



Highlands Elementary School
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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	Monmouth
District	Highlands Borough School District
Principal Name	Mr. Daniel Layton
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Phone Number	732-872-1476
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Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/HighlandsElem
Twitter	https://twitter.com/HighlandsEleme2



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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	22	28	21
KG	29	23	31
1	25	30	21
2	22	23	30
3	22	22	20
4	25	19	17
5	20	29	18
6	22	21	29
Total	187	195	187

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	51.3%	47.7%	47.1%
Male	48.7%	52.3%	52.9%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	52.9%	53.8%	48.1%
Students with Disabilities	21.9%	23.6%	25.7%
English Learners	4.3%	4.1%	4.8%
Homeless Students	2.7%	1.5%	2.7%
Students in Foster Care	1.6%	1.0%	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	80.2%	76.4%	78.6%
Hispanic	10.7%	16.4%	15.5%
Black or African American	6.4%	4.1%	3.2%
Asian	1.6%	1.0%	1.1%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Two or More Races	1.1%	2.1%	1.6%

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	0
PK - Full Day	22	28	21
KG - Half Day	0	0	0
KG - Full Day	29	23	31

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	89.8%
Spanish	8.0%
Russian	1.6%
Other Languages	0.5%



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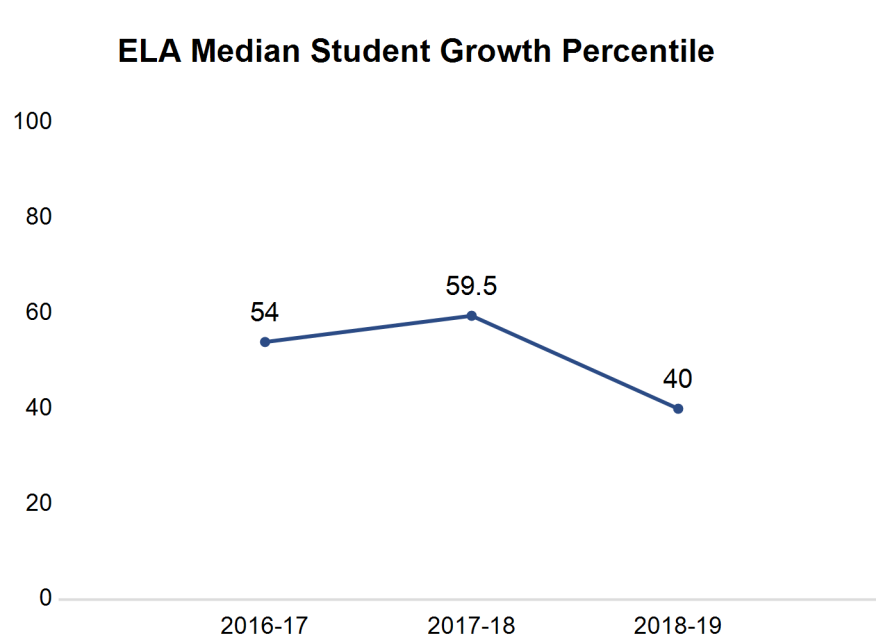
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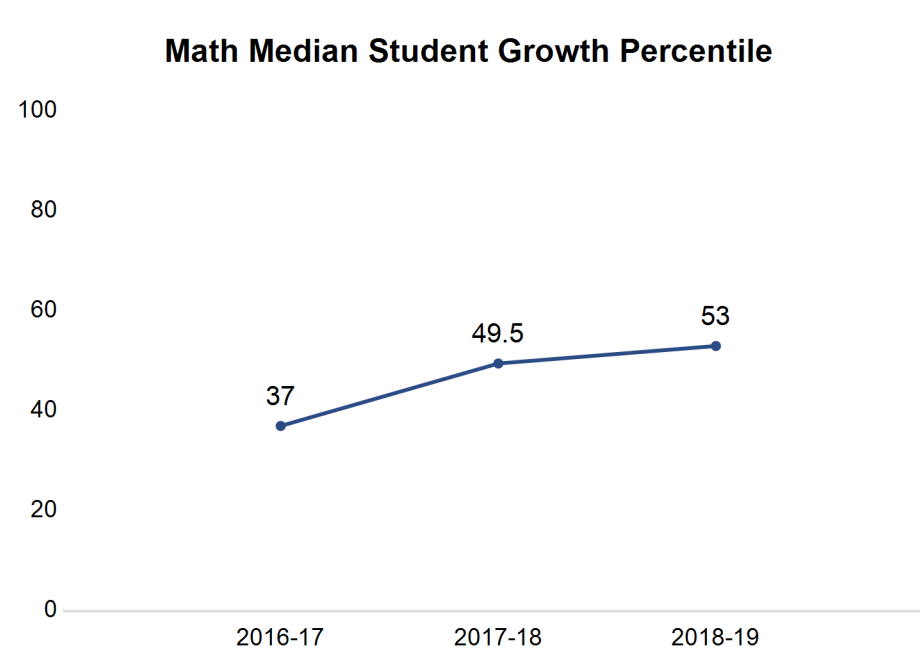
Student Growth Trends and Progress

These graphs illustrate trends in student growth over the last three years. Student growth is measured by median student growth percentile. The table below tells us how student growth over the last three years compares to the state standard of 40-59.5 and to the statewide median.

ELA Median Student Growth Percentile



Math Median Student Growth Percentile



Performance Measure	2016-17 ELA	2017-18 ELA	2018-19 ELA	2016-17 Math	2017-18 Math	2018-19 Math
Median Student Growth Percentile	54	59.5	40	37	49.5	53
Met Standard (40-59.5)?	Met Standard	Met Standard	Met Standard	Not Met	Met Standard	Met Standard
Statewide: Median Student Growth Percentile	50	50	50	50	50	50



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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 (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	40	40	50	Met Standard	53	53	50	Met Standard
White	41.5	41.5	50	Met Standard	55.5	55.5	52	Met Standard
Hispanic	*	*	49	**	*	*	47	**
Black or African American	*	*	45	**	*	*	43	**
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	59	**	*	*	60	**
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	56	**	N	N	51.5	**
Two or More Races	N	N	49	**	N	N	52	**
Female	36	36	53	N	46	46	50	N
Male	53.5	53.5	47	N	60	60	51	N
Economically Disadvantaged Students	38	38	48	Not Met	46	46	46	Met Standard
Students with Disabilities	36	36	43	Not Met	60	60	45	Exceeds Standard
English Learners	*	*	52	**	*	*	50	**
Homeless Students	*	*	43	N	*	*	44	N
Students in Foster Care	N	N	42	N	N	N	44	N
Military-Connected Students	N	N	49	N	N	N	51	N
Migrant Students	N	N	47	N	N	N	51	N



