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School Contact Info

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Type	Contact Information
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Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/lindenpublicschools.soehl/
Twitter	https://twitter.com/SoehlLPS

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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
6	184	212	232
7	197	191	214
8	189	183	193
Total	570	586	639

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	51.1%	48.8%	49.0%
Male	48.9%	51.2%	51.0%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	64.9%	59.9%	64.9%
Students with Disabilities	20.7%	19.5%	19.2%
English Learners	3.5%	5.6%	5.9%
Homeless Students		0.9%	1.9%
Students in Foster Care		0.7%	0.5%
Military-Connected Students		0.0%	0.2%
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	12.3%	15.2%	14.6%
Hispanic	43.0%	43.7%	43.2%
Black or African American	40.0%	38.6%	38.5%
Asian	2.3%	0.9%	1.4%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.9%	0.2%	0.2%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0%	0.2%	0.3%
Two or More Races	1.6%	1.4%	1.9%

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	57.6%
Spanish	25.5%
Haitian	5.5%
Portuguese	2.7%
Polish	2.0%
Other Languages	6.7%

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A student's SGP falls between 1 and 99 and can be grouped into three levels: **Low Growth: Less than 35** **Typical Growth: Between 35 and 65** **High Growth: Greater than 65**

If the student growth percentiles for all students in the school are ordered from smallest to largest, the median student growth percentile (mSGP) for the school is the percentile in the middle of that list. Watch a short video about Student Growth Percentiles that explains how they are calculated for students and how median Student Growth Percentiles (mSGP) are calculated for groups of students.

Student Growth

This table shows the median Student Growth Percentile (mSGP) for both English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) and Mathematics both overall and for each student group with comparisons to the district and the state. This table also shows whether each mSGP Met Standard (40-59.5) as required by ESSA accountability.

Student Group	ELA: School Median	ELA: District Median	ELA: Statewide Median	ELA: Met Standard (40-59.5)	Math: School Median	Math: District Median	Math: Statewide Median	Math: Met Standard (40-59.5)
Schoolwide	49	46	50	Met Standard	40	48	50	Met Standard
White	50	46	50	Met Standard	46	53	51	Met Standard
Hispanic	52	48	49	Met Standard	43	48	48	Met Standard
Black or African American	43	42	44	Met Standard	37.5	44	44	Not Met
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	73	53	61	**	*	50	61	**
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	52	**	*	*	53	**
Two or More Races	43	36	49	**	*	45	51	**
Economically Disadvantaged	46	44	48	Met Standard	41	47	47	Met Standard
Students with Disabilities	37	41	41	Not Met	40	46	43	Met Standard
English Learners	62	55	54	Exceeds Standard	52	52.5	51	Met Standard

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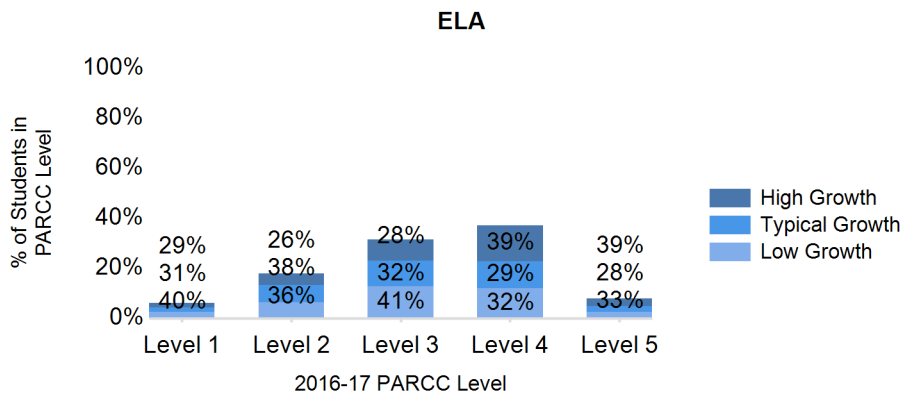
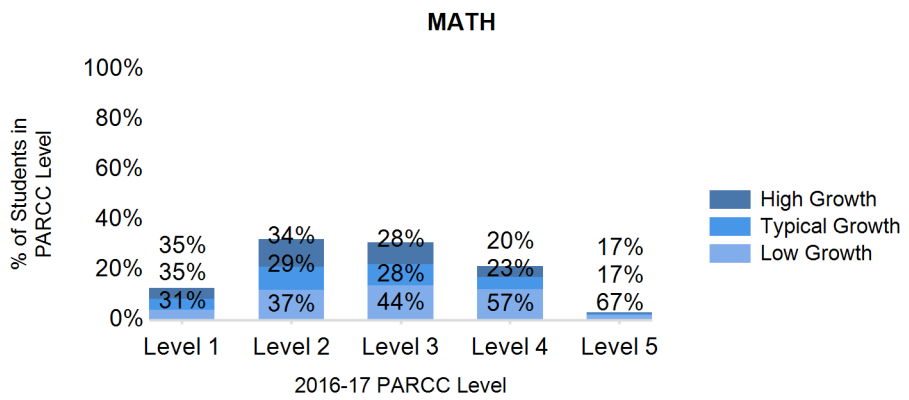
Student Growth by Performance Level

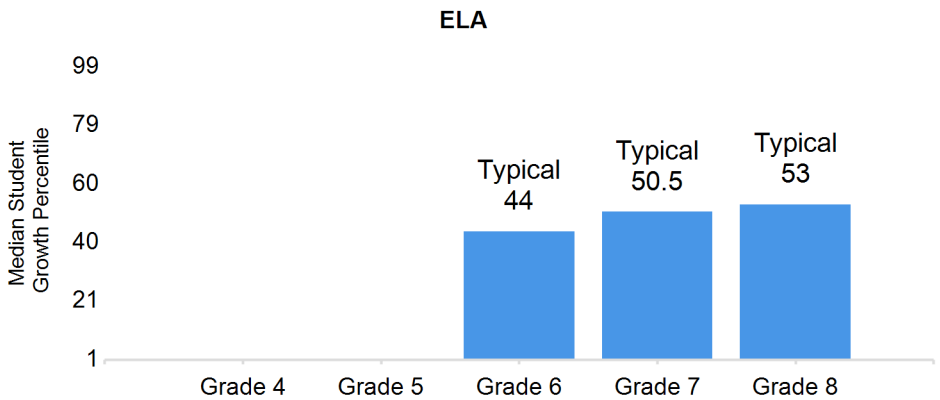
These graphs show the percentage of students by 2016-17 PARCC performance level that fall into each of the three levels of growth based on their 2017-18 test scores.

