#### STRATEGIC SCHOOL PROFILE 2012-13

# **Naugatuck School District**

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## **COMMUNITY DATA**

County: New Haven

Town Population in 2000: 30,989 1990-2000 Population Growth: 1.2%

Number of Public Schools: 9

Per Capita Income in 2000: \$22,757

Percent of Adults without a High School Diploma in 2000\*: 17.3% Percent of Adults Who Were Not Fluent in English in 2000\*: 3.1% District Enrollment as % of Estimated. Student Population: 92.9%

District Reference Group (DRG): G DRG is a classification of districts whose students' families are similar in education, income, occupation, and need, and that have roughly similar enrollment. The Connecticut State Board of Education approved DRG classification for purposes of reporting data other than student performance.

## STUDENT ENROLLMENT

#### DISTRICT GRADE RANGE

Enrollment on October 1, 2012 4,480 5-Year Enrollment Change -8.8%

PK - 12 Grade Range

## INDICATORS OF EDUCATIONAL NEED

Need Indicator	Number in District		Percent	
		District	DRG	State
Students Eligible for Free/Reduced-Price Meals	2,062	46.0	43.3	36.7
K-12 Students Who Are Not Fluent in English	185	4.3	4.0	5.8
Students Identified as Gifted and/or Talented*	182	4.1	3.8	3.8
PK-12 Students Receiving Special Education Services in District	588	13.1	12.8	11.9
Kindergarten Students who Attended Preschool, Nursery School or Headstart	216	65.7	74.2	79.3
Homeless	1	0.0	0.3	0.3
Juniors and Seniors Working 16 or More Hours Per Week	45	13.0	13.9	12.7

<sup>\*0.0 %</sup> of the identified gifted and/or talented students received services.

<sup>\*</sup>To view the Adult Education Program Profiles online, go to www.sde.ct.gov and click on Adult Education, then Reports.

## SCHOOL DISTRICT DIVERSITY

Student Race/Ethnicity					
Race/Ethnicity	Number	Percent			
American Indian	4	0.1			
Asian American	152	3.4			
Black	325	7.3			
Hispanic	863	19.3			
Pacific Islander	8	0.2			
White	2,939	65.6			
Two or more races	189	4.2			
Total Minority	1,541	34.4			

Percent of Minority Professional Staff: 2.7%

#### Non-English Home Language:

12.5% of this district's students (excluding prekindergarten students) come from homes where English is not the primary language. The number of non-English home languages is 44.

## EFFORTS TO REDUCE RACIAL, ETHNIC AND ECONOMIC ISOLATION

Below is the description submitted by this school of how it provides educational opportunities for its students to interact with students and teachers from diverse racial, ethnic, and economic backgrounds.

The Naugatuck Public Schools are a culturally diverse community with approximately forty-three hundred students attending ten schools. The population change in recent years has included more students of color and ethnicities within the community. The school community works conscientiously to reduce racial, ethnic and economic isolation through its curriculum, enrichment activities, and school-based clubs, inter-district grants and diversity projects. We believe that all members of our learning community can be successful but when they use their individual creativity, culture, ethnicity and religious diversity to enhance their learning and to enrich the lives of their peers it becomes more powerful. Our goal is to educate and inspire all students to be successful, to enrich their experiences, and to prepare them to meet the challenges of the 21st century.

## STUDENT PERFORMANCE

**Connecticut Mastery Test, Fourth Generation, % Goal.** The Goal level is more demanding than the Proficient level, but not as high as the Advanced level, reported in the No Child Left Behind Report Cards.

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Connecticut Academic Performance Test, Third Generation, % Meeting State Goal. The CAPT is administered to Grade 10 students. The Goal level is more demanding than the state Proficient level, but not as high as the Advanced level, reported in the No Child Left Behind Report Cards. The following results reflect the performance of students with scorable tests who were enrolled in the school at the time of testing, regardless of the length of time they were enrolled in the school. Results for fewer than 20 students are not presented.

