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School Contact Information

This table contains contact information including principal name, address, phone number, email address, and social media information, if provided.

Type	Contact Information
County	Sussex
District	Northern Hills Academy School District
Principal Name	Ms. Andrea Romano
Address	10 GAIL COURT SPARTA, NJ 07871
Phone Number	973-579-6980
Email Address	aromano@sussexesc.org



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Enrollment data reflects enrollment reported at the end of the school year and only includes students attending the school. Students that attend programs at other schools or outside of the district are not included in enrollment counts and percentages.

Enrollment Trends by Grade

This table shows the number of students enrolled by grade for the past three school years. Any students enrolled outside of the grades offered will be included in the total enrollment.

Grade	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
PK	3	3	3
1	4	1	2
2	2	2	1
3	2	4	6
4	1	2	3
5	3	1	2
6	3	4	2
7	4	2	3
8	1	2	2
9	3	3	4
10	6	3	3
11	1	6	3
12	7	6	8
Total	40	40	43

Enrollment Trends by Student Group

This table shows the percentage of students by student group for the past three school years.

Student Group	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Female	31.7%	32.5%	30.2%
Male	68.3%	67.5%	69.8%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	7.3%	12.5%	14.0%
Students with Disabilities	97.6%	100.0%	100.0%
English Learners	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Homeless Students	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Students in Foster Care	0.0%	2.5%	0.0%
Military-Connected Students	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Migrant Students	0.0%	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	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
White	90.2%	87.5%	88.4%
Hispanic	2.4%	5.0%	2.3%
Black or African American	4.9%	5.0%	4.7%
Asian	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
American Indian or Alaska Native	2.4%	2.5%	0.0%
Two or More Races	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%

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	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
PK - Half Day	0	0	1
PK - Full Day	3	3	2

Enrollment Trends by Full and Shared Time Status

This table shows the number of full and shared time students for the last three years. The full time equivalent is the number of full time students plus half the number of shared time students.

Enrollment Status	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Full Time Students	41	40	43
Shared Time Students	0	0	0
Full Time Equivalent	41	40	43

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	100.0%



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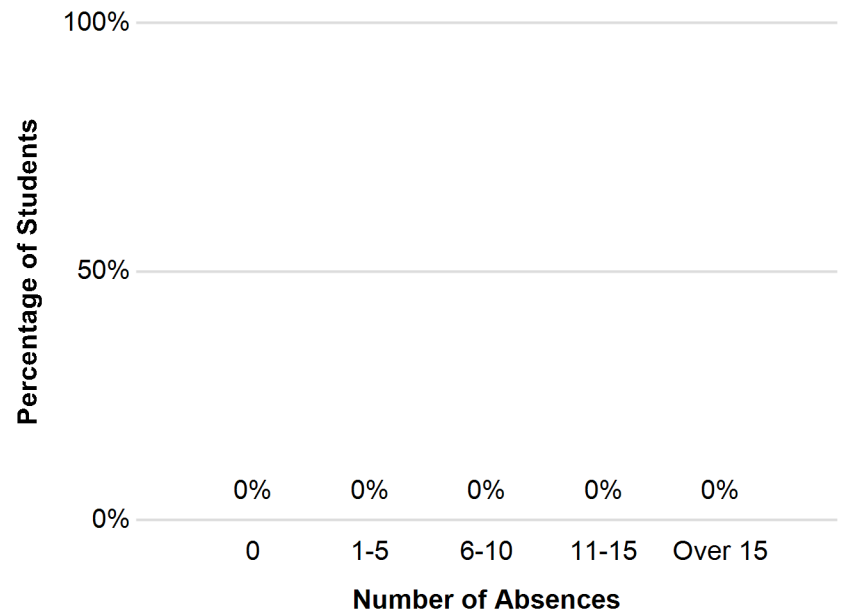
Chronic Absenteeism

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	N	N	N	N
White	N	N	N	N
Hispanic	N	N	N	N
Black or African American	N	N	N	N
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific	N	N	N	N
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	N
Two or More Races	N	N	N	N
Female	N	N		
Male	N	N		
Economically Disadvantaged Students	N	N	N	N
Students with Disabilities	N	N	N	N
English Learners	N	N	N	N
Homeless Students	N	N		
Students in Foster Care	N	N		
Military-Connected Students	N	N		
Migrant Students	N	N		

