Connecticut State Department of Education

DISTRICT PROFILE AND PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2015–16



Redding School District

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District Information

| Grade Range | PK-8 |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Number of Schools/Programs | 2 |
| Enrollment | 954 |
| Per Pupil Expenditures ¹ | \$22,645 |
| Total Expenditures ¹ | \$21,920,254 |

¹Expenditure data reflect the 2014-15 year.



Community Information

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

Related Reports/Publications

CT Reports (CMT/CAPT)

District and School Performance Reports

Special Education Annual Performance Reports

SAT®, AP®, PSAT® Report by High School (Class of 2016)

(2016® The College Board)

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Notes

Unless otherwise noted, all data are for 2015-16 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 ensure student confidentiality. N/A is displayed when a category is not applicable for a district or school.

Students

| October 1, 2015 Enrollment | | | | | |
|--|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| | | District | State | | |
| | Count | Percent of Total (%) | Percent of Total (%) | | |
| Female | 451 | 47.3 | 48.3 | | |
| Male | 503 | 52.7 | 51.6 | | |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | * | * | 0.2 | | |
| Asian | 27 | 2.8 | 4.9 | | |
| Black or African American | 8 | 0.8 | 12.8 | | |
| Hispanic or Latino | 53 | 5.6 | 23.0 | | |
| Pacific Islander | * | * | 0.0 | | |
| Two or More Races | 51 | 5.3 | 2.7 | | |
| White | 813 | 85.2 | 55.9 | | |
| English Learners | 18 | 1.9 | 6.4 | | |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 30 | 3.1 | 38.0 | | |
| Students with Disabilities ¹ | 140 | 14.7 | 13.7 | | |

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 | | Suspension/ | |
|--|--------------------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| | Absenteeism ² | | Expulsion ³ | |
| | Count | Rate (%) | Count | Rate (%) |
| Female | 12 | 2.8 | * | * |
| Male | 15 | 3.2 | * | * |
| Black or African American | 0 | * | 0 | * |
| Hispanic or Latino | 0 | 0.0 | * | * |
| White | * | * | 11 | 1.4 |
| English Learners | 0 | * | 0 | * |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | * | * | * | * |
| Students with Disabilities | 8 | 7.3 | 7 | 4.6 |
| District | 27 | 3.0 | 15 | 1.6 |
| State | | 9.6 | | 7.0 |

Number of students in 2014-15 qualified as truant under state statute: 10

Number of school-based arrests: 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.

Educators

Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)1 Staff

| | FTE |
|--|------|
| General Education | |
| Teachers and Instructors | 69.4 |
| Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants | 12.1 |
| Special Education | |
| Teachers and Instructors | 12.0 |
| Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants | 32.0 |
| Administrators, Coordinators and Department Chairs | |
| District Central Office | 0.0 |
| School Level | 5.0 |
| Library/Media | |
| Specialists (Certified) | 2.0 |
| Support Staff | 2.0 |
| Instructional Specialists Who Support Teachers | 11.4 |
| Counselors, Social Workers and School Psychologists | 6.4 |
| School Nurses | 3.1 |
| Other Staff Providing Non-Instructional Services/Support | 40.2 |

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

| | | District | State |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------|-------------------------|
| | Count Percent of Total (%) | | Percent of Total (%) |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Asian | 0 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
| Black or African American | 1 | 0.9 | 3.5 |
| Hispanic or Latino | 3 | 2.8 | 3.5 |
| Pacific Islander | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Two or More Races | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| White | 105 | 96.3 | 91.7 |

Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers²

| | Percent of Total (%) | | |
|--|----------------------|--|--|
| District | 100.0 | | |
| District Poverty Quartile: Low | | | |
| State High Poverty Quartile Schools 97.6 | | | |
| State Low Poverty Quartile Schools | 99.6 | | |

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

Classroom Teacher Attendance: 2014-15

| | District | State |
|---|----------|-------|
| Average Number of FTE Days Absent Due to Illness or Personal Time | 13.2 | 9.4 |

Instruction and Resources

Students with Disabilities Who Spend 79.1 to 100 Percent of Time with Nondisabled Peers³

| | Count | Rate (%) |
|----------------------------|-------|----------|
| Autism | * | * |
| Emotional Disturbance | * | * |
| Intellectual Disability | N/A | N/A |
| Learning Disability | 25 | 83.3 |
| Other Health Impairment | 28 | 93.3 |
| Other Disabilities | * | * |
| Speech/Language Impairment | 36 | 92.3 |
| District | 95 | 84.1 |
| State | | 68.8 |

