Connecticut State Department of Education

DISTRICT PROFILE AND PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2018–19



Pomfret School District

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District Information

| Grade Range | PK-8 |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Number of Schools/Programs | 1 |
| Enrollment | 381 |
| Per Pupil Expenditures ¹ | \$18,862 |
| Total Expenditures ¹ | \$10,864,284 |
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¹Expenditure data reflect the 2017-18 school year.



Community Information

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

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Notes

Unless otherwise noted, all data are for 2018-19 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 safeguard student confidentiality, or to ensure that statistics based on a very small sample size are not interpreted as equally representative as those based on a sufficiently larger sample size.

N/A is displayed when a category is not applicable for a district or school.

Students

| October 1, 2018 Enrollment ² | | | | |
|---|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| | | District | State | |
| | Count | Percent of Total (%) | Percent of Total (%) | |
| Female | 172 | 45.1 | 48.4 | |
| Male | 209 | 54.9 | 51.6 | |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | |
| Asian | 15 | 3.9 | 5.2 | |
| Black or African American | * | * | 12.8 | |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 19 | 5.0 | 25.8 | |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | * | * | 0.1 | |
| Two or More Races | * | * | 3.6 | |
| White | 339 | 89.0 | 52.4 | |
| English Learners | * | * | 7.6 | |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 96 | 25.2 | 42.1 | |
| Students with Disabilities ³ | 40 | 10.5 | 15.4 | |

²This table represents students in grades PK-12 reported by the district in the Public School Information System (i.e., PSIS Reporting District).

³Students in this category are students with an individualized education program (IEP) only. This category does not include students with Section 504 plans or services plans.

NOTE: To protect student privacy, gender counts are suppressed (*) when fewer than 6 students enrolled in the district identify as non-binary.

Chronic Absenteeism and Suspension/Expulsion

| | Chronic | | Suspension/ | |
|--|--------------|----------|-------------|---------------------|
| | Absenteeism⁴ | | Ехри | ılsion ⁵ |
| | Count | Rate (%) | Count | Rate (%) |
| Female | * | * | 0 | 0.0 |
| Male | * | * | 6 | 2.6 |
| Black or African American | 0 | * | 0 | * |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | * | * | 0 | 0.0 |
| White | * | * | 6 | 1.7 |
| English Learners | 0 | * | 0 | * |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 6 | 7.2 | * | * |
| Students with Disabilities | * | * | * | * |
| District | 7 | 1.9 | 6 | 1.5 |
| State | | 10.4 | | 6.7 |

Number of students in 2017-18 qualified as truant under state statute: 0 Number of school-based arrests: 0

⁴A student is chronically absent if they miss 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.

⁵This column displays 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 | 30.2 |
| Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants | 6.5 |
| Special Education | |
| Teachers and Instructors | 4.0 |
| Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants | 8.5 |
| Administrators, Coordinators and Department Chairs | |
| District Central Office | 0.0 |
| School Level | 3.5 |
| Library/Media | |
| Specialists (Certified) | 0.8 |
| Support Staff | 0.0 |
| Instructional Specialists Who Support Teachers | 0.8 |
| Counselors, Social Workers and School Psychologists | 2.0 |
| School Nurses | 1.0 |
| Other Staff Providing Non-Instructional Services/Support | 21.3 |

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 (%) |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Asian | 0 | 0.0 | 1.1 |
| Black or African American | 0 | 0.0 | 3.8 |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 0 | 0.0 | 3.8 |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Two or More Races | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| White | 42 | 100.0 | 90.5 |

Classroom Teacher Attendance: 2017-18

| | District | State |
|---|----------|-------|
| Average Number of FTE Days Absent Due to Illness or Personal Time | 8.4 | 10.0 |

Instruction and Resources

Students with Disabilities Who Spend 79.1 to 100 Percent of Time with Nondisabled Peers³

| | Count | Rate (%) |
|----------------------------|-------|----------|
| Autism | * | * |
| Emotional Disturbance | * | * |
| Intellectual Disability | * | * |
| Learning Disability | 8 | * |
| Other Health Impairment | 8 | * |
| Other Disabilities | 0 | 0 |
| Speech/Language Impairment | 9 | * |
| District | 32 | 54.2 |
| State | | 67.6 |

³This table represents students ages 6-21 for whom the district is fiscally responsible (i.e., Nexus District students with an IEP or services plan).