CAPT Subject Area	District	State	% of Districts in State with Equal or Lower Percent Meeting Goal
Reading Across the Disciplines	31.2	48.5	16.7
Writing Across the Disciplines	49.2	62.1	16.7
Mathematics	39.6	52.4	20.5
Science	31.9	48.8	16.5

For more detailed CAPT results, go to www.ctreports.com.
To see the NCLB Report Card for this school, go to www.sde.ct.gov and click on "No Child Left Behind."

**Physical Fitness.** The assessment includes tests for flexibility, abdominal strength and endurance, upper-body strength and aerobic endurance.

Physical Fitness: % of Students Reaching Health Standard on All Four Tests	District		% of Districts in State with Equal or Lower Percent Reaching Standard
	46.6	51.1	36.1

SAT® I: Reasoning Test Class of 2012		District	State	% of Districts in State with Equal or Lower Scores
% of Graduates Te	sted	56.6	78.5	
Average Score	Mathematics	459	503	18.0
	Critical Reading	468	499	17.3
	Writing	461	504	14.3

**SAT® I.** The lowest possible score on each SAT® I subtest is 200; the highest possible score is 800.

Graduation and Dropout Rates	District	State	% of Districts in State with Equal or Less Desirable Rates
Graduation Rate, Adjusted Cohort Rate 2012	84.2	84.8	25.7
2011-12 Annual Dropout Rate for Grade 9 through 12	0.8	2.1	39.3

Activities of Graduates	District	State
% Pursuing Higher Education (Degree and Non-Degree Programs)	89.6	82.6
% Employed (Civilian Employment and in Armed Services)	9.7	9.8

# RESOURCES AND EXPENDITURES

# **DISTRICT STAFF**

Full-Time Equivalent Count of School Staff	
General Education	
Teachers and Instructors	248.20
Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants	43.00
Special Education	
Teachers and Instructors	39.80
Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants	62.50
Library/Media Specialists and/or Assistants	9.00
Staff Devoted to Adult Education	2.00
Administrators, Coordinators, and Department Chairs District Central Office School Level	6.00 16.00
Instructional Specialists Who Support Teachers (e.g., subject area specialists)	5.50
Counselors, Social Workers, and School Psychologists	29.50
School Nurses	14.50
Other Staff Providing Non-Instructional Services and Support	172.50

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

Teachers and Instructors	District	DRG	State
Average Years of Experience in Education	15.0	14.5	13.9
% with Master's Degree or Above	86.4	81.1	79.8

Average Class Size	District	DRG	State
Grade K	20.1	18.4	18.9
Grade 2	22.4	19.1	19.8
Grade 5	25.3	20.8	21.3
Grade 7	22.0	19.5	20.2
High School	17.3	18.7	18.8

Hours of Instruction Per Year*	Dist	DRG	State
Elementary School	953	986	999
Middle School	1,008	1,019	1,029
High School	1,002	1,006	1,027

*State law requires that at least 900 hours of instruction be
offered to students in grade 1-12 and full-day kindergarten, and
450 hours to half-day kindergarten students.

Students Per Academic Computer	Dist	DRG	State
Elementary School*	3.7	3.0	2.7
Middle School	4.3	2.2	2.1
High School	3.4	2.1	2.1

<sup>\*</sup>Excludes schools with no grades above kindergarten.

# **DISTRICT EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES, 2011-12**

Expenditures may be supported by local tax revenues, state grants, federal grants, municipal in-kind services, tuition and other sources. DRG and state figures will not be comparable to the district if the school district does not teach both elementary and secondary students.

Expenditures All figures are unaudited.	Total (in 1000s)	Expenditures Per Pupil			
		District	PK-12 Districts	DRG	State
Instructional Staff and Services	\$41,168	\$9,110	\$8,570	\$8,571	\$8,570
Instructional Supplies and Equipment	\$903	\$200	\$252	\$180	\$257
Improvement of Instruction and Educational Media Services	\$821	\$182	\$475	\$421	\$471
Student Support Services	\$4,203	\$930	\$949	\$1,097	\$950
Administration and Support Services	\$7,152	\$1,583	\$1,526	\$1,486	\$1,547
Plant Operation and Maintenance	\$6,195	\$1,371	\$1,466	\$1,455	\$1,459
Transportation	\$2,939	\$582	\$775	\$753	\$765
Costs for Students Tuitioned Out	\$1,779	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	\$775	\$171	\$170	\$195	\$170
Total	\$65,934	\$13,869	\$14,444	\$14,327	\$14,333
Additional Expenditures					
Land, Buildings, and Debt Service	\$634	\$140	\$1,405	\$1,688	\$1,398

Special Education Expenditures	District Total	Percent of PK-12 Expenditures Used for Special Education		• 1
		District	DRG	State
	\$13,734,329	20.8	22.8	21.8

**Revenue Sources, % of Expenditures from Source.** Revenue 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 Corrections).

