and other support services	\$202,038	\$450	\$679
Operation and maintenance of plant	\$678,078	\$1,510	\$1,718
Student transportation services	\$308,685	\$689	\$1,288
Food services			\$12
Enterprise operations			\$163
Minor school construction			\$59
Total	\$7,595,546	\$16,230	\$17,629

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Expenditures may be supported by local tax revenues, state grants, federal grants, municipal in-kind services, tuition and other sources.

#### **Special Education Expenditures: 2018-19**

	District		State
	Total (\$)	Percent of Total (%)	Percent of Total (%)
Teacher Salaries	\$600,313	37.4	28.5
Instructional Aide Salaries	\$275,685	17.2	10.1
Other Salaries	\$121,241	7.6	11.1
Employee Benefits	\$165,868	10.3	13.0
Purchased Services Other Than Transportation	\$164,170	10.2	5.7
Special Education Tuition	\$181,694	11.3	22.5
Supplies	\$13,010	0.8	0.6
Property Services			0.3
Purchased Services For Transportation	\$69,186	4.3	8.0
Equipment	\$7,855	0.5	0.2
All Other Expenditures	\$4,985	0.3	0.1
Total	\$1,604,007	100.0	100.0
Percent of Total Expenditures Used for Special Education		21.1	24.6

# Expenditures by Revenue Source<sup>4</sup>: 2018-19

	Percent of Total (%) Excluding School		
	Construction		
Local	77.8		
State	19.8		
Federal	2.3		
Tuition & Other			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Revenue sources do not include state-funded Teachers' Retirement Board contributions, Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS) operations, CSDE-budgeted costs for salaries and leadership activities and other state-funded school districts (e.g., Dept. of Children and Families and Dept. of Correction).

### Performance and Accountability

#### **District Performance Index (DPI)**

A District Performance Index (DPI) is the average performance of students in a subject area (i.e., ELA, Mathematics or Science) on the state summative assessments. The DPI ranges from 0-100. A DPI is reported for all students tested in a district and for students in each individual student group. Connecticut's ultimate target for a DPI is 75.

NOTE: Due to widespread school closures related to the novel Coronavirus disease (COVID-19), Connecticut's request for a waiver of statewide assessment, accountability and reporting requirements in the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) for the 2019-2020 school year was approved. Therefore, no table is shown here. For additional information, please view Connecticut's waiver response at: https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Student-Assessment/Main-Assessment/CT-Covid19-WaiverResponse.pdf

# National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP): Percent At or Above Proficient<sup>1</sup>

	NAEP	NAEP 2013		
READING	Grade 4	Grade 8	Grade 12	
Connecticut	40	41	50	
National Public	34	32	36	
MATH	Grade 4	Grade 8	Grade 12	
Connecticut	45	39	32	
National Public	40	33	25	

<sup>1</sup> NAEP 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 Smarter Balanced and NAEP. Instead, NAEP results are meant to complement other state assessment data. To view performance on NAEP by student group, click here.

#### Physical Fitness Tests: Students Reaching Health Standard

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#### **Next Generation Accountability Results**

Connecticut's Next Generation Accountability System is a broad set of 12 indicators that help tell the story of how well a district/school is preparing its students for success in college, careers, and life. It moves beyond test scores and graduation rates to provide a more holistic, multifactor perspective of district and school performance.

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Indicator		Index/Rate	Target	State Average Index/Rate
Progress Toward English	Literacy		100%	60.4%
Proficiency	Oral		100%	57.6%
Chronic Absenteeism	All Students	7.5%	<=5%	12.2%
	High Needs Students	6.3%	<=5%	18.0%
Preparation for CCR	% Taking Courses		75%	80.4%
On-track to High School Graduation			94%	88.4%
4-year Graduation All Students (2019 Cohort)			94%	88.5%
6-year Graduation - High Needs Students (2017 Cohort)			94%	84.5%
Postsecondary Entrance (Class of 2019)			75%	71.5%
Arts Access		60%	51.8%	

NOTE: A dot (.) appears in the table above when there are fewer than 20 students in the student group or the indicator is not applicable based on grades served.

Gap Indicators	Non-High Needs Rate <sup>1</sup>	High Needs Rate	Size of Gap	State Gap Mean +1 Stdev <sup>2</sup>	Is Gap an Outlier?2
Graduation Rate Gap		•		•	

<sup>1</sup> If the Non-High Needs Rate exceeds the ultimate target (75 for Performance Index and 94% for graduation rate), the ultimate target is used for gap calculations.

