Connecticut State Department of Education

DISTRICT PROFILE AND PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2016–17



Regional School District 11

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District Information

| Grade Range | 7-12 |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Number of Schools/Programs | 1 |
| Enrollment | 251 |
| Per Pupil Expenditures ¹ | \$22,595 |
| Total Expenditures ¹ | \$6,597,750 |

¹Expenditure data reflect the 2015-16 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)

Special Education Annual Performance Reports
SAT®, AP®, PSAT® Report by High School (Class of 2017)
(2017® The College Board)

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Notes

Unless otherwise noted, all data are for 2016-17 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, 2016 Enrollment | | | | | |
|------------------------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| | | District | State | | |
| | Count | Percent of Total (%) | Percent of Total (%) | | |
| Female | 116 | 46.2 | 48.4 | | |
| Male | 135 | 53.8 | 51.6 | | |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | | |
| Asian | * | * | 5.1 | | |
| Black or African American | * | * | 12.9 | | |
| Hispanic or Latino | 21 | 8.4 | 24.0 | | |
| Pacific Islander | * | * | 0.1 | | |
| Two or More Races | 9 | 3.6 | 2.9 | | |
| White | 213 | 84.9 | 54.8 | | |
| English Learners | * | * | 6.8 | | |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 75 | 29.9 | 35.9 | | |
| Students with Disabilities ¹ | 49 | 19.5 | 14.3 | | |

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 | | Ехри | ulsion ³ |
| | Count | Rate (%) | Count | Rate (%) |
| Female | 13 | 11.0 | * | * |
| Male | 15 | 11.5 | * | * |
| Black or African American | 0 | * | 0 | * |
| Hispanic or Latino | * | * | * | * |
| White | 22 | 10.4 | 23 | 10.7 |
| English Learners | 0 | * | 0 | * |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 11 | 15.3 | 8 | 10.0 |
| Students with Disabilities | 6 | 12.0 | 11 | 21.6 |
| District | 28 | 11.2 | 26 | 10.4 |
| State | | 9.9 | | 6.7 |

Number of students in 2015-16 qualified as truant under state statute: 21

Number of school-based arrests: Fewer than 6

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 | 23.8 |
| Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants | 0.0 |
| Special Education | |
| Teachers and Instructors | 5.0 |
| Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants | 0.0 |
| Administrators, Coordinators and Department Chairs | |
| District Central Office | 0.0 |
| School Level | 5.8 |
| Library/Media | |
| Specialists (Certified) | 1.0 |
| Support Staff | 0.0 |
| Instructional Specialists Who Support Teachers | 0.0 |
| Counselors, Social Workers and School Psychologists | 4.0 |
| School Nurses | 0.0 |
| Other Staff Providing Non-Instructional Services/Support | 0.0 |

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 Count Percent of Total (%) | | State Percent of Total (%) |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------|
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Asian | 0 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
| Black or African American | 0 | 0.0 | 3.6 |
| Hispanic or Latino | 0 | 0.0 | 3.6 |
| Pacific Islander | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Two or More Races | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| White | 41 | 100.0 | 91.4 |

Classroom Teacher Attendance: 2015-16

| | District | State |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-------|
| Average Number of FTE Days Absent Due to Illness or Personal Time | 7.9 | 9.6 |

Instruction and Resources

11th and 12th Graders Enrolled in College-and-Career-Readiness Courses during High School³

| | 11th | | 12th | |
|------------------------------------------|-------|----------|-------|----------|
| | Count | Rate (%) | Count | Rate (%) |
| Black or African American | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Hispanic or Latino | * | * | * | * |
| White | 22 | 81.5 | * | * |
| English Learners | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | * | * | * | * |
| Students with Disabilities | * | * | * | * |
| District | 25 | 71.4 | 30 | 73.2 |
| State | | 63.6 | | 77.5 |

³College-and-Career-Readiness Courses include Advanced Placement®(AP), International Baccalaureate®(IB), Career and Technical Education(CTE), workplace experience and dual enrollment courses.

