#### Connecticut State Department of Education

### DISTRICT PROFILE AND PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2014–15



#### Norfolk School District

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#### **District Information**

| Grade Range                         | PK-6        |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Number of Schools/Programs          | 1           |
| Enrollment                          | 116         |
| Per Pupil Expenditures <sup>1</sup> | \$23,327    |
| Total Expenditures <sup>1</sup>     | \$2,729,221 |

<sup>1</sup>Expenditure data reflect the 2013-14 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 2015)

(2015® The College Board)

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#### **Notes**

Unless otherwise noted, all data are for 2014-15 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 <a href="EdSight.ct.gov">EdSight.ct.gov</a>).

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, 2014 Enrollment               |       |                         |                         |
|--|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|  |       | District                | State                   |
|  | Count | Percent of Total<br>(%) | Percent of Total<br>(%) |
| Female                                   | 57    | 49.1                    | 48.3                    |
| Male                                     | 59    | 50.9                    | 51.6                    |
| American Indian or Alaska Native         | 0     | 0.0                     | 0.2                     |
| Asian                                    | 0     | 0.0                     | 4.7                     |
| Black or African American                | 0     | 0.0                     | 12.9                    |
| Hispanic or Latino                       | *     | *                       | 22.1                    |
| Pacific Islander                         | 0     | 0.0                     | 0.0                     |
| Two or More Races                        | *     | *                       | 2.5                     |
| White                                    | 113   | 97.4                    | 57.2                    |
| English Language Learners                | 0     | 0.0                     | 6.3                     |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 24    | 20.7                    | 37.6                    |
| Students with Disabilities <sup>1</sup>  | 20    | 17.2                    | 13.3                    |

<sup>1</sup>Students 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/ |          |
|--|---------|--------------------------|-------------|----------|
|  | Absen   | Absenteeism <sup>2</sup> |             | ılsion³  |
|  | Count   | Rate (%)                 | Count       | Rate (%) |
| Female                                   | 0       | 0.0                      | *           | *        |
| Male                                     | *       | *                        | *           | *        |
| Black or African American                | N/A     | N/A                      | N/A         | N/A      |
| Hispanic or Latino                       | 0 *     |                          | 0           | *        |
| White                                    | *       | *                        | 9           | 7.9      |
| English Language Learners                | N/A     | N/A                      | N/A         | N/A      |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 0       | 0.0                      | *           | *        |
| Students with Disabilities               | 0 *     |                          | *           | *        |
| District                                 | *       | *                        | 9           | 7.6      |
| State                                    | 10.6    |                          |             | 7.2      |

Number of students in 2013-14 qualified as truant under state statute: 0

<sup>2</sup>A 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.

<sup>3</sup>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)<sup>1</sup> Staff

|  | FTE  |
|--|------|
| General Education  |      |
| Teachers and Instructors                                 | 10.3 |
| Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants                | 1.8  |
| Special Education  |      |
| Teachers and Instructors                                 | 2.0  |
| Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants                | 3.5  |
| Administrators, Coordinators and Department Chairs       |      |
| District Central Office                                  | 0.5  |
| School Level   | 1.0  |
| Library/Media  |      |
| Specialists (Certified)                                  | 0.5  |
| Support Staff  | 0.0  |
| Instructional Specialists Who Support Teachers           | 0.7  |
| Counselors, Social Workers and School Psychologists      | 0.0  |
| School Nurses  | 1.0  |
| Other Staff Providing Non-Instructional Services/Support | 7.7  |

<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<br>(%) | Percent of Total<br>(%) |
| American Indian or Alaska<br>Native | 0     | 0.0                     | 0.1                     |
| Asian                               | 0     | 0.0                     | 1.0                     |
| Black or African American           | 0     | 0.0                     | 3.5                     |
| Hispanic or Latino                  | 0     | 0.0                     | 3.5                     |
| Pacific Islander                    | 0     | 0.0                     | 0.0                     |
| Two or More Races                   | 0     | 0.0                     | 0.0                     |
| White                               | 18    | 100.0                   | 91.8                    |

#### Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers<sup>2</sup>

|                                     | Percent of Total (%) |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| District                            | 100.0                |  |  |
| District Poverty Quartile: Middle   |                      |  |  |
| State High Poverty Quartile Schools | 97.9                 |  |  |
| State Low Poverty Quartile Schools  | 99.6                 |  |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Core academic classes taught by teachers who are fully certified to teach in that subject area.

