Connecticut State Department of Education

DISTRICT PROFILE AND PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2018–19



Winchester School District

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District Information

| Grade Range | PK-6 |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Number of Schools/Programs | 2 |
| Enrollment | 554 |
| Per Pupil Expenditures ¹ | \$20,352 |
| Total Expenditures ¹ | \$23,425,713 |

¹Expenditure data reflect the 2017-18 school year.



Community Information

AdvanceCT Town Profiles provide summary demographic and economic information for Connecticut's municipalities

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Notes

Unless otherwise noted, all data are for 2018-19 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

| October 1, 2018 Enrollment ² | | | | | |
|---|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| | | District | State | | |
| | Count | Percent of Total (%) | Percent of Total (%) | | |
| Female | * | * | 48.4 | | |
| Male | 298 | 53.8 | 51.6 | | |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | | |
| Asian | 19 | 3.4 | 5.2 | | |
| Black or African American | 10 | 1.8 | 12.8 | | |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 62 | 11.2 | 25.8 | | |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | | |
| Two or More Races | 13 | 2.3 | 3.6 | | |
| White | 450 | 81.2 | 52.4 | | |
| English Learners | 38 | 6.9 | 7.6 | | |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 361 | 65.2 | 42.1 | | |
| Students with Disabilities ³ | 121 | 21.8 | 15.4 | | |

²This table represents students in grades PK-12 reported by the district in the Public School Information System (i.e., PSIS Reporting District).

³Students 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.

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 | | Suspension/ | |
|--|--------------|----------|-------------|---------------------|
| | Absenteeism⁴ | | Ехри | ılsion ⁵ |
| | Count | Rate (%) | Count | Rate (%) |
| Female | 16 | 6.7 | * | * |
| Male | 17 | 6.2 | * | * |
| Black or African American | * | * | * | * |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | * | * | * | * |
| White | 24 | 5.8 | 14 | 3.0 |
| English Learners | * | * | * | * |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 27 | 8.1 | 17 | 4.2 |
| Students with Disabilities | 21 | 18.4 | 7 | 4.7 |
| District | 33 | 6.4 | 20 | 3.4 |
| State | | 10.4 | | 6.7 |

Number of students in 2017-18 qualified as truant under state statute: 92 Number of school-based arrests: 0

⁴A 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.

⁵This 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 | 38.0 |
| Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants | 18.0 |
| Special Education | |
| Teachers and Instructors | 13.9 |
| Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants | 18.0 |
| Administrators, Coordinators and Department Chairs | |
| District Central Office | 2.4 |
| School Level | 4.0 |
| Library/Media | |
| Specialists (Certified) | 2.0 |
| Support Staff | 0.0 |
| Instructional Specialists Who Support Teachers | 7.0 |
| Counselors, Social Workers and School Psychologists | 6.0 |
| School Nurses | 2.0 |
| Other Staff Providing Non-Instructional Services/Support | 26.0 |

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

| | | District | State |
|---|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| | Count | Percent of Total (%) | Percent of Total (%) |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Asian | 0 | 0.0 | 1.1 |
| Black or African American | 1 | 1.3 | 3.8 |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 0 | 0.0 | 3.8 |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Two or More Races | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| White | 73 | 97.3 | 90.5 |

Classroom Teacher Attendance: 2017-18

| | District | State |
|---|----------|-------|
| Average Number of FTE Days Absent Due to Illness or Personal Time | 8.5 | 10.0 |

Instruction and Resources

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

| | Count | Rate (%) |
|----------------------------|-------|----------|
| Autism | 14 | 45.2 |
| Emotional Disturbance | * | * |
| Intellectual Disability | 0 | 0 |
| Learning Disability | 45 | 57.7 |
| Other Health Impairment | 18 | 46.2 |
| Other Disabilities | * | * |
| Speech/Language Impairment | 13 | * |
| District | 98 | 51.6 |
| State | | 67.6 |

³This 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 Disability¹

| | Dis | State | |
|-------------------------------|-------|----------|----------|
| | Count | Rate (%) | Rate (%) |
| Autism | 31 | 2.9 | 1.9 |
| Emotional Disturbance | * | * | 1.1 |
| Intellectual Disability | * | * | 0.5 |
| Learning Disability | 78 | 7.2 | 5.5 |
| Other Health Impairment | 40 | 3.7 | 3.2 |
| Other Disabilities | 17 | 1.6 | 1.1 |
| Speech/Language Impairment | 26 | 2.4 | 1.8 |
| All Disabilities | 208 | 19.2 | 15.0 |

¹This 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 District²

| | Dis | State | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|----------|----------|
| | Count | Rate (%) | Rate (%) |
| Public Schools in Other Districts | 92 | 44.2 | 8.2 |
| Private Schools or Other Settings | 17 | 8.2 | 5.0 |