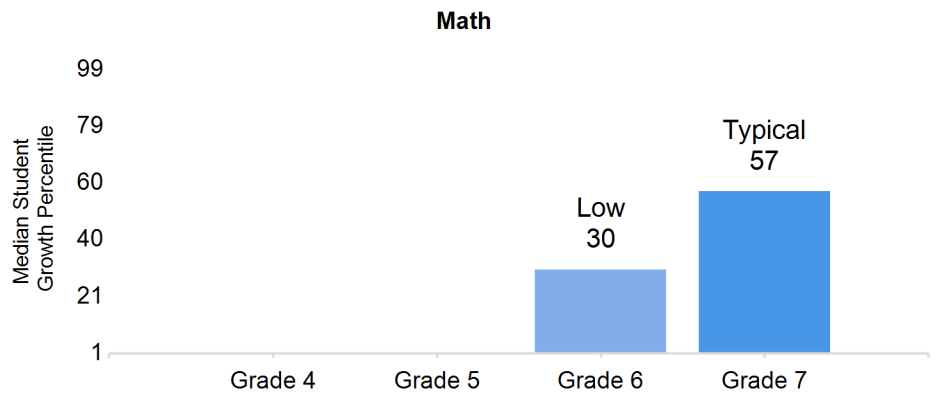




Student Growth by Grade

These graphs show the median Student Growth Percentile for students in each grade.





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Student Group	Valid Scores	% of students Taking Test	School: % of Testers Met/Exceeded Expectations	District: % of Testers Met/Exceeded Expectations	State: % of Testers Met/Exceeded Expectations	Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability	2017-18 Annual Target	Met 2017-18 Annual Target
Schoolwide	616	97.9	46.6	45.4	56.7	46.6	42	Met Target
White	89	97.9	64.0	*	65.6	64.0	65.2	Met Target†
Hispanic	256	96.1	48.4	44.1	42.5	48.4	41.4	Met Target
Black or African American	245	99.6	38.3	38.7	37.3	38.3	33.3	Met Target
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	67.0	82.3	*	**	**
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*	*	52.7	*	**	**
Two or More Races	13	100.0	38.5	*	63.4	38.5	**	**
Female	296	97.4	60.1	55.8	64.5	60.1		
Male	320	98.2	34.1	35.9	49.4	34.1		
Economically Disadvantaged Students	369	97.2	41.8	41.1	38.5	41.8	37.8	Met Target
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	247	98.8	53.8	50.4	67.5	53.8		
Students with Disabilities	137	99.3	*	*	21.6	*	16.8	Not Met
Students without Disabilities	479	97.5	*	*	63.9	*		
English Learners	57	87.0	31.6	29.7	27.3	30.6	19.2	Met Target
Non-English Learners	559	99.1	48.1	47.1	59.4	48.1		
Homeless Students	12	100.0	25.0	12.9	27.7	25.0		
Students In Foster Care	*	*	*	25.0	26.3	*		
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	*	57.4	N		
Migrant Students	N	N	N	N	30.1	N		

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English Language Arts/Literacy Assessment - Performance by Grade: Grade 6

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Student Group	Valid Scores	Mean Scale Score	District Mean Scale Score	State Mean Scale Score	% Level 1: Did Not Yet Meet Expectations	% Level 2: Partially Met Expectations	% Level 3: Approached Expectations	% Level 4: Met Expectations	% Level 5: Exceeded Expectations	% of Testers Met/ Exceeded Expectations	State % of Testers Met / Exceeded Expectation
Schoolwide	227	744	743	754	8%	17%	30%	38%	7%	44%	56%
White	33	754	750	761	*	*	*	*	*	61%	66%
Hispanic	90	744	742	742	*	16%	34%	*	*	42%	42%
Black or African American	91	740	738	737	*	22%	31%	*	*	40%	35%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	779	*	*	*	*	*	*	83%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*	751	*	*	*	*	*	*	49%
Two or More Races	*	*	*	761	*	*	*	*	*	*	64%
Female	111	754	750	761	*	11%	26%	*	*	60%	64%
Male	116	735	736	748	*	23%	34%	*	*	29%	48%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	137	739	737	739	*	*	28%	*	*	40%	37%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	90	752	750	764	*	*	34%	*	*	51%	68%
Students with Disabilities	50	713	712	723	*	*	*	*	*	*	18%
Students without Disabilities	177	753	750	760	*	*	*	*	*	*	63%
English Learners	*	*	713	712	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Non-English Learners	*	*	744	755	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Homeless Students	*	*	738	729	*	*	*	*	*	*	26%
Students in Foster Care	*	*	*	729	*	*	*	*	*	*	26%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	752	N	N	N	N	N	N	55%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	732	N	N	N	N	N	N	36%

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English Language Arts/Literacy Assessment - Performance by Grade: Grade 7

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Student Group	Valid Scores	Mean Scale Score	District Mean Scale Score	State Mean Scale Score	% Level 1: Did Not Yet Meet Expectations	% Level 2: Partially Met Expectations	% Level 3: Approached Expectations	% Level 4: Met Expectations	% Level 5: Exceeded Expectations	% of Testers Met/ Exceeded Expectations	State % of Testers Met / Exceeded Expectation
Schoolwide	210	748	746	760	11%	18%	23%	29%	19%	48%	63%
White	33	760	759	768	*	*	*	*	*	58%	72%
Hispanic	86	752	746	746	*	*	24%	33%	19%	51%	49%
Black or African American	84	739	737	740	17%	18%	26%	26%	13%	39%	42%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	759	790	*	*	*	*	*	*	87%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	*	756	N	N	N	N	N	N	57%
Two or More Races	*	*	*	767	*	*	*	*	*	*	68%
Female	98	760	761	769	*	*	20%	36%	27%	62%	72%
Male	112	737	734	752	*	*	26%	22%	13%	35%	54%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	132	747	744	742	*	*	23%	28%	18%	46%	44%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	78	749	750	771	*	*	23%	29%	21%	50%	73%
Students with Disabilities	44	705	704	721	*	*	*	*	*	*	22%
Students without Disabilities	166	759	755	768	*	*	*	*	*	*	71%
English Learners	10	716	*	705	*	*	*	*	*	10%	11%
Non-English Learners	200	749	*	762	*	*	*	*	*	50%	64%
Homeless Students	*	*	729	729	*	*	*	*	*	*	32%
Students in Foster Care	*	*	*	725	*	*	*	*	*	*	25%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	758	N	N	N	N	N	N	64%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	716	N	N	N	N	N	N	21%

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English Language Arts/Literacy Assessment - Performance by Grade: Grade 8