#### **Classroom Teacher Attendance: 2013-14**

|   | District | State |
|---|----------|-------|
| Average Number of FTE Days Absent Due to Illness or Personal Time | 7.1      | 9.2   |

#### **Instruction and Resources**

# Students with Disabilities Who Spend 79.1 to 100 Percent of Time with Nondisabled Peers<sup>3</sup>

|                            | Count | Rate (%) |
|----------------------------|-------|----------|
| Autism                     | 0     | 0        |
| Emotional Disturbance      | N/A   | N/A      |
| Intellectual Disability    | N/A   | N/A      |
| Learning Disability        | *     | *        |
| Other Health Impairment    | *     | *        |
| Other Disabilities         | N/A   | N/A      |
| Speech/Language Impairment | 8     | *        |
| District                   | 16    | *        |
| State                      |       | 69.7     |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Ages 6-21

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

|                               | Dis   | State    |          |  |
|-------------------------------|-------|----------|----------|--|
|                               | Count | Rate (%) | Rate (%) |  |
| Autism                        | *     | *        | 1.5      |  |
| Emotional Disturbance         | 0     | 0.0      | 1.0      |  |
| Intellectual Disability       | 0     | 0.0      | 0.5      |  |
| Learning Disability           | 7     | 6.8      | 4.4      |  |
| Other Health Impairment       | *     | *        | 2.6      |  |
| Other Disabilities            | *     | *        | 1.0      |  |
| Speech/Language<br>Impairment | 8     | 7.8      | 1.9      |  |
| All Disabilities              | 20    | 19.4     | 13.0     |  |

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

|                                      | Dis   | State    |     |
|--------------------------------------|-------|----------|-----|
|                                      | Count | Rate (%) |     |
| Public Schools in<br>Other Districts | 0     | 0.0      | 8.1 |
| Private Schools or Other Settings    | *     | *        | 5.4 |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Grades K-12

#### Overall Expenditures: 2013-14

|   |            | Per Pupil     |            |  |
|---|------------|---------------|------------|--|
|   | Total (\$) | District (\$) | State (\$) |  |
| Instructional Staff and Services                          | 1,387,177  | 11,958        | 9,134      |  |
| Instructional Supplies and Equipment                      | 31,922     | 275           | 334        |  |
| Improvement of Instruction and Educational Media Services | 84,251     | 726           | 498        |  |
| Student Support Services                                  | 51,910     | 448           | 1,001      |  |
| Administration and Support Services                       | 572,687    | 4,937         | 1,694      |  |
| Plant Operation and Maintenance                           | 329,469    | 2,840         | 1,572      |  |
| Transportation  | 193,036    | 862           | 813        |  |
| Costs of Students Tuitioned Out                           | 76,192     | N/A           | N/A        |  |
| Other   | 2,577      | 22            | 186        |  |
| Total   | 2,729,221  | 23,327        | 15,289     |  |
| Additional Expenditures                                   |            |               |            |  |
| Land, Buildings, and Debt Service                         | 0          | 0             | 1,272      |  |

<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: 2013-14**

|                            | Dist       | State                   |                         |
|----------------------------|------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                            | Total (\$) | Percent of<br>Total (%) | Percent of<br>Total (%) |
| Certified Personnel        | 70,839     | 16.8                    | 35.1                    |
| Noncertified Personnel     | 25,369     | 6.0                     | 14.2                    |
| Purchased Services         | 194,227    | 46.1                    | 5.2                     |
| Tuition to Other Schools   | 76,192     | 18.1                    | 22.0                    |
| Special Ed. Transportation | 43,302     | 10.3                    | 8.6                     |
| Other Expenditures         | 11,348     | 2.7                     | 14.9                    |
| Total Expenditures         | 421,277    | 100.0                   | 100.0                   |

# Expenditures by Revenue Source:<sup>4</sup> 2013-14

|                 | Percent of Total (%) |              |  |  |  |
|-----------------|----------------------|--------------|--|--|--|
|                 | Including            | Excluding    |  |  |  |
|                 | School               | School       |  |  |  |
|                 | Construction         | Construction |  |  |  |
| Local           | 89.6                 | 89.6         |  |  |  |
| State           | 8.2                  | 8.2          |  |  |  |
| Federal         | 2.1                  | 2.1          |  |  |  |
| Tuition & Other | 0.2                  | 0.2          |  |  |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>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 Correction).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Grades K-12

