



**Merriam Avenue School
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Enrollment Trends by Grade

This table shows the number of students enrolled by grade for the past three school years. Ungraded students are students who are "on roll" but are educated in ungraded classrooms.

Grade	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
PK	41	43	43
KG	87	87	72
1	84	80	88
2	87	90	79
3	89	84	88
4	84	82	82
Ungraded	15	26	39
Total	487	492	491

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	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Female	48%	47%	47%
Male	52%	53%	53%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	53%	50%	50%
Students with Disabilities	21%	22%	23%
English Learners	4%	4%	4%
Homeless Students			2%
Students in Foster Care			0%
Military-Connected Students			0%
Migrant Students			0%

Enrollment by Racial and Ethnic Group

This table shows the percentage of students by racial and ethnic group.

Racial and Ethnic Group	% of Students
White	60.7%
Hispanic	23.2%
Black or African American	7.7%
Asian	4.7%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.4%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0%
Two or More Races	3.3%

PreK and K - Full Day and Half Day

This table shows the full day and half day enrollment for Pre-Kindergarten (PK) and Kindergarten (KG) students in this school.

Grade	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
PK - Half Day	47	43	43
PK - Full Day	0	0	0
KG - Half Day	0	0	0
KG - Full Day	80	87	72

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. All other students are included in Other Languages.

Home Language	% of Students
English	93.9%
Spanish	4.5%
Other	1.6%



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Schoolwide	173	94.0	53.70	47.00	54.90	53.2	48.7	Met Target
White	113	93.4	58.40	51.80	63.90	57.4	52.8	Met Target
Hispanic	32	97.0	40.60	29.80	39.80	40.6	33.5	Met Target
Black or African American	13	92.9	38.50	32.70	35.20	37.6	**	**
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	65.30	80.70	*	**	**
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	*	0.00	53.70	*	**	**
Two or More Races	*	*	*	40.00	54.90	*	**	**
Female	87	92.6	54.00	53.80	62.20	52.7		
Male	86	95.6	53.50	40.70	48.10	53.5		
Economically Disadvantaged Students	88	95.7	35.20	33.30	36.20	*	41.8	Met Target†
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	85	92.4	73.00	55.40	65.80	*		
Students with Disabilities	31	96.9	*	8.80	20.50	*	20.6	Not Met
Students without Disabilities	142	93.4	*	54.70	61.90	*		
English Learners	11	100.0	36.40	*	25.20	36.4	**	**
Non-English Learners	162	93.6	54.90	*	57.40	54.3		
Homeless Students	*	*	*	21.40	26.40	*		
Students In Foster Care	N	N	*	50.00	24.80	*		
Military-Connected Students	N	N	*	0.00	53.50	*		
Migrant Students	N	N	*	0.00	23.00	*		

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Schoolwide	89	749	749	749	*	19%	18%	52%	*	55%	50%
White	65	753	753	759	*	19%	20%	52%	*	57%	61%
Hispanic	*	*	*	734	*	*	*	*	*	*	35%
Black or African American	*	*	*	731	*	*	*	*	*	*	32%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	775	*	*	*	*	*	*	76%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	747	N	N	N	N	N	N	46%
Two or More Races	*	*	*	750	*	*	*	*	*	*	52%
Female	38	747	747	753	*	*	*	55%	*	55%	55%
Male	51	751	751	744	*	*	*	49%	*	55%	46%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	39	738	738	730	*	*	*	39%	*	39%	31%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	50	759	759	761	*	*	*	62%	*	68%	63%
Students with Disabilities	10	709	709	720	*	*	0%	*	*	20%	24%
Students without Disabilities	79	755	755	754	*	*	20%	*	*	60%	55%
English Learners	N	N	N	709	N	N	N	N	N	N	11%
Non-English Learners	89	749	749	752	*	19%	18%	52%	*	55%	53%
Homeless Students	*	*	*	720	*	*	*	*	*	*	21%
Students in Foster Care	N	N	N	721	N	N	N	N	N	N	26%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	750	N	N	N	N	N	N	49%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	733	N	N	N	N	N	N	29%



