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School Contact Info

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Type	Contact Information
County	MONMOUTH
District	TINTON FALLS
Principal Name	MRS. BLACK
Address	961 SYCAMORE AVENUE TINTON FALLS, NJ 07724-3199
Phone Number	(732)542-2500
Email Address	JBLACK@TFSCHOOLS.ORG
Website	https://www.tfschools.org
Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/TFSpride/
Twitter	https://twitter.com/PantherPrideMFA

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Enrollment Trends by Grade

This table shows the number of students enrolled by grade for the past three school years.

Grade	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
PK	48	55	51
KG	144	151	173
1	155	163	148
2	166	157	164
Total	515	526	536

Enrollment Trends by Student Group

This table shows the percentage of students by student group for the past three school years. Data for some student groups was not available before 2016-17.

Student Group	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Female	47.8%	43.5%	43.8%
Male	52.2%	56.5%	56.2%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	20.8%	20.7%	17.2%
Students with Disabilities	19.4%	26.2%	26.1%
English Learners	4.3%	3.6%	3.7%
Homeless Students		0.6%	0.7%
Students in Foster Care		0.4%	0.4%
Military-Connected Students		3.6%	2.6%
Migrant Students		0.0%	0.0%

Enrollment by Racial and Ethnic Group

This table shows the percentage of students by racial and ethnic group for the past three school years.

Racial and Ethnic Group	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
White	62.9%	61.4%	64.6%
Hispanic	16.3%	17.7%	16.0%
Black or African American	10.1%	9.5%	8.4%
Asian	5.6%	5.5%	6.0%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Two or More Races	4.9%	5.7%	5.0%

Enrollment Trends by Full/Half Day PK and KG

This table shows number of students in full day and half day Pre-Kindergarten (PK) and Kindergarten (KG) for the past three school years.

Grade	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
PK - Half Day	20	25	28
PK - Full Day	28	30	23
KG - Half Day	0	0	0
KG - Full Day	144	151	173

Enrollment by Home Language

This table shows the percentage of students by primary home language. Only the top 5 languages with at least 1% of students are shown, and students with other home languages are included in the Other Languages total.

Home Language	% of Students
English	91.0%
Spanish	5.6%
Other Languages	3.4%

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English Language Progress to Proficiency

This table shows the percentage of English Learners who demonstrated the expected amount of growth on the ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Assessment for English Language proficiency. Expected growth is based on the student's initial level of English Language Proficiency during the 2016-17 school year and the number of years the student has been enrolled in the district. This table also shows the school's 2017-18 ESSA accountability target and whether the target was met.

Student Group	Percent of English Learners Making Expected Growth to Proficiency	2017-18 Target	Met Target?
Schoolwide/English Learners	*	*	*

English Language Proficiency Test - Participation and Performance

This table shows, by years in district, the number of English learner students taking the ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Assessment for English language proficiency and the percentage of students tested that received an overall score of 4.5 or above. Students must receive a score of 4.5 or higher to be considered for proficient status.

Years in District	# Students Tested	% Students with Overall Score Below 4.5	% Students with Overall Score of 4.5 and above
0-2	14	*	*
3-4	*	*	*
5 or more	N	N	N

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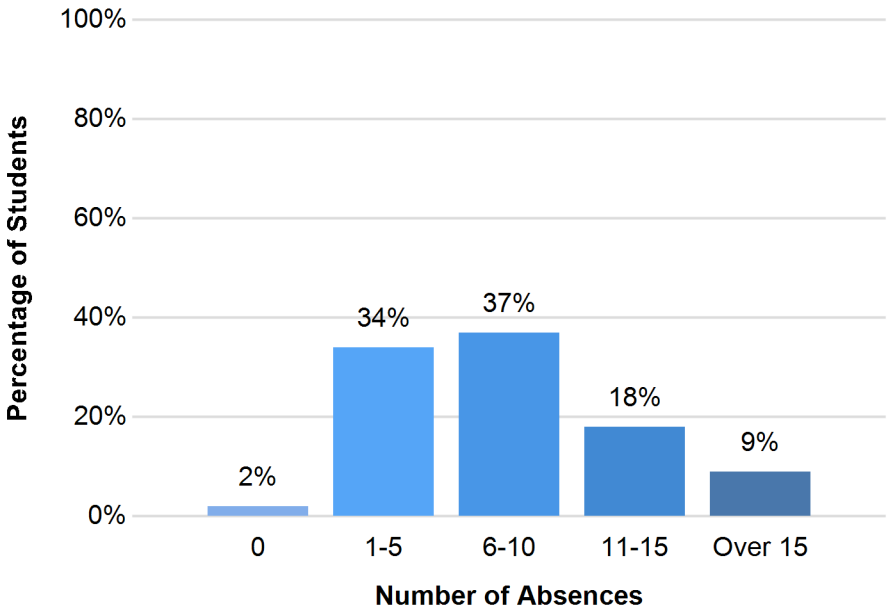
Chronic Absenteeism

This table shows the number and percentage of students in grades K-12 both overall and by student group who were chronically absent during the school year. The last two columns show the chronic absenteeism state average for students in the grades offered and whether the rate for each student group was above the state average ("Not Met") or less than or equal to the state average ("Met").