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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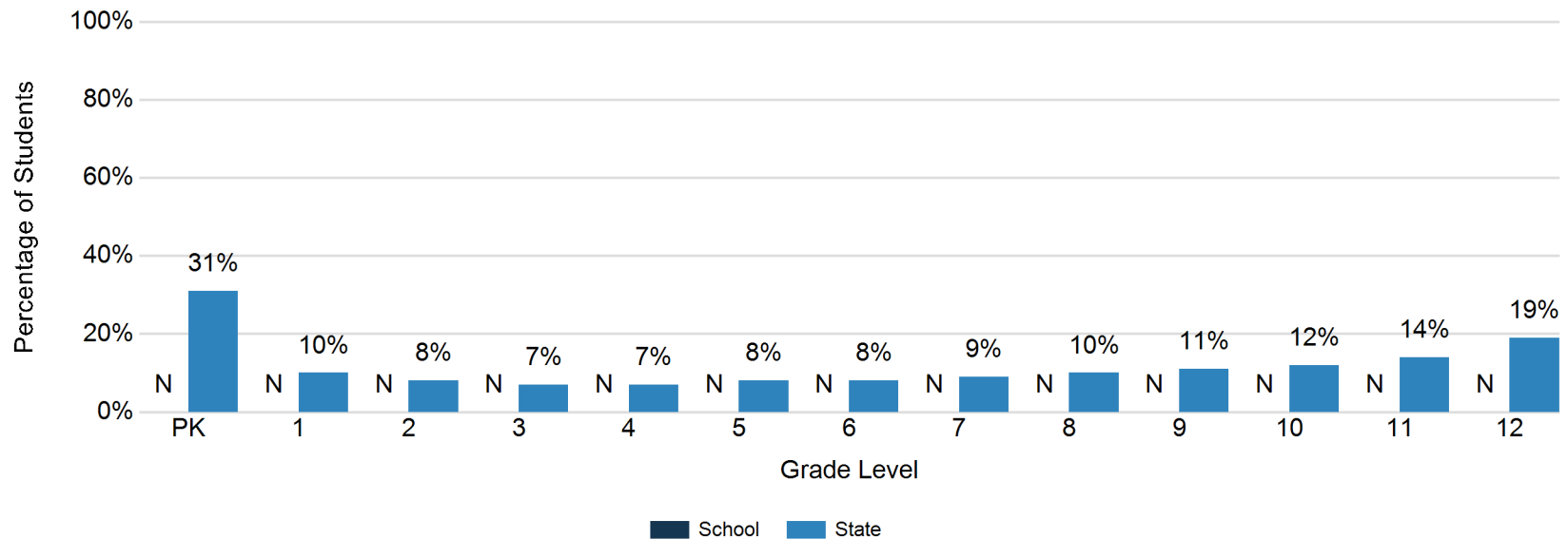
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Chronic Absenteeism by Grade

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





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The New Jersey Department of Education migrated to a new reporting system, the Student Safety Data System (SSDS), starting in 2017-18, which includes improved definitions, new reporting fields, and updated guidance for reporting incidents. Comparing current data to data from 2016-17 and earlier could lead to inaccurate conclusions in many reporting categories. In addition to the 2018-19 data below, NJDOE is required, under *ESSA*, to report on the most recent, publicly-available CRDC data, which can be found on the [NJDOE School Performance webpage](#). Please note that prior to school year 2017-2018, the CRDC and the State collection system, EVVRS did not collect the same data elements. In an effort to better align the State system with the CRDC, the new Student Safety Data System (SSDS) collects all the required CRDC data elements. NJDOE is in the process of developing a reporting function for the SSDS which will allow LEAs to use the same data for both submissions.

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	2
Weapons	0
Vandalism	0
Substances	0
Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)	1
Total Unique Incidents	3
Incidents Per 100 Students Enrolled	6.98

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	2
Weapons	0
Vandalism	0
Substances	0
Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)	1
Other Incidents Leading to Removal	0

Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) Investigations

This table shows, by the nature of the incident, the number of alleged and confirmed Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (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	1	1
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	*	*
Out-of-School Suspensions	*	*
Any Suspension	*	*
Removal to other education program	*	*
Expulsion	0	0.0%
Arrest	0	0.0%

School Days Missed due to Out-of-School Suspensions
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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	2:30 PM
Length of School Day	6 Hrs 0 Mins
Full Time - Instructional Time	5 Hrs 30 Mins
Shared Time - Instructional Time	5 Hrs. 30 Mins.