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Student Group	Valid Scores	Mean Scale Score	District Mean Scale Score	State Mean Scale Score	% Level 1: Did Not Yet Meet Expectations	% Level 2: Partially Met Expectations	% Level 3: Approached Expectations	% Level 4: Met Expectations	% Level 5: Exceeded Expectations	% of Testers Met/ Exceeded Expectations	State % of Testers Met / Exceeded Expectation
Schoolwide	193	749	744	759	8%	21%	22%	37%	12%	49%	60%
White	25	775	764	767	0%	*	*	*	*	76%	70%
Hispanic	90	751	742	744	*	18%	26%	*	*	51%	45%
Black or African American	71	738	733	739	*	28%	21%	*	*	38%	39%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	789	*	*	*	*	*	*	86%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*	759	*	*	*	*	*	*	59%
Two or More Races	*	*	*	766	*	*	*	*	*	*	66%
Female	92	756	754	768	*	18%	21%	*	*	59%	69%
Male	101	742	735	751	*	24%	24%	*	*	40%	52%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	115	741	737	740	*	23%	*	*	*	38%	42%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	78	760	751	769	*	19%	*	*	*	64%	71%
Students with Disabilities	38	723	714	719	*	47%	*	*	*	13%	19%
Students without Disabilities	155	755	750	766	*	15%	*	*	*	57%	68%
English Learners	11	712	*	703	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Non-English Learners	182	751	*	761	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Homeless Students	N	N	*	727	N	N	N	N	N	N	27%
Students in Foster Care	*	*	*	726	*	*	*	*	*	*	27%
Military-Connected Students	*	*	*	760	*	*	*	*	*	*	61%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	718	N	N	N	N	N	N	21%

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English Language Arts/Literacy Assessment - Performance Trends

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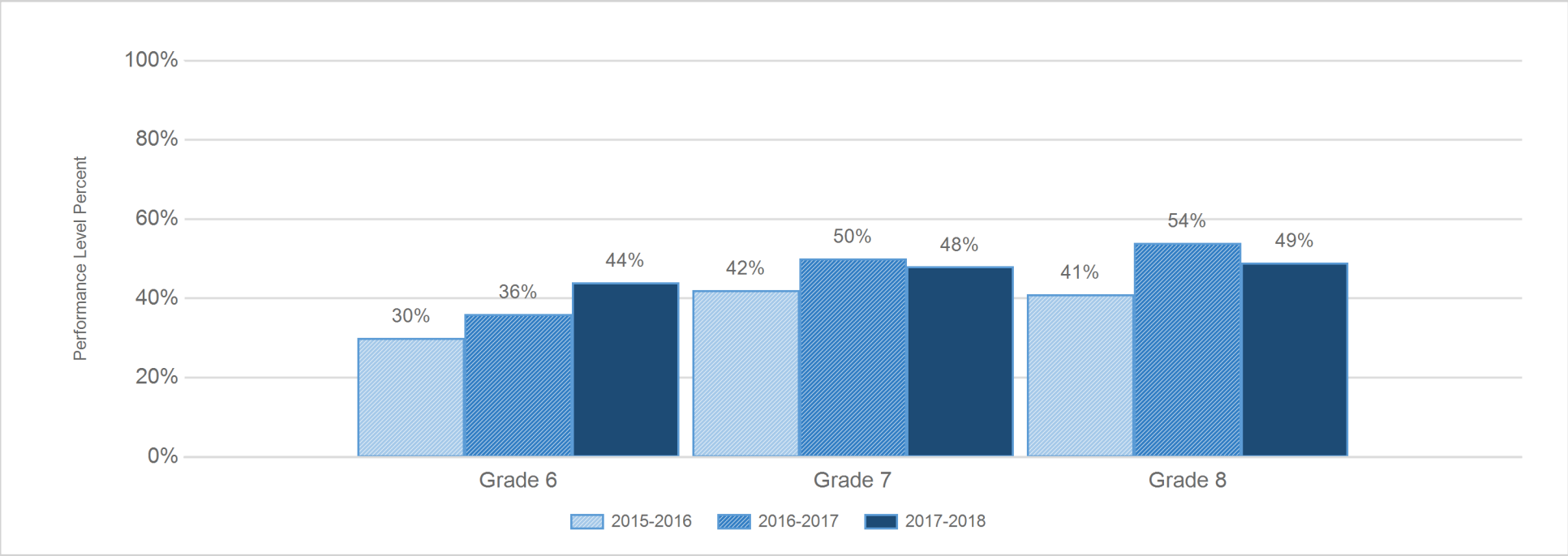

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Schoolwide	622	98.9	22.6	*	45.0	22.6	30.1	Not Met
White	90	98.9	43.3	*	54.1	43.3	52.6	Not Met
Hispanic	258	97.8	23.3	*	29.2	23.3	30.1	Not Met
Black or African American	248	100.0	12.9	*	23.4	12.9	20.6	Not Met
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	50.0	77.0	*	**	**
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*	*	42.5	*	**	**
Two or More Races	13	100.0	23.1	*	53.0	23.1	**	**
Female	300	98.4	24.3	*	46.0	24.3		
Male	322	99.4	21.2	*	43.9	21.2		
Economically Disadvantaged Students	374	98.8	17.3	*	26.6	17.3	27.1	Not Met
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	248	99.2	30.6	*	55.9	30.6		
Students with Disabilities	137	99.3	*	*	17.1	*	10.3	Not Met
Students without Disabilities	485	98.8	*	*	50.5	*		
English Learners	64	98.6	23.4	23.8	24.6	23.4	19.2	Met Target
Non-English Learners	558	99.0	22.6	27.5	46.9	22.6		
Homeless Students	12	100.0	*	10.0	17.3	*		
Students In Foster Care	*	*	*	18.8	16.2	*		
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	*	45.8	N		
Migrant Students	N	N	N	N	23.7	N		

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Schoolwide	234	726	729	744	14%	35%	33%	*	*	18%	44%
White	34	739	739	751	*	35%	*	*	*	38%	54%
Hispanic	94	727	728	731	14%	28%	44%	15%	0%	15%	27%
Black or African American	92	720	721	726	17%	40%	30%	12%	0%	12%	21%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	771	*	*	*	*	*	*	78%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*	744	*	*	*	*	*	*	48%
Two or More Races	*	*	*	749	*	*	*	*	*	*	52%
Female	117	728	729	745	11%	37%	33%	*	*	19%	45%
Male	117	724	728	742	16%	33%	33%	*	*	17%	42%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	143	721	722	729	15%	40%	35%	*	*	10%	24%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	91	734	736	753	11%	27%	31%	*	*	31%	56%
Students with Disabilities	50	709	708	717	*	*	*	*	*	*	13%
Students without Disabilities	184	730	733	748	*	*	*	*	*	*	49%
English Learners	13	711	712	713	*	*	*	*	*	15%	11%
Non-English Learners	221	727	730	745	*	*	*	*	*	18%	45%
Homeless Students	*	*	717	718	*	*	*	*	*	*	13%
Students in Foster Care	*	*	*	718	*	*	*	*	*	*	13%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	745	N	N	N	N	N	N	45%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	717	N	N	N	N	N	N	18%