Student Group	Number of students chronically absent	Percent of students chronically absent	State Average	Met State Average
Schoolwide	33	6.8	10.2	Met
White	19	6.1	10.2	Met
Hispanic	7	8.9	10.2	Met
Black or African American	4	10.0	10.2	Met
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	2	6.5	10.2	Met
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	N
Two or More Races	1	4.5	10.2	Met
Economically Disadvantaged Students	11	12.4	10.2	Not Met
Students with Disabilities	9	9.3	10.2	Met
English Learners	2	12.5	**	**

Days Absent

This graph shows the percentage of K-12 students by the number of days they were absent during the school year.



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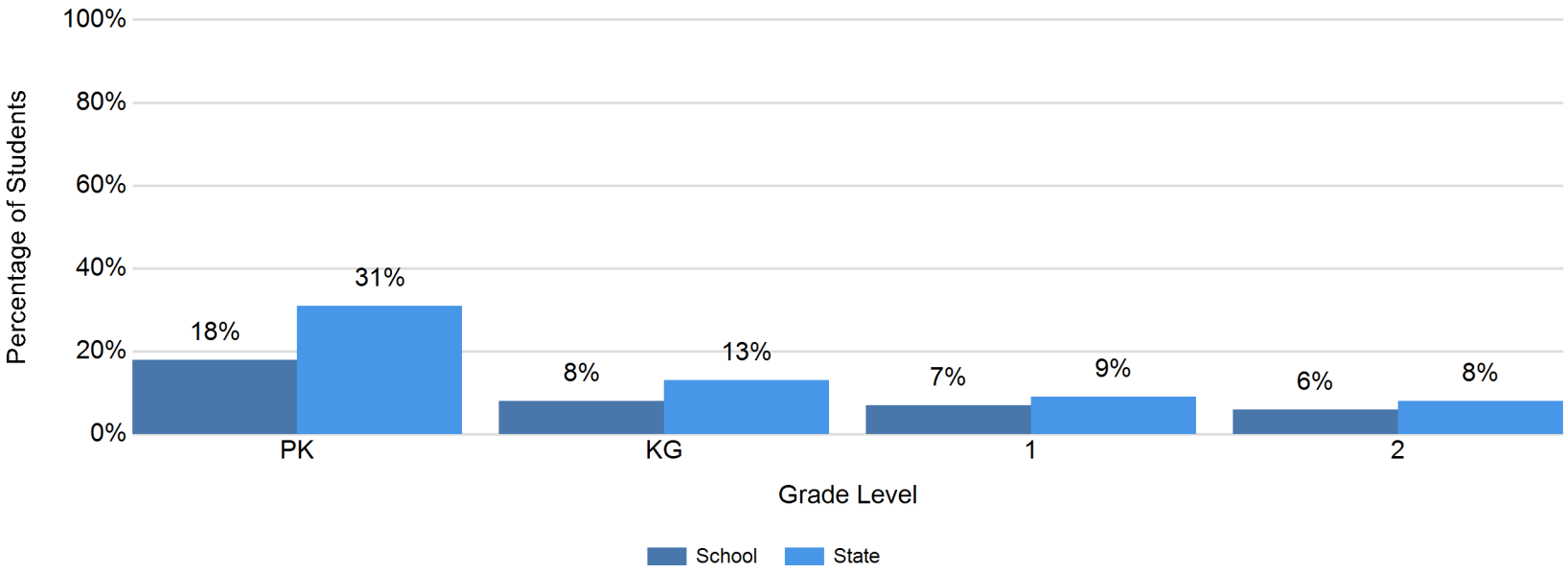
Chronic Absenteeism by Grade

This graph shows the percentage of students by grade level who were chronically absent during the school year.



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Violence, Vandalism, HIB, and Substance Offenses

This table shows the number of incidents reported by type. A single incident may be counted under multiple incident types. The total unique incidents row provides an unduplicated count of incidents. The last row shows the rate of incidents for every 100 students enrolled.

Incident Type	Number of Incidents
Violence	0
Weapons	0
Vandalism	0
Substances	0
Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)	0
Total Unique Incidents	0
Incidents Per 100 Students Enrolled	0.00

Police Notifications

This table shows, by incident type, the number of cases where an incident led to police notification.

