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## School Contact Info

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

| Type | Contact Information |
|---|---|
| County | BERGEN |
| District | CRESSKILL BORO |
| Principal Name | MR. CONLON |
| Address | 1 DOGWOOD LANE CRESSKILL, NJ 07626 |
| Phone Number | (201)227-7791 |
| Email Address | sconlon@cboek12.org |
| Website | http://www.cboek12.org/cresskill/Schools/Merritt%20Memorial/ |
| Twitter | http://twitter.com/MMS_Principal1 |

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## Enrollment Trends by Grade

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

| Grade | 2015-16 | 2016-17 | 2017-18 |
|---|---|---|---|
| PK | 22 | 23 | 22 |
| KG | 44 | 46 | 48 |
| 1 | 57 | 51 | 51 |
| 2 | 50 | 49 | 59 |
| 3 | 55 | 62 | 61 |
| 4 | 50 | 62 | 64 |
| 5 | 58 | 49 | 66 |
| Total | 339 | 342 | 371 |

## 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 | 49.3% | 52.3% | 47.4% |
| Male | 50.7% | 47.7% | 52.6% |
| Economically Disadvantaged Students | 0.0% | 0.6% | 0.5% |
| Students with Disabilities | 12.7% | 15.2% | 15.9% |
| English Learners | 7.7% | 10.8% | 12.1% |
| Homeless Students | | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Students in Foster Care | | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Military-Connected Students | | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| 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 | 51.3% | 49.4% | 49.3% |
| Hispanic | 6.8% | 6.4% | 6.7% |
| Black or African American | 0.0% | 0.6% | 0.5% |
| Asian | 38.9% | 39.2% | 39.4% |
| Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander | 0.6% | 0.3% | 0.3% |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Two or More Races | 2.4% | 4.1% | 3.8% |

## Enrollment Trends by Full/Half Day PK and KG

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

| Grade | 2015-16 | 2016-17 | 2017-18 |
|---|---|---|---|
| PK - Half Day | 21 | 23 | 22 |
| PK - Full Day | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| KG - Half Day | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| KG - Full Day | 44 | 46 | 48 |

## 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 | 50.4% |
| Korean | 24.5% |
| Hebrew | 11.3% |
| Spanish | 3.0% |
| Russian | 1.6% |
| Other Languages | 9.2% |

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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 | 65 | 58 | 50 | Exceeds Standard | 71 | 65 | 50 | Exceeds Standard |
| White | 59 | 52 | 50 | Met Standard | 63.5 | 60 | 51 | Exceeds Standard |
| Hispanic | * | 48.5 | 49 | ** | * | 53.5 | 48 | ** |
| Black or African American | * | * | 44 | ** | * | * | 44 | ** |
| Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander | 76 | 65 | 61 | Exceeds Standard | 80.5 | 72 | 61 | Exceeds Standard |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | N | N | 52 | ** | N | N | 53 | ** |
| Two or More Races | * | 71 | 49 | ** | * | 61.5 | 51 | ** |
| Economically Disadvantaged | N | * | 48 | ** | N | * | 47 | ** |
| Students with Disabilities | 30 | 45 | 41 | ** | 52 | 65 | 43 | ** |
| English Learners | 74 | 70 | 54 | ** | 90 | 79 | 51 | ** |

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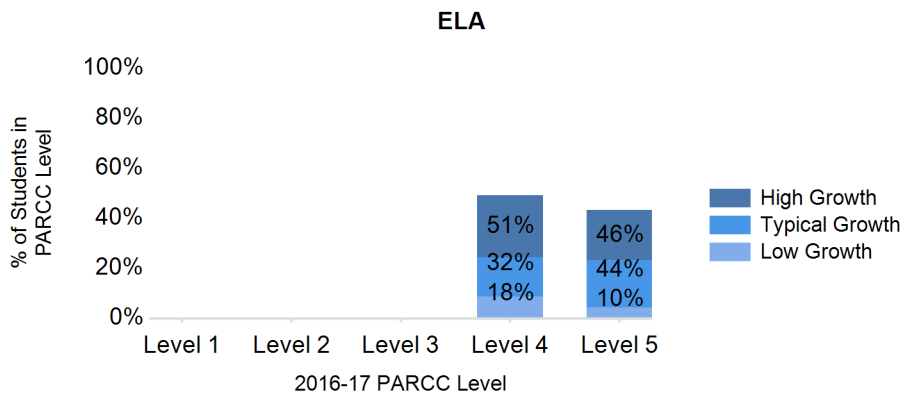
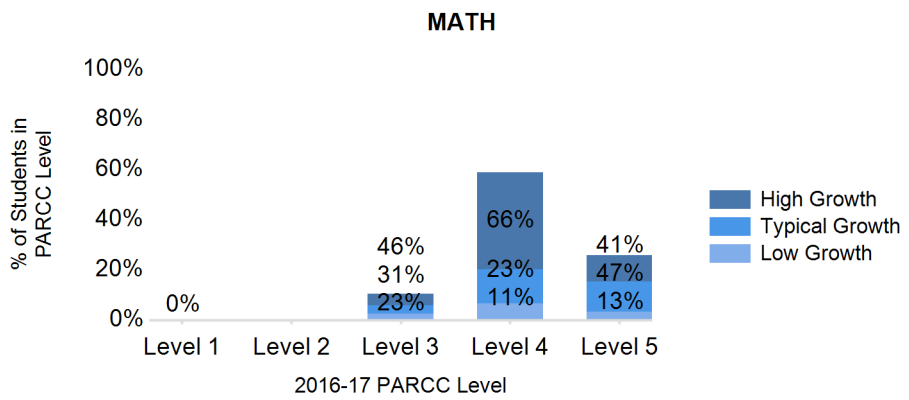
## Student Growth by Performance Level