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Schoolwide	210	730	733	743	14%	30%	30%	*	*	26%	43%
White	33	742	745	750	*	*	39%	*	*	42%	54%
Hispanic	86	735	732	732	*	30%	35%	*	*	28%	27%
Black or African American	84	719	723	727	23%	39%	24%	*	*	14%	21%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	767	*	*	*	*	*	*	75%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	*	742	N	N	N	N	N	N	39%
Two or More Races	*	*	*	748	*	*	*	*	*	*	51%
Female	97	736	739	745	*	27%	34%	*	*	33%	45%
Male	113	725	726	741	*	33%	27%	*	*	19%	42%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	132	729	730	730	13%	33%	32%	*	*	23%	24%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	78	731	736	751	17%	26%	27%	*	*	31%	55%
Students with Disabilities	44	708	706	717	*	*	*	*	*	*	12%
Students without Disabilities	166	736	738	748	*	*	*	*	*	*	50%
English Learners	11	722	719	716	*	*	*	*	*	*	10%
Non-English Learners	199	730	733	744	*	*	*	*	*	*	45%
Homeless Students	*	*	718	720	*	*	*	*	*	*	14%
Students in Foster Care	*	*	*	717	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	743	N	N	N	N	N	N	42%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	718	N	N	N	N	N	N	11%

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Mathematics Assessment - Performance by Grade: Grade 8

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Schoolwide	102	710	701	728	*	*	*	*	*	*	28%
White	*	*	720	736	*	*	*	*	*	*	36%
Hispanic	41	712	700	722	27%	54%	*	*	*	10%	22%
Black or African American	49	705	697	715	*	*	*	*	*	*	15%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	747	*	*	*	*	*	*	51%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*	721	*	*	*	*	*	*	21%
Two or More Races	*	*	*	729	*	*	*	*	*	*	28%
Female	45	714	705	731	*	*	*	*	*	*	31%
Male	57	707	698	725	*	*	*	*	*	*	26%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	73	711	700	719	*	*	*	*	*	*	20%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	29	709	701	735	*	*	*	*	*	*	35%
Students with Disabilities	37	708	695	705	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students without Disabilities	65	711	704	735	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
English Learners	15	710	*	705	*	*	*	*	*	*	10%
Non-English Learners	87	710	*	729	*	*	*	*	*	*	29%
Homeless Students	N	N	*	708	N	N	N	N	N	N	13%
Students in Foster Care	*	*	*	708	*	*	*	*	*	*	13%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	*	734	N	N	N	N	N	N	31%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	703	N	N	N	N	N	N	10%

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Mathematics Assessment - Performance by Test: Algebra I

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Student Group	Valid Scores	Mean Scale Score	District Mean Scale Score	State Mean Scale Score	% Level 1: Did Not Yet Meet Expectations	% Level 2: Partially Met Expectations	% Level 3: Approached Expectations	% Level 4: Met Expectations	% Level 5: Exceeded Expectations	% of Testers Met/ Exceeded Expectations	State % of Testers Met / Exceeded Expectation
Schoolwide	95	745	724	746	*	17%	35%	*	*	41%	46%
White	18	760	735	755	0%	0%	*	*	*	61%	57%
Hispanic	50	743	724	730	*	*	40%	*	*	38%	27%
Black or African American	25	738	718	727	*	*	*	*	*	32%	23%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	779	*	*	*	*	*	*	79%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	746	N	N	N	N	N	N	49%
Two or More Races	*	*	*	755	*	*	*	*	*	*	54%
Female	49	740	726	748	*	*	*	*	*	29%	48%
Male	46	751	723	745	*	*	*	*	*	54%	44%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	45	741	719	729	*	*	38%	*	*	33%	25%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	50	749	730	756	*	*	32%	*	*	48%	57%
Students with Disabilities	*	*	700	716	*	*	*	*	*	*	13%
Students without Disabilities	*	*	729	752	*	*	*	*	*	*	52%
English Learners	N	N	*	710	N	N	N	N	N	N	*
Non-English Learners	95	745	*	749	*	17%	35%	*	*	41%	*
Homeless Students	N	N	*	718	N	N	N	N	N	N	16%
Students in Foster Care	N	N	N	712	N	N	N	N	N	N	12%
Military-Connected Students	*	*	*	752	*	*	*	*	*	*	49%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	720	N	N	N	N	N	N	11%

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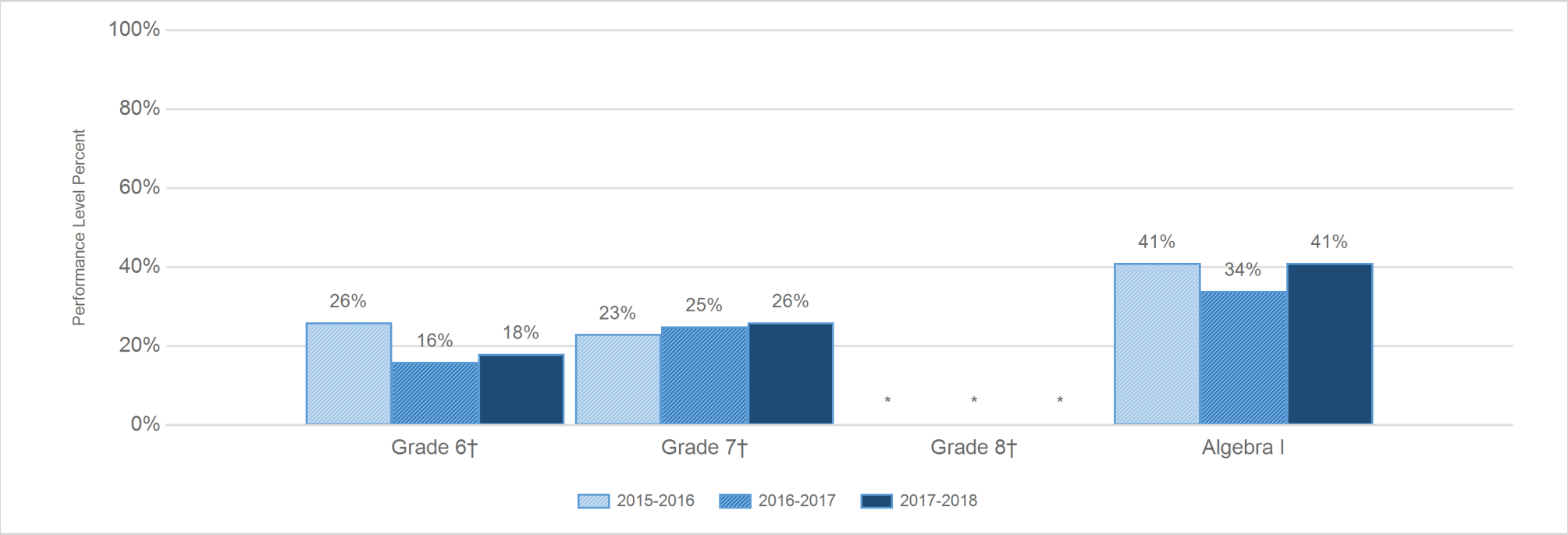
Mathematics Assessment – Performance Trends

This graph shows the percentage of students who met or exceeded expectations on each grade level or end of course exam on the Mathematics section of the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) assessment for the past three years.