²This 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: 2017-18

| | | Per Pupil | |
|--|--------------|---------------|------------|
| | Total (\$) | District (\$) | State (\$) |
| Instruction | \$17,599,908 | \$15,291 | \$10,545 |
| Support services - students | \$1,280,103 | \$2,424 | \$1,373 |
| Support services - instruction | \$223,269 | \$423 | \$644 |
| Support services - general administration | \$557,184 | \$1,055 | \$462 |
| Support services - school based administration | \$753,554 | \$1,427 | \$1,007 |
| Central and other support services | \$474,083 | \$898 | \$671 |
| Operation and maintenance of plant | \$1,039,637 | \$1,969 | \$1,629 |
| Student transportation services | \$1,447,975 | \$1,828 | \$1,231 |
| Food services | \$50,000 | \$95 | \$13 |
| Enterprise operations | | | \$157 |
| Minor school construction | | | \$65 |
| Total | \$23,425,713 | \$20,352 | \$17,153 |

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

Special Education Expenditures: 2017-18

| | District | | State |
|--|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| | Total (\$) | Percent of Total (%) | Percent of Total (%) |
| Teacher Salaries | \$1,343,838 | 21.4 | 29.7 |
| Instructional Aide Salaries | \$700,723 | 11.1 | 9.6 |
| Other Salaries | \$371,401 | 5.9 | 10.4 |
| Employee Benefits | | | 13.0 |
| Purchased Services Other Than Transportation | \$304,062 | 4.8 | 5.5 |
| Special Education Tuition | \$2,726,891 | 43.4 | 22.6 |
| Supplies | \$7,937 | 0.1 | 0.6 |
| Property Services | | | 0.4 |
| Purchased Services For Transportation | \$832,140 | 13.2 | 8.0 |
| Equipment | \$1,368 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| All Other Expenditures | | | 0.1 |
| Total | \$6,288,361 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Percent of Total Expenditures Used for Special Education | | 26.8 | 24.4 |

Expenditures by Revenue Source:⁴ 2017-18

| | Percent of Total (%) Excluding School |
|-----------------|---|
| | Construction |
| Local | 52.9 |
| State | 44.2 |
| Federal | 2.3 |
| Tuition & Other | 0.6 |

⁴Revenue 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.

| | 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 | 12 | * | 12 | * | * | * |
| Black or African American | 6 | * | 6 | * | * | * |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 34 | 64.2 | 34 | 65.9 | 11 | * |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A |
| Two or More Races | 7 | * | 7 | * | 0 | N/A |
| White | 224 | 67.8 | 224 | 68.6 | 60 | 63.2 |
| English Learners | 28 | 64.8 | 28 | 71.8 | 11 | * |
| Non-English Learners | 255 | 68.1 | 255 | 68.4 | 68 | 62.5 |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 187 | 65.7 | 187 | 66.5 | 54 | 62.5 |
| Not Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 96 | 71.8 | 96 | 73.1 | 25 | 69.2 |
| Students with Disabilities | 59 | 53.5 | 59 | 50.9 | 22 | 50.0 |
| Students without Disabilities | 224 | 71.5 | 224 | 73.5 | 57 | 70.3 |
| High Needs | 210 | 64.6 | 210 | 65.4 | 64 | 61.4 |
| Non-High Needs | 73 | 76.8 | 73 | 78.3 | 15 | * |
| District | 283 | 67.8 | 283 | 68.8 | 79 | 64.6 |

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

| | NAEP | 2019 | 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 |

'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 Standard²

| | Percent of Students by Grade ³ (%) | | | | All Teste | ed Grades |
|----------------------|---|------|------|------|-----------|-----------|
| | 4 | 6 | 8 | HS | Count | Rate (%) |
| Sit & Reach | 98.5 | 97.5 | N/A | N/A | 145 | 97.9 |
| Curl Up | 93.8 | 92.5 | N/A | N/A | 145 | 93.1 |
| Push Up | 89.2 | 91.3 | N/A | N/A | 145 | 90.3 |
| Mile Run/PACER | 78.5 | 73.8 | N/A | N/A | 145 | 75.9 |
| All Tests - District | 72.3 | 68.8 | N/A | N/A | 145 | 70.3 |
| All Tests - State | 56.1 | 53.5 | 50.9 | 51.4 | | 52.9 |

²The Connecticut Physical Fitness Assessment (CPFA) is administered to students in Grades 4, 6, 8 and High School (HS). 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

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.