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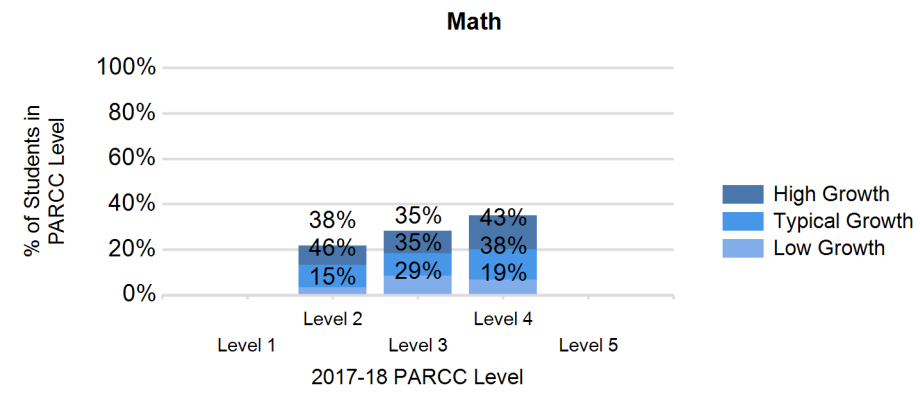
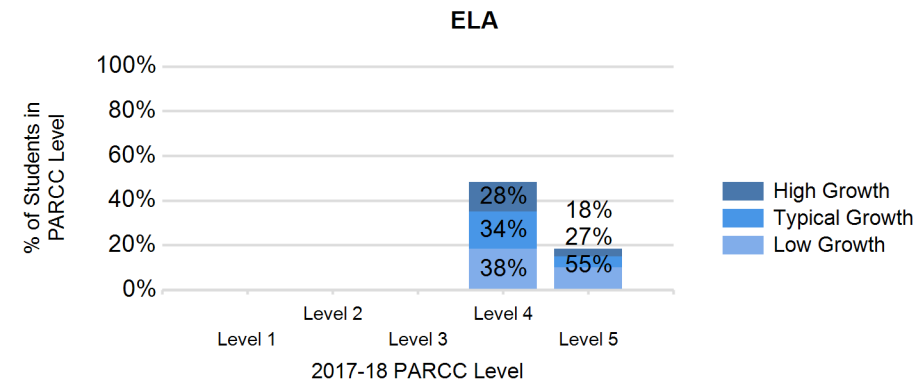
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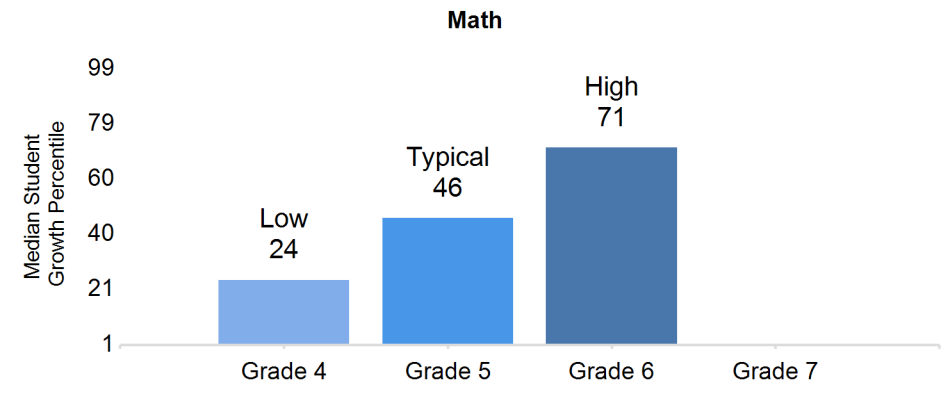
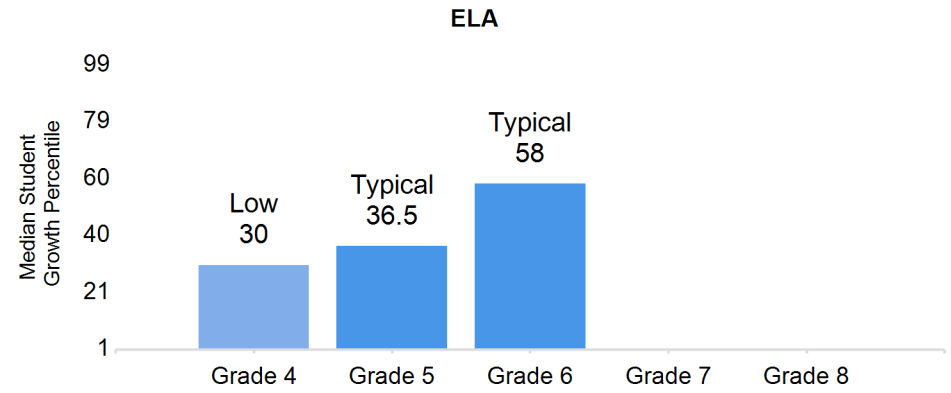
Student Growth by Performance Level

These graphs show the percentage of students by 2017-18 statewide assessment performance level that fall into each of the three levels of growth based on their 2018-19 statewide assessment growth.



Student Growth by Grade

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





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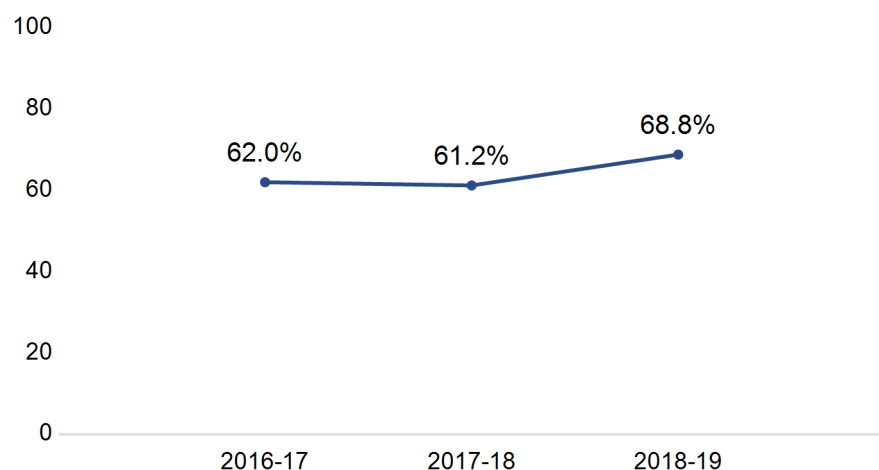
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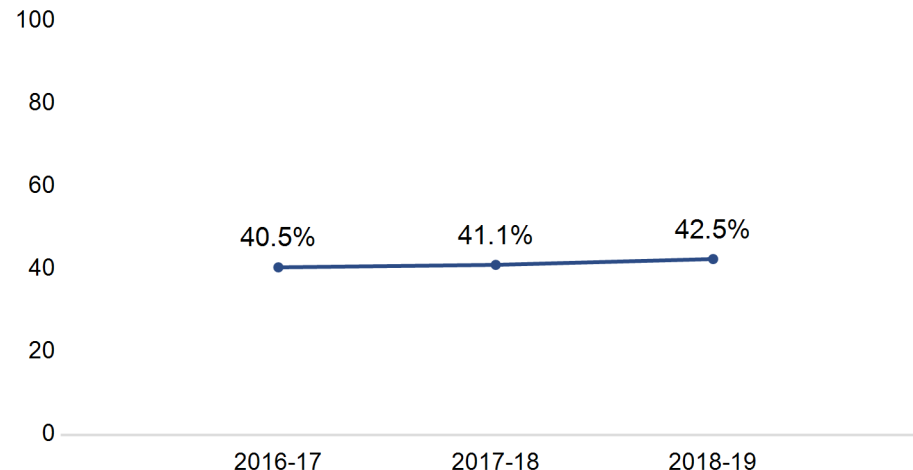
English Language Arts and Mathematics Performance Trends