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Schoolwide	81	752	752	753	*	*	30%	43%	*	54%	56%
White	46	757	757	762	*	*	22%	46%	*	63%	67%
Hispanic	*	*	*	740	*	*	*	*	*	*	40%
Black or African American	*	*	*	736	*	*	*	*	*	*	36%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	777	*	*	*	*	*	*	82%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	750	N	N	N	N	N	N	56%
Two or More Races	*	*	*	755	*	*	*	*	*	*	56%
Female	48	750	750	758	*	*	29%	48%	*	54%	61%
Male	33	756	756	748	*	*	30%	36%	*	55%	51%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	46	743	743	737	*	*	*	28%	*	35%	36%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	35	764	764	764	*	*	*	63%	*	80%	69%
Students with Disabilities	18	717	717	724	*	*	*	*	*	*	25%
Students without Disabilities	63	762	762	759	*	*	*	*	*	*	62%
English Learners	*	*	*	710	*	*	*	*	*	*	10%
Non-English Learners	*	*	*	755	*	*	*	*	*	*	58%
Homeless Students	N	N	N	729	N	N	N	N	N	N	30%
Students in Foster Care	N	N	N	727	N	N	N	N	N	N	31%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	754	N	N	N	N	N	N	60%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	726	N	N	N	N	N	N	36%

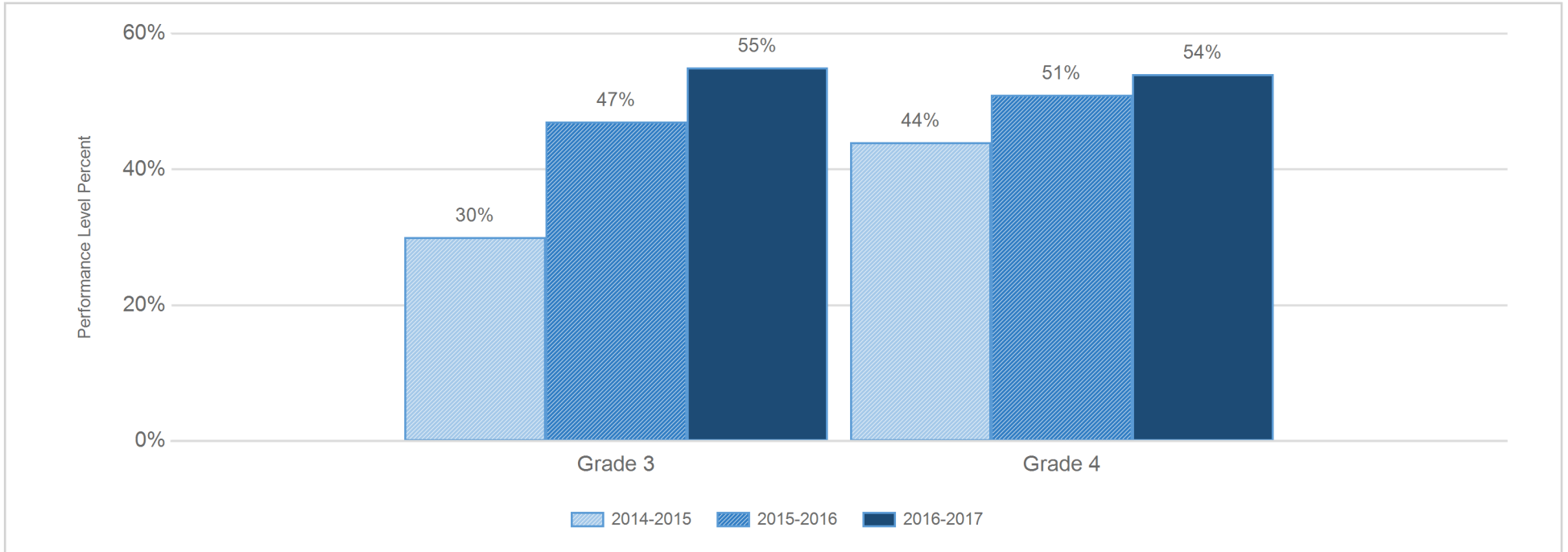


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English Language Arts/Literacy Assessment - Performance Trends

This graph presents the percentage of students who met or exceeded expectations for the past two years.