Students with Disabilities Who Spend 79.1 to 100 Percent of Time with Nondisabled Peers⁴

| | Count | Rate (%) |
|----------------------------|-------|----------|
| Autism | * | * |
| Emotional Disturbance | * | * |
| Intellectual Disability | * | * |
| Learning Disability | 17 | * |
| Other Health Impairment | 11 | * |
| Other Disabilities | 0 | 0 |
| Speech/Language Impairment | * | * |
| District | 35 | 61.4 |
| State | | 68.2 |
| | | |

⁴Ages 6-21

Students with Disabilities by Primary Disability¹

| | Dis | State | |
|-------------------------------|-------|----------|----------|
| | Count | Rate (%) | Rate (%) |
| Autism | * | * | 1.7 |
| Emotional Disturbance | 7 | 2.5 | 1.0 |
| Intellectual Disability | * | * | 0.5 |
| Learning Disability | 17 | 6.0 | 4.9 |
| Other Health Impairment | 15 | 5.3 | 2.9 |
| Other Disabilities | 8 | 2.8 | 1.1 |
| Speech/Language Impairment | * | * | 1.8 |
| All Disabilities | 57 | 20.0 | 13.9 |

¹Grades K-12

Overall Expenditures: 2015-16

| | | Per Pupil | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------|
| | Total (\$) | District (\$) | State (\$) |
| Instructional Staff and Services | 2,762,402 | 11,275 | 9,663 |
| Instructional Supplies and Equipment | 81,278 | 332 | 321 |
| Improvement of Instruction and Educational Media Services | 116,258 | 475 | 578 |
| Student Support Services | 404,188 | 1,650 | 1,103 |
| Administration and Support Services | 1,014,186 | 4,140 | 1,861 |
| Plant Operation and Maintenance | 617,652 | 2,521 | 1,637 |
| Transportation | 503,206 | 1,583 | 877 |
| Costs of Students Tuitioned Out | 869,221 | N/A | N/A |
| Other | 229,359 | 936 | 201 |
| Total | 6,597,750 | 22,595 | 16,236 |
| Additiona | al Expenditures | | |
| Land, Buildings, and Debt Service | 0 | 0 | 1,749 |

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

Special Education Expenditures: 2015-16

| | Dist | State | |
|----------------------------|------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| | Total (\$) | Percent of Total (%) | Percent of Total (%) |
| Certified Personnel | 316,446 | 19.6 | 34.6 |
| Noncertified Personnel | 160,707 | 10.0 | 14.6 |
| Purchased Services | 154,819 | 9.6 | 5.8 |
| Tuition to Other Schools | 650,282 | 40.3 | 21.8 |
| Special Ed. Transportation | 205,883 | 12.8 | 8.5 |
| Other Expenditures | 124,060 | 7.7 | 14.7 |
| Total Expenditures | 1,612,197 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

Expenditures by Revenue Source:4 2015-16

| | Percent of Total (%) | | | | |
|-----------------|----------------------|--------------|--|--|--|
| | Including Excluding | | | | |
| | School | School | | | |
| | Construction | Construction | | | |
| Local | 65.6 | 65.6 | | | |
| State | 30.9 | 30.9 | | | |
| Federal | 2.0 | 2.0 | | | |
| Tuition & Other | 1.5 | 1.5 | | | |

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) | | Mat | h | Scien | ice |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------|------|-------|------|-------|------|
| | 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 | * | * |
| Black or African American | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Hispanic or Latino | 12 | * | 12 | * | 12 | * |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Two or More Races | 8 | * | 8 | * | * | * |
| White | 106 | 68.0 | 106 | 60.1 | 72 | 57.0 |
| English Learners | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A | * | * |
| Non-English Learners | 128 | 66.6 | 128 | 58.9 | 89 | 56.7 |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 41 | 63.3 | 41 | 55.6 | 29 | 53.1 |
| Not Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 87 | 68.2 | 87 | 60.4 | 62 | 57.4 |
| Students with Disabilities | 26 | 46.2 | 26 | 41.5 | 14 | * |
| Students without Disabilities | 102 | 71.8 | 102 | 63.3 | 77 | 58.1 |
| High Needs | 58 | 57.8 | 58 | 51.3 | 37 | 52.0 |
| Non-High Needs | 70 | 73.9 | 70 | 65.1 | 54 | 58.9 |
| District | 128 | 66.6 | 128 | 58.9 | 91 | 56.1 |