Incident Type	Incidents Reported to Police
Violence	0
Weapons	0
Vandalism	0
Substances	0
Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)	0
Other Incidents Leading to Removal	0

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Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) Investigations

This table shows, by the nature of the incident, the number of alleged and confirmed Harassment, Intimidation, and Bulling (HIB) investigations. The nature of an incident is based on the protected categories listed below, and the nature of a single HIB investigation may include multiple categories. All confirmed incidents must have an identified nature.

HIB Nature (Protected Category)	HIB Alleged	HIB Confirmed	Total HIB Investigations
Race	0	0	0
Religion	0	0	0
Ancestry	0	0	0
Gender	0	0	0
Sexual Orientation	0	0	0
Disability	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
No Identified Nature	0		0

Student Disciplinary Removals

The first table shows, by removal type, the number and percentage of students who received disciplinary removals during the school year. Removal types include students receiving one or more in-school suspensions, one or more out-of-school suspensions, one or more suspension of any type, removal to another school or other educational program, expulsion with no further educational services, or arrest. The second table shows the total number of days missed due to out-of-school suspension for all students during the school year.

Removal Type	Number of Students	Percent of Students
In-School Suspensions	0	0.0%
Out-of-School Suspensions	0	0.0%
Any Suspension	0	0.0%
Removal to other education program	0	0.0%
Expulsion	0	0.0%
Arrest	0	0.0%

School Days Missed due to Out-of-School Suspensions
0

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School Day

This table shows the start and end times and length of school day for a typical student at this school. Instructional time is the amount of time that a typical student was engaged in instructional activities under the supervision of a certified teacher. Full time students attend this school for more than half of the school day and shared-time students attend the school for half of the school day or less.

Category	School
Typical Start Time	8:30 AM
Typical End Time	3:20 PM
Length of School Day	6 Hrs 50 Mins
Full Time - Instructional Time	N
Shared Time - Instructional Time	N

Per-Pupil Expenditures (District Level)

This table shows the total current expenses for regular and special education students taught within the district's schools. It includes expenditures for instruction, support services, administration, operations and maintenance, extra-curricular activities, and community service. More information about district and charter school spending can be found using districts' User Friendly Budgets, or the NJDOE Finance District Report Search of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports (CAFRs) and Auditor's Management Reports (AMRs). NJDOE will be collecting school-level per-pupil expenditures data for the 2018-19 school year, and that data will be included in future reports.

Per-Pupil Expenditures	Federal	State/ Local	Total
District Total (2016-2017)	$537	$14,525	$15,062

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Teachers: All classroom teachers
Administrators: Principals, assistant principals, supervisors, coordinators, directors, and other central-office administrators, as well as superintendents and other district-level administrators

Teachers – Experience

This table shows information about experience for teachers assigned to this school and across the state.

Category	Teachers in School	Teachers in State
Total Number of teachers	63	117,464
Average years experience in public schools	11.7	12.0
Average years experience in district	10.9	10.7
Teachers in district for 4 or more years	74.6%	75.5%

Administrators – Experience (District Level)

This table shows information about experience for administrators assigned to this district and across the state.

Category	Admin. in District	Admin. in State
Total Number of administrators	9	9,374
Average years experience in public schools	18.0	16.0
Average years experience in district	7.6	12.0
Administrators in district for 4 or more years	66.7%	76.2%

Student and Staff Ratios

This table shows ratios of students and staff members in the school and district. Ratios for librarians, nurses, counselors, and child study team members are only reported at the district level because many staff in these jobs are assigned only to the district and not to individual schools.

Ratio	School Ratio	District Ratio
Students to Teachers	9:1	10:1
Students to Administrators	268:1	169:1
Teachers to Administrators	32:1	18:1
Students to Librarians/Media Specialists		1522:1
Students to Nurses		381:1
Students to Counselors		761:1
Students to Child Study Team		190:1

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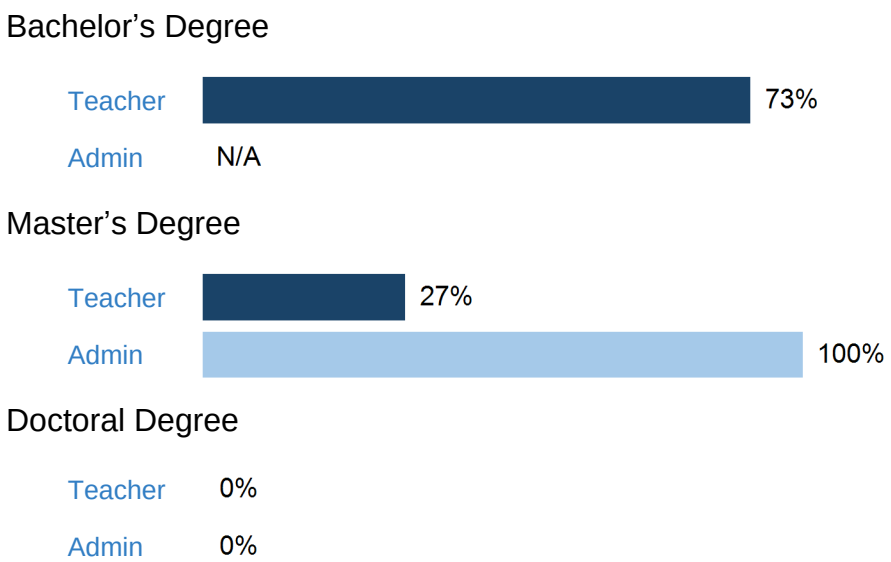
Teachers and Administrators - Level of Education