#### 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  | 0                          | N/A  | 0     | N/A  | 0       | N/A  |
| Black or African American                    | 0                          | N/A  | 0     | N/A  | 0       | N/A  |
| Hispanic or Latino                           | *                          | *    | *     | *    | *       | *    |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander    | 0                          | N/A  | 0     | N/A  | 0       | N/A  |
| Two or More Races                            | 0                          | N/A  | 0     | N/A  | 0       | N/A  |
| White  | *                          | *    | *     | *    | *       | *    |
| English Language Learners                    | 0                          | N/A  | 0     | N/A  | 0       | N/A  |
| Non-English Language Learners                | 64                         | 70.6 | 64    | 65.6 | 20      | 56.3 |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals     | 12                         | *    | 12    | *    | *       | *    |
| Not Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 52                         | 73.2 | 52    | 68.8 | *       | *    |
| Students with Disabilities                   | 15                         | *    | 15    | *    | *       | *    |
| Students without Disabilities                | 49                         | 76.2 | 49    | 71.7 | *       | *    |
| High Needs                                   | 22                         | 57.0 | 22    | 51.5 | 6       | *    |
| Non-High Needs                               | 42                         | 77.7 | 42    | 73.0 | 14      | *    |
| District                                     | 64                         | 70.6 | 64    | 65.6 | 20      | 56.3 |

# 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     | 43%     | 43%       | 50%      |
| National Public | 35%     | 33%       | 36%      |
| MATH            | Grade 4 | Grade 8   | Grade 12 |
| Connecticut     | 41%     | 36%       | 32%      |
| National Public | 39%     | 32%       | 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 student subgroup performance on NAEP, click here.

#### Physical Fitness Tests: Students Reaching Health Standard<sup>2</sup>

|                      | Percent | of Stude | All Teste | d Grades |       |          |
|----------------------|---------|----------|-----------|----------|-------|----------|
|                      | 4       | 6        | 8         | 10       | Count | Rate (%) |
| Sit & Reach          | *       | *        | N/A       | N/A      | 26    | 92.3     |
| Curl Up              | *       | *        | N/A       | N/A      | 26    | 96.2     |
| Push Up              | *       | *        | N/A       | N/A      | 26    | 76.9     |
| Mile Run/PACER       | *       | *        | N/A       | N/A      | 26    | 76.9     |
| All Tests - District | *       | *        | N/A       | N/A      | 26    | 69.2     |
| All Tests - State    | 50.8    | 51.0     | 50.3      | 51.9     |       | 51.0     |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Only students assessed in all four areas are included in this calculation.

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

These statistics are the first 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.

| Indi  | cator                | Index/Rate    | Target | Points | Max | % Points | State Average |
|---|----------------------|---------------|--------|--------|-----|----------|---------------|
| ELA Performance Index                                     | All Students         | 70.6          | 75     | 94.1   | 100 | 94.1     | 67.9          |
| ELA Performance index                                     | High Needs Students  | 57.0          | 75     | 76.0   | 100 | 76.0     | 56.7          |
| Math Performance Index                                    | All Students         | 65.6          | 75     | 87.4   | 100 | 87.4     | 59.3          |
| iviatii Perioriiiante intex                               | High Needs Students  | 51.5          | 75     | 68.7   | 100 | 68.7     | 47.8          |
| Science Performance Index                                 | All Students         | 56.3          | 75     | 75.0   | 100 | 75.0     | 56.5          |
| Science Performance index                                 | High Needs Students  | N/A           | 75     | 0.0    | 0   | 0.0      | 45.9          |
| Chronic Abcontociem                                       | All Students         | 2.0%          | <=5%   | 50.0   | 50  | 100.0    | 10.6%         |
| Chronic Absenteeism                                       | High Needs Students  | 0.0%          | <=5%   | 50.0   | 50  | 100.0    | 17.3%         |
| Preparation for CCR                                       | % Taking Courses     | N/A           | 75%    | 0.0    | 0   | 0.0      | 66.1%         |
| Preparation for CCN                                       | % Passing Exams      | N/A           | 75%    | 0.0    | 0   | 0.0      | 37.3%         |
| On-track to High School Graduation                        |                      | N/A           | 94%    | 0.0    | 0   | 0.0      | 85.6%         |
| 4-year Graduation All Students (2014 Cohort)              |                      | N/A           | 94%    | 0.0    | 0   | 0.0      | 87.0%         |
| 6-year Graduation - High Needs Students (2012 Cohort)     |                      | N/A           | 94%    | 0.0    | 0   | 0.0      | 77.6%         |
| Postsecondary Entrance (Class of 2014)                    |                      | N/A           | 75%    | 0.0    | 0   | 0.0      | 72.8%         |
| Physical Fitness (estimated part rate) and (fitness rate) |                      | 96.3%   69.2% | 75%    | 46.2   | 50  | 92.3     | 87.6%   51.0% |
| Arts Access   |                      | N/A           | 60%    | 0.0    | 0   | 0.0      | 45.7%         |
| Accountability Index                                      | Accountability Index |               |        | 547.4  | 650 | 84.2     |               |