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 Teste | ed Grades |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------|------|------|-----------|-----------|
| | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 | Count | Rate (%) |
| Sit & Reach | N/A | N/A | 93.0 | 86.0 | 86 | 89.5 |
| Curl Up | N/A | N/A | 86.0 | 81.4 | 86 | 83.7 |
| Push Up | N/A | N/A | 72.1 | 79.1 | 86 | 75.6 |
| Mile Run/PACER | N/A | N/A | 72.1 | 62.8 | 86 | 67.4 |
| All Tests - District | N/A | N/A | 58.1 | 55.8 | 86 | 57.0 |
| All Tests - State | 52.8 | 51.4 | 51.4 | 50.6 | | 51.6 |

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.

Cohort Graduation: Four-Year¹

| | 2015-16 | | |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------|--|
| | Cohort Count ² | Rate (%) | |
| Black or African American | * | * | |
| Hispanic or Latino | * | * | |
| English Learners | 0 | 0 | |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | * | * | |
| Students with Disabilities | * | * | |
| District | 33 | 78.8 | |
| State | | 87.4 | |

¹The four-year cohort graduation rate represents the percentage of first-time 9th graders who earn a standard high school diploma within four years.

11th and 12th Graders Meeting Benchmark on at Least One College Readiness Exam⁵

| | Participation ⁶ | Meeting B | enchmark |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|----------|
| | Rate (%) | Count | Rate (%) |
| Female | 89.7 | 17 | 43.6 |
| Male | 97.3 | 16 | 43.2 |
| Black or African American | * | 0 | * |
| Hispanic or Latino | * | * | * |
| White | 92.4 | 29 | 43.9 |
| English Learners | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | * | * | * |
| Students with Disabilities | * | 0 | * |
| District | 93.4 | 33 | 43.4 |
| State | 96.1 | | 43.5 |

³College readiness exams and benchmark scores are as follows:

- SAT® meets benchmark score on SAT, Revised SAT or Connecticut School Day SAT
- ACT® meets benchmark score on 3 of 4 exams (benchmark score varies by subject)
- AP® 3 or higher on any one AP® exam
- IB® 4 or higher on any one IB® exam
- Smarter Balanced Level 3 or higher on both ELA and math

⁴Participation Rate equals the number of test-takers in 11th and 12th grade divided by the number of students enrolled in those grades, as a percent. Sources:

SAT® and AP® statistics derived from data provided by the College Board.

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IB® statistics derived from data provided by the International Baccalaureate Organization.

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College Entrance and Persistence

| | Class of 2016 | Class of 2015 |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| | Entrance ⁷ | Persistence ⁸ |
| | Rate (%) | Rate (%) |
| Female | * | * |
| Male | * | * |
| Black or African American | N/A | N/A |
| Hispanic or Latino | * | * |
| White | 80.0 | * |
| English Learners | N/A | N/A |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | * | * |
| Students with Disabilities | * | * |
| District | 80.8 | 80.6 |
| State | 72.0 | 88.5 |

⁵College entrance refers to the percent of high school graduates from the year who enrolled in college any time during the first year after high school.

Source: National Student Clearinghouse

²Cohort count includes all students in the cohort as of the end of the 2015-16 school year.

⁶College persistence refers to the percent of students who enrolled in college the first year after high school and returned for a second year (Freshman to Sophomore persistence).