These graphs show trends in the Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability over the last three years. The data includes the results of students taking both the statewide assessment (NJSLA for 2018-19 and PARCC for 2016-17 and 2017-18) and the DLM alternate assessment. The Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability measures the percentage of students that met or exceeded expectations on the assessments (NJSLA/PARCC or DLM) with an adjustment made if the participation rate is below 95% to ensure reporting on at least 95% of students. NJSLA/PARCC results include only students in grades 3 through 10. Students that were enrolled for less than half a school year are excluded from performance results. The table below provides participation rates, proficiency rates, annual targets and status in meeting the targets, and statewide proficiency rates.

ELA Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability



Math Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability



Performance Measure	2016-17 ELA	2017-18 ELA	2018-19 ELA	2016-17 Math	2017-18 Math	2018-19 Math
Participation Rate	95.6%	98.9%	96.6%	96.7%	98.9%	95.5%
Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability	62.0%	61.2%	68.8%	40.5%	41.1%	42.5%
Annual Target	44.4%	46.3%	48.1%	41.7%	43.7%	45.7%
Met Annual Target?	Met Target	Met Target	Met Target	Met Target†	Met Target†	Met Target†
Statewide Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability	54.9%	56.7%	57.9%	43.5%	45.0%	44.5%

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English Language Arts Assessment - Participation and Performance

This table shows performance on statewide assessments for English Language Arts both overall and by student group. It includes the results of students taking both the NJSLA and DLM assessments. NJSLA results include only students in grades 3 through 10. Students that were enrolled for less than half a school year are excluded from performance results. A student is considered to have met or exceeded expectations if he/she scores at Level 4 or 5 on the NJSLA assessment or at Level 3 or 4 on the DLM assessment.

This table shows both the percentage of students that met or exceeded expectations and a proficiency rate used for federal accountability. The proficiency rate for federal accountability will be lower if the participation rate is below 95%. This table also shows progress towards meeting the state's long term goal of 80% proficiency by 2030. Annual targets are specific to each subgroup, school, and district and represent the expected proficiency needed to stay on track to meet the state's long term goal. Student groups where the annual target fields are grayed out are not required to meet annual targets under ESSA accountability. For more details on New Jersey's accountability system, see our [accountability resources](#).

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	2018-19 Annual Target	Met 2018-19 Annual Target
Schoolwide	80	96.6	68.8	68.8	57.9	68.8	48.1	Met Target
White	66	98.5	69.7	69.7	66.9	69.7	47.5	Met Target
Hispanic	*	*	*	*	43.9	*	**	**
Black or African American	*	*	*	*	38.5	*	**	**
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	82.9	*	**	**
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	N	56.0	N	**	**
Two or More Races	N	N	N	N	64.4	N	**	**
Female	38	95.1	76.3	76.3	64.8	76.3		
Male	42	97.8	61.9	61.9	51.3	61.9		
Economically Disadvantaged Students	40	93.6	57.5	57.5	40.0	56.2	30.9	Met Target
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	40	100.0	80.0	80.0	67.9	80.0		
Students with Disabilities	26	90.0	42.3	42.3	22.7	39.9	28.3	Met Target
Students without Disabilities	54	100.0	81.5	81.5	65.1	81.5		
English Learners	*	*	*	*	29.3	*	**	**
Non-English Learners	*	*	*	*	60.6	*		
Homeless Students	*	*	*	*	29.1	*		
Students In Foster Care	N	N	N	N	27.6	N		
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	N	57.8	N		
Migrant Students	N	N	N	N	30.4	N		

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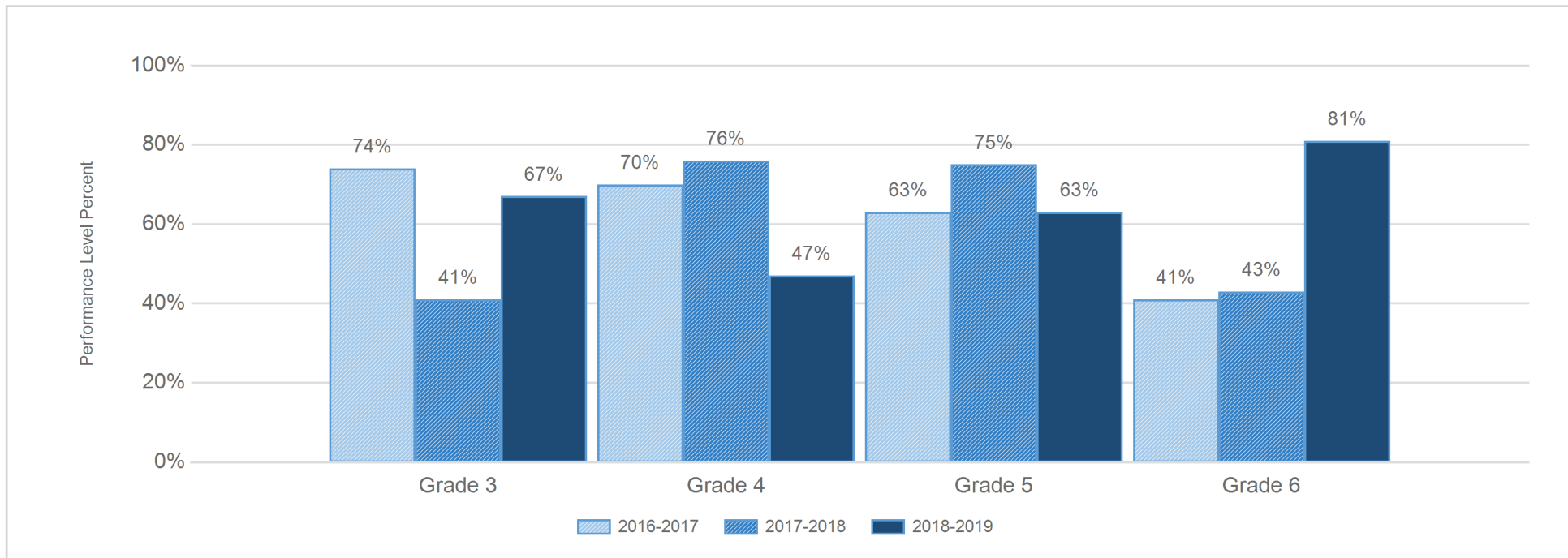
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English Language Arts Assessment - Performance Trends

This graph shows the percentage of students who met or exceeded expectations on each grade level exam on the statewide assessment for English Language Arts (ELA) for the past three years. 2018-19 data is from the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) and 2016-17 and 2017-18 data is from the PARCC assessment.