³Ages 6-21

Students with Disabilities by Primary Disability¹

| | Dis | State | |
|-------------------------------|-------|----------|----------|
| | Count | Rate (%) | Rate (%) |
| Autism | 9 | 1.0 | 1.6 |
| Emotional Disturbance | * | * | 1.0 |
| Intellectual Disability | 0 | 0.0 | 0.5 |
| Learning Disability | 30 | 3.3 | 4.6 |
| Other Health Impairment | 30 | 3.3 | 2.8 |
| Other Disabilities | * | * | 1.0 |
| Speech/Language Impairment | 41 | 4.5 | 1.9 |
| All Disabilities | 116 | 12.7 | 13.4 |

¹Grades K-12

Overall Expenditures: 2014-15

| | | Per Pupil | |
|---|-----------------|---------------|------------|
| | Total (\$) | District (\$) | State (\$) |
| Instructional Staff and Services | 15,039,819 | 15,025 | 9,387 |
| Instructional Supplies and Equipment | 410,633 | 410 | 318 |
| Improvement of Instruction and Educational Media Services | 590,033 | 589 | 541 |
| Student Support Services | 224,630 | 224 | 1,048 |
| Administration and Support Services | 1,928,712 | 1,927 | 1,790 |
| Plant Operation and Maintenance | 2,330,216 | 2,328 | 1,608 |
| Transportation | 1,254,452 | 813 | 845 |
| Costs of Students Tuitioned Out | 139,984 | N/A | N/A |
| Other | 1,775 | 2 | 194 |
| Total | 21,920,254 | 22,645 | 15,762 |
| Additiona | al Expenditures | | |
| Land, Buildings, and Debt Service | 2,226,257 | 2,224 | 1,524 |

³Expenditures may be supported by local tax revenues, state grants, federal grants, municipal in-kind services, tuition and other sources.

Special Education Expenditures: 2014-15

| | Dist | State | |
|----------------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| | Total (\$) | Percent of Total (%) | Percent of Total (%) |
| Certified Personnel | 2,138,993 | 43.8 | 35.1 |
| Noncertified Personnel | 1,135,222 | 23.2 | 14.5 |
| Purchased Services | 405,113 | 8.3 | 5.5 |
| Tuition to Other Schools | 113,224 | 2.3 | 21.6 |
| Special Ed. Transportation | 149,075 | 3.0 | 8.3 |
| Other Expenditures | 946,928 | 19.4 | 15.0 |
| Total Expenditures | 4,888,555 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

Expenditures by Revenue Source:4 2014-15

| | Percent of Total (%) | | | |
|-----------------|----------------------|--------------|--|--|
| | Including Excluding | | | |
| | School School | | | |
| | Construction | Construction | | |
| Local | 93.7 | 93.0 | | |
| State | 4.2 | 4.7 | | |
| Federal | 1.2 | 1.3 | | |
| Tuition & Other | 0.9 | 1.0 | | |
| | | | | |

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).

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.

| | English Language Arts(ELA) | | Math | | Science | |
|--|----------------------------|------|-------|------|---------|------|
| | Count | DPI | Count | DPI | Count | DPI |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A |
| Asian | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Black or African American | * | * | * | * | 0 | N/A |
| Hispanic or Latino | 37 | 68.9 | 37 | 67.4 | * | * |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A |
| Two or More Races | 40 | 80.0 | 40 | 76.5 | 14 | * |
| White | 551 | 80.3 | 551 | 76.1 | 187 | 67.1 |
| English Learners | 13 | * | 13 | * | * | * |
| Non-English Learners | 639 | 80.3 | 639 | 76.3 | * | * |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 18 | * | 18 | * | 9 | * |
| Not Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 634 | 80.2 | 634 | 76.2 | 207 | 68.0 |
| Students with Disabilities | 103 | 61.8 | 103 | 60.5 | 28 | 49.8 |
| Students without Disabilities | 549 | 83.3 | 549 | 78.7 | 188 | 70.2 |
| High Needs | 122 | 63.2 | 122 | 61.1 | 36 | 52.2 |
| Non-High Needs | 530 | 83.7 | 530 | 79.2 | 180 | 70.6 |
| District | 652 | 79.9 | 652 | 75.9 | 216 | 67.5 |

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

| | NAEP | NAEP 2013 | |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|----------|
| READING | Grade 4 Grade 8 | | Grade 12 |
| Connecticut | 43% | 43% | 50% |
| National Public | 35% | 33% | 36% |
| MATH | Grade 4 | Grade 8 | Grade 12 |
| Connecticut | 41% | 36% | 32% |
| National Public | 39% | 32% | 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 Smarter Balanced and NAEP. Instead, NAEP results are meant to complement other state assessment data. To view student subgroup performance on NAEP, click here.