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.

| Indicator | | Index/Rate | Target | Points Earned | Max Points | % Points Earned | State Average Index/Rate |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|--------|------------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| ELA Performance Index | All Students | 66.6 | 75 | 44.4 | 50 | 88.8 | 67.1 |
| ELA Performance index | High Needs Students | 57.8 | 75 | 38.5 | 50 | 77.1 | 55.9 |
| Math Performance Index | All Students | 58.9 | 75 | 39.2 | 50 | 78.5 | 62.2 |
| Math Performance index | High Needs Students | 51.3 | 75 | 34.2 | 50 | 68.4 | 50.5 |
| Science Performance | All Students | 56.1 | 75 | 37.4 | 50 | 74.7 | 55.3 |
| Science Performance | High Needs Students | 52.0 | 75 | 34.7 | 50 | 69.3 | 45.2 |
| ELA Academic Growth | All Students | 37.6% | 100% | 37.6 | 100 | 37.6 | 55.4% |
| ELA ACademic Growth | High Needs Students | 35.7% | 100% | 35.7 | 100 | 35.7 | 49.8% |
| Math Academic Growth | All Students | 39.0% | 100% | 39.0 | 100 | 39.0 | 61.7% |
| Math Academic Growth | High Needs Students | 35.3% | 100% | 35.3 | 100 | 35.3 | 53.7% |
| Chronic Absenteeism | All Students | 11.2% | <=5% | 37.5 | 50 | 75.0 | 9.9% |
| Chronic Absenteeism | High Needs Students | 14.7% | <=5% | 30.6 | 50 | 61.2 | 15.8% |
| Dranavation for CCD | % Taking Courses | 72.4% | 75% | 48.2 | 50 | 96.5 | 70.7% |
| Preparation for CCR | % Passing Exams | 43.4% | 75% | 28.9 | 50 | 57.9 | 43.5% |
| On-track to High School G | raduation | 98.6% | 94% | 50.0 | 50 | 100.0 | 87.8% |
| 4-year Graduation All Stud | dents (2016 Cohort) | 78.8% | 94% | 83.8 | 100 | 83.8 | 87.4% |
| 6-year Graduation - High Needs Students (2014 | | 95.2% | 94% | 100.0 | 100 | 100.0 | 82.0% |
| Postsecondary Entrance (Class of 2016) | | 80.8% | 75% | 100.0 | 100 | 100.0 | 72.0% |
| Physical Fitness (estimated | d part rate) and (fitness | 91.5% 57.0% | 75% | 38.0 | 50 | 76.0 | 92.0% 51.6% |
| Arts Access | | 55.6% | 60% | 46.4 | 50 | 92.7 | 50.5% |
| Accountability Index | | | | 939.5 | 1350 | 69.6 | |

| 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 | 73.9 | 57.8 | 16.1 | 16.7 | |
| Math Performance Index Gap | 65.1 | 51.3 | 13.8 | 18.7 | |
| Science Performance Index Gap | 58.9 | 52.0 | 6.9 | 16.6 | |
| Graduation Rate Gap | | 95.2% | | 12.0% | N |

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.

 $^{^{2}}$ 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 | 100.0 | ³ Minimum |
| ELA | High Needs Students | 100.0 | participation standard is 95%. |
| Math | All Students | 100.0 | |
| IVIALII | High Needs Students | 100.0 | |
| Science | All Students | 100.0 | |
| Science | High Needs Students | 100.0 | |

