STRATEGIC SCHOOL PROFILE 2010-11

New London School District

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COMMUNITY DATA

County: New London

Town Population in 2000: 25,671 1990-2000 Population Growth: -10.1%

Number of Public Schools: 7

Per Capita Income in 2000: \$18,437

Percent of Adults without a High School Diploma in 2000*: 19.3% Percent of Adults Who Were Not Fluent in English in 2000*: 4.3% District Enrollment as % of Estimated. Student Population: 89.2%

District Reference Group (DRG): I 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, 2010 3,068 5-Year Enrollment Change 0.4% Grade Range PK - 12

INDICATORS OF EDUCATIONAL NEED

Need Indicator	Number in District		Percent	
		District	DRG	State
Students Eligible for Free/Reduced-Price Meals	2,610	85.1	85.1	34.1
K-12 Students Who Are Not Fluent in English	658	21.7	15.3	5.6
Students Identified as Gifted and/or Talented*	78	2.5	1.7	4.0
PK-12 Students Receiving Special Education Services in District	475	15.5	13.0	11.4
Kindergarten Students who Attended Preschool, Nursery School or Headstart	146	74.1	69.5	80.2
Homeless	45	1.5	0.7	0.3
Juniors and Seniors Working 16 or More Hours Per Week	57	13.9	8.3	13.2

^{*55.1 %} of the identified gifted and/or talented students received services.

^{*}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	Percent				
American Indian	35	1.1			
Asian American	52	1.7			
Black	904	29.5			
Hispanic	1,477	48.1			
Pacific Islander	3	0.1			
White	507	16.5			
Two or more races	90	2.9			
Total Minority	2,561	83.5			

Percent of Minority Professional Staff: 17.4%

Non-English Home Language:

25.2% 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 14.

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.

N/A

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.

Grade ai Area	nd CMT Subject	District	State	% of Districts in State with Equal or Lower Percent Meeting Goal	These results reflect the performance of students with scoreable
Grade 3	Reading	32.9	58.4	5.6	tests who were enrolled in the district at the
	Writing	34.2	61.1	3.7	time of testing,
	Mathematics	26.9	63.0	1.9	regardless of the length
Grade 4	Reading	28.9	62.5	3.1	of time they were enrolled in the district.
	Writing	37.2	65.5	4.3	Results for fewer than
	Mathematics	36.2	67.0	4.3	20 students are not
Grade 5	Reading	28.3	61.4	4.9	presented.
	Writing	38.4	66.8	5.5	
	Mathematics	43.0	72.5	5.5	
	Science	25.6	59.9	3.1	For more detailed CMT results, go to
Grade 6	Reading	43.9	76.0	2.4	www.ctreports.
	Writing	45.5	65.2	8.9	
	Mathematics	30.5	71.3	2.4	
Grade 7	Reading	44.1	77.8	3.2	To see the NCLB
	Writing	28.0	58.9	5.1	Report Card for this
	Mathematics	20.0	68.4	1.3	school, go to www.sde.ct.gov and
Grade 8	Reading	43.8	74.7	4.5	click on "No Child Left
	Writing	39.9	64.8	8.3	Behind."
	Mathematics	17.6	66.6	0.6	7
	Science	24.4	63.1	3.8	7

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	8.9	44.7	3.0
Writing Across the Disciplines	15.4	61.2	2.3
Mathematics	15.4	49.5	7.5
Science	15.7	47.0	7.5

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	District		% of Districts in State with Equal or Lower Percent Reaching
Tests			Standard
	34.1	51.0	15.3

SAT® I: Reasoning Test Class of 2010		District	State	% of Districts in State with Equal or Lower Scores
% of Graduates Tes	sted	63.5	70.6	
Average Score	Mathematics	391	510	1.5
	Critical Reading	399	505	3.1
	Writing	396	510	3.1

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 2010	63.9	81.8	7.6
2009-10 Annual Dropout Rate for Grade 9 through 12	2.4	2.8	20.1

Activities of Graduates	District	State
% Pursuing Higher Education (Degree and Non-Degree Programs)	52.0	84.8
% Employed (Civilian Employment and in Armed Services)	7.4	9.1