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English Language Arts Assessment - Performance by Grade: Grade 3

This table shows performance on the English Language Arts (ELA) section of the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA). The performance results in this table include all students that took the NJSLA assessment, which includes students that were enrolled less than half a year.

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	21	763	763	748	*	*	*	*	*	67%	50%
White	17	766	766	757	*	*	*	*	*	71%	60%
Hispanic	*	*	*	734	*	*	*	*	*	*	36%
Black or African American	*	*	*	731	*	*	*	*	*	*	33%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	773	*	*	*	*	*	*	75%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	746	N	N	N	N	N	N	46%
Two or More Races	N	N	N	756	N	N	N	N	N	N	58%
Female	11	771	771	753	*	*	*	*	*	82%	55%
Male	10	754	754	743	*	*	*	*	*	50%	46%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	731	*	*	*	*	*	*	33%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	759	*	*	*	*	*	*	61%
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	719	*	*	*	*	*	*	24%
Students without Disabilities	*	*	*	754	*	*	*	*	*	*	56%
English Learners	N	N	N	713	N	N	N	N	N	N	17%
Non-English Learners	21	763	763	751	*	*	*	*	*	67%	54%
Homeless Students	N	N	N	720	N	N	N	N	N	N	23%
Students in Foster Care	N	N	N	720	N	N	N	N	N	N	21%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	752	N	N	N	N	N	N	55%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	727	N	N	N	N	N	N	24%



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English Language Arts Assessment - Performance by Grade: Grade 4

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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	17	737	737	755	*	*	*	*	*	47%	57%
White	13	736	736	763	*	*	*	*	*	46%	67%
Hispanic	*	*	*	743	*	*	*	*	*	*	44%
Black or African American	*	*	*	739	*	*	*	*	*	*	39%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	N	N	N	779	N	N	N	N	N	N	82%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	749	N	N	N	N	N	N	53%
Two or More Races	N	N	N	762	N	N	N	N	N	N	64%
Female	*	*	*	760	*	*	*	*	*	*	62%
Male	*	*	*	750	*	*	*	*	*	*	53%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	740	*	*	*	*	*	*	40%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	765	*	*	*	*	*	*	69%
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	725	*	*	*	*	*	*	25%
Students without Disabilities	*	*	*	761	*	*	*	*	*	*	64%
English Learners	*	*	*	720	*	*	*	*	*	*	17%
Non-English Learners	*	*	*	758	*	*	*	*	*	*	60%
Homeless Students	N	N	N	730	N	N	N	N	N	N	29%
Students in Foster Care	N	N	N	729	N	N	N	N	N	N	28%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	757	N	N	N	N	N	N	58%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	718	N	N	N	N	N	N	25%



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English Language Arts Assessment - Performance by Grade: Grade 5

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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	19	757	757	756	*	0%	*	*	*	63%	58%
White	*	*	*	764	*	*	*	*	*	*	68%
Hispanic	N	N	N	743	N	N	N	N	N	N	44%
Black or African American	*	*	*	739	*	*	*	*	*	*	38%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	N	N	N	781	N	N	N	N	N	N	83%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	753	N	N	N	N	N	N	52%
Two or More Races	N	N	N	762	N	N	N	N	N	N	65%
Female	*	*	*	761	*	*	*	*	*	*	64%
Male	*	*	*	750	*	*	*	*	*	*	52%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	740	*	*	*	*	*	*	39%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	766	*	*	*	*	*	*	69%
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	724	*	*	*	*	*	*	23%
Students without Disabilities	*	*	*	762	*	*	*	*	*	*	65%
English Learners	N	N	N	713	N	N	N	N	N	N	11%
Non-English Learners	19	757	757	758	*	0%	*	*	*	63%	60%
Homeless Students	*	*	*	730	*	*	*	*	*	*	29%
Students in Foster Care	N	N	N	729	N	N	N	N	N	N	28%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	756	N	N	N	N	N	N	62%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	723	N	N	N	N	N	N	26%



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Schoolwide	27	764	764	754	*	*	*	*	*	81%	56%
White	20	770	770	762	0%	0%	*	*	*	90%	65%
Hispanic	*	*	*	743	*	*	*	*	*	*	43%
Black or African American	*	*	*	738	*	*	*	*	*	*	36%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	780	*	*	*	*	*	*	83%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	751	N	N	N	N	N	N	53%
Two or More Races	N	N	N	760	N	N	N	N	N	N	64%
Female	*	*	*	762	*	*	*	*	*	*	64%
Male	*	*	*	748	*	*	*	*	*	*	48%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	13	752	752	740	*	*	*	*	*	69%	39%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	14	775	775	763	*	*	*	*	*	93%	67%
Students with Disabilities	10	752	752	722	*	*	*	*	*	60%	19%
Students without Disabilities	17	771	771	761	*	*	*	*	*	94%	64%
English Learners	*	*	*	710	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Non-English Learners	*	*	*	756	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Homeless Students	*	*	*	729	*	*	*	*	*	*	27%
Students in Foster Care	N	N	N	726	N	N	N	N	N	N	26%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	753	N	N	N	N	N	N	54%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	721	N	N	N	N	N	N	25%



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Mathematics Assessment - Participation and Performance

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This table shows both the percentage of students that met or exceeded expectations and a proficiency rate used for federal accountability. The proficiency rate for federal accountability will be lower if the participation rate is below 95%. This table also shows progress towards meeting the state's long term goal of 80% proficiency by 2030. Annual targets are specific to each subgroup, school, and district and represent the expected proficiency needed to stay on track to meet the state's long term goal. Student groups where the annual target fields are grayed out are not required to meet annual targets under ESSA accountability. For more details on New Jersey's accountability system, see our [accountability resources](#).

