Connecticut State Department of Education

DISTRICT PROFILE AND PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2013–14



Barkhamsted School District

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District Information

PK-6
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307
\$11,469
\$4,002,601

¹Expenditure data reflect the 2012-13 year.



Community Information

<u>CERC Town Profiles</u> provide summary demographic and economic information for Connecticut's municipalities

Related Reports/Publications

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Unless otherwise noted, all data are for 2013-14 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.

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, 2013 Enrollment				
		District	State	
	Count	Percent of Total (%)	Percent of Total (%)	
Female	135	44.0	48.3	
Male	172	56.0	51.6	
American Indian	0	0.0	0.2	
Asian	*	*	4.6	
Black or African American	*	*	12.9	
Hispanic or Latino	*	*	21.2	
Pacific Islander	0	0.0	0.0	
White	298	97.1	58.4	
Two or More Races	*	*	2.3	
English Language Learners	*	*	5.7	
Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals	24	7.8	37.3	
Students with Disabilities ¹	44	14.3	12.8	

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		Suspe	ension/
	Absenteeism ²		Expu	ılsion³
	Count	Rate (%)	Count	Rate (%)
Female	*	*	0	0.0
Male	*	*	*	*
Black or African American	*	*	0	*
Hispanic or Latino	0	*	0	*
White	*	*	*	*
English Language Learners	0	*	0	*
Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals	0	0.0	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*
District	10	3.5	*	*
State		10.8		7.4
\(\frac{1}{2}\)				

Number of students in 2012-13 qualified as truant under state statute: 0

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	20.5
Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants	2.8
Special Education	
Teachers and Instructors	3.0
Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants	7.6
Administrators, Coordinators and Department Chairs	
District Central Office	0.4
School Level	1.0
Library/Media	
Specialists (Certified)	1.0
Support Staff	0.0
Instructional Specialists Who Support Teachers	1.5
Counselors, Social Workers and School Psychologists	1.4
School Nurses	1.0
Other Staff Providing Non-Instructional Services/Support	13.6

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 (%)
Asian	0	0	1.0
Black or African American	0	0	3.5
Hispanic	0	0	3.6
Native American	0	0	0.1
White	32	100.0	91.7

Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers²

	Percent of Total (%)
District	100.0
District Poverty Quartile: Lo	DW .
State High Poverty Quartile Schools	97.8
State Low Poverty Quartile Schools	99.5

²Core academic classes taught by teachers who are fully certified to teach in that subject area.

Classroom Teacher Attendance: 2012-13

	District	State
Average Number of FTE Days Absent Due to Illness or Personal Time	10.3	9.3

Instruction and Resources

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

	Count	Rate (%)
Autism	N/A	N/A
Emotional Disturbance	N/A	N/A
Intellectual Disability	N/A	N/A
Learning Disability	12	*
Other Health Impairment	*	*
Other Disabilities	0	0
Speech/Language Impairment	*	*
District	25	71.4
State		69.2

⁴Ages 6-21

Students with Disabilities by Primary Disability¹

	Dis	State	
	Count	Rate (%)	Rate (%)
Autism	0	0	1.4
Emotional Disturbance	0	0	1.0
Intellectual Disability	0	0	0.4
Learning Disability	15	5.1	4.2
Other Health Impairment	*	*	2.5
Other Disabilities	*	*	1.0
Speech/Language Impairment	16	5.4	1.9
All Disabilities	36	12.2	12.4

Students with Disabilities Placed Outside of the District²

	Dis	State	
	Count	Rate (%)	
Public Schools in Other Districts	*	*	2.8
Private Schools or Other Settings	*	*	8.1

²Grades K-12

Overall Expenditures: 2012-13

		Per Pupil	
	Total (\$)	District (\$)	State (\$)
Instructional Staff and Services	2,557,613	7,328	8,769
Instructional Supplies and Equipment	40,472	116	275
Improvement of Instruction and Educational Media Services	158,624	455	487
Student Support Services	52,808	151	965
Administration and Support Services	442,772	1,269	1,600
Plant Operation and Maintenance	400,895	1,149	1,472
Transportation	295,329	451	786
Costs of Students Tuitioned Out	54,088	N/A	N/A
Other	0	0	178
Total	4,002,601	11,469	14,642
Additiona	al Expenditures		
Land, Buildings, and Debt Service	0	0	1,434

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

Special Education Expenditures: 2012-13

	Dist	State	
	Total (\$)	Percent of Total (%)	Percent of Total (%)
Certified Personnel	53,978	7.0	35.6
Noncertified Personnel	37,904	4.9	14.5
Purchased Services	570,549	74.1	5.0
Tuition to Other Schools	50,163	6.5	21.4
Special Ed. Transportation	29,415	3.8	8.5
Other Expenditures	27,656	3.6	14.9
Total Expenditures	769,665	100.0	100.0
PK-12 Expenditures Used for Special Educ	19.2	21.9	

Expenditures by Revenue Source:⁴ 2012-13

	Percent of Total (%)				
	Including Excluding				
	School	School			
	Construction	Construction			
Local	74.0	74.0			
State	23.2	23.2			
Federal	2.8	2.8			
Tuition & Other	0.0	0.0			

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).