Device Ratios

This table shows the student to device ratio, which is the number of students in tested grades 3 through 10 per device. Devices are computers such as tablets, iPads, laptops and Chromebooks. The count includes only devices that meet nationally recommended specifications for digital learning in grades 3 through 10. This information comes from the elective NJTRAx survey, therefore data may not be available for all schools. Additionally, schools that have adopted a Bring Your Own Device policy may appear to have a very low Student to Device ratio due to this policy decision.

School Year	Student to Device Ratio
2018-19	1.4:1



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Key terms for staff data:

Faculty: All classroom teachers and educational support services personnel (such as Librarians, Nurses, Counselors, and Child Study Team members)

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 the experience of teachers assigned to this school and across the state. No teachers in New Jersey are teaching under emergency or provisional credentials as defined in the United States Department of Education. Information on the [percentage of teachers identified as potentially teaching out-of-field](#) is also available by school and district.

Category	Teachers in School	Teachers in State
Total Number of teachers	9	118,214
Average years experience in public schools	4.9	12.1
Average years experience in district	4.9	10.8
Percentage of Teachers with 4 or more years experience in the district	33.3%	75.3%

Administrators – Experience (District Level)

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

Category	Admin. in District	Admin. in State
Total Number of administrators	3	9,530
Average years experience in public schools	4.0	16.0
Average years experience in district	4.0	12.0
Percentage of Administrators with 4 or more years experience in the district	66.7%	76.9%

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	5:1	4:1
Students to Administrators	43:1	14:1
Teachers to Administrators	9:1	3:1
Students to Librarians/Media Specialists		N
Students to Nurses		9:1
Students to Counselors		N
Students to Child Study Team Members		14:1



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Teachers and Administrators – Demographics

This table compares the percentage of students, teachers, and administrators by gender and by racial and ethnic group.

Category	Students in School	Teachers in School	Administrators in School	Students in State	Teachers in State	Administrators in State
Female	30.2%	100.0%	100.0%	48.4%	77.1%	54.9%
Male	69.8%	0.0%	0.0%	51.6%	22.9%	45.1%
White	88.4%	100.0%	100.0%	42.4%	83.6%	77.4%
Hispanic	2.3%	0.0%	0.0%	29.9%	7.3%	7.2%
Black or African American	4.7%	0.0%	0.0%	15.0%	6.6%	13.9%
Asian	2.3%	0.0%	0.0%	10.2%	2.0%	1.1%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
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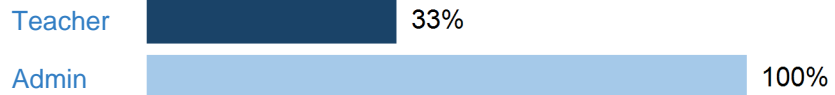
Teachers and Administrators - Level of Education

This chart shows the highest level of education attained by 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.

Bachelor's Degree



Master's Degree



Doctoral Degree



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

This table shows the percentage of teachers and administrators assigned to this district in 2017-18 that were still assigned to this district in 2018-19. Staff who were not retained may have changed districts or no longer work for the state (including retirements).

Job Type	District	State
2017-18 Teachers: Same district 2018-19	66.7%	90.5%
2017-18 Administrators: Same district 2018-19	100.0%	87.9%

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
2018-19	*



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Per-Pupil Expenditures by Source

The link below produces a table summarizing the most recently available expenses for regular and special education students taught at schools in the district. The amounts shown include expenditures for instruction, support services, administration, operations and maintenance, and extra-curricular activities.

For more information regarding this table please refer to the guidance for school level reporting, which is available on the [NJDOE webpage ESSA School Level Reporting Information](#). More in-depth information about district and charter school spending can be found in the [User Friendly Budget](#) and the [Comprehensive Annual Financial Report \(CAFR\) and Auditor Management Reports \(AMRs\)](#).

Please be aware that the total district expenditures represented in these reports are taken from audited district financial data, but the subsequent allocation of these resources to specific schools is not audited or otherwise verified by the New Jersey Department of Education. If you have specific questions about the assignment (or lack of assignment) of school-level amounts, please contact the district for additional information.

[Link to District Summary of 2018-19 School-Level Per Pupil Expenditures by Source.](#)

An option to [download all school-level summaries by district](#) in one spreadsheet is also available. However, because districts have flexibility in how certain costs are allocated to individual schools, school-level costs should not be compared between schools in different districts.

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School Narrative

This section allows schools and districts to share highlights, achievements, and other important information about programs, activities, and services that are offered in their own words. If there are questions about the information provided in the narrative section, please contact the school or district directly.

No narrative was submitted.