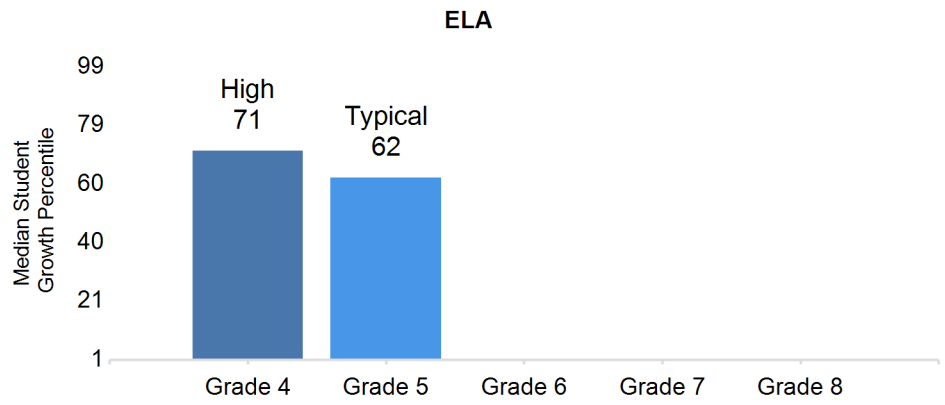
These graphs show the percentage of students by 2016-17 PARCC performance level that fall into each of the three levels of growth based on their 2017-18 test scores.

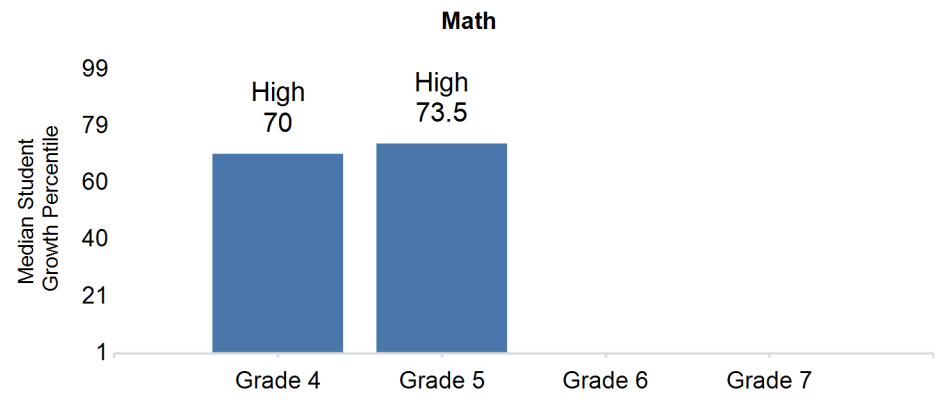



## Student Growth by Grade

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



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## English Language Arts/Literacy Assessment - Participation and Performance

This table shows information about the English Language Arts/Literacy section of the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) assessment both overall and by student group. The PARCC assessment has five performance levels, and students scoring a Level 4 or 5 (Met or Exceeded Expectations) have demonstrated readiness for the next grade level and are on track for college and careers. This table shows the number of valid test scores, the percentage of students that took the test, and the percentage of testers that met or exceeded expectations in the school, the district, and across the state. The last three columns of the table show the proficiency rate used for federal accountability, the annual target, and whether the target was met, as required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) accountability. Student group rows 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 these 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 | 2017-18 Annual Target | Met 2017-18 Annual Target |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Schoolwide | 189 | 100.0 | 88.4 | 81.4 | 56.7 | 88.4 | 80 | Met Goal |
| White | 93 | 100.0 | 84.9 | 76.0 | 65.6 | 84.9 | 80 | Met Goal |
| Hispanic | 13 | 100.0 | 84.7 | * | 42.5 | 84.7 | ** | ** |
| Black or African American | * | * | * | * | 37.3 | * | ** | ** |
| Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander | 74 | 100.0 | 94.6 | 92.1 | 82.3 | 94.6 | 80 | Met Goal |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | N | N | N | N | 52.7 | N | ** | ** |
| Two or More Races | * | * | * | * | 63.4 | * | ** | ** |
| Female | 100 | 100.0 | 90.0 | 88.6 | 64.5 | 90.0 | | |
| Male | 89 | 100.0 | 86.5 | 74.8 | 49.4 | 86.5 | | |
| Economically Disadvantaged Students | N | N | N | * | 38.5 | N | ** | ** |
| Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students | 189 | 100.0 | 88.4 | * | 67.5 | 88.4 | | |
| Students with Disabilities | 25 | 100.0 | 52.0 | 43.7 | 21.6 | 52.0 | N | N |
| Students without Disabilities | 164 | 100.0 | 93.9 | 87.5 | 63.9 | 93.9 | | |
| English Learners | 28 | 100.0 | 82.2 | 74.7 | 27.3 | 82.2 | 80 | Met Goal |
| Non-English Learners | 161 | 100.0 | 89.4 | 82.4 | 59.4 | 89.4 | | |
| Homeless Students | N | N | N | N | 27.7 | N | | |
| Students In Foster Care | N | N | N | N | 26.3 | N | | |
| Military-Connected Students | N | 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 3

This table shows participation and performance on the English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA/L) section of the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) assessment by grade level exam. This table shows both overall and by student group the number of valid test scores and a summary of performance including mean scale scores, percentages of students scoring in each performance level, and the percentage of students that met or exceeded expectations (Level 4 or 5).