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DLM Alternate Assessment - Participation

This table shows the number of students taking the Dynamic Learning Maps Alternate Assessment, which tests academic progress in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics for students with different types of significant cognitive disabilities.

Grade	ELA: # Students Tested	Math: # Students Tested
6	*	*
7	*	*
8	*	*

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	68.0%	46.8%	Exceeds

† Target was met within one standard deviation

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	24	*	*
3-4	11	*	*
5 or more	*	*	*

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NJASK Science Assessment Information

New Jersey transitioned from the NJASK to NJSLA-S in 2017-18 to align to new science standards. Results of field tests in 2017-18 will not be reported, but results of NJSLA-S will be added to the performance reports in 2018-19.

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Information about New Jersey Student Learning Standards can be found on the NJDOE website.

Mathematics - Course Participation

This table shows the number of students who were enrolled in Mathematics courses by grade and subject area. Students are counted more than once if they were enrolled in courses across multiple subject areas.

Grade	Algebra I	Geometry	Grade Level and Other Math
6	0	0	208
7	0	0	235
8	99	0	105
Total	99	0	548

World Languages - Course Participation

This table shows the number of students who were enrolled in World Languages courses by grade and language. Students are counted more than once if they were enrolled in courses across multiple languages.

Grade	Spanish	French	Italian	Latin	German	Chinese	Other Languages
6	129	50	42	0	0	26	0
7	128	54	46	0	0	1	0
8	89	39	37	0	0	33	0
Total	346	143	125	0	0	60	0

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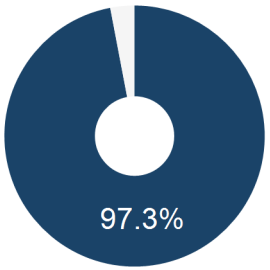
Visual and Performing Arts – Course Participation

The first set of graphs below show the percentages of students who were enrolled in any Visual and Performing Arts classes during the school year. The graphs at the bottom of the page show the percentages of students enrolled in at least one course within each of the four arts disciplines during the school year.

Grades 6-8:

Students enrolled in one or more **visual and performing arts** classes



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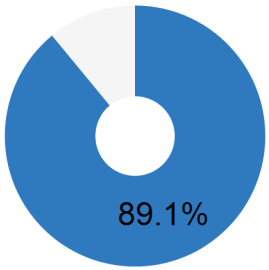

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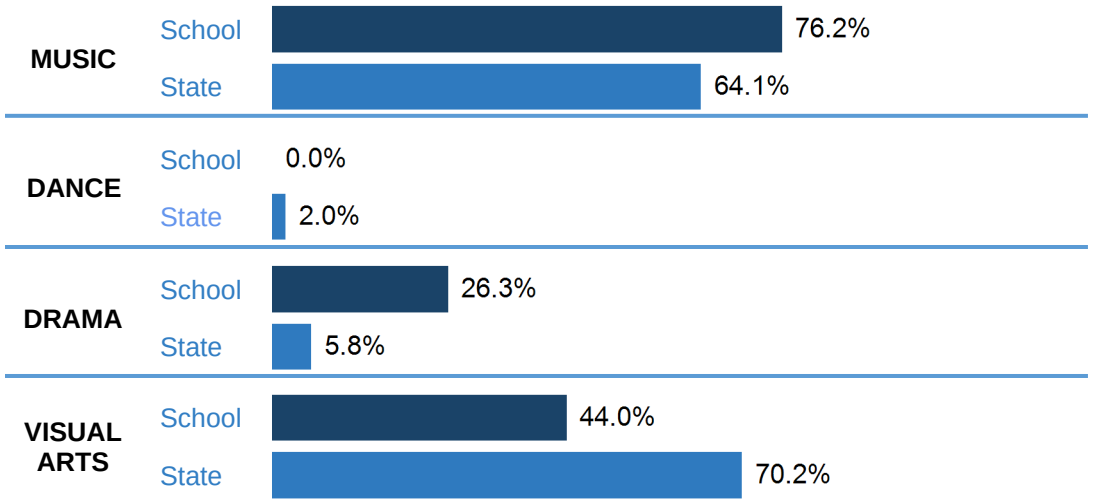

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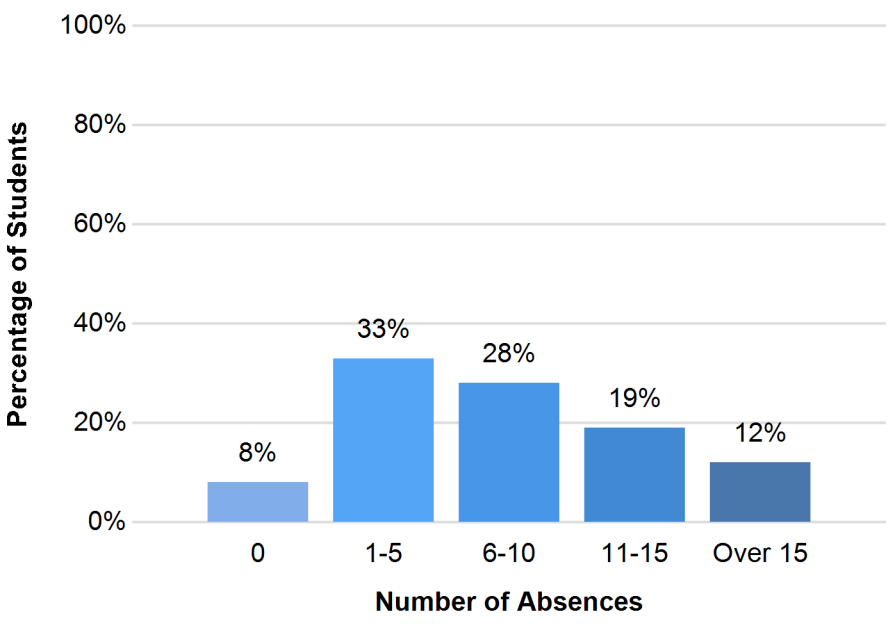
Chronic Absenteeism