| Gap Indicators                | Non-High Needs<br>Rate <sup>1</sup> | High Needs Rate | Size of Gap | State Gap Mean<br>+ 1 Stdev² | Is Gap an<br>Outlier?² |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Achievement Gap Size Outlier? |                                     |                 |             |                              | Υ                      |
| ELA Performance Index Gap     | 75.0                                | 57.0            | 18.0        | 17.3                         |                        |
| Math Performance Index Gap    | 73.0                                | 51.5            | 21.5        | 19.6                         |                        |
| Science Performance Index Gap |                                     | N/A             |             | 17.2                         |                        |
| Graduation Rate Gap           |                                     |                 |             |                              |                        |

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

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

| Sul                 | oject/Subgroup      | Participation Rate (%) |
|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| All Students        |                     | 100.0                  |
| ELA                 | High Needs Students | 100.0                  |
| All Students        |                     | 100.0                  |
| IVIALII             | High Needs Students | 100.0                  |
| All Students        |                     | 100.0                  |
| High Needs Students |                     |                        |

# 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: \* State: 50.1

#### **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**

Botelle School uses data and professional discourse to identify areas for improvement within the school program. The Board of Education and the community provide the resources to sustain continual school improvement.

We have an active SRBI team that identifies and programs for struggling learners at every grade level. Appropriate interventions for these students mean that the school can help everyone meet a challenging level of rigor. Interventions are not only in the academic domains, but in behavioral, social emotional, and attendance and/or truancy prevention. This is integrated into our referral, identification, and servicing of special needs students—which is provided by Shared Services. We work closely to evaluate our programs and provide targeted professional development to continuously improve.

Botelle administration and staff have ambitious expectations for professional development. Recent topics have included: CCSS implementation, Teacher Evaluation and Goal Setting, and Teacher's College Readers and Writer's Workshop. Administrators and teachers collaborate in our PDEC committee to use data and teacher feedback to plan professional development activities for the school and for individual teachers.

Realizing that more learning occurs when parents, teachers, and students work together, Botelle School strives to involve parents through effective communication practices, parent participation in committee work, and an active Parent Teacher Organization which supports cultural enrichment, various student activities as well as parent education.

A weekly newsletter informs parents on all school functions. This is the parents' primary source of important school happenings including school lunch menus, volunteer opportunities, and upcoming student performances. It comes home with students once a week, is also e-mailed, and available on the school's website. Parents' attendance at conferences is excellent and parents are encouraged to call the school when concerns arise. The school website is updated regularly and provides instant access to school news, curriculum resources, enrichment activities, calendars, and lunch menus. Through these means teachers support parents in working at home with their children on learning activities. Parent participation on committees is a regular occurrence. Parents have been represented in decision-making committee work; including Safety and Security and Technology and Curriculum.

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

Recognizing that Norfolk is a small rural community, somewhat isolated by its location, the school program regularly includes initiatives that encourage an appreciation of diversity and an understanding of different peoples, communities, and socio-economic backgrounds.

All elementary age students at Botelle receive regular instruction in Spanish. Intended outcomes of our Spanish program include building awareness of Latino culture by comparing/contrasting the language, history, traditions, and celebrations in Spanish speaking cultures.

Supportive parent and cultural communities enhance the school's efforts by sponsoring diverse cultural presentations for Botelle students. This year's events included a presentation by Soro Bindi revolving around the history and presentation of African dance.

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

Botelle School is the only school in our district and serves grades Pre-K through 6. Resources are allocated to meet a wide range of student needs and prepare students to be college and career ready. One part of the school's program that makes it unique is the Pre-K program. Enrolling four-year-olds, three mornings a week, the program provides a developmentally matched start to the school program and is free of charge to town residents.

The school serves all students in grade-level self-contained classrooms. Students remain in their class groups for most of the day and receive instruction from specialists in the areas of art, library, computer and media, music, strings, instrumental music, physical education, and Spanish. The school provides a full range of academic support and remedial services and operates a resource room. We also offer opportunities for our students that are in need of a greater challenge. Botelle contracts with Shared Services, a local special education services provider, to access many clinical and assessment services.