Students with Disabilities by Primary Disability¹

| | Dis | State | |
|-------------------------------|-------|----------|----------|
| | Count | Rate (%) | Rate (%) |
| Autism | 8 | 1.5 | 1.9 |
| Emotional Disturbance | 6 | 1.1 | 1.1 |
| Intellectual Disability | * | * | 0.5 |
| Learning Disability | 16 | 2.9 | 5.5 |
| Other Health Impairment | 13 | 2.4 | 3.2 |
| Other Disabilities | * | * | 1.1 |
| Speech/Language Impairment | 16 | 2.9 | 1.8 |
| All Disabilities | 66 | 12.1 | 15.0 |

¹This table represents students in grades K-12 for whom the district is fiscally responsible (i.e., Nexus District students with an IEP or services plan).

Students with Disabilities Placed Outside of the District²

| | Dis | State | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|----------|----------|
| | Count | Rate (%) | Rate (%) |
| Public Schools in Other Districts | * | * | 8.2 |
| Private Schools or Other Settings | * | * | 5.0 |

²This table represents students in grades K-12 for whom the district is fiscally responsible (i.e., Nexus District students with an IEP or services plan).

Overall Expenditures: 2017-18

| | | Per Pupil | |
|--|--------------|---------------|------------|
| | Total (\$) | District (\$) | State (\$) |
| Instruction | \$7,797,745 | \$13,538 | \$10,545 |
| Support services - students | \$564,241 | \$1,462 | \$1,373 |
| Support services - instruction | \$332,285 | \$861 | \$644 |
| Support services - general administration | \$163,286 | \$423 | \$462 |
| Support services - school based administration | \$428,631 | \$1,110 | \$1,007 |
| Central and other support services | \$210,308 | \$545 | \$671 |
| Operation and maintenance of plant | \$608,849 | \$1,577 | \$1,629 |
| Student transportation services | \$753,740 | \$1,282 | \$1,231 |
| Food services | | | \$13 |
| Enterprise operations | | | \$157 |
| Minor school construction | \$5,200 | \$13 | \$65 |
| Total | \$10,864,284 | \$18,862 | \$17,153 |

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

Special Education Expenditures: 2017-18

| | Dist | State | |
|--|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| | Total (\$) | Percent of Total (%) | Percent of Total (%) |
| Teacher Salaries | \$417,924 | 13.3 | 29.7 |
| Instructional Aide Salaries | \$268,922 | 8.5 | 9.6 |
| Other Salaries | \$361,932 | 11.5 | 10.4 |
| Employee Benefits | \$245,411 | 7.8 | 13.0 |
| Purchased Services Other Than Transportation | \$80,847 | 2.6 | 5.5 |
| Special Education Tuition | \$1,442,917 | 45.8 | 22.6 |
| Supplies | \$36,599 | 1.2 | 0.6 |
| Property Services | | | 0.4 |
| Purchased Services For Transportation | \$291,076 | 9.2 | 8.0 |
| Equipment | \$1,862 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| All Other Expenditures | \$500 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Total | \$3,147,989 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Percent of Total Expenditures Used for Special Education | | 29.0 | 24.4 |

Expenditures by Revenue Source:⁴ 2017-18

| | Percent of Total (%) Excluding School |
|-----------------|---|
| | Construction |
| Local | 68.8 |
| State | 28.7 |
| Federal | 2.1 |
| Tuition & Other | 0.3 |

⁴Revenue sources do not include state-funded Teachers' Retirement Board contributions, Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS) operations, CSDE-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) | | Math | | Science | |
|--|-----------------------------|------|-------|------|---------|------|
| | Count | DPI | Count | DPI | Count | DPI |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A |
| Asian | 11 | * | 11 | * | * | * |
| Black or African American | * | * | * | * | 0 | N/A |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 16 | * | 16 | * | 6 | * |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | * | * | * | * | 0 | N/A |
| Two or More Races | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| White | 226 | 75.1 | 225 | 73.8 | 79 | 71.3 |
| English Learners | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Non-English Learners | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 54 | 71.9 | 53 | 70.6 | 17 | * |
| Not Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 204 | 75.8 | 204 | 74.9 | 73 | 71.1 |
| Students with Disabilities | 25 | 55.3 | 25 | 51.7 | 10 | * |
| Students without Disabilities | 233 | 77.1 | 232 | 76.4 | 80 | 73.5 |
| High Needs | 76 | 68.3 | 75 | 66.4 | 25 | 69.8 |
| Non-High Needs | 182 | 77.8 | 182 | 77.1 | 65 | 72.4 |
| District | 258 | 75.0 | 257 | 74.0 | 90 | 71.7 |

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

| | NAEP | NAEP 2013 | |
|-----------------|---------|-----------|----------|
| READING | Grade 4 | Grade 8 | Grade 12 |
| Connecticut | 40 | 41 | 50 |
| National Public | 34 | 32 | 36 |
| MATH | Grade 4 | Grade 8 | Grade 12 |
| Connecticut | 45 | 39 | 32 |
| National Public | 40 | 33 | 25 |

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 performance on NAEP by student group, click here.