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: N/A State: 50.2

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

Transition meetings are held annually by Student Services and Special Education personnel with our three sending elementary schools to plan programs to meet the needs of incoming students. Parish Hill Middle High School accepts out of district students who seek Special Education services in a small school setting. We work extensively with area counselors and service providers to ensure individual student and family needs are met. We universally screen all students to determine needs and employ data-driven-decision-making to monitor student progress, identify students in need of additional support, and develop prescriptive programs. Writing and Math labs have been developed and placed in the master schedule to service students in need of intervention or supplemental instruction. As a result, we have seen notable achievement on CAPT-CMT science scores, SBA, and SAT results. The school has several preventative truancy interventions that include monthly attendance review meetings, Peer Mentoring programs, and the Captain's Advisory Council which consists of students who serve as advisers to faculty and administration. Continued commitment to Core Values and Beliefs created an all-inclusive family style atmosphere as noted by the 2016 NEASC Visitation Committee and resulted in improved attendance and fewer disciplinary issues. A collaborative approach to professional development improved our ability to provide relevant staff feedback and resulted in meaningful professional learning opportunities. Ongoing revision of curriculum using the Understanding by Design format led to uniform delivery and common assessment of instructional content. Revisions to school-wide rubrics have been instrumental in improving student academic and civic-social growth. Staff holds regular data team meetings, updates grades on PowerSchool on a bi-weekly basis, and school counselors send weekly Happenings on the Hill newsletters. Our website is updated regularly and a mass communication system, Blackboard Connect, sends school messages via voice and email. Faculty communicates with parents and guardians via phone and email. Students have homework-handbook agendas as a communication tool between home and school. The school has an annual open house, two parent teacher conferences, junior-senior parent planning night, and a financial aid seminar for college bound students and families. Parents attend middle school team meetings and Seventh Grade Parent Nights held in June and August. Families also attend the annual Month of the Adolescent Luncheon, Veterans attend the annual Veteran's Day Luncheon, and residents attend our annual Senior Citizen Luncheon in the spring. Parents and families attend eighth grade commencement and awards ceremony in June. The PTA was reestablished last year to promote stronger parent involvement in the school and to organize student volunteer efforts that benefit our three sending towns of Chaplin, Hampton, and Scotland. The Pirate ship float is a local favorite at the annual Fourth of July Boombox Parade in Willimantic. Parish Hill Middle High School appreciates strong parent booster groups in athletics and music. A parent group has been the driving force in organizing the annual Washington DC Trip. PTA membership has dramatically expanded due to concerted efforts to engage more parents in school governance and decision-making.

Efforts to Reduce Racial, Ethnic and Economic Isolation

A cooperative agreement was established with Windham Public Schools to accept 10 reduced tuition students to Parish Hill Middle High School beginning in the 2014-2015 school year, and we accept reduced tuition students from Brooklyn. This inter-district cooperative program promotes diversity in our school and increases student population. We had a high school student from Spain attend school last year. Forty students took courses not offered at school through Fuel Ed, an online virtual distance learning platform. The school has developed a strong advisory program featuring weekly grade specific lessons for students in grades 7-12. Lessons are centered on topics such as diversity, anti-bullying, respect and responsibility. All students and staff participate in each week's lesson. The Second Step curriculum is delivered to all middle school students through push-in lessons. Extracurricular clubs address diversity and equity and include the Anti-bullying Club, Diversity Club, Model UN, Peer Mentors, Peer Mediation, and GSA. The clubs are open to all students and are advised by staff members. Parish Hill Middle High School has an adopted open enrollment policy in an effort to increase participation of students in the Advanced Placement courses. Assemblies were held featuring Holocaust survivor, Ms. Henny Simon and Holocaust liberator, Mr. Ben Cooper to increase student awareness of the ill effects of oppression and genocide. Ms. Ellen Billard spoke to students about the Road to Mafraq illustrating the life of Syrian refugees in the country of Jordan. Mr. Mark Mainella spoke to students about the effects of bullying. The social worker attended cultural competency training to address homeless student needs and rights. Several students and families attended cultural trips to Europe and Quebec via the Foreign Language Department. Seventh and eighth grade students are eligible to attend the Windham STEM Academy via lottery system and ACT Magnet High School in Willimantic.

Equitable Allocation of Resources among District Schools

Parish Hill Middle High School is the only school within Regional School District 11. Regular meetings with administration, special education, student services, the PTA and all departments ensure district resources are allocated in an equitable and consistent manner.