| Ind | icator | Index/Rate | Target | Points Earned | Max Points | % Points Earned | State Average Index/Rate |
|---|--|---------------|--------|------------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| ELA Performance Index | All Students | 67.8 | 75 | 45.2 | 50 | 90.3 | 67.7 |
| ELA Performance index | High Needs Students | 64.6 | 75 | 43.1 | 50 | 86.1 | 58.1 |
| Math Danfarmana Inda. | All Students | 68.8 | 75 | 45.8 | 50 | 91.7 | 63.1 |
| Math Performance Index | High Needs Students | 65.4 | 75 | 43.6 | 50 | 87.2 | 52.7 |
| Caiamaa Daufaussanaa luudass | All Students | 64.6 | 75 | 43.1 | 50 | 86.2 | 63.8 |
| Science Performance Index | High Needs Students | 61.4 | 75 | 40.9 | 50 | 81.8 | 54.2 |
| FLA A and and a Constitution | All Students | 61.5% | 100% | 61.5 | 100 | 61.5 | 59.9% |
| ELA Academic Growth | High Needs Students | 61.5% | 100% | 61.5 | 100 | 61.5 | 55.1% |
| Math Assissation County | All Students | 75.2% | 100% | 75.2 | 100 | 75.2 | 62.5% |
| Math Academic Growth | High Needs Students | 73.2% | 100% | 73.2 | 100 | 73.2 | 55.2% |
| Progress Toward English | Literacy | 95.6% | 100% | 47.8 | 50 | 95.6 | 60.0% |
| Proficiency | Oral | 71.3% | 100% | 35.6 | 50 | 71.3 | 52.1% |
| | All Students | 6.4% | <=5% | 47.2 | 50 | 94.4 | 10.4% |
| Chronic Absenteeism | High Needs Students | 8.5% | <=5% | 43.0 | 50 | 86.0 | 16.1% |
| December for CCD | % Taking Courses | | 75% | • | | | 80.0% |
| Preparation for CCR | % Passing Exams | | 75% | | | | 42.6% |
| On-track to High School Gra | duation | | 94% | | | | 88.0% |
| 4-year Graduation All Stude | 4-year Graduation All Students (2018 Cohort) | | 94% | • | | | 88.3% |
| 6-year Graduation - High Needs Students (2016 Cohort) | | | 94% | | | | 83.3% |
| Postsecondary Entrance (Class of 2018) | | | 75% | | | | 70.9% |
| Physical Fitness (estimated part rate) and (fitness rate) | | 95.4% 70.3% | 75% | 46.9 | 50 | 93.8 | 96.4% 52.9% |
| Arts Access | | | 60% | | | | 51.9% |
| Accountability Index | | | | 753.6 | 950 | 79.3 | |

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 ¹ | High Needs Rate | Size of Gap | State Gap Mean +1 Stdev ² | Is Gap an Outlier?2 |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Achievement Gap Size Outlier? | | | | | N |
| ELA Performance Index Gap | 75.0 | 64.6 | 10.4 | 15.4 | |
| Math Performance Index Gap | 75.0 | 65.4 | 9.6 | 17.6 | |
| Science Performance Index Gap | | 61.4 | | 16.1 | |
| Graduation Rate Gap | | | | | |

¹If 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. ²If the size of the gap exceeds the state mean gap plus one standard deviation, the gap is an outlier.

Detailed Presentation

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.

| Subject/Student Group | | Participation Rate (%) ³ | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| ELA All Students High Needs Students | | 99.3 | |
| | | 99.1 | |
| All Students | | 99.3 | |
| IVIdIII | High Needs Students | 99.1 | |
| All Students | | 98.8 | |
| Science | High Needs Students | 98.6 | |

³Minimum participation standard is 95%.

Supporting Resources: Two-page FAQ

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.

Grade 3 ELA Performance Index for Students with Disabilities:

District: * State: 51.5

Using Accountability Results to Guide Improvement

Narratives

School District Improvement Plans and Parental Outreach Activities

The Winchester Public Schools (WPS) are in the process of transformative change. The district is coming into its' own by closing achievement gaps, building a strong instructional culture, increasing parental participation and growing a strong enrollment in comparison to the northwest corner.

Over the past year, WPS was the most improved district in mathematics according to SBAC results and the 19th most improved in reading. The district has focused on small group instruction, curriculum implementation and data tracking of student progress. Our coaching model has been instrumental in moving instruction to new levels. As we further professional learning for staff, we are ensuring that non-certified and certified staff are all speaking the same instructional language. By doing this, we ensure that students are universally supported no matter who is instructing them. In addition to the amazing growth academically, our chronic absenteeism rates are at state target. In the past year, the rate has dropped nearly 3%.

Efforts to Reduce Racial, Ethnic and Economic Isolation

Winchester Public Schools values diversity and student-centered learning that addresses experiences and activities associated with reducing racial, ethnic, and economic isolation. The educational access in Winchester is uniquely different from most communities. Winchester has established various partnerships with St. Anthony's School, Exploration Charter School, and the Gilbert Semi-Private High School. These educational entities provide uniquely diverse experiences for our students regarding cultures/religion and ethic exposure/learning. Not only are we growing with regard to diversity, but our free and reduced lunch participation rates are also at an all-time high of 65%. Students have learned to be respectful and appreciative of the grand diversity within our small town. Our Second Step Program supports student learning in the realm of social-emotional learning and diversity appreciation.

Equitable Allocation of Resources among District Schools

Winchester Public Schools has been "flat-funded" from the town for 12 years. This past year, we did see a \$150,000 increase to the "Town Support for Education" line to support the tuition increase from The Gilbert School. This causes us to be extremely cognizant of the financial availability and usage of funds. The distribution of funds is purposeful and thoughtfully aligned to our District Improvement Plans, SDE Turnaround Plan, and School Improvement Plans. The various plans guide the distribution of funds in alignment with what performance data dictates. Students that perform below the grade level expectation marker(s) are provided with quality Tier 1 to Tier 3 Intervention.