Physical Fitness Tests: Students Reaching Health Standard²

| | Percent of Students by Grade ³ (%) | | | | All Teste | ed Grades |
|----------------------|---|------|------|------|-----------|-----------|
| | 4 | 6 | 8 | HS | Count | Rate (%) |
| Sit & Reach | 59.0 | 68.1 | 58.5 | N/A | 139 | 61.9 |
| Curl Up | 84.6 | 80.9 | 86.8 | N/A | 139 | 84.2 |
| Push Up | 76.9 | 72.3 | 71.7 | N/A | 139 | 73.4 |
| Mile Run/PACER | 46.2 | 63.8 | 73.6 | N/A | 139 | 62.6 |
| All Tests - District | 33.3 | 48.9 | 43.4 | N/A | 139 | 42.4 |
| All Tests - State | 56.1 | 53.5 | 50.9 | 51.4 | | 52.9 |

²The Connecticut Physical Fitness Assessment (CPFA) is administered to students in Grades 4, 6, 8 and High School (HS). 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.

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.

| Indi | cator | Index/Rate | Target | Points Earned | Max Points | % Points Earned | State Average Index/Rate |
|---|---------------------|---------------|--------|------------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| ELA Performance Index | All Students | 75.0 | 75 | 50.0 | 50 | 100.0 | 67.7 |
| ELA Performance muex | High Needs Students | 68.3 | 75 | 45.5 | 50 | 91.1 | 58.1 |
| Math Danfarrance Index | All Students | 74.0 | 75 | 49.3 | 50 | 98.6 | 63.1 |
| Math Performance Index | High Needs Students | 66.4 | 75 | 44.3 | 50 | 88.5 | 52.7 |
| Caiamaa Daufaussanaa luudass | All Students | 71.7 | 75 | 47.8 | 50 | 95.6 | 63.8 |
| Science Performance Index | High Needs Students | 69.8 | 75 | 46.6 | 50 | 93.1 | 54.2 |
| FLA A dans's Countle | All Students | 56.2% | 100% | 56.2 | 100 | 56.2 | 59.9% |
| ELA Academic Growth | High Needs Students | 57.2% | 100% | 57.2 | 100 | 57.2 | 55.1% |
| Math Assissin County | All Students | 62.3% | 100% | 62.3 | 100 | 62.3 | 62.5% |
| Math Academic Growth | High Needs Students | 58.3% | 100% | 58.3 | 100 | 58.3 | 55.2% |
| Progress Toward English | Literacy | | 100% | | | | 60.0% |
| Proficiency | Oral | | 100% | | | | 52.1% |
| | All Students | 1.9% | <=5% | 50.0 | 50 | 100.0 | 10.4% |
| Chronic Absenteeism | High Needs Students | 5.3% | <=5% | 49.4 | 50 | 98.8 | 16.1% |
| December for CCD | % Taking Courses | | 75% | | | | 80.0% |
| Preparation for CCR | % Passing Exams | | 75% | | | | 42.6% |
| On-track to High School Gra | duation | 97.5% | 94% | 50.0 | 50 | 100.0 | 88.0% |
| 4-year Graduation All Students (2018 Cohort) | | | 94% | | • | | 88.3% |
| 6-year Graduation - High Needs Students (2016 Cohort) | | | 94% | | | | 83.3% |
| Postsecondary Entrance (Class of 2018) | | | 75% | | | | 70.9% |
| Physical Fitness (estimated part rate) and (fitness rate) | | 97.9% 42.4% | 75% | 28.3 | 50 | 56.6 | 96.4% 52.9% |
| Arts Access | | | 60% | | | | 51.9% |
| Accountability Index | | | | 695.2 | 900 | 77.2 | |

NOTE: A dot (.) appears in the table above when there are fewer than 20 students in the student group or the indicator is not applicable based on grades served.

| 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 | 75.0 | 68.3 | 6.7 | 15.4 | |
| Math Performance Index Gap | 75.0 | 66.4 | 8.6 | 17.6 | |
| Science Performance Index Gap | 72.4 | 69.8 | 2.6 | 16.1 | |
| Graduation Rate Gap | | | | | |

¹If 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. ²If the size of the gap exceeds the state mean gap plus one standard deviation, the gap is an outlier.