| 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** | 61 | 784 | 777 | 750 | * | * | * | 62% | 23% | 85% | 52% |
| White | 33 | 770 | 767 | 759 | * | * | * | * | * | 79% | 61% |
| Hispanic | * | * | * | 736 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 38% |
| Black or African American | N | N | N | 733 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 35% |
| Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander | 18 | 799 | 789 | 777 | 0% | * | 0% | * | * | 94% | 77% |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | N | N | N | 743 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 46% |
| Two or More Races | * | * | * | 758 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 58% |
| Female | 34 | 788 | 785 | 756 | * | * | * | * | * | 88% | 57% |
| Male | 27 | 778 | 769 | 744 | * | * | * | * | * | 81% | 46% |
| Economically Disadvantaged Students | N | N | N | 733 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 34% |
| Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students | 61 | 784 | 777 | 762 | * | * | * | 62% | 23% | 85% | 64% |
| Students with Disabilities | * | * | * | 719 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 24% |
| Students without Disabilities | * | * | * | 756 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 57% |
| English Learners | * | * | 795 | 712 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 15% |
| Non-English Learners | * | * | 776 | 753 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 55% |
| Homeless Students | N | N | N | 720 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 21% |
| Students in Foster Care | N | N | N | 722 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 23% |
| Military-Connected Students | N | N | N | 751 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 52% |
| Migrant Students | N | N | N | 741 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 48% |

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## English Language Arts/Literacy 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** | 63 | 791 | 794 | 756 | 0% | * | * | 30% | 57% | 87% | 58% |
| White | 26 | 780 | 785 | 764 | 0% | * | * | 38% | 46% | 85% | 68% |
| Hispanic | * | * | * | 744 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 44% |
| Black or African American | * | * | * | 739 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 39% |
| Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander | 33 | 799 | 807 | 782 | 0% | * | * | * | * | 91% | 83% |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | N | N | N | 758 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 60% |
| Two or More Races | * | * | * | 763 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 63% |
| Female | 33 | 800 | 805 | 762 | 0% | * | * | * | * | 91% | 63% |
| Male | 30 | 781 | 782 | 751 | 0% | * | * | * | * | 83% | 53% |
| Economically Disadvantaged Students | N | N | N | 740 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 40% |
| Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students | 63 | 791 | 794 | 767 | 0% | * | * | 30% | 57% | 87% | 70% |
| Students with Disabilities | * | * | * | 726 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 25% |
| Students without Disabilities | * | * | * | 762 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 64% |
| English Learners | * | * | 779 | 720 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 17% |
| Non-English Learners | * | * | 795 | 759 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 61% |
| Homeless Students | N | N | N | 729 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 28% |
| Students in Foster Care | N | N | N | 729 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 26% |
| Military-Connected Students | N | N | N | 757 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 57% |
| Migrant Students | N | N | N | 732 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 33% |

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## English Language Arts/Literacy 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** | 65 | 792 | 786 | 755 | * | * | * | 46% | 48% | 94% | 58% |
| White | 33 | 792 | 779 | 763 | * | 0% | * | 45% | 48% | 94% | 68% |
| Hispanic | * | * | * | 743 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 43% |
| Black or African American | N | N | N | 738 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 38% |
| Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander | 24 | 799 | 797 | 780 | 0% | 0% | 0% | 50% | 50% | 100% | 84% |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | N | N | N | 752 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 53% |
| Two or More Races | * | * | * | 763 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 65% |
| Female | 33 | 787 | 789 | 762 | * | * | * | * | * | 91% | 66% |
| Male | 32 | 798 | 783 | 749 | * | * | * | * | * | 97% | 51% |
| Economically Disadvantaged Students | N | N | * | 739 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 39% |
| Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students | 65 | 792 | * | 766 | * | * | * | 46% | 48% | 94% | 71% |
| Students with Disabilities | * | * | * | 724 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 22% |
| Students without Disabilities | * | * | * | 762 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 65% |
| English Learners | * | * | * | 712 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 11% |
| Non-English Learners | * | * | * | 757 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 60% |
| Homeless Students | N | N | N | 731 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 30% |
| Students in Foster Care | N | N | N | 728 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 27% |
| Military-Connected Students | N | N | N | 756 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 59% |
| Migrant Students | N | N | N | 732 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 33% |

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## English Language Arts/Literacy Assessment - Performance Trends