This chart shows the highest level of education attained by the teachers and administrators. The Bachelor's category may include other degrees/certificates such as a Specialist's degree. Administrators are required to have a Master's degree or higher.



Teachers and Administrators - One-Year Retention (District Level)

This table shows the percentage of teachers and administrators assigned to this district in 2016-17 that were still assigned to this district in 2017-18. Staff who were not retained may have changed districts or no longer work for the state (including retirements).

Job Type	District	State
2016-17 Teachers: Same district 2017-18	92.7%	90.2%
2016-17 Administrators: Same district 2017-18	88.9%	86.2%

Faculty Attendance

This table shows the percentage of days that faculty members were present during the school year. Approved professional days, personal days, staff training days, bereavement days, jury duty, and absences due to extended illness are not counted against days present, and faculty members on long-term leave or disability are excluded from this calculation.

School Year	% Days Present
2017-18	96.1%

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Teachers and Administrators – Demographics

This table shows the percentage of teachers and administrators by gender and by racial and ethnic group.

Category	Teachers	Administrators
Female	98.4%	100.0%
Male	1.6%	0.0%
White	100.0%	100.0%
Hispanic	0.0%	0.0%
Black or African American	0.0%	0.0%
Asian	0.0%	0.0%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0%	0.0%
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School Narrative

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Highlights:	• 2017 New Jersey School of Character • Technology is part of each school day, with all students utilizing 2:1 laptops. • Curriculum includes hands-on science, project-based learning, and balanced literacy.
Mission, Vision, Theme:	In a partnership with the community, the Tinton Falls School District will create effective programs which enable all students to achieve academic excellence, based on the NJ Student Learning Standards in order to become socially responsible, productive citizens and life-long learners.
Awards, Recognition, Accomplishments:	2017 New Jersey School of Character, 2017-18 Monmouth County Teacher of the Year

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Courses, Curriculum, Instruction:	MFA offers outstanding educational programs with engaging curriculum that is aligned with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards. Our teachers regularly differentiate instruction to meet students' individual needs, and provide opportunities that foster awareness of multiple intelligences and learning styles. Enrichment opportunities are available for all students as well as identified students from grades K-8.

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Before and After School Programs:	Early Bird (Before Care Program) and Time Plus (After Care Program)
Staff and Professional Learning:	Our staff participates in a variety of professional learning opportunities. Staff members participate in multiple professional days in district and are encouraged to attend out of district workshops. Staff participates in monthly PLC meetings, focusing on solving problems to support an increased student achievement. Our teacher leaders instruct staff in our Panther Academy, an after school professional development program.

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Student Supports and Services:	MFA provides a comprehensive special education program for students in Preschool- Grade 8. Students of varying abilities, including students with physical limitations, are able to participate in the least restrictive environment. English Language Learners receive support during and after school. Students in need of targeted intervention, receive support through our Academic Support Program.
Student Health and Wellness:	Students participate in Health and Wellness in a variety of way in Tinton Falls. Physical Education Teachers and Health Teachers thematically instruct children. Students have access to recess as well as breakfast and lunch that is provided on a sliding scale.
Parent and Community Involvement:	The Tinton Falls School District engages parents and the community. Parent groups include a very involved PTA, Music Parents Association and Board of Education. The community continuously supports the district through actively attending school functions, voting positively on budgets and engaging teachers and administrators daily. Our senior population volunteers regularly in the schools. They can often be seen reading to students and assisting in classrooms.

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Facilities:	The Tinton Falls School District makes a concerted effort to plan both short and long term in order to continue to maintain our excellent schools. Regularly planned maintenance and facilities capital projects are part of the annual budget. Larger facilities projects have been given positive support from the community through the passage of a facilities referendum. Careful year after year planning and implementation have helped maintain outstanding schools for our students and professional staff.

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Technology and STEM:	Enrichment classes are provided to students in grades 1-2 with a STEM focus. Additionally, our hands-on science program has STEM connections for all students. Students in grades K-2 have two to one access to devices in the school. Each classroom has a Promethean Board and a document camera. Technology is integrated into all subject areas with opportunities for all students to utilize technology both as a consumer and a producer. Coding and programming opportunities are included in technology classes.