NOTE: A dot (.) appears in the table above when there are fewer than 20 students in at least one of the student groups used to calculate the gap measure or the indicator is not applicable based on grades served.

# Connecticut's State Identified Measurable Result (SIMR) for Children with Disabilities

Increase the reading performance of all 3rd grade students with disabilities statewide, as measured by Connecticut's English Language Arts (ELA) Performance Index.

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Supporting Resources:

Two-page FAQ Detailed Presentation

Using Accountability Results to Guide Improvement

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If the size of the gap exceeds the state mean gap plus one standard deviation, the gap is an outlier.

### **Narratives**

#### **School District Improvement Plans and Parental Outreach Activities**

Marlborough Elementary School, the only school in the Marlborough School District, is an integral part of the Town of Marlborough. We are very fortunate to be highly supported by very dedicated families and town organizations, each providing unique opportunities for our students. From our Marlborough Parent Teacher Organization to a supportive Board of Education, our school is provided constant support for creating the best learning environment for all of our students.

Communication with our families and the community is a critical component of our structure. From the beginning of the year to March 13th, families received weekly letters written by administration highlighting events and showcasing successes that happened during the week. Along with the weekly letter, we also had a series of committees that were supported by families, students, and staff in our building. Our School Advisory Committee met quarterly focusing on school structure, a Brunch Bunch focused on successes and the direction for our school lunch program, and an Operations and Safety Committee provided reflection and support on our school safety and climate plans. Starting on March 16th, the first day of our COVID closure, until the last day of school, the importance of daily communication to families and the community became our priority. Daily communication with families allowed us to keep our families and children close, during a time of great uncertainty.

Effective programming for each student in our building is a top priority. Multiple data points and educator and parent knowledge are combined to plan effective programming for our students. The entire staff, both special educators, curriculum specialists, classroom teachers, and parents, work together through the Early Intervention Process, to create and monitor plans for students that require extra support to achieve grade level benchmarks academically, socially and emotionally. Identified students have individualized plans created, implemented and continuously monitored to ensure growth in all identified areas. The Special Education team meets on a monthly basis to review student programs, Special Education resources and all else related to the Special Education program for our students in Marlborough.

As a smaller school in a single school district, we have the distinct pleasure of knowing our students and families on a personal level. We work with families when there are attendance issues with students, and often have a very good understanding of why there may be situations that caused the attendance concerns. We meet with parents and guardians to lend assistance when needed to improve student attendance. Depending on the situation, our meetings will often include students. The COVID closure added more intensive outreach needs that were addressed immediately and followed up on over the months of distance learning.

One of our school-wide goals focused on school and family collaboration and communication. Staff members worked either individually or at grade levels to develop goals to increase or improve the home and school connection. Through classroom newsletters, websites, postcard mailings and communication notebooks and folders, staff found a number of creative and engaging ways to connect with their families.

#### **Efforts to Reduce Racial, Ethnic and Economic Isolation**

At Marlborough Elementary School (MES), the 2019-2020 school year was the sixth year of our Spanish program for all of our students in grades K-6. K-5 students get Spanish instruction two times per week and Grade 6 students receive one longer class session each week. Our Spanish Program has students immersed in classes where their depth of knowledge on vocabulary, language structures, and conversational strategies are built and reinforced by an amazing teacher whose highly interactive, almost full immersion approach has our children acquiring knowledge at an amazing rate. Distance Learning provided continued instruction on language acquisition goals.

Marlborough Public School is an equal opportunity employer that continues to recruit and retain staff dedicated to providing a curriculum that is rich in opportunities for our students to learn about and explore the world they live in. MES celebrated our first Virtual Multicultural Day in May, with an exploration of music from around the world. Children were able to upload their own additions to our virtual celebration.

During Distance Learning, all of our MES staff worked together to provide extensive opportunities for virtual support to all students. With the transition to learning at home, families were able to provide different degrees of support to their at-home learners. Through a large coordinated effort, time slots were made available for all interested families to provide individualized support for the child(ren). These individual sessions provided the 'in-person' touch that is such an integral part of learning.

### **Equitable Allocation of Resources among District Schools**

As Marlborough Elementary School is the only school in the Marlborough School District, all district resources are allocated to just Marlborough Elementary School.