District Expenditures	Local Revenue	State Revenue	Federal Revenue	Tuition & Other
Including School Construction	46.6	46.4	6.8	0.1
Excluding School Construction	46.5	46.5	6.9	0.1

#### EQUITABLE ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES AMONG DISTRICT SCHOOLS

Below is the description submitted by this district of how it allocates resources to insure equity and address needs.

The Naugatuck Public Schools budgeting process is evolving to become completely transparent to all stakeholders. The annual budgeting process commences each fall as building principals and district directors assess the needs for the upcoming year based on school and district improvement plans, student needs and district goals. Central office reviews all requests and under the guidance of the Superintendent, the Business Manager develops a Superintendent approved budget proposal. The Board of Education Finance Committee reviews the proposed budget annually in January/February. The budgeting process during this review period includes participation by representatives from the Board of Finance. Budget discussions include programming needs, equipment, technology and facilities as well as long term goals and initiatives of the district. The final budget proposal is presented to the joint boards of Finance and Burgesses at a town meeting by the Superintendent, Business Manager and administrators. The joint boards review the budget and host an open forum. If no request for a referendum is submitted, the joint borough boards adopt the budget; if a referendum is petitioned for, the voters decide the approval of the school budget.

#### SPECIAL EDUCATION

Number of K-12 Students with Disabilities for Whom the District is Financially Responsible 582
Of All K-12 Students for Whom the District is Financially Responsible, the Percent with Disabilities 12.7%

Of All K-12 Students for Whom District is Financially Responsible, Number and Percentage with Disabilities				
Disability	Count	District Percent	DRG Percent	State Percent
Autism	58	1.3	1.5	1.3
Learning Disability	224	4.9	4.0	4.0
Intellectual Disability	23	0.5	0.5	0.4
Emotional Disturbance	30	0.7	1.2	1.0
Speech Impairment	79	1.7	2.2	2.0
Other Health Impairment*	129	2.8	2.5	2.4
Other Disabilities**	39	0.9	1.2	1.0
Total	582	12.7	13.1	12.1

<sup>\*</sup>Includes chronic health problems such as attention deficit disorders and epilepsy

<sup>\*\*</sup>Includes hearing, visual, and orthopedic impairments, deaf-blindness, multiple disabilities, traumatic brain injury, and developmental delay

Graduation and Dropout Rates of Students with Disabilities for Whom District is Financially Responsible	District	State
% Who Graduated in 2011-12 with a Standard Diploma	68.6	64.4
2011-12 Annual Dropout Rate for Students Aged 14 to 21	N/A	3.2

# STATE ASSESSMENTS

**Percent of Students with Disabilities Meeting State Goal.** The Goal level is more demanding than the Proficient level, but not as high as the Advanced level, reported in the No Child Left Behind Report Cards. These results are for students attending district schools who participated in the standard assessment with or without accommodations for their disabilities. Results for fewer than 20 students are not presented.

- Connecticut Mastery Test (CMT), Fourth Generation. The CMT reading, writing and mathematics tests are administered to students in Grades 3 through 8, and the CMT science test to students in Grades 5 and 8.
- Connecticut Academic Performance Test (CAPT), Third Generation. The CAPT is administered to Grade 10 students.

