### Connecticut State Department of Education

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



## Brass City Charter School District

http://ww.brasscitycharter.org

#### **District Information**

Grade Range	PK-2
Number of Schools/Programs	1
Enrollment	150
Per Pupil Expenditures <sup>1</sup>	\$11,312
Total Expenditures <sup>1</sup>	\$1,300,835

<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 (%)	Percent of Total (%)	
Female	91	60.7	48.3	
Male	59	39.3	51.6	
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0.0	0.2	
Asian	*	*	4.7	
Black or African American	47	31.3	12.9	
Hispanic or Latino	67	44.7	22.1	
Pacific Islander	0	0.0	0.0	
Two or More Races	18	12.0	2.5	
White	*	*	57.2	
English Language Learners	*	*	6.3	
Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals	103	68.7	37.6	
Students with Disabilities <sup>1</sup>	11	7.3	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/	
	Absenteeism <sup>2</sup>		Expu	ılsion³
	Count	Rate (%)	Count	Rate (%)
Female	6	8.8	*	*
Male	6	13.0	*	*
Black or African American	*	*	*	*
Hispanic or Latino	6	12.5	0	0.0
White	0	*	0	*
English Language Learners	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals	12	16.4	6	5.8
Students with Disabilities	* *		*	*
District	12	10.5	7	4.6
State		10.6		7.2

Number of students in 2013-14 qualified as truant under state statute: 9

<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)1 Staff

	FTE
General Education	
Teachers and Instructors	13.9
Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants	3.6
Special Education	
Teachers and Instructors	0.0
Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants	0.0
Administrators, Coordinators and Department Chairs	
District Central Office	0.0
School Level	0.0
Library/Media	
Specialists (Certified)	0.0
Support Staff	0.0
Instructional Specialists Who Support Teachers	0.0
Counselors, Social Workers and School Psychologists	0.0
School Nurses	0.2
Other Staff Providing Non-Instructional Services/Support	6.4

<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 (%)		Percent of Total (%)
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0.0	0.1
Asian	1	6.7	1.0
Black or African American	0	0.0	3.5
Hispanic or Latino	1	6.7	3.5
Pacific Islander	0	0.0	0.0
Two or More Races	0	0.0	0.0
White	13	86.7	91.8

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

	Percent of Total (%)		
District	100.0		
District Poverty Quartile: High			
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	6.0	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	N/A	N/A
Emotional Disturbance	N/A	N/A
Intellectual Disability	N/A	N/A
Learning Disability	N/A	N/A
Other Health Impairment	N/A	N/A
Other Disabilities	N/A	N/A
Speech/Language Impairment	N/A	N/A
District	N/A	N/A
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	0	0.0	1.5
Emotional Disturbance	0	0.0	1.0
Intellectual Disability	0	0.0	0.5
Learning Disability	0	0.0	4.4
Other Health Impairment	0	0.0	2.6
Other Disabilities	0	0.0	1.0
Speech/Language Impairment	0	0.0	1.9
All Disabilities	0	0.0	13.0

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

	Dis	State	
	Count	Rate (%)	
Public Schools in Other Districts	0	0.0	8.1
Private Schools or Other Settings	0	0.0	5.4

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

#### Overall Expenditures: 2013-14

		Per Pupil		
	Total (\$)	District (\$)	State (\$)	
Instructional Staff and Services	541,267	4,707	9,134	
Instructional Supplies and Equipment	121,923	1,060	334	
Improvement of Instruction and Educational Media Services	23,508	204	498	
Student Support Services	14,700	128	1,001	
Administration and Support Services	327,378	2,847	1,694	
Plant Operation and Maintenance	156,639	1,362	1,572	
Transportation	930		813	
Costs of Students Tuitioned Out		N/A	N/A	
Other	114,490	996	186	
Total	1,300,835	11,312	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 Total (%)	Percent of Total (%)
Certified Personnel	0	0.0	35.1
Noncertified Personnel	0	0.0	14.2
Purchased Services	0	0.0	5.2
Tuition to Other Schools	0	0.0	22.0
Special Ed. Transportation	0	0.0	8.6
Other Expenditures	0	0.0	14.9
Total Expenditures	0	0.0	100.0

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

	Percent of Total (%)			
	Including Excludin			
	School	School		
	Construction	Construction		
Local	0.0	0.0		
State	88.8	88.8		
Federal	7.1	7.1		
Tuition & Other	4.1	4.1		

<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	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
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	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
English Language Learners	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
Non-English Language Learners	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
Not Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
Students with Disabilities	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
Students without Disabilities	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
High Needs	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
Non-High Needs	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
District	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A

# 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 Students by Grade <sup>3</sup> (%)				All Teste	d Grades
	4	6	8	10	Count	Rate (%)
Sit & Reach	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Curl Up	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Push Up	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mile Run/PACER	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
All Tests - District	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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	N/A	75	0.0	0	0.0	67.9
ELA Performance index	High Needs Students	N/A	75	0.0	0	0.0	56.7
Math Performance Index	All Students	N/A	75	0.0	0	0.0	59.3
width Performance muex	High Needs Students	N/A	75	0.0	0	0.0	47.8
Science Performance Index	All Students	N/A	75	0.0	0	0.0	56.5
Science Performance index	High Needs Students	N/A	75	0.0	0	0.0	45.9
Chronic Abcontociom	All Students	10.5%	<=5%	38.9	50	77.9	10.6%
Chronic Absenteeism	High Needs Students	15.8%	<=5%	28.4	50	56.8	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 Studer	nts (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)		N/A   N/A	75%	0.0	0	0.0	87.6%   51.0%
Arts Access	Arts Access		60%	0.0	0	0.0	45.7%
Accountability Index				67.4	100	67.4	

Gap Indicators	Non-High Needs Rate <sup>1</sup>	High Needs Rate	Size of Gap	State Gap Mean + 1 Stdev²	Is Gap an Outlier?²
Achievement Gap Size Outlier?					
ELA Performance Index Gap		N/A			
Math Performance Index Gap		N/A			
Science Performance Index Gap		N/A			
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	bject/Subgroup	Participation Rate (%)
All Students		
ELA	High Needs Students	
All Students		
IVIALII	High Needs Students	
All Students		
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: N/A 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**

Special education programs and services for students with disabilities are provided by the City of Waterbury. We have designed a new intervention program this year and hired teachers to service tier two and three students. We utilize data from iReady, our assessment tool, to analyze student need and to focus instruction.

- 2. This year we hired a Student and Parent Support Coordinator who has the task of following up on absences and working with parents to address the causes of excessive absences.
- 3. BCCS takes seriously its goal to partner with parents for student learning. We sponsor four parent/teacher/student conferences annually so that parents are well informed about the curriculum and can establish a working partnership with their child's teacher. Report cards are standards based so that families have a clear understanding of learning goals throughout the year. We have used conferences as an opportunity for parent engagement in their child's education in some focused ways. For instance, this year we had a reading station for pre-k parents to demonstrate for them tips on how to read to their children and we provided a new book to each family. Families are invited to classrooms to hear their children read stories they have written as well as their poetry.

Our PTO meets monthly with our Student and Parent Support Coordinator and are engaged in planning programs for the school community.

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

We are a charter school that draws its student body from the entire city of Waterbury. The school's demographics reflect proportionally the demographics of the city in terms of race, ethnicity, and socio-economic status of which we are very proud.

In planning curriculum we strive for multi-cultural sensitivity such as in our choice of books, in the images we post around the school, the music we sing, conversations we have, and the foods we eat.

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

NA We are a single stand alone charter school.