Physical Fitness Tests: Students Reaching Health Standard²

| | Percent of Students by Grade ³ (%) | | | | All Tested Grades | |
|----------------------|---|------|------|------|-------------------|----------|
| | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 | Count | Rate (%) |
| Sit & Reach | 92.5 | 87.3 | 93.0 | N/A | 334 | 90.7 |
| Curl Up | 94.6 | 96.0 | 88.7 | N/A | 334 | 93.1 |
| Push Up | 93.5 | 92.9 | 80.9 | N/A | 334 | 88.9 |
| Mile Run/PACER | 83.9 | 89.7 | 96.5 | N/A | 334 | 90.4 |
| All Tests - District | 74.2 | 77.0 | 72.2 | N/A | 334 | 74.6 |
| All Tests - State | 50.6 | 49.8 | 50.6 | 51.1 | | 50.5 |

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.

Next Generation Accountability Results

These statistics are the results from Connecticut's Next Generation Accountability System for districts and schools. This system is a broad set of 12 indicators that help tell the story of how well a school is preparing its students for success in college, careers and life. It moves beyond test scores and graduation rates and instead provides a more holistic, multifactor perspective of district and school performance and incorporates student growth over time.

| Indicator | | Index/Rate | Target | Points | Max | % Points | State Average |
|---|---------------------|---------------|--------|--------|------|----------|---------------|
| ELA Performance Index | All Students | 79.9 | 75 | 50.0 | 50 | 100.0 | 67.7 |
| ELA Performance index | High Needs Students | 63.2 | 75 | 42.2 | 50 | 84.3 | 56.7 |
| Math Performance Index | All Students | 75.9 | 75 | 50.0 | 50 | 100.0 | 61.4 |
| Math Performance index | High Needs Students | 61.1 | 75 | 40.8 | 50 | 81.5 | 49.9 |
| Science Performance Index | All Students | 67.5 | 75 | 45.0 | 50 | 90.0 | 57.5 |
| Science Performance index | High Needs Students | 52.2 | 75 | 34.8 | 50 | 69.6 | 47.0 |
| ELA Academic Growth | All Students | 69.0% | 100% | 69.0 | 100 | 69.0 | 63.8% |
| ELA ACAGEMIC Growth | High Needs Students | 56.6% | 100% | 56.6 | 100 | 56.6 | 58.3% |
| NA-th Ad-wi- Counth | All Students | 75.0% | 100% | 75.0 | 100 | 75.0 | 65.0% |
| Math Academic Growth | High Needs Students | 71.6% | 100% | 71.6 | 100 | 71.6 | 57.4% |
| Chronic Absenteeism | All Students | 3.0% | <=5% | 50.0 | 50 | 100.0 | 9.6% |
| Chronic Absenteeism | High Needs Students | 5.7% | <=5% | 48.6 | 50 | 97.1 | 15.6% |
| Preparation for CCR | % Taking Courses | N/A | 75% | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 67.6% |
| | % Passing Exams | N/A | 75% | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 40.7% |
| On-track to High School Gra | duation | 97.6% | 94% | 50.0 | 50 | 100.0 | 85.1% |
| 4-year Graduation All Stude | nts (2015 Cohort) | N/A | 94% | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 87.2% |
| 6-year Graduation - High Needs Students (2013 Cohort) | | N/A | 94% | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 78.6% |
| Postsecondary Entrance (Class of 2015) | | N/A | 75% | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 71.9% |
| Physical Fitness (estimated part rate) and (fitness rate) | | 96.0% 74.6% | 75% | 49.7 | 50 | 99.4 | 89.2% 50.5% |
| Arts Access | | N/A | 60% | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 47.5% |
| Accountability Index | | | 733.1 | 900 | 81.5 | | |

| Gap Indicators | Non-High Needs Rate ¹ | High Needs Rate | Size of Gap | State Gap Mean + 1 Stdev² | Is Gap an Outlier?² |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Achievement Gap Size Outlier? | | | | | Υ |
| ELA Performance Index Gap | 75.0 | 63.2 | 11.8 | 16.5 | |
| Math Performance Index Gap | 75.0 | 61.1 | 13.9 | 18.9 | |
| Science Performance Index Gap | 70.6 | 52.2 | 18.4 | 17.2 | |
| Graduation Rate Gap | | | | | |

¹ 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.