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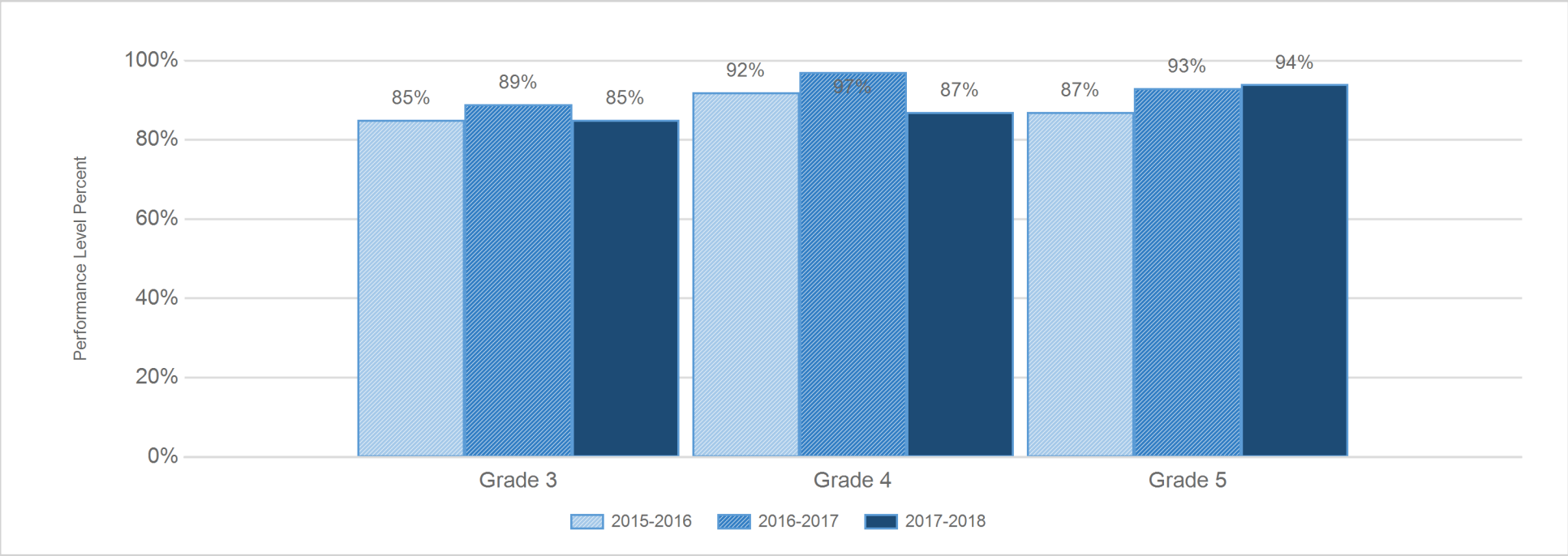

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Schoolwide | 191 | 100.0 | 83.8 | 71.1 | 45.0 | 83.8 | 80 | Met Goal |
| White | 95 | 100.0 | 76.9 | 62.9 | 54.1 | 76.9 | 75 | Met Target |
| Hispanic | 13 | 100.0 | 76.9 | * | 29.2 | 76.9 | ** | ** |
| Black or African American | * | * | * | * | 23.4 | * | ** | ** |
| Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander | 74 | 100.0 | 93.2 | 88.8 | 77.0 | 93.2 | 80 | Met Goal |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | N | N | N | N | 42.5 | N | ** | ** |
| Two or More Races | * | * | * | * | 53.0 | * | ** | ** |
| Female | 100 | 100.0 | 84.0 | 74.5 | 46.0 | 84.0 | | |
| Male | 91 | 100.0 | 83.6 | 68.0 | 43.9 | 83.6 | | |
| Economically Disadvantaged Students | N | N | N | * | 26.6 | N | ** | ** |
| Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students | 191 | 100.0 | 83.8 | * | 55.9 | 83.8 | | |
| Students with Disabilities | 25 | 100.0 | 36.0 | 36.3 | 17.1 | 36.0 | N | N |
| Students without Disabilities | 166 | 100.0 | 91.0 | 77.0 | 50.5 | 91.0 | | |
| English Learners | 30 | 100.0 | 90.0 | 82.4 | 24.6 | 90.0 | 80 | Met Goal |
| Non-English Learners | 161 | 100.0 | 82.6 | 69.3 | 46.9 | 82.6 | | |
| Homeless Students | N | N | N | N | 17.3 | N | | |
| Students In Foster Care | N | N | N | N | 16.2 | N | | |
| Military-Connected Students | N | N | N | N | 45.8 | N | | |
| Migrant Students | N | N | N | N | 23.7 | N | | |

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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** | 64 | 775 | 771 | 752 | * | * | * | 44% | 36% | 80% | 53% |
| White | 36 | 761 | 760 | 760 | * | * | * | * | * | 69% | 64% |
| Hispanic | * | * | * | 739 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 38% |
| Black or African American | N | N | N | 734 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 32% |
| Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander | 18 | 792 | 785 | 780 | 0% | * | 0% | * | * | 94% | 83% |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | N | N | N | 747 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 49% |
| Two or More Races | * | * | * | 757 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 59% |
| Female | 36 | 775 | 770 | 752 | * | * | * | * | * | 78% | 53% |
| Male | 28 | 775 | 771 | 751 | * | * | * | * | * | 82% | 53% |
| Economically Disadvantaged Students | N | N | N | 736 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 35% |
| Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students | 64 | 775 | 771 | 762 | * | * | * | 44% | 36% | 80% | 66% |
| Students with Disabilities | * | * | * | 730 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 29% |
| Students without Disabilities | * | * | * | 756 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 57% |
| English Learners | * | * | * | 726 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 23% |
| Non-English Learners | * | * | * | 754 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 56% |
| Homeless Students | N | N | N | 723 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 20% |
| Students in Foster Care | N | N | N | 725 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 23% |
| Military-Connected Students | N | N | N | 753 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 55% |
| Migrant Students | N | N | N | 737 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 46% |

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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** | 65 | 777 | 776 | 748 | * | * | * | 62% | 23% | 85% | 49% |
| White | 26 | 763 | 766 | 755 | * | * | * | * | * | 73% | 60% |
| Hispanic | * | * | * | 737 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 34% |
| Black or African American | * | * | * | 730 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 27% |
| Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander | 35 | 787 | 791 | 774 | 0% | 0% | * | * | * | 91% | 80% |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | N | N | N | 748 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 46% |
| Two or More Races | * | * | * | 752 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 55% |
| Female | 34 | 779 | 781 | 748 | * | * | * | * | * | 94% | 50% |
| Male | 31 | 774 | 771 | 748 | * | * | * | * | * | 74% | 49% |
| Economically Disadvantaged Students | N | N | N | 733 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 30% |
| Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students | 65 | 777 | 776 | 758 | * | * | * | 62% | 23% | 85% | 62% |
| Students with Disabilities | * | * | * | 725 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 22% |
| Students without Disabilities | * | * | * | 753 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 55% |
| English Learners | * | * | * | 722 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 16% |
| Non-English Learners | * | * | * | 750 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 52% |
| Homeless Students | N | N | N | 722 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 18% |
| Students in Foster Care | N | N | N | 723 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 16% |
| Military-Connected Students | N | N | N | 748 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 49% |
| Migrant Students | N | N | N | 731 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 32% |