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Schoolwide	173	94.0	40.50	26.90	43.50	40	40.6	Met Target†
White	113	93.4	44.30	29.30	52.40	43.5	44	Met Target†
Hispanic	32	97.0	28.10	19.40	27.60	28.1	27.2	Met Target
Black or African American	13	92.9	23.10	*	21.70	22.6	**	**
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	44.40	75.60	*	**	**
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	*	0.00	42.50	*	**	**
Two or More Races	*	*	*	20.00	44.90	*	**	**
Female	87	92.6	29.80	23.80	44.10	29.2		
Male	86	95.6	51.20	29.80	42.90	51.2		
Economically Disadvantaged Students	88	95.7	29.60	17.20	25.10	*	30.6	Met Target†
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	85	92.4	51.70	32.80	54.30	*		
Students with Disabilities	31	96.9	*	3.90	16.50	*	18.3	Met Target†
Students without Disabilities	142	93.4	*	31.30	48.80	*		
English Learners	11	100.0	27.30	10.30	23.30	27.3	**	**
Non-English Learners	162	93.6	41.40	27.50	45.20	40.9		
Homeless Students	*	*	*	18.80	16.40	*		
Students In Foster Care	N	N	*	0.00	15.10	*		
Military-Connected Students	N	N	*	0.00	39.90	*		
Migrant Students	N	N	*	0.00	18.20	*		

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Schoolwide	89	746	746	750	*	16%	32%	40%	*	46%	53%
White	65	747	747	758	*	20%	26%	43%	*	49%	63%
Hispanic	*	*	*	738	*	*	*	*	*	*	37%
Black or African American	*	*	*	733	*	*	*	*	*	*	32%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	778	*	*	*	*	*	*	82%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	749	N	N	N	N	N	N	51%
Two or More Races	*	*	*	750	*	*	*	*	*	*	53%
Female	38	738	738	751	*	*	34%	29%	*	34%	52%
Male	51	752	752	750	*	*	29%	49%	*	55%	53%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	39	736	736	735	*	*	36%	31%	*	33%	34%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	50	753	753	761	*	*	28%	48%	*	56%	65%
Students with Disabilities	10	703	703	728	*	*	*	*	*	10%	29%
Students without Disabilities	79	751	751	754	*	*	*	*	*	51%	57%
English Learners	N	N	N	724	N	N	N	N	N	N	21%
Non-English Learners	89	746	746	753	*	16%	32%	40%	*	46%	55%
Homeless Students	*	*	*	724	*	*	*	*	*	*	22%
Students in Foster Care	N	N	N	727	N	N	N	N	N	N	27%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	750	N	N	N	N	N	N	51%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	725	N	N	N	N	N	N	35%



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Schoolwide	81	739	739	746	*	16%	37%	31%	*	36%	47%
White	46	743	743	754	*	*	37%	30%	*	39%	59%
Hispanic	*	*	*	734	*	*	*	*	*	*	30%
Black or African American	*	*	*	729	*	*	*	*	*	*	25%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*	773	*	*	*	*	*	*	79%
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	743	N	N	N	N	N	N	42%
Two or More Races	*	*	*	747	*	*	*	*	*	*	48%
Female	48	734	734	746	*	*	*	25%	*	27%	47%
Male	33	746	746	746	*	*	*	39%	*	49%	48%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	46	733	733	731	*	*	39%	26%	*	28%	27%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	35	746	746	756	*	*	34%	37%	*	46%	61%
Students with Disabilities	18	711	711	724	*	*	*	*	*	11%	22%
Students without Disabilities	63	747	747	751	*	*	*	*	*	43%	52%
English Learners	*	*	*	716	*	*	*	*	*	*	12%
Non-English Learners	*	*	*	748	*	*	*	*	*	*	49%
Homeless Students	N	N	N	722	N	N	N	N	N	N	18%
Students in Foster Care	N	N	N	721	N	N	N	N	N	N	18%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N	748	N	N	N	N	N	N	50%
Migrant Students	N	N	N	713	N	N	N	N	N	N	22%