 $^{^2\}mbox{If the size}$ of the gap exceeds the state mean gap plus one standard deviation, the gap is an outlier.

| Sul | oject/Subgroup | Participation Rate (%) ³ | |
|---------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ELA | All Students | 98.8 | ³ Minimum |
| ELA | High Needs Students | 96.8 | participation standard is 95%. |
| Math | All Students | 98.8 | |
| IVIALII | High Needs Students | 96.8 | |
| Science | All Students | 97.7 | |
| Science | High Needs Students | 97.3 | |

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

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

Grade 3 ELA Performance Index for Students with Disabilities:

District: 67.4 State: 51.4

Supporting Resources

Two-page FAQ

Detailed Presentation

Using Accountability Results to Guide Improvement: comprehensive documentation and supports

Narratives

School District Improvement Plans and Parental Outreach Activities

During the 2015-16 school year, Redding Elementary School used performance-based assessments to measure students' growth in their ability to problem solve in the context of real-world, interdisciplinary tasks, engage in the process of self-reflection and communicate understanding in a variety of modes. Staff communicated student progress through Interim Progress Reports two times per year, Parent Teacher Conferences two times per year, and Progress Report Cards two times per year. At RES, parents are encouraged to support student progress through PTA presentations, Conversations with the Principal and the RES website. Literacy, math and science specialists provide parent workshops on language arts, mathematics, and science. A Kindergarten Readiness evening provides information to incoming kindergarten parents about how to support developmentally appropriate school readiness. The school website fosters frequent communication. RES boasts a strong PTA that has been recognized as a National PTA School of Excellence.

Parents, teachers and administrators at John Read Middle School communicate via teacher email address and websites. Annual parent conferences and grade-level team meetings occur throughout the school year. Peek at the Week, an electronic newsletter, is sent out via listserv to all parents every other week. Progress reports are available throughout the year and parent conferences are held in the fall. Student progress can be viewed through the Parent Portal, our district listserv provides regular communication, and the PTA conducts regular meetings. JRMS focuses on engaging students in constructing meaning from challenging resources, communicating their ideas effectively in a variety of forms, engaging in self-reflection and problem solving in a real world context. Eighth grade year-end writing portfolios are assessed by a committee consisting of both middle and high school teachers. Grades six through eight implemented assured experiences with all students designed to engage students in interdisciplinary, authentic problem-solving. The PTA provides strong support of the home-school partnership through the provision of parent information and the development of a grant program for teachers. Students in grades six through eight engage in advisory groups where the focus is on building school community that takes care of self, others and place.

The Easton and Redding Special Education Departments continue to work under aligned leadership to support consistent programming and procedures across the two districts. Certified staff members have participated in joint professional development experiences on topics ranging from Dyslexia to IEP guidelines. The Center for Children with Special Needs, in ongoing collaboration with Easton and Redding, continues to provide professional development for certified and non-certified staff to address programming for students with complex neurodevelopmental disorders.

Efforts to Reduce Racial, Ethnic and Economic Isolation

The Redding School District is committed to providing students with multiple opportunities to develop global, ethnic, and cultural awareness. Students in grades two through four participate in the Kindness Klub, an afterschool program designed to promote community service. Parents play a large part in these efforts; the PTA sponsors many cultural programs throughout the school year including an International Festival where different families become Country Captains and share the most valuable traditions of their native countries. A group of fourth grade students meet regularly with the principal and teacher representatives as a Character Council to discuss how students and adults should model and teach character attributes as well as "give back" to the community. RES participates annually in International Peace Day and Great Kindness Challenge.

Student life at John Read Middle School focuses on the theme of taking care of self, others and community. Students in the Outreach club organized a canned food drive, a coat drive and a fundraiser for St. Baldrick's cancer research. Students in musical performing groups made several visits to hospitals and Meadow Ridge, the local retirement home. Many aspects of the curriculum lend themselves to discussions and activities that are multi-cultural in nature or focus on social justice issues. Grade 8 students engaged in an investigation of real world problems, and presented their ideas for solutions to a panel of community members. Students at John Read Middle School take Project Adventure each year and learn the necessary skills to work with others. The Taking Care Team pairs students with adult mentors to increase engagement in the school community.

Equitable Allocation of Resources among District Schools

Allocation of resources is determined through an annual process of developing each school's operating budget in the district. Budgetary decisions are guided by the district's strategic commitment to academic excellence, character education, personalized learning and community involvement. All teachers provide input to their principals who work collaboratively with the director of finance that reflects each school's mission. The budget is proposed publicly at meetings conducted by the board of education, where members of the public are invited to provide input. Allocation of resources is discussed at monthly board of education meetings. Expenditures are balanced to sustain all academic and non-academic programs and determined in a manner that ensures full participation by members of the staff and full transparency to the community.