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	59	9.0	9.5	Met
White	12	12.8	9.5	Not Met
Hispanic	26	9.4	9.5	Met
Black or African American	20	7.8	9.5	Met
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	**	**
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	**	**
Two or More Races	1	8.3	**	**
Economically Disadvantaged Students	42	10.1	9.5	Not Met
Students with Disabilities	12	8.6	9.5	Met
English Learners	3	8.1	9.5	Met

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

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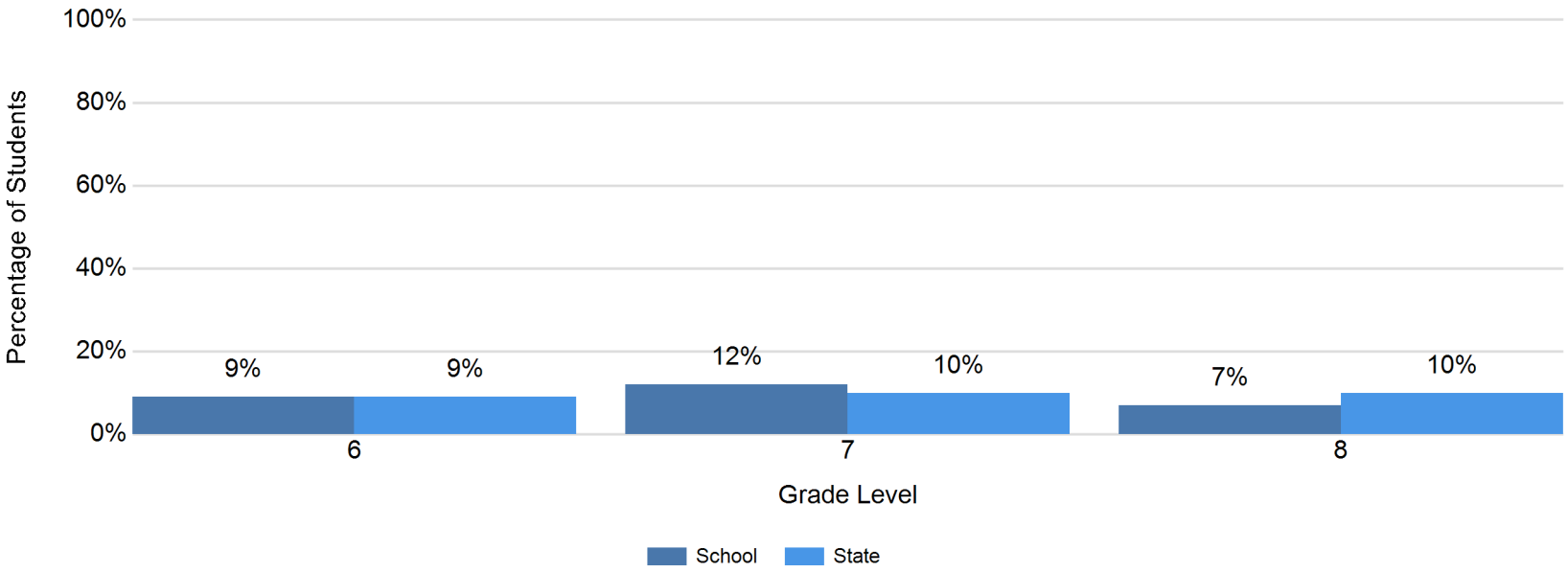

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Violence, Vandalism, HIB, and Substance Offenses

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	30
Weapons	0
Vandalism	4
Substances	2
Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)	3
Total Unique Incidents	39
Incidents Per 100 Students Enrolled	6.10

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)	2
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	2	2
Sexual Orientation	0	0	0
Disability	0	0	0
Other	4	2	6
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	33	5.2%
Out-of-School Suspensions	58	9.1%
Any Suspension	80	12.5%
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
174

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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	7:45 AM
Typical End Time	2:40 PM
Length of School Day	6 Hrs 55 Mins
Full Time - Instructional Time	6 Hrs 15 Mins
Shared Time - Instructional Time	N

Device Ratios

This table shows the student to device ratio, which is the number of students in tested grades 3-11 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 3-11. 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
2017-18	1:1

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)	$626	$15,526	$16,152

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Key terms for staff data:
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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	60	117,464
Average years experience in public schools	11.1	12.0
Average years experience in district	10.6	10.7
Teachers in district for 4 or more years	82.8%	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	45	9,374
Average years experience in public schools	20.0	16.0
Average years experience in district	18.3	12.0
Administrators in district for 4 or more years	100.0%	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	11:1	11:1
Students to Administrators	213:1	135:1
Teachers to Administrators	20:1	12:1
Students to Librarians/Media Specialists		1218:1
Students to Nurses		435:1
Students to Counselors		609:1
Students to Child Study Team		165:1

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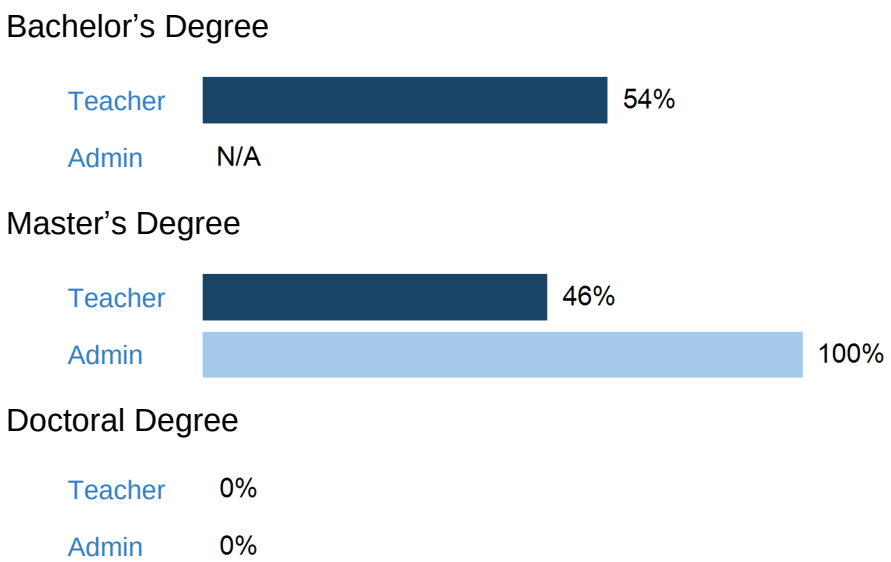
Teachers and Administrators - Level of Education

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	93.4%	90.2%
2016-17 Administrators: Same district 2017-18	94.9%	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	97.3%

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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	76.7%	66.7%
Male	23.3%	33.3%
White	70.0%	66.7%
Hispanic	8.3%	0.0%
Black or African American	15.0%	33.3%
Asian	6.7%	0.0%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0%	0.0%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%
Two or More Races	0.0%	0.0%

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New Jersey's school accountability system identifies schools that are in need of comprehensive and targeted support as required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). For more information about New Jersey's accountability system, how indicator and summative scores were calculated, and how federal accountability status is determined, see these accountability resources.