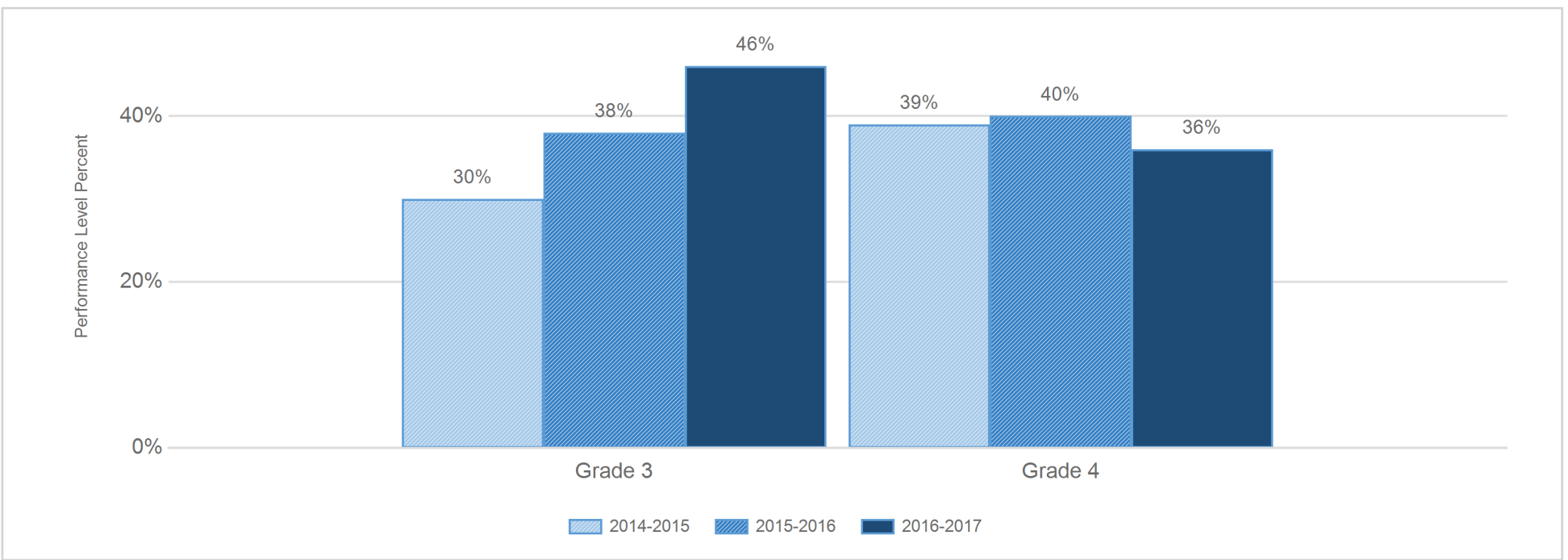


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Alternate Assessments - Participation

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	*	*
4	*	*

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. The table also shows 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
1	*	*	*
2	*	*	*
3	*	*	*
4	*	*	*
5+	*	*	*



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This section shows performance on the NJASK science test which measures students' ability to recall information and to solve problems by applying science concepts. The assessment is given to students in grades 4 and 8 and has three proficiency categories. Students performing at "Proficient" and "Advanced Proficient" have demonstrated readiness for the next grade-level/course.

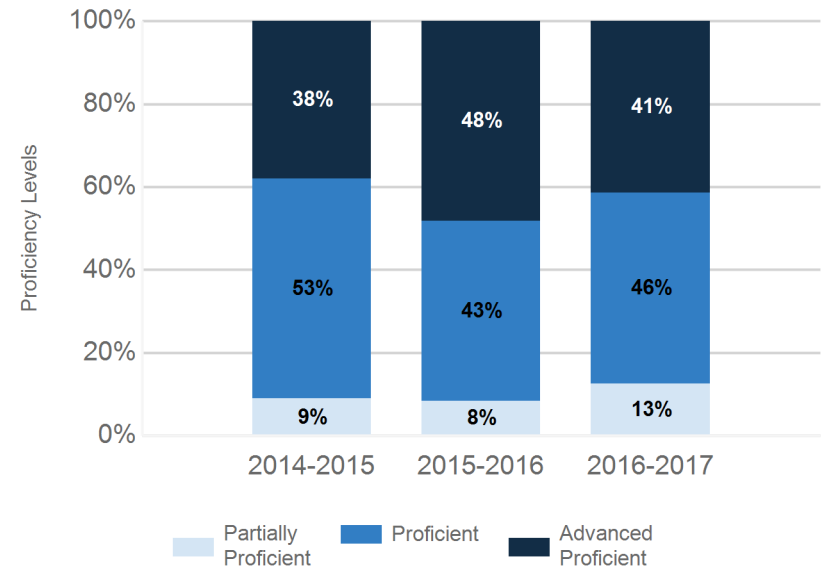
NJASK Science Assessment Performance: Grade 4

This table shows the percentage of students in each proficiency category for the NJASK science test for the school and each student group and also provides a comparison to the statewide percentages.

Student Group	% Advanced Proficient	% Proficient	% Partially Proficient
Statewide	45%	40%	14%
Schoolwide	41%	46%	13%
White	44%	43%	13%
Hispanic	33%	52%	*
Black or African American	*	*	N
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	*
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N
Two or More Races	*	N	N
Economically Disadvantaged Students	32%	56%	12%
Students with Disabilities	22%	56%	22%
English Learners	N	*	*

NJASK Science Assessment Performance Trends: Grade 4

This graph shows the percentage of students by proficiency category for the past three school years.