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	2018-19 Annual Target	Met 2018-19 Annual Target
Schoolwide	80	95.5	42.5	42.5	44.5	42.5	45.7	Met Target†
White	66	98.5	42.4	42.4	54.1	42.4	46	Met Target†
Hispanic	*	*	*	*	28.8	*	**	**
Black or African American	*	*	*	*	23.0	*	**	**
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	76.5	*	**	**
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	N	42.7	N	**	**
Two or More Races	N	N	N	N	53.3	N	**	**
Female	38	92.9	44.7	44.7	44.9	44.7		
Male	42	97.8	40.5	40.5	44.2	40.5		
Economically Disadvantaged Students	40	93.6	32.5	32.5	26.3	31.8	38.4	Met Target†
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	40	97.6	52.5	52.5	54.9	52.5		
Students with Disabilities	26	90.0	30.8	30.8	17.4	29.0	34.9	Met Target†
Students without Disabilities	54	98.3	48.1	48.1	50.0	48.1		
English Learners	*	*	*	*	25.0	*	**	**
Non-English Learners	*	*	*	*	46.5	*		
Homeless Students	*	*	*	*	17.1	*		
Students In Foster Care	N	N	N	N	17.1	N		
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	N	46.4	N		
Migrant Students	N	N	N	N	23.3	N		

† Target was met within a confidence interval.



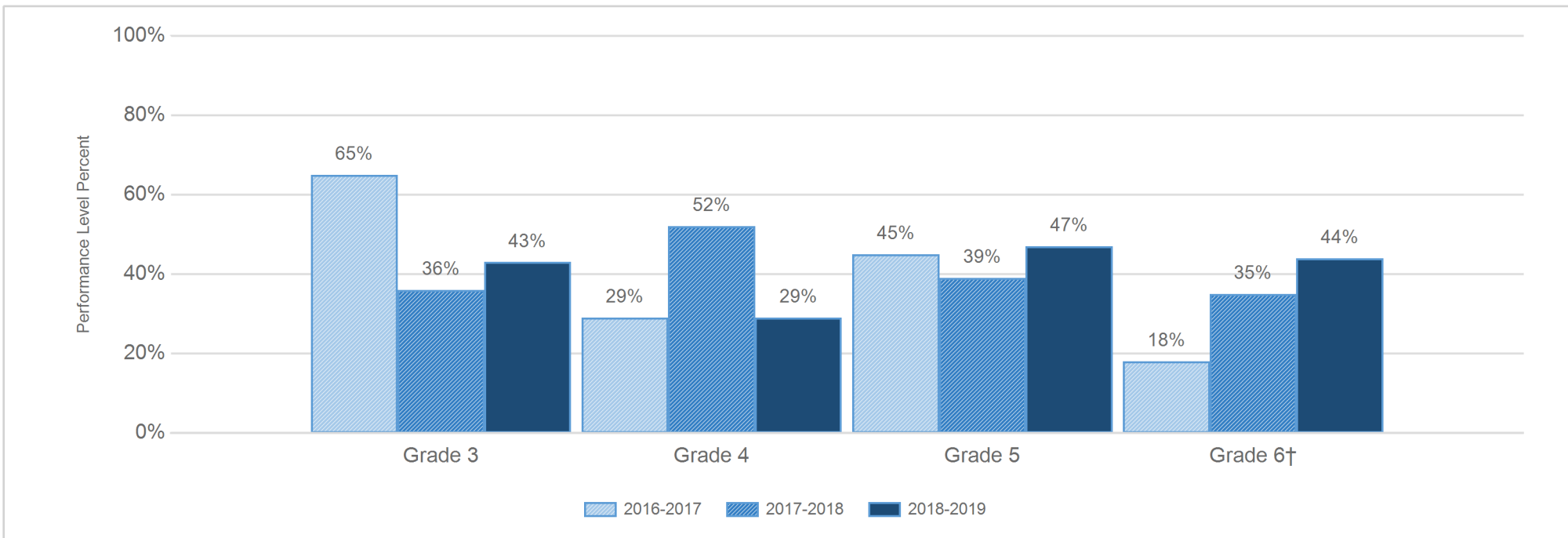
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Mathematics Assessment – Performance Trends

This graph shows the percentage of students who met or exceeded expectations on each grade level or end-of-course exam on the statewide assessment for Mathematics for the past three years. 2018-19 data is from the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) and 2016-17 and 2017-18 data is from the PARCC assessment.



† 2018-19 results for Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II do not include students in grade 11, but 2016-17 and 2017-18 results do include students in grade 11. Therefore, trend data for these assessments may not be comparable.



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Mathematics Assessment - Performance by Grade: Grade 3

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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	21	746	746	752	0%	*	*	*	*	43%	55%
White	17	748	748	760	0%	*	*	*	*	47%	66%
Hispanic	*	*	*	739	*	*	*	*	*	*	40%
Black or African American	*	*	*	735	*	*	*	*	*	*	35%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	778	*	*	*	*	*	*	83%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	749	N	N	N	N	N	N	51%
Two or More Races	N	N	N	758	N	N	N	N	N	N	62%
Female	11	749	749	751	0%	*	*	*	*	45%	54%
Male	10	743	743	752	0%	*	*	*	*	40%	56%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	737	*	*	*	*	*	*	37%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	761	*	*	*	*	*	*	67%
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	731	*	*	*	*	*	*	31%
Students without Disabilities	*	*	*	756	*	*	*	*	*	*	60%
English Learners	N	N	N	728	N	N	N	N	N	N	26%
Non-English Learners	21	746	746	754	0%	*	*	*	*	43%	58%
Homeless Students	N	N	N	724	N	N	N	N	N	N	23%
Students in Foster Care	N	N	N	725	N	N	N	N	N	N	27%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	754	N	N	N	N	N	N	56%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	728	N	N	N	N	N	N	28%



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Mathematics Assessment - Performance by Grade: Grade 4

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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	17	732	732	749	*	*	*	*	*	29%	51%
White	13	731	731	757	*	*	*	*	*	31%	62%
Hispanic	*	*	*	737	*	*	*	*	*	*	36%
Black or African American	*	*	*	731	*	*	*	*	*	*	29%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	N	N	N	776	N	N	N	N	N	N	82%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	747	N	N	N	N	N	N	46%
Two or More Races	N	N	N	754	N	N	N	N	N	N	58%
Female	*	*	*	749	*	*	*	*	*	*	50%
Male	*	*	*	749	*	*	*	*	*	*	52%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	734	*	*	*	*	*	*	32%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	759	*	*	*	*	*	*	63%
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	726	*	*	*	*	*	*	25%
Students without Disabilities	*	*	*	754	*	*	*	*	*	*	56%
English Learners	*	*	*	722	*	*	*	*	*	*	18%
Non-English Learners	*	*	*	751	*	*	*	*	*	*	54%
Homeless Students	N	N	N	722	N	N	N	N	N	N	19%
Students in Foster Care	N	N	N	724	N	N	N	N	N	N	23%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	753	N	N	N	N	N	N	56%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	717	N	N	N	N	N	N	16%



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Mathematics Assessment - Performance by Grade: Grade 5

This table shows performance on the Mathematics section of the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA). The performance results in this table include all students that took the NJSLA assessment, which includes students that were enrolled less than half a year.