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## Mathematics 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** | 68 | 785 | 777 | 748 | 0% | * | * | 41% | 47% | 88% | 49% |
| White | 35 | 783 | 769 | 756 | 0% | * | * | 40% | 49% | 89% | 60% |
| Hispanic | * | * | * | 736 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 32% |
| Black or African American | N | N | N | 730 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 26% |
| Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander | 25 | 796 | 792 | 777 | 0% | 0% | * | * | * | 96% | 82% |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | N | N | N | 745 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 42% |
| Two or More Races | * | * | * | 754 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 55% |
| Female | 33 | 770 | 772 | 749 | 0% | * | * | * | * | 79% | 50% |
| Male | 35 | 800 | 782 | 747 | 0% | * | * | * | * | 97% | 48% |
| Economically Disadvantaged Students | N | N | * | 733 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 29% |
| Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students | 68 | 785 | * | 758 | 0% | * | * | 41% | 47% | 88% | 62% |
| Students with Disabilities | * | * | * | 726 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 20% |
| Students without Disabilities | * | * | * | 752 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 55% |
| English Learners | * | * | 773 | 718 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 13% |
| Non-English Learners | * | * | 777 | 750 | * | * | * | * | * | * | 51% |
| Homeless Students | N | N | N | 722 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 17% |
| Students in Foster Care | N | N | N | 722 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 20% |
| Military-Connected Students | N | N | N | 749 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 52% |
| Migrant Students | N | N | N | 728 | N | N | N | N | N | N | 29% |

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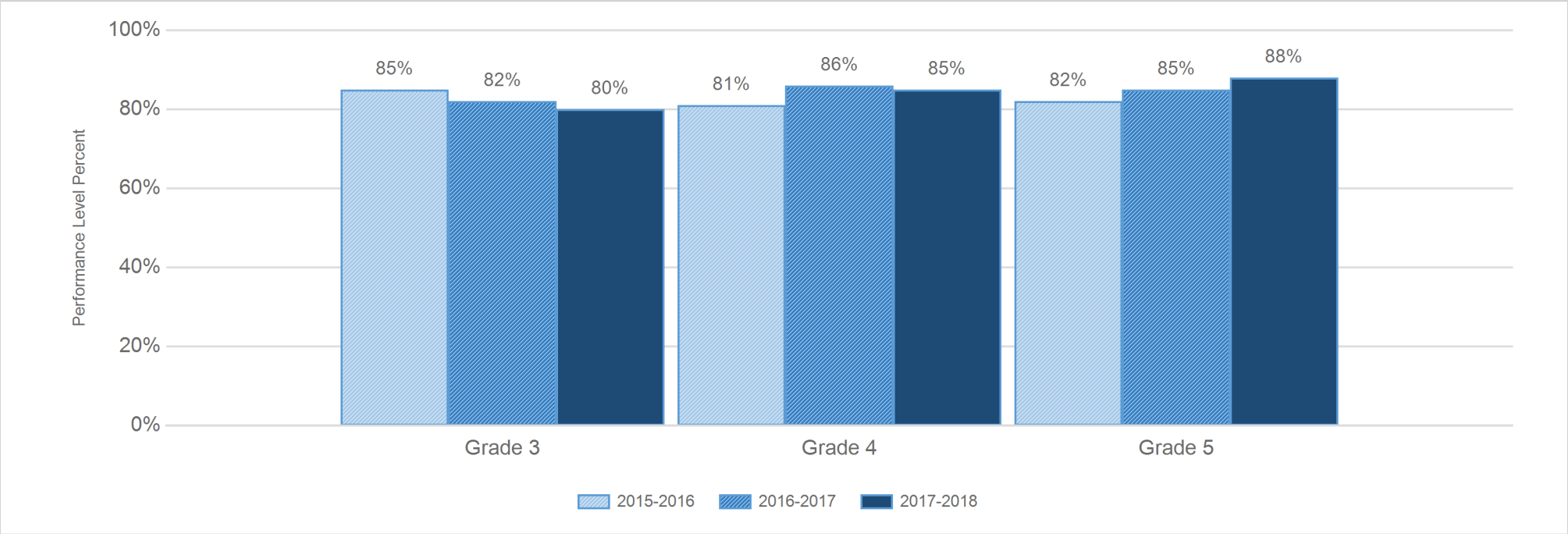
## Mathematics Assessment – Performance Trends

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.




† Grade level results do not include students who took the Algebra I, Geometry, or Algebra II end of course tests.

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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 |
|---|---|---|
| 3 | N | N |
| 4 | * | * |
| 5 | 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. 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 | 96.6% | 60.7% | 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 | 35 | 48.6% | 51.4% |
| 3-4 | * | * | * |
| 5 or more | N | N | N |

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The New Jersey Student Learning Assessment for Science (NJSLA-S) measures student proficiency with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards for Science. All students in grade 5, grade 8, and grade 11 were administered the NJSLA-Science field test in 2017-18.