State Assessment		Students with	Students with Disabilities		udents
		District	State	District	State
CMT	Reading	15.4	34.5	61.1	69.2
	Writing	8.7	19.9	58.4	64.4
	Mathematics	10.1	29.0	52.5	65.5
	Science	8.8	21.3	49.3	61.3
CAPT	Reading Across the Disciplines	5.4	15.7	31.2	48.5
	Writing Across the Disciplines	6.7	16.7	49.2	62.1
	Mathematics	2.8	16.8	39.6	52.4
	Science	N/A	N/A	31.9	48.8

For more detailed CMT or CAPT results, go to <a href="www.ctreports.com">www.ctreports.com</a>. To see the NCLB Report Card for this school, go to <a href="www.sde.ct.gov">www.sde.ct.gov</a> and click on "No Child Left Behind."

Participation in State Assessments of Students with Disabilities Attending District Schools				
CMT	CMT % Without Accommodations			
	% With Accommodations	89.6		
CAPT	% Without Accommodations	43.1		
	% With Accommodations	56.9		
% Assessed Using Skills Checklist		10.3		

Accommodations for a student's disability may be made to allow him or her to participate in testing. Students whose disabilities prevent them from taking the test even with accommodations are assessed by means of a list of skills aligned to the same content and grade level standards as the CMT and CAPT.

Federal law requires that students with disabilities be educated with their non-disabled peers as much as is appropriate. Placement in separate educational facilities tends to reduce the chances of students with disabilities interacting with non-disabled peers, and of receiving the same education.

K-12 Students with Disabilities Placed in Educational Settings Other Than This District's Schools				
Placement	Count	Percent		
Public Schools in Other Districts	0	0.0		
Private Schools or Other Settings	18	3.1		

Number and Percentage of K-12 Students with Disabilities for Whom District is Financially Responsible by
the Percentage of Time They Spent with Their Non-Disabled Peers

Time Spent with Non-Disabled Peers	<b>Count of Students</b>	Percent of Students		dents
		District	DRG	State
79.1 to 100 Percent of Time	403	69.2	68.2	72.0
40.1 to 79.0 Percent of Time	113	19.4	16.0	16.4
0.0 to 40.0 Percent of Time	66	11.3	15.8	11.6

#### SCHOOL DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLANS AND ACTIVITIES

The following narrative was submitted by this district.

The Naugatuck School District has completed year three of the three-year Board of Education plan which consists of three goals. Goal One: Achieve academic success for all students in reading, writing, mathematics and science as measured by state and district assessments. The district is currently working to develop Common Core Standard-aligned curricula in all content areas throughout K-12. A CCSS-aligned K-12 math curriculum was developed and is being implemented in the 2013-2014 school year. Development of Common Core Standard-aligned literacy curricula remains the focus for the 2013-2014 school year. The district has implemented common planning time in grades K-10 along with data teams for student progress review. Data driven decision making creates a laser-like focus for instruction in all classes and content areas. Effective teaching strategies and differentiated instruction professional development has been the focus during the school year to insure optimal learning environments for all styles of learners. Classroom Walk Through training continues to support administrators to effectively observe classroom practices and instruction. Online learning continued at Naugatuck High School through the use of Nova Net. The district has in place a fiber optics network to support the district technology plan and technology integration at all schools. Goal Two: Work for positive school-community partnerships. The district continued to host their annual Education Fair prior to the start of the school year on the Naugatuck Green through which parents and students are introduced to the new school year in an informal and relaxing manner. Each school is represented and highlights programs and events of the previous year as well as providing an overview of the year ahead. Parent School Council promotes monthly meetings at each school and community events such as supporting Grad Nigh, Literacy and Numeracy programs for parents are held throughout the school year to promote English Language Arts, Math and parental involvement. A collaborative English Language Arts program was held to foster understanding of Language Arts instruction for pre-K, home care providers and Kindergarten teachers in the district. Several schools have mentorship programs, matching students with community volunteers. PowerSchool has provided a parent portal for access to real time grades for students in grades five to twelve. The Superintendent of Schools regularly attends parent meetings at all schools to promote ongoing communication. Goal Three: Expand high quality early education opportunities for Naugatuck children. Naugatuck Public Schools offered full day Kindergarten programs at all elementary schools for all students in the 2008-2009 school year. The district works collaboratively with Naugatuck Discovery to promote early learning for all children in the community. Collaborative work includes the development of an Early Learning Blueprint and a district Kindergarten Transition Plan implemented in 2009-2010.