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	19	746	746	747	*	*	*	*	*	47%	47%
White	*	*	*	755	*	*	*	*	*	*	58%
Hispanic	N	N	N	735	N	N	N	N	N	N	30%
Black or African American	*	*	*	729	*	*	*	*	*	*	23%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	N	N	N	775	N	N	N	N	N	N	80%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	747	N	N	N	N	N	N	42%
Two or More Races	N	N	N	753	N	N	N	N	N	N	55%
Female	*	*	*	747	*	*	*	*	*	*	47%
Male	*	*	*	747	*	*	*	*	*	*	47%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	732	*	*	*	*	*	*	27%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	757	*	*	*	*	*	*	59%
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	725	*	*	*	*	*	*	19%
Students without Disabilities	*	*	*	752	*	*	*	*	*	*	52%
English Learners	N	N	N	718	N	N	N	N	N	N	12%
Non-English Learners	19	746	746	749	*	*	*	*	*	47%	49%
Homeless Students	*	*	*	723	*	*	*	*	*	*	17%
Students in Foster Care	N	N	N	722	N	N	N	N	N	N	14%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	748	N	N	N	N	N	N	50%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	716	N	N	N	N	N	N	17%



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Mathematics Assessment - Performance by Grade: Grade 6

This table shows performance on the Mathematics section of the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA). The performance results in this table include all students that took the NJSLA assessment, which includes students that were enrolled less than half a year.

Note: Students that took the Algebra I, Geometry, or Algebra II end of course tests are not included in grade level results.

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	27	748	748	741	*	*	37%	*	*	44%	41%
White	20	755	755	749	0%	*	*	*	*	45%	51%
Hispanic	*	*	*	729	*	*	*	*	*	*	24%
Black or African American	*	*	*	722	*	*	*	*	*	*	19%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	769	*	*	*	*	*	*	76%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	738	N	N	N	N	N	N	37%
Two or More Races	N	N	N	747	N	N	N	N	N	N	48%
Female	*	*	*	742	*	*	*	*	*	*	42%
Male	*	*	*	740	*	*	*	*	*	*	40%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	13	736	736	726	*	*	*	*	*	38%	21%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	14	759	759	750	*	*	*	*	*	50%	53%
Students with Disabilities	10	743	743	716	*	*	*	*	*	50%	12%
Students without Disabilities	17	750	750	746	*	*	*	*	*	41%	46%
English Learners	*	*	*	709	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Non-English Learners	*	*	*	743	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Homeless Students	*	*	*	717	*	*	*	*	*	*	12%
Students in Foster Care	N	N	N	717	N	N	N	N	N	N	12%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	742	N	N	N	N	N	N	43%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	717	N	N	N	N	N	N	20%



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DLM Alternate Assessment - Participation

This table shows the number of students taking the Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) 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
3	N	N
4	N	N
5	N	N
6	N	N

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. A student's expected growth is based on the student's initial year proficiency level and student growth expectations are increased by equal intervals each year so that the student meets the proficiency cut score of 4.5 within five years. The table shows the annual target for the percentage of students making expected growth and whether that target was met.

Student Group	Percent of English Learners Making Expected Growth to Proficiency	2018-19 Target	Met Target?
Schoolwide/English Learners	*	*	*

† 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	*	*	*
3-4	*	*	*
5 or more	*	*	*



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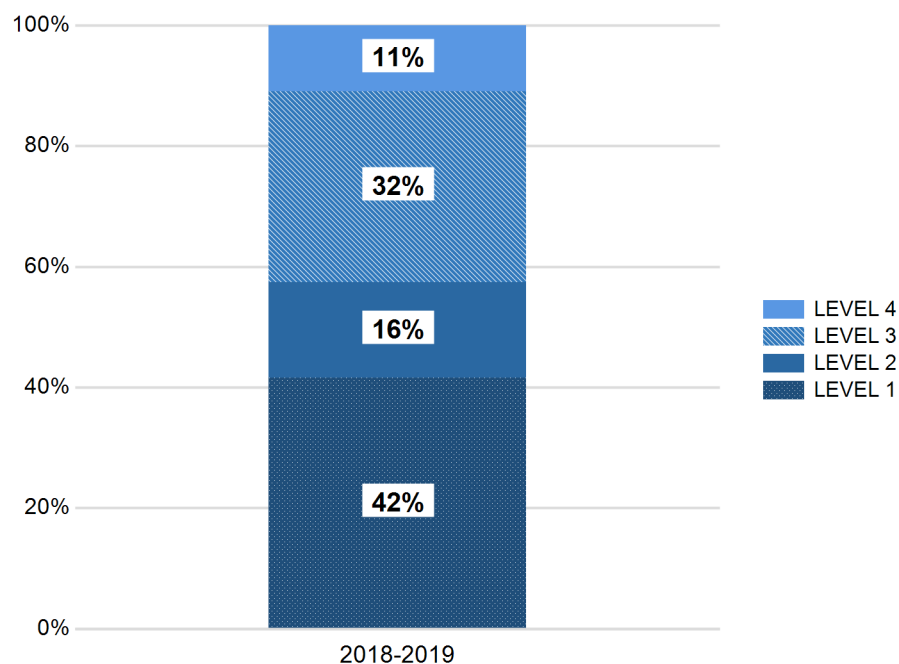
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NJSLA Science Assessment: Grade 5 Summary

This table shows how students performed this year on the NJSLA Science assessment. Students scoring at Level 3 or 4 are considered proficient.



NJSLA Science Assessment: Grade 5

This table shows how students performed this year on the NJSLA Science assessment, both overall and by student group. Students scoring at Level 3 or 4 are considered proficient.

Student Group	% Level 1	% Level 2	% Level 3	% Level 4
Schoolwide	42	16	32	11
White	*	*	*	*
Hispanic	N	N	N	N
Black or African American	*	*	*	*
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	N	N	N	N
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	N
Two or More Races	N	N	N	N
Female	*	*	*	*
Male	*	*	*	*
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	*
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*
Students without Disabilities	*	*	*	*
English Learners	N	N	N	N
Non-English Learners	42	16	32	11
Homeless Students	*	*	*	*
Students in Foster Care	N	N	N	N
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	N
Migrant Students	N	N	N	N