NOTE: A dot (.) appears in the table above when there are fewer than 20 students in at least one of the student groups used to calculate the gap measure or the indicator is not applicable based on grades served.

| Subject | t/Student Group | Participation Rate (%) ³ | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| ELA All Students High Needs Students | | 99.6 | | |
| | | 100.0 | | |
| All Students | | 99.3 | | |
| IVIALII | High Needs Students | 98.8 | | |
| All Students | | 100.0 | | |
| Science | High Needs Students | 100.0 | | |

³Minimum participation standard is 95%.

Supporting Resources: Two-page FAQ Detailed

Detailed Presentation

Connecticut's State Identified Measurable Result (SIMR) for Children with Disabilities

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: 51.5

Using Accountability Results to Guide Improvement

Narratives

School District Improvement Plans and Parental Outreach Activities

Annually, the Pomfret Board of Education approves school goals that focus on both student achievement and positive school and family communications. The district monitors and analyzes benchmark testing and make adjustments and creates interventions as needed. Individual student progress is our primary focus and the district closely monitors cohort student data by grade level.

Pomfret Community School takes pride in its home-school connections. Pomfret families have a strong connection to the school; many attended PCS, and are proud of the many unique traditions that make this school special. The Parent Teacher Organization is very active and supportive and provides opportunities for enrichment throughout the year. We maintain an open-door policy which welcomes the active participation of parents and community members in the school life of our students. We encourage a strong home-school partnership and believe that we are a team that works together for every student to achieve success. Each year families receive a copy of our student handbook which discusses all of our rules and regulations and weekly updates about school events.

Teachers communicate with parents on a regular basis through phone calls, notes, emails, conferences and website updates. Student progress reports are sent to parents six times per year and formal conferences are scheduled twice per year. In addition, monthly newsletters are published and a yearly calendar of events is distributed. The district also uses its automated email and calling system to keep families informed of school related events.

PCS is the cornerstone of the Pomfret community and we have a close connection to our town Recreation Department. That department uses our facilities for activities before and after school, on the weekends and during the summer break. This cooperative relationship provides opportunities for our students and adult community members. In addition, our staff invites all local seniors to a holiday dinner each December.

The Special Education Program at Pomfret Community School strives to meet the needs of students with disabilities in the most inclusive environment. With a growing population of students identified on the autism spectrum, it was recognized that special and general education staff required training and support in this area. Behavior and Autism Consultants from EASTCONN continue to be contracted to build capacity within the school to address the needs of those students. The partnering has been highly successful and has prevented possible outplacements from occurring.

To prevent truancy, parents are informed of the state guidelines for students' attendance, including excused and unexcused absence reasons in our student handbook. Absences and late arrivals are tracked and parents are contacted by phone and by letter when a concern arises. In addition, families are encouraged to take vacations during school breaks. Pomfret Community School contracts with EASTCONN's Residency and Truancy program to further assist with individual students and families.

Efforts to Reduce Racial, Ethnic and Economic Isolation

Pomfret Community School is located in a region of Connecticut with very limited racial, ethnic and economic diversity. Our current student population is approximately 92% white, 2% African American, 4% Asian, and 3% Latino. Our staff is 100% white. To address our lack of diversity, we provide opportunities for student so to be exposed to other cultures. We have a school club called Hope for Haiti that studies the region and has conducted fundraisers to support education in that country. In addition, students at Pomfret Community School participate in a significant number of fund raising activities that support the efforts of many worthwhile organizations such as the Pomfret Food Pantry and TEEG. Students in the middle school have the opportunity to participate in Spanish language classes which includes study of the cultures of Spanish speaking countries. In addition, we hold a cultural arts week each spring to provide awareness of diversity. In the 2018-2019 school year the focus country was Finland. This program included crafts, stories, and a variety of activities. The Pomfret Community School PTO is instrumental in making this program an annual highlight. This year all grade eight students at Pomfret Community School participated in a Human Rights Conference hosted by one of our designated high schools Woodstock Academy.

Equitable Allocation of Resources among District Schools

The Pomfret School District consists of one Pre-Kindergarten to Grade Eight school - Pomfret Community School (PCS). The focus of the district is to maintain the high quality of the educational program at PCS while also providing multiple options to students beyond 8th Grade. At Pomfret Community School, resources are equitably allocated across the grade levels. The district is pleased to continue to maintain reasonable class sizes at all grade levels. This assures that students are given access to an education that works to meet their individual needs as learners. Teachers across all content areas and the arts are provided with instructional tools to help maximize student achievement and personal growth. The school provides one to one access to chrome books for all students grade five through eight. A laptop cart is available grade three and four while the primary wing also has access to a laptop cart and a chrome book lab. Once students graduate from 8th Grade, they have a number of public and private high school choices. Starting in the 2019-2020 school year, the Pomfret Board of Education approved two additional designated high school options for Pomfret students.