## 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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Student absences provide important information about a school's culture and climate. Research shows that absences impact a student's ability to succeed in school. The New Jersey Department of Education used input from New Jersey communities to select chronic absenteeism as its measure of school quality and student success for the ESSA accountability plan. **Chronic absenteeism** is defined as being absent for 10% or more of the days enrolled during the school year. A student who is not present for any reason, whether excused, unexcused, or for disciplinary action, is considered absent unless permitted by state statute or regulations.

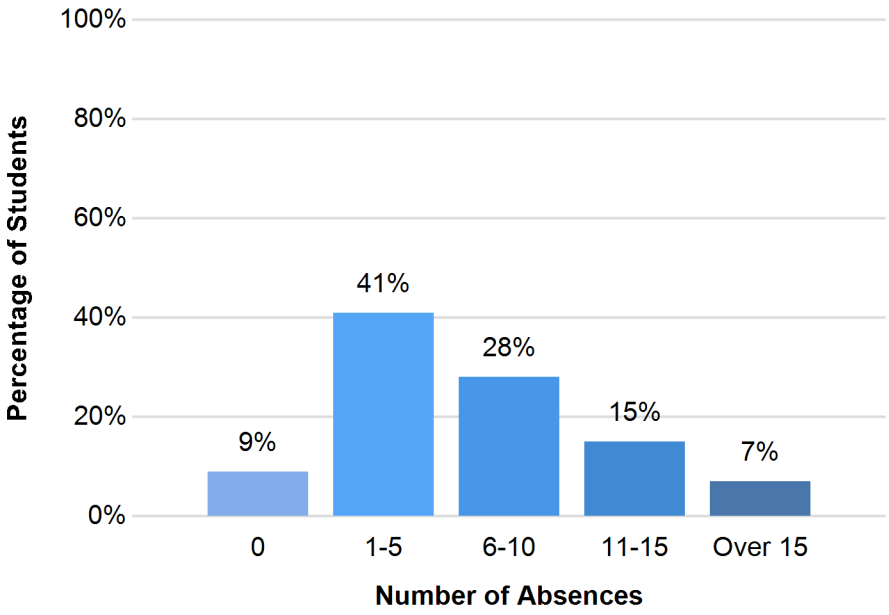
## Chronic Absenteeism

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 | 17 | 4.9 | 8.9 | Met |
| White | 13 | 7.7 | 8.9 | Met |
| Hispanic | 1 | 4.3 | 8.9 | Met |
| Black or African American | * | * | ** | ** |
| Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander | 3 | 2.1 | 8.9 | Met |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | N | N | N | N |
| Two or More Races | * | * | ** | ** |
| Economically Disadvantaged Students | * | * | ** | ** |
| Students with Disabilities | 3 | 6.0 | 8.9 | Met |
| English Learners | 2 | 4.4 | 8.9 | 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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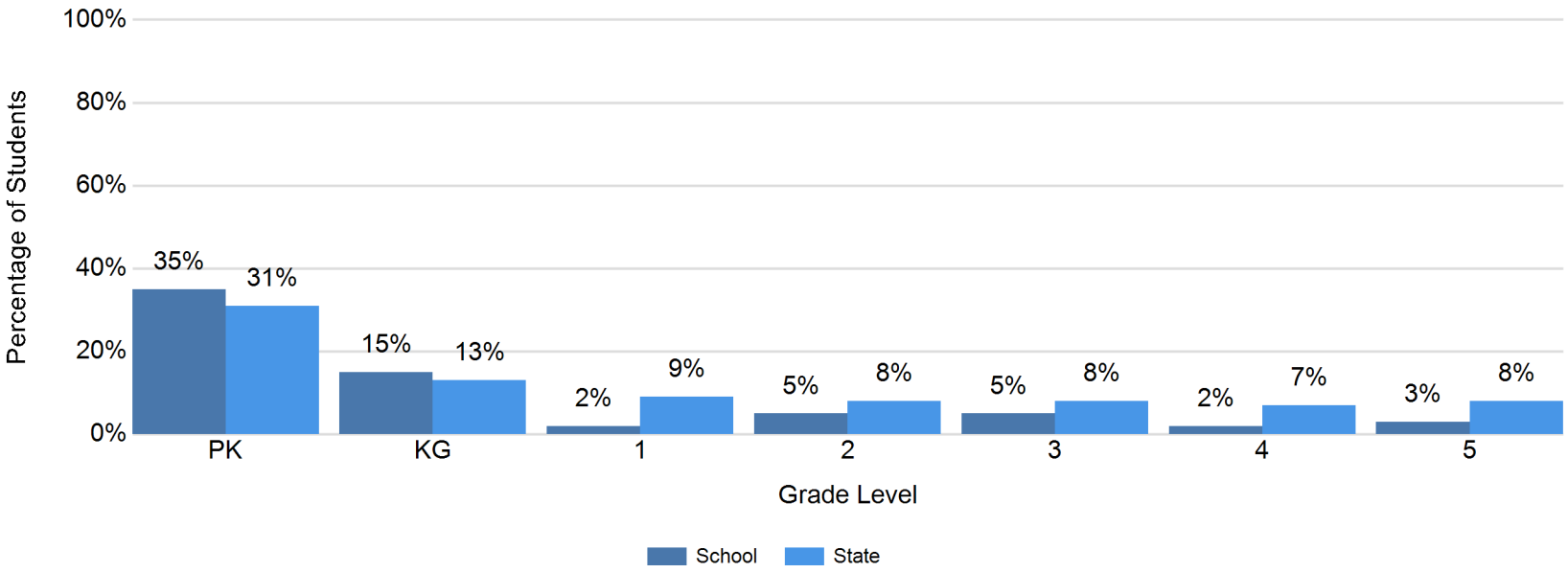

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The New Jersey Department of Education migrated to a new reporting system, the Student Safety Data System (SSDS), which includes improved definitions, new reporting fields, and updated guidance for reporting incidents. As such, comparing this year's report to previous years' data can lead to inaccurate conclusions in many reporting categories. As such, the 2017-18 report should be considered a baseline year.