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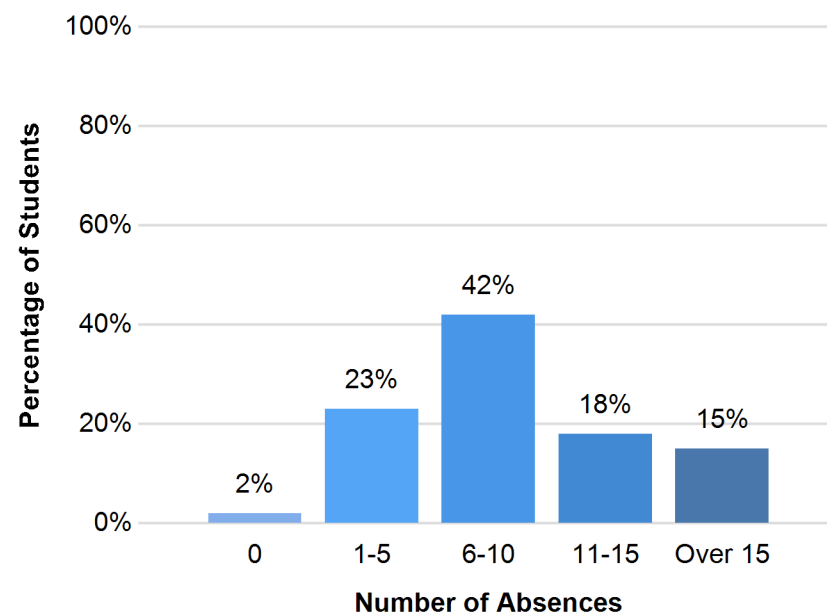
Chronic Absenteeism

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	21	12.7	8.8	Not Met
White	14	10.9	8.8	Not Met
Hispanic	4	16.0	8.8	Not Met
Black or African American	*	*	**	**
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific	*	*	**	**
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	N
Two or More Races	*	*	**	**
Female	8	10.4		
Male	13	14.8		
Economically Disadvantaged Students	14	17.3	8.8	Not Met
Students with Disabilities	8	17.4	8.8	Not Met
English Learners	*	*	**	**
Homeless Students	*	*		
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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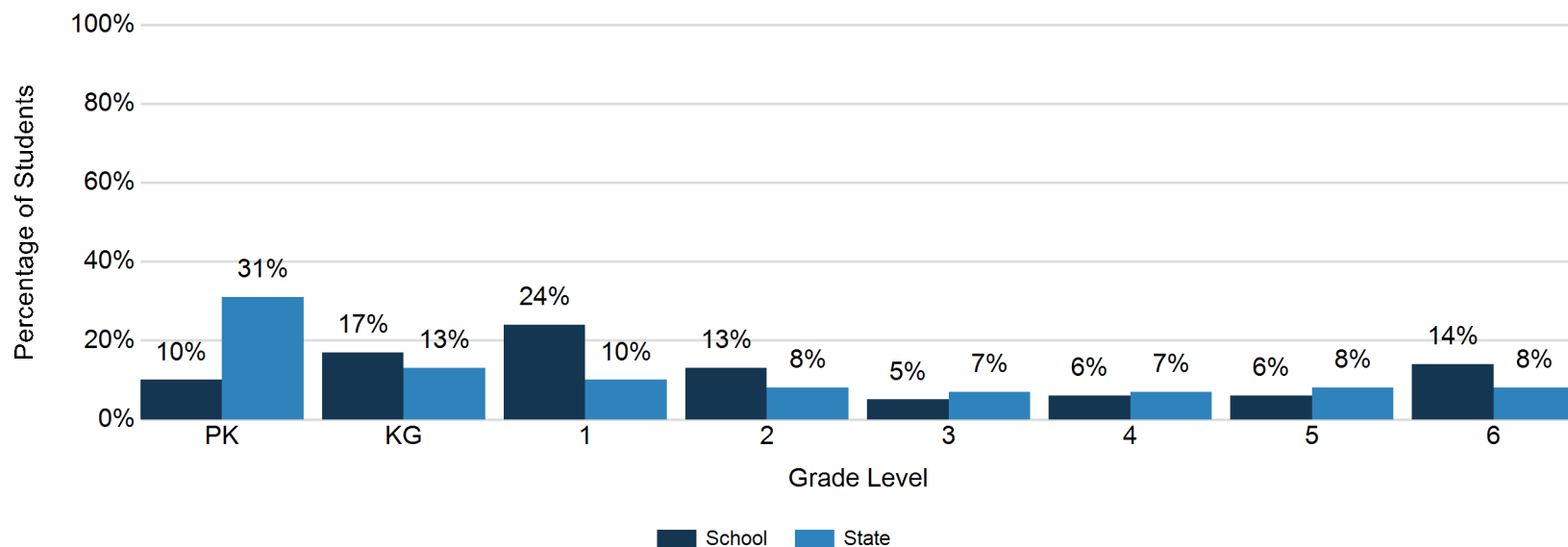
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Chronic Absenteeism by Grade

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.

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)	6
Total Unique Incidents	6
Incidents Per 100 Students Enrolled	3.21

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	2	1	3
Religion	0	0	0
Ancestry	0	0	0
Gender	0	0	0
Sexual Orientation	0	0	0
Disability	5	4	9
Other	2	4	6
No Identified Nature	4		4

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

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	0	0.0%
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	8:15 AM
Typical End Time	3:05 PM
Length of School Day	6 Hrs 50 Mins
Full Time - Instructional Time	6 Hrs 5 Mins
Shared Time - Instructional Time	6 Hrs. 5 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	1:1



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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 the United States Department of Education.

Category	Teachers in School	Teachers in State
Total Number of teachers	25	118,214
Average years experience in public schools	11.2	12.1
Average years experience in district	9.9	10.8
Percentage of Teachers with 4 or more years experience in the district	64.0%	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	5	9,530
Average years experience in public schools	16.0	16.0
Average years experience in district	3.4	12.0
Percentage of Administrators with 4 or more years experience in the district	40.0%	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	7:1	7:1
Students to Administrators	37:1	37:1
Teachers to Administrators	5:1	5:1
Students to Librarians/Media Specialists		187:1
Students to Nurses		187:1
Students to Counselors		N
Students to Child Study Team Members		47:1



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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	47.1%	84.0%	40.0%	48.4%	77.1%	54.9%
Male	52.9%	16.0%	60.0%	51.6%	22.9%	45.1%
White	78.6%	96.0%	100.0%	42.4%	83.6%	77.4%
Hispanic	15.5%	4.0%	0.0%	29.9%	7.3%	7.2%
Black or African American	3.2%	0.0%	0.0%	15.0%	6.6%	13.9%
Asian	1.1%	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%
Two or More Races	1.6%	0.0%	0.0%	2.1%	0.2%	0.2%



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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.

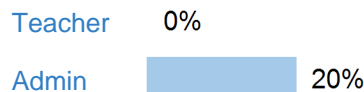
Bachelor's Degree



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	91.7%	90.5%
2017-18 Administrators: Same district 2018-19	80.0%	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	93.7%



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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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Comprehensive Support and Improvement - Overall Low Performing: Schools with a summative score in the bottom 5% of Title I schools.

Comprehensive Support and Improvement - Low Graduation Rate: High schools with a four-year graduation rate of 67% or less

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ESSA Accountability Status

The table below provides the school's federal school status for the 2020-21 school year, the category (or reason) for identification, the year the school is eligible to exit status, and, if applicable, the student groups identified for support.