¹Grades K-12

Performance

District Performance Index (DPI)

A District Performance Index (DPI) for the Connecticut Mastery Test (CMT) is the test performance of all subjects tested for all students in the district. The DPI ranges in value from 0 to 100 points. Connecticut's ultimate target for a DPI is 88 because in a district with a DPI of 88 or above, students will have performed at or above the "goal" level on the majority of tests. Detailed reports of CMT assessment results are available at www.ctreports.com. School and District Performance Reports produced by the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) are also available online.

CMT	DPI			2013-14			Note: If no		
	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	Count	DPI	Target	Achieved	data are
Black or African American									displayed for 2013-14, the
Hispanic or Latino									district
English Language Learners									implemented the Smarter
Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals									Balanced Field
Students with Disabilities	68.5	81.3	74.1	68.5					Test.
High Needs	75.3	85.5	76.5	73.2					_
District	89.4	92.2	90.7	89.3		•			

2013 National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP): Percent At or Above Proficient¹

READING	Grade 4	Grade 8	Grade 12	
Connecticut	43%	45%	50%	
National Public	34%	34%	36%	
MATH	Grade 4	Grade 8	Grade 12	
MATH Connecticut	Grade 4 45%	Grade 8	Grade 12 32%	

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 CMT/CAPT and NAEP. Instead, NAEP results are meant to complement CMT/CAPT results.

Physical Fitness Tests: Students Reaching Health Standard²

	Percent of Students by			All Tested Grades	
	4	6	8	Count	Rate (%)
Sit & Reach	74.4	75.0	N/A	79	74.7
Curl Up	88.4	91.7	N/A	79	89.9
Push Up	53.5	66.7	N/A	79	59.5
Mile Run/PACER	67.4	66.7	N/A	79	67.1
All Tests - District	41.9	47.2	N/A	79	44.3
All Tests - State	50.2	50.7	50.3		51.1

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.

Narratives

School District Improvement Plans and Parental Outreach Activities

School improvement is an ongoing process at The Barkhamsted School. During the school year 2013-14, our efforts to improve special education programs for students began with increasing the service hours of our School Psychologist to full-time status. This increase in time has been used to improve our RTI process. With a full-time school psychologist we have been able to look closely at our RTI process and provide for interventions for students before their gap in learning becomes too large to address in the general education setting. In addition, having a full-time psychologist has allowed us to schedule regular lessons for all students on a monthly basis to address issues such as: bullying prevention, stress management, organizational skills, friendship issues, peer pressure, rumors and tattling vs. telling.

Efforts to prevent truancy were addressed by informing parents of the new state requirements for school attendance. Parents were informed of the change in the spring of 2014 to prepare them for the new policy for the 2014-15 school year.

Engaging families in student learning was a school-wide goal for the 2013-14 school year. Every certified professional was required to create a goal around positive communication with parents. As a result, teachers communicated with parents through phone calls, emails or written monthly updates. Parents were encouraged to respond to these positive communications. Additionally, The Barkhamsted School implemented a Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS) with the motto of S.O.A. R. to Success. Parents and students have been educated on the school-wide behavior expectations of the program. The program resulted in a reduction of office referrals by more than 50%. This system of behavior has benefited all students as all staff members have actively taught the expectations to students throughout the school year. Data is collected and reviewed on a monthly basis by staff members to determine grade levels, locations or individuals that need additional support.

Efforts to Reduce Racial, Ethnic and Economic Isolation

Efforts to reduce racial, ethnic and economic isolation are initiated through curricular and extra-curricular activities. Curricular activities revolve around cultural studies in the primary grades. Holidays around the world and Native American studies expose children to cultures and traditions that are different from their own but to which they can relate. Upper elementary students dive deeper in different cultures by studying the immigration of various ethnic groups to both the East and West coast during the Industrial Revolution. Students read historical novels, study primary sources, visit a working textile mill, read poetry from the time period, perform skits, and visit Ellis Island. During all of these activities, students focus on the impact of culture and ethnicity on both the people who immigrated to America and how these groups have shaped our country.

In addition to these curricular activities, students participate in other extra-curricular activities that give them an understanding of students around the globe. Students at The Barkhamsted School have participated in a variety of pen-pal type activities where they write to and exchange information with students across the country and around the world. Some activities include an element of art as students create a large wall mural by coloring just a small piece of the mural and sending it to other students across the country. In return, they receive pieces of the mural from other students in other states and parts of Canada. Another pen-pal activity has students writiing to students in an urban district outside of Washington, DC. Students exchange information about healthy habits including diet and exercise in an urban vs. a rural setting. Students have also used technology such as Skype to explore the geography of the United States. Students team up to participate in a "Mystery Skype" activity where they use a web camera to communicate with students in a mystery location. They then use a 20 questions format to identify the location of the students at another school. Students must have a basic understanding of the geography of the country as well as be able to research on the fly to narrow down the location.

Equitable Allocation of Resources among District Schools

The Town of Barkhamsted maintains only one school; The Barkhamsted School. All resources from the Board of Education budget are allocated to The Barkhamsted School.