## 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) | 1 |
| Total Unique Incidents | 1 |
| Incidents Per 100 Students Enrolled | 0.27 |

## Police Notifications

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

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

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## Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) Investigations

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

| HIB Nature (Protected Category) | HIB Alleged | HIB Confirmed | Total HIB Investigations |
|---|---|---|---|
| Race | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Religion | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Ancestry | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Gender | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sexual Orientation | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Disability | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| No Identified Nature | 1 | | 1 |

## Student Disciplinary Removals

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

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

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

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## School Day

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

| Category | School |
|---|---|
| Typical Start Time | 8:30 AM |
| Typical End Time | 3:10 PM |
| Length of School Day | 6 Hrs 40 Mins |
| Full Time - Instructional Time | N |
| 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 | N |

## Per-Pupil Expenditures (District Level)

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

| Per-Pupil Expenditures | Federal | State/ Local | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| District Total (2016-2017) | $259 | $13,725 | $13,984 |

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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 | 27 | 117,464 |
| Average years experience in public schools | 10.7 | 12.0 |
| Average years experience in district | 10.3 | 10.7 |
| Teachers in district for 4 or more years | 77.8% | 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 | 13 | 9,374 |
| Average years experience in public schools | 18.5 | 16.0 |
| Average years experience in district | 16.1 | 12.0 |
| Administrators in district for 4 or more years | 92.3% | 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 | 14:1 | 13:1 |
| Students to Administrators | 371:1 | 142:1 |
| Teachers to Administrators | 27:1 | 11:1 |
| Students to Librarians/Media Specialists | | 1847:1 |
| Students to Nurses | | 1847:1 |
| Students to Counselors | | 462:1 |
| Students to Child Study Team | | 231:1 |

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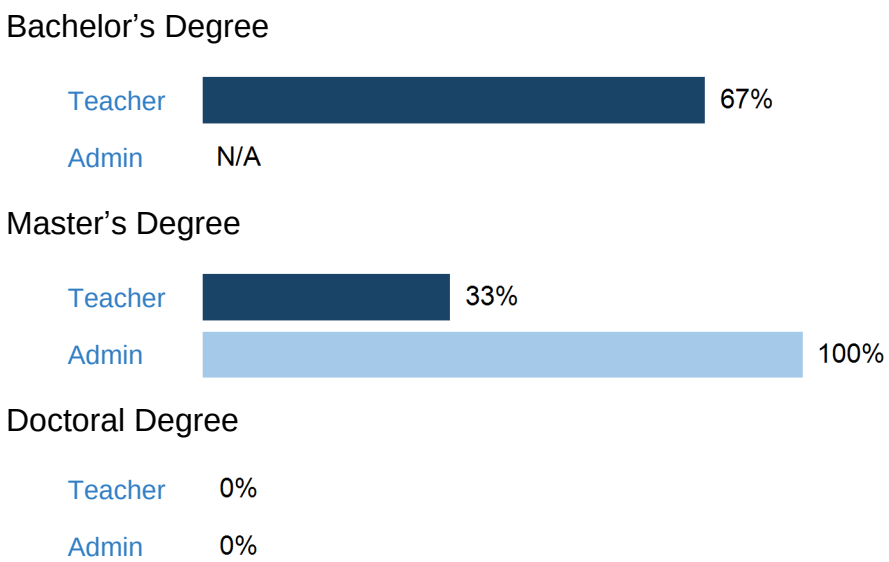
## Teachers and Administrators - Level of Education

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 | 95.1% | 90.2% |
| 2016-17 Administrators: Same district 2017-18 | 78.6% | 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 | 98.7% |

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**Key terms for staff data**:
**Faculty**: All classroom teachers and educational support services personnel (such as Librarians, Nurses, Counselors, and Child Study Team members)
**Teachers**: All classroom teachers
**Administrators**: Principals, assistant principals, supervisors, coordinators, directors, and other central-office administrators, as well as superintendents and other district-level administrators