Status for 2020-21 School Year	Not in Status
Category of Identification	n/a
Year Eligible to Exit Status	n/a
Student Group Status: White	
Student Group Status: Hispanic	
Student Group Status: Black or African American	
Student Group Status: Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	
Student Group Status: American Indian or Alaska Native	
Student Group Status: Two or More Races	
Student Group Status: Economically Disadvantaged Students	
Student Group Status: Students with Disabilities	
Student Group Status: English Learners	

† This flag is used if a school is identified for Comprehensive Support and Improvement, but one or more student groups met criteria for Targeted Support and Improvement.



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ESSA Accountability Progress

The table below shows performance on each of New Jersey's ESSA accountability indicators for the last three years. ELA and Math Proficiency represent the percentage of students that met or exceeded expectations on statewide assessments (NJSLA/PARCC or DLM). ELA and Math Growth represent the median student growth percentile. Four- and five-year graduation rates represent the adjusted cohort graduation rates. Progress toward English Language Proficiency, which was first available in 2017-18, shows the percentage of English Learners that demonstrated the expected amount of growth on the ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Assessment for English Language proficiency. Chronic absenteeism represents the percentage of students that were absent for 10% or more of the days enrolled during the school year.

ESSA Accountability Indicator	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
ELA Proficiency	62.0%	61.2%	68.8%
Math Proficiency	40.5%	41.1%	42.5%
ELA Growth	54	60	40
Math Growth	37	50	53
4-Year Graduation Rate†	N	N	N
5-Year Graduation Rate†	N	N	N
Progress toward English Language Proficiency		*	*
Chronic Absenteeism	34.7%	29.4%	12.7%

† This table shows 2018-19 graduation data for reference, but 2017-18 graduation data is used for accountability calculations for 2018-19.



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Accountability Indicator Scores and Summative Ratings - 2018-19 School Year

New Jersey 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 every three years. During the three-year federal status period, schools receive additional resources and support. NJDOE will next identify schools for Comprehensive Support and Improvement in 2022.

This year accountability indicator scores and summative ratings are not used to identify schools for Comprehensive Support and Improvement, so these data are not included in the School Performance Reports. Review the previous two pages to see a school's current status, in the ESSA Accountability Status table, and to monitor a school's school progress on each accountability indicator over the last three years using the new ESSA Accountability Progress table.



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Accountability Summary by Student Group - 2018-19 School Year

This table shows whether student groups in this school met annual ESSA accountability targets and standards for each indicator. Annual targets for proficiency and graduation rate were set based on a school or student group's performance in 2015-16 or the first year data was available. The standard for student growth is a median student growth percentile of 40-59.5. The target for chronic absenteeism is the statewide chronic absenteeism rate based on students enrolled in the grades served by the school. For more details on accountability targets, see these [accountability resources](#).

The accountability system will not be used to identify schools for Targeted Support and Improvement – Low Performing Student Group for 2018-19, so student group summative scores are not included in this table this year.

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	Met Target	Met Target†	Met Standard	Met Standard	**	Not Met	No
White	Met Target	Met Target†	Met Standard	Met Standard	n/a	Not Met	No
Hispanic	**	**	**	**	n/a	Not Met	No
Black or African American	**	**	**	**	n/a	**	No
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	**	**	**	**	n/a	**	No
American Indian or Alaska Native	**	**	**	**	n/a	**	No
Two or More Races	**	**	**	**	n/a	**	No
Economically Disadvantaged Students	Met Target	Met Target†	Not Met	Met Standard	n/a	Not Met	No
Students with Disabilities	Met Target	Met Target†	Not Met	Exceeds Standard	n/a	Not Met	No
English Learners	**	**	**	**	**	**	No

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



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Highlights:

- NJDOE Lighthouse District Recognition
- NJ Pre-School Expansion Aid Grant Recipient
- NJ Safe Routes to School Gold Award



Mission, Vision, Theme:

To provide a safe environment for the study of a challenge and balanced curriculum which will enable students to become independent and critical thinkers. We expect that all students will achieve the NJ Student Learning Standards at all grade levels. Opportunities will be provided for students to develop self-esteem, social values and the motivation needed to continue individual growth while also developing a respect for cultural differences. This requires an active and responsible partnership of students, staff, community and school board.



Awards, Recognition, Accomplishments:

Highlands Elementary is the proud recipient of the NJDOE Lighthouse District Award, Safe Routes to School Gold Award and the Sustainable NJ Bronze Award. In addition it has been accepted for a chapter of the National Elementary Honor Society.



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Courses, Curriculum, Instruction:

Highlands Elementary School follows the New Jersey Learning Standards for all content areas. The full school day Pre School program is utilizing the High Scope Curriculum. Our primary students have access to iPads. The 3rd through 6th graders all have one to one laptop availability. Enrichment classes are STEAM based and integrated into the school day for students in grades K-4. We also enhanced our enrichment programs by implementing a grade 5 & 6, G & T program for ELA & Mathematics



Clubs and Activities:

Highlands Elementary School offers Student Council to fourth through sixth graders, Safety Patrol for fifth and sixth graders, and has its own Chapter of the National Elementary Honor Society.



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 <p>Before and After School Programs:</p>	<p>The YMCA offers both before school and after school child care.</p>
 <p>Staff and Professional Learning:</p>	<p>Our staff is involved in tri district professional development and has an affiliation with Brookdale Education Network for Professional Development as well as the Regional Professional Development Academy where they can choose up to three of the many offerings which directly relates to their certification</p>



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 <p>Student Supports and Services:</p>	<p>After school reading and math programs are provided for our struggling students. I & RS provides extra support by guiding interventions for specific students needs.</p>
 <p>Student Health and Wellness:</p>	<p>All the students at Highlands Elementary School receive free breakfast after the bell. Our children attend Physical Education classes two times a week. They also participate in various physical fitness tests and have a large park equipped with swings, climbing apparatus etc to promote wellness.</p>
 <p>Parent and Community Involvement:</p>	<p>We have a very active Parent Teacher Organization. They plan many family events including a Color Run, Student Activities Nights/Dances, yearly Talent Shows and Theater performances. They also offer a school store and many fundraising activities to provide our students with many seasonal events.</p>



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 <p>Climate Surveys:</p>	<p>A parent survey is distributed annually via google forms. The survey results have been 91% in strong agreement of our home/school connection.</p>
 <p>Facilities:</p>	<p>Highlands Elementary School proudly touts its 88 year service to the children of Highlands, NJ. The school has many renovations including a new Security Vestibule, new State of the Art Security Camera system, upgraded Media Center, Makerspace, Computer Lab, new hvac in the cafeteria and air conditioning for most of the classrooms.</p>



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Other Information

Highlands Elementary educates the whole child from beginning at the age of three. Our students are striving for no more than 5 latenesses or absences because we believe every day is essential to a child's education. The students earn "Blaze Bucks" for being caught working hard and for setting a goal using the words associated with the acronym PIRATE, punctual, interested, responsible, attentive, trustworthy and enthusiastic.