RESOURCES AND EXPENDITURES

DISTRICT STAFF

Full-Time Equivalent Count of School Staff	
General Education	
Teachers and Instructors	184.76
Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants	27.25
Special Education	
Teachers and Instructors	39.40
Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants	28.43
Library/Media Specialists and/or Assistants	5.90
Staff Devoted to Adult Education	5.60
Administrators, Coordinators, and Department Chairs District Central Office School Level	7.00 12.94
Instructional Specialists Who Support Teachers (e.g., subject area specialists)	5.00
Counselors, Social Workers, and School Psychologists	17.20
School Nurses	6.00
Other Staff Providing Non-Instructional Services and Support	135.98

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	13.0	12.8	13.9
% with Master's Degree or Above	72.9	74.3	79.0

Average Class Size	District	DRG	State
Grade K	18.5	20.5	18.4
Grade 2	24.2	21.6	19.9
Grade 5	22.9	21.8	21.2
Grade 7	18.6	21.8	20.6
High School	20.6	19.6	19.3

Hours of Instruction Per Year*	Dist	DRG	State
Elementary School	1,041	1,004	992
Middle School	1,023	1,008	1,017
High School	1,005	997	1,010

*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*	3.5	2.8	3.1
Middle School	1.6	2.2	2.4
High School	3.3	2.2	2.2

^{*}Excludes schools with no grades above kindergarten.

DISTRICT EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES, 2009-10

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	\$25,875	\$8,628	\$8,232	\$8,636	\$8,237
Instructional Supplies and Equipment	\$1,209	\$403	\$299	\$446	\$300
Improvement of Instruction and Educational Media Services	\$1,812	\$604	\$477	\$617	\$463
Student Support Services	\$3,043	\$1,015	\$875	\$793	\$872
Administration and Support Services	\$5,436	\$1,813	\$1,433	\$1,615	\$1,459
Plant Operation and Maintenance	\$5,501	\$1,834	\$1,421	\$1,474	\$1,410
Transportation	\$2,856	\$801	\$701	\$875	\$692
Costs for Students Tuitioned Out	\$3,293	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	\$450	\$150	\$161	\$152	\$159
Total	\$49,475	\$13,824	\$13,878	\$14,956	\$13,780
Additional Expenditures					
Land, Buildings, and Debt Service	\$4,363	\$1,455	\$1,622	\$2,805	\$1,616

Special Education Expenditures	District Total	Percent of PK-12 Expenditures Used for Special Education		
		District	DRG	State
	\$12,695,068	25.7	22.2	21.5

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	36.6	48.5	13.9	1.1
Excluding School Construction	34.9	48.9	15.1	1.1

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.

N/A

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Number of K-12 Students with Disabilities for Whom the District is Financially Responsible 577

Of All K-12 Students for Whom the District is Financially Responsible, the Percent with Disabilities 16.7%

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	52	1.5	1.0	1.1
Learning Disability	158	4.6	5.0	3.9
Intellectual Disability	28	0.8	0.7	0.4
Emotional Disturbance	52	1.5	1.5	1.0
Speech Impairment	115	3.3	2.4	2.2
Other Health Impairment*	138	4.0	2.3	2.1
Other Disabilities**	34	1.0	1.2	0.9
Total	577	16.7	14.1	11.6

^{*}Includes chronic health problems such as attention deficit disorders and epilepsy

^{**}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 2009-10 with a Standard Diploma	45.5	62.5
2009-10 Annual Dropout Rate for Students Aged 14 to 21	N/A	3.9

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	8.2	33.0	36.3	68.6
	Writing	7.2	19.3	36.8	63.7
	Mathematics	9.0	33.4	29.5	68.2
	Science	8.8	21.2	25.1	61.5
CAPT	Reading Across the Disciplines	N/A	N/A	8.9	44.7
	Writing Across the Disciplines	N/A	N/A	15.4	61.2
	Mathematics	3.2	15.8	15.4	49.5
	Science	2.7	13.1	15.7	47.0

For more detailed CMT or 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."

Participation in State Assessments of Students with Disabilities Attending District Schools				
CMT	% Without Accommodations	19.2		
	% With Accommodations	80.8		
CAPT	% Without Accommodations	32.6		
	% With Accommodations	67.4		
% Assessed U	Ising Skills Checklist	10.5		

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	62	10.7		
Private Schools or Other Settings	51	8.8		

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	Count of Students	Percent of Students		dents
		District	DRG	State
79.1 to 100 Percent of Time	372	64.5	69.7	74.1
40.1 to 79.0 Percent of Time	93	16.1	16.0	14.9
0.0 to 40.0 Percent of Time	112	19.4	14.3	11.0

SCHOOL DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLANS AND ACTIVITIES

The following narrative was submitted by this district.

N/A