## Teachers and Administrators – Demographics

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

| Category | Teachers | Administrators |
|---|---|---|
| Female | 88.9% | 0.0% |
| Male | 11.1% | 100.0% |
| White | 92.6% | 100.0% |
| Hispanic | 3.7% | 0.0% |
| Black or African American | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Asian | 3.7% | 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 | 97.27 | 15.0% |
| Mathematics Proficiency | 96.45 | 15.0% |
| English Language Arts Growth | 89.45 | 20.0% |
| Mathematics Growth | 95.55 | 20.0% |
| Progress Towards English Language Proficiency | 100.00 | 20.0% |
| Chronic Absenteeism | 72.96 | 10.0% |
| **Summative Score:** Sum of all indicator scores multiplied by indicator weights | 93.36 | n/a |
| **Summative Rating:** Percentile Rank of Summative Score | 98.76 | 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 Goal | Met Goal | Exceeds Standard | Exceeds Standard | Exceeds Target | Met | No |
| White | 78.79 | 14.08 | No | Met Goal | Met Target | Met Standard | Exceeds Standard | n/a | Met | No |
| Hispanic | ** | ** | No | ** | ** | ** | ** | n/a | Met | No |
| Black or African American | ** | ** | No | ** | ** | ** | ** | n/a | ** | No |
| Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander | 88.30 | 14.08 | No | Met Goal | Met Goal | Exceeds Standard | Exceeds Standard | n/a | Met | No |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | ** | ** | No | ** | ** | ** | ** | n/a | ** | No |
| Two or More Races | ** | ** | No | ** | ** | ** | ** | n/a | ** | No |
| Economically Disadvantaged Students | ** | ** | No | ** | ** | ** | ** | n/a | ** | No |
| Students with Disabilities | ** | ** | No | N | N | ** | ** | n/a | Met | No |
| English Learners | ** | ** | No | Met Goal | Met Goal | ** | ** | ** | 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: | • Merritt School provides a challenging curriculum which includes Everyday Math, Reading and Writing Workshop and STEM.<br>• The school has state of the art technology providing computer and internet access for all students.<br>• Staff development and training in STEM and technology are on-going. |
| Mission, Vision, Theme: | Merritt School promotes academic excellence and fosters self-esteem in a caring environment. Students are challenged to be life-long learners in an evolving and ever-changing world.The basic philosophy of the school is to meet the individual needs of students and to encourage them to seek challenges and explore opportunities. The social theme of caring, encourages students to be kind to each other and those in the community. |
| Awards, Recognition, Accomplishments: | Merritt School was rated #1 school in NJ by the Daily Voice. Merritt Memorial School building was honored as a historical landmark by the Bergen County Historical Society. Merritt School has been recognized for the students' outstanding performance PARCC. Grades 1-5 participate in the school spelling bee. The winner has appeared in the regional bee at a local college. Students are recognized at the local level for their outstanding artwork in the area of ecology and the environment. |

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| Courses, Curriculum, Instruction: | The Language Program follows the Reading and Writing Workshop Model. Fundations is used to compliment language in grades K-3. Everyday Math is used as the basis for math instruction. The science program follows the STEM initiative using the FOSS program, providing students with hand-on experiences. World Languages are provided for grades 2-5. Homework is used to reinforce skills and encourage reading. |
| Clubs and Activities: | The school provides a choir and band program. The choir performed at NJPAC with the American Young Voices. The elementary theater group presents an annual musical. A K-5 Learning Fair Exhibition allows students to present a research topic of interest. The school sponsors a Garden Club for students to cultivate and reap the benefits of their own garden. Girls are involved in the Girls on the Run program. |

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| Before and After School Programs: | The Home School Association provides a variety of classes through the after school enrichment program.Three sessions of classes run 8 to 10 weeks across the school year. A variety of courses are offered to meet the interests of the students. The YWCA provides child care before and after school for working parents. This is done in the school building. |
| Staff and Professional Learning: | Teachers College Reading/Writing Workshop Professional Development. Professional development is provided at the district level with both professional days and in-district workshops across the year. All staff members are encouraged to pursue further education. Classroom, basic skills, special education and G&T teachers work together to plan differentiated units of instruction providing for multiple learning styles and abilities of each child. Flexible scheduling and teachers' creative use of time creates an enhances learning environment. |

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| Student Supports and Services: | An ESL program is provided for students entering the district with limited English skills. There is an I&RS committee which meets to review teacher concerns on students who are struggling academically. Program accommodations are made. The district Child Study Team provides services for students who have IEP's or 504 accommodations. The PARE period is used to provide remediation, reinforcement or enrichment. Two LLD classes, Resource Room, Speech and BSI classes are provided. |
| Student Health and Wellness: | Students are scheduled for 80 minutes of physical education each week in addition to daily recess of 25 minutes. The school recognizes the activities of Red Ribbon Week addressing alcohol, tobacco and other illegal substances. Local hospital provides presentations for playground safety, car safety, dental care and nutrition. Guidance counselor provides lessons on child protection. Police cover pedestrian and bicycle safety, Halloween safety and "stranger danger". |
| Parent and Community Involvement: | The Merritt School Home School Association provides a variety or enrichment experiences for the students including assembly programs, field trips and after school enrichment programs. The school offers an evening to welcome new parents, VIP Day for family members and an International Day involving extended members of the Merritt School family. Students perform for our neighbors at the Care One facility during the year. A parent portal is available for report cards. |

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| Facilities: | The original school opened in 1929. Two additions have been added; the primary wing housing 5 classrooms in 1970 and in 2000 an addition which added a state of the art library/media center, nurse's suite, small group instruction rooms and a large multi-purpose room. The entire building was equipped with central air conditioning in 2006. It was honored as a historical landmark this year. |
| School Safety: | Recent increased security measures include building access and monitor, cooperation with local first responders for emergency drill and event preparedness. The school maintains close contact with the local police to ensure safety for the students and staff. The building follows all necessary requirements to keep students safe. Surveillance cameras monitor activities both in and out of the building. There are monthly fire and safety drills. |

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| Other Information: | Technology is state-of-the-art, providing students with access to the internet with wi-fi throughout the buildings. There are sufficient computers, chromebooks and iPads to meet the needs of the students K-5. The media center is equipped with 35 networked computers. All classrooms in the building have smartboards allowing teacher to bring the outside world into the classroom. Small group instruction areas have iRovers. Communications are maintained with parents through email and phone calls. The students are taught to protect the environment as part of the curriculum. In April, the Home School Association works with the school to provide programs and field trips to educate students on the need to care for the environment. The week culminates with a tree planting for Arbor Day. Our local veterans are honored at the annual Memorial Day celebration each year. Student volunteerism is important- ambassadors work with new students and those are looking for playmates at recess, color guard members remove and fold the American flag at the end of the school day and are an important part of our flag ceremony, safety patrol students assist at different times during the school year. |