Comprehensive Status

This table shows whether this school is identified as requiring Comprehensive Support and Improvement during the 2019-20 school year and whether it will be eligible to exit comprehensive status in January 2021 or January 2022. Schools must meet exit criteria in order to exit status. Schools with a summative score in the bottom 5% of Title I schools or with a four-year graduation rate of 67% or less are identified as requiring Comprehensive Support and Improvement.

Requires Comprehensive Support during the 2019-20 School Year	Eligible to exit status in January 2021	Eligible to exit status in January 2022
No	n/a	n/a

Targeted Status

This table shows whether one or more student groups in this school has been identified as requiring Targeted Support and Improvement during the 2019-20 school year and whether each student group will be eligible to exit targeted status in January 2021 or January 2022. Schools must meet exit criteria in order to exit status. Student groups with a summative score that would be in the bottom 5% of schools and student groups that miss annual targets for all indicators for two years in a row are identified as requiring Targeted Support and Improvement. Note: Schools identified as requiring comprehensive support may have student groups identified as needing targeted support below, but the date they are eligible to exit status is based on their comprehensive status.

Student Group	Requires Targeted Support during the 2019-20 School Year	Eligible to exit status in January 2021	Eligible to exit status in January 2022
Any Student Groups	No	n/a	n/a
White	No		
Hispanic	No		
Black or African American	No		
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	No		
American Indian or Alaska Native	No		
Two or More Races	No		
Economically Disadvantaged Students	No		
Students with Disabilities	No		
English Learners	No		

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Accountability Indicator Scores and Summative Rating - 2017-18 School Year

New Jersey has developed a school accountability system as required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) to identify schools that are in need of Comprehensive Support and Improvement. This table shows the indicator scores for each indicator included in the accountability system and the weight that each indicator receives when calculating the overall Summative Score. The Summative Rating is the percentile rank of the Summative Score as compared to other schools across the state. Schools with a summative score in the bottom 5% of Title I schools or with a four-year graduation rate of 67% or less are identified as requiring Comprehensive Support and Improvement. For more information about New Jersey's accountability system and how these indicator scores were calculated, see these accountability resources.

Accountability Indicator	Score	Weight
English Language Arts Proficiency	31.10	15.0%
Mathematics Proficiency	11.79	15.0%
English Language Arts Growth	46.62	20.0%
Mathematics Growth	21.31	20.0%
Progress Towards English Language Proficiency	80.21	20.0%
Chronic Absenteeism	40.05	10.0%
Summative Score: Sum of all indicator scores multiplied by indicator weights	40.07	n/a
Summative Rating: Percentile Rank of Summative Score	32.94	n/a
Requires Comprehensive Support: Summative Rating is less than or equal to 5th percentile	No	n/a

† Weights indicated by this symbol were adjusted due to data availability

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Accountability Summary by Student Group - 2017-18 School Year

New Jersey has developed a school accountability system as required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) to identify schools that are in need of Targeted Support and Improvement. Any student group where the summative score would be in the bottom 5% of schools is identified for Targeted Support for a Low-Performing Student Group. Any student group that has missed annual targets for all indicators two years in a row is identified for Targeted Support for a Consistently Underperforming Student Group. In the table below, schools in which one or more student groups are identified for Targeted Sport will be noted in the Schoolwide row. Annual targets for proficiency and graduation rate were set based on a school or student group's performance in 2015-16. The target for chronic absenteeism is the state average for chronic absenteeism based on students enrolled in the grades served by the given school. For more details on accountability targets, see these accountability resources.

Student Group	Summative Score	Summative Score Cut-off for Targeted Support	Requires Targeted Support: Low Performing Student Group	ELA Proficiency: Met Annual Target	Math Proficiency: Met Annual Target	ELA Student Growth: Met Standard	Math Student Growth: Met Standard	Progress Towards English Language Proficiency: Met Annual Target	Chronic Absenteeism: Met State Average	Requires Targeted Support: Consistently Underperforming Student Group - 2017-18
Schoolwide	n/a	n/a	No	Met Target	Not Met	Met Standard	Met Standard	Exceeds Target	Met	No
White	31.55	14.08	No	Met Target†	Not Met	Met Standard	Met Standard	n/a	Not Met	No
Hispanic	43.89	14.08	No	Met Target	Not Met	Met Standard	Met Standard	n/a	Met	No
Black or African American	41.48	14.08	No	Met Target	Not Met	Met Standard	Not Met	n/a	Met	No
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	**	**	No	**	**	**	**	n/a	**	No
American Indian or Alaska Native	**	**	No	**	**	**	**	n/a	**	No
Two or More Races	**	**	No	**	**	**	**	n/a	**	No
Economically Disadvantaged Students	40.55	14.08	No	Met Target	Not Met	Met Standard	Met Standard	n/a	Not Met	No
Students with Disabilities	33.18	14.08	No	Not Met	Not Met	Not Met	Met Standard	n/a	Met	No
English Learners	63.17	14.08	No	Met Target	Met Target	Exceeds Standard	Met Standard	Met Standard	Met	No

† Target was met within a confidence interval (Proficiency) or within one standard deviation (Progress to English Language Proficiency).

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Highlights:	• Soehl offers 19 different after hour clubs totaling 550 hours per year. These clubs range from Alliance, Debate, Model UN, Technology, and Mathematics to name a few. • 21st Century Learning Community after school STEAM program. This program services 175 students daily and runs from 2:40pm _ 6:00pm. • Technology is integrated into almost every facet of the school day. Students and staff utilize 1:1 Apple iPad programs and applications during their daily lessons and work at home.
Mission, Vision, Theme:	The mission of the Linden Public School District is to promote distinction through the infinite resource that is Lindens diversity, combined with our profound commitment to instructional excellence, so that each and every student achieves their maximum potential in an engaging, inspiring, and challenging learning environment.
Awards, Recognition, Accomplishments:	21st Century Community Learning Center received the IDEA Supplimental Grant Award, Apple Distinguished Teacher Awards, NJ Governors Teacher Recognition Award, Education Service Professional of Year Award, Teachers Who Make Magic 98.3FM Award, Honor Society Awards, Middle School Boys Soccer Team (Undefeated Season), Phillips66 Science Partnership Recognition, Reading for Meaning Certificates, Instructional Leadership Team (year 2) Recognition, Ecco-Schools USA Bronze Award (Science), NY Jets Tackling Bullying Upstander Awards, Student of the Month, Grade 8 Academic Awards, Academic Mayors Cup Challenge Award, Honor Roll Recognition Award.

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Sports and Athletics:	Sports Offered: Baseball (Boys), Basketball (Boys & Girls), Football (Boys), Soccer (Boys & Girls), Softball (Girls), Wrestling (Boys) Soehl Middle Schools offer a variety of opportunities for our student athletes across all three seasons of participation. Our middle school students participate both regionally and locally, usually highlighted with a rivalry game that pair our two middle schools together. With nearly 550 student athletes participating annually, we encourage and welcome all students grades six through eight to enjoy the experiences and benefits of athletic participation.
Clubs and Activities:	Academic Competition, Alliance, Art, Chinese, Debate, Diversity, Drumline, French, Honor Society, iBook, Italian, Mathematics, Model UN, Peer Leadership, School of Rock, Spanish, Student Advisors, Technology, and Yearbook. Unity Day (grade 8 partnership with McManus Middle School), Field Day (schoolwide), School Play (Beauty and the Beast Jr.)

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Before and After School Programs:	The Linden Public School District has received a multi-million dollar competitive New Jersey Department of Education grant award to offer after school services for students at Joseph E. Soehl Middle School. The Linden 21st Century Community Learning Center is an after-school program for students in grades six through eight from 2:45-5:45 pm each day that regular school is in session. The program coordinates many activities that integrate the STEM theme throughout the day. Over one-third of the middle school students are enrolled in this extended day school. The program provides homework tutorial, enrichment classes, recreational opportunities, community service, family nights, assemblies, counseling, daily snack, mentoring, educational class trips, parenting programs etc. A Summer STEM Academy was coordinated during the months of June and July 2018.
Staff and Professional Learning:	A Professional Development Resource Center and Science Resource Center is located in district and every school has an Instructional Leadership Team. These teams meet monthly for in-depth training regarding data analysis, student performance and teacher instruction. All teachers work regularly within professional learning communities to expand ILT, school and personal instructional goals.

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Student Supports and Services:	Linden Public Schools believes in educating the whole child and utilizes an array of student support services to achieve this goal. Currently, the district employs school counselors, school social workers, child study team members and a student assistance counselor to support students academically, behaviorally, and with significant health difficulties. In addition, Linden Public Schools works in tandem with community agencies to provide additional support students require to be successful.
Student Health and Wellness:	Student Health and Wellness is of the highest priority in all our schools and are important factors in all of our decision making processes. Our district is committed to providing a school environment that promotes and protects student health and ability to learn by supporting healthy eating, physical activity, and physical literacy. Our LPS nursing department consistently places an emphasis on promoting our students health and wellbeing. Throughout the school year, our school nurses ensure that students have recorded their annual screenings that include but are not limited to heights and weights, scoliosis, vision, hearing, and blood pressures. The school nurses also ensure that our staff receives the most up to date trainings in regards to epi-pen and glucagon preparedness for any students with those particular needs in their buildings. The medical services department further extends their services and knowledge into the classrooms.
Parent and Community Involvement:	Parent Teacher Association (sponsors school dances and various school functions like Unity Day and Grade Level Picnics _ PTA parent volunteers), Genesis Parent Portal (via email address), Securly (iPad parent monitoring program), Backboard Connect, Twitter, School Website, Back to School Night, Dinner with Dads Night, 6th Grade Student/Parent Orientation Night, Academic Challenge Nights, Winter/Spring Concert and Art Show, and Parent Nights and Coat/Pet Supply Drives (21st Century Learning Community), Little Library, Grade 8 Dinner Dance, L.I.N.C.S. Food Pantry, Giving Tree (School community outreach for local families in need).

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Facilities:	Original building constructed in 1926. Addition constructed in 1970. Recent renovations (roof and repointing). Special rooms to highlight (media center, art room, technology room, and music room (2).
School Safety:	The mission of the Linden Public School District is supported by the safety procedures and initiatives recently developed by the Board of Education, which have allowed for high-quality learning to occur in safe and secure environments. It is the belief of the district that the issue of school safety is paramount to its operations. In April 2018, the Board of Education adopted new school entry procedures for visitors, designed to ensure the safety and security of all students and staff. Furthermore, the construction of security vestibules began shortly thereafter throughout the entire district. Under a shared services agreement recently adopted by the Linden City Council and Board of Education, the Police Department will establish a Special Law Enforcement Officer (S.L.E.O.) Class III program consisting of four retired police officers to provide security in our largest schools.

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Technology and STEM:	The district has implemented a centralized high performing robust network infrastructure so that every student throughout the district will have equitable access to online digital content and learning materials. Our current networking and systems operations are completely centralized and all schools have reliable, secure and timely access to all data and networking systems. As of today, all students 3rd thru 12th grade have access to their own district provided Apple device, with 6th thru 12th grade students permitted to take their devices home. In total, the district manages just over 7,000 devices. New MacBook Air laptops and iPads are continually upgraded every 3-4 years. As technology continues to evolve, the districts one-to-one program will remain current and incorporate the very latest in educational technology.

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Other Information:	Joseph E. Soehl Middle School is one of two middle schools within the Linden Public School District. We are a sixth through eighth grade school with approximately 675 students and 60 instructional staff. We serve a variety of students and offer extensive support for our ELL and special education population. Breakfast is served from 7:00-7:30 am. Students report to homeroom at 7:45am and school dismissal is at 2:40 pm. Communication with parents happens through a variety of methods including Blackboard Connect, Canvas, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and weekly team emails. Every student within our school is provided an iPad which is part of our districts Technology One to One Program. This program allows our staff to effectively infuse technology within all aspects of their curriculum. It also affords our students the ability to utilize their iPads at home to access homework and academic resources. We are in the third year of our newly developed middle school schedule that is centered around a team concept. Our language arts, math, science and social studies teachers follow the same group of students which provides them an opportunity to identify or track individual and group progress or patterns. Soehl Middle School offers our students an opportunity to be exposed to or develop a deeper understanding of a variety of World Languages including: Chinese, Spanish, Italian and French. Programming, Digital Media, Digital Citizenship and Intro to Business classes are new additions to our electives. All sixth-grade students are required to take digital citizenship and all seventh and eighth grade students are required to take Intro to Business prior to transitioning to high school.