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This section of the performance report shows information on student growth which measures how much students are learning each year. Each student receives a **Student Growth Percentile (SGP)** for English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) in grades 4 through 8 and for Mathematics in grades 4 through 7 that explains their progress compared to students who had the same test scores in the prior year.

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)** is the percentile in the middle of that list. Watch a short video that explains how **median Student Growth Percentile (mSGP)** is calculated here: <http://www.state.nj.us/education/njsmart/performance/>

Student Growth

This table shows the **median Student Growth Percentile (mSGP)** for both English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) and Mathematics for the school and each student group with comparisons to the district and the state. This table also shows whether the school and each student group met the *ESSA* accountability target of 40 for the 2016-17 school year.

Student Group	ELA: School Median	ELA: District Median	ELA: Statewide Median	ELA: Met Target of 40	Math: School Median	Math: District Median	Math: Statewide Median	Math: Met Target of 40
Schoolwide	60	50	50	Exceeds Target	58	39	50	Met Target
White	66	52.5	50	Exceeds Target	59.5	39	52	Met Target
Hispanic	49	43	49	Met Target	51	41	47	Met Target
Black or African American	*	*	45	**	*	*	43	**
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	*	*	60	**	*	*	59	**
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Two or More Races	*	*	51	**	*	*	52	**
Economically Disadvantaged	59	48.5	47	Met Target	56	38	46	Met Target
Students with Disabilities	63	30	41	**	71.5	47	43	**
English Learners	*	44	53	**	*	50	51	**

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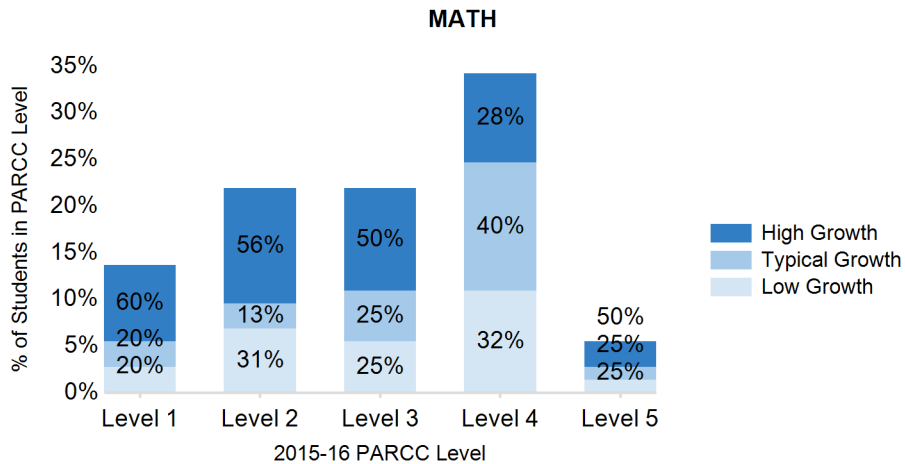
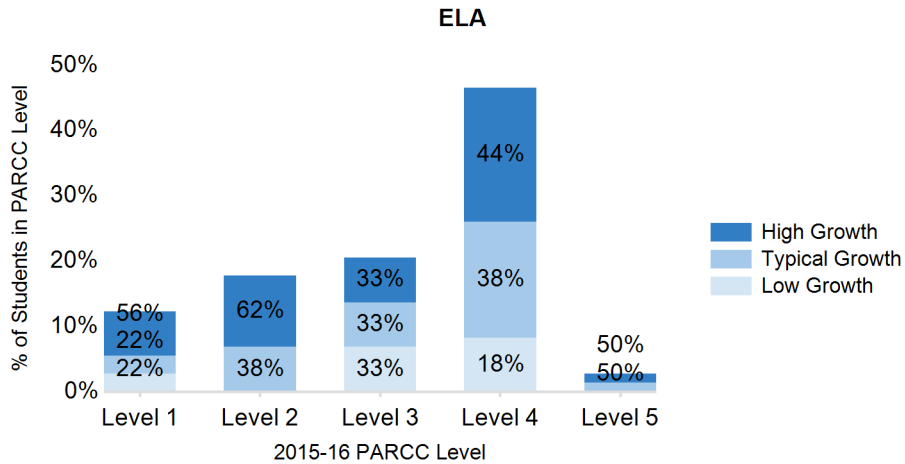
Each student receives a **Student Growth Percentile (SGP)** for English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) in grades 4 through 8 and for Mathematics in grades 4 through 7 that explains their progress compared to students who had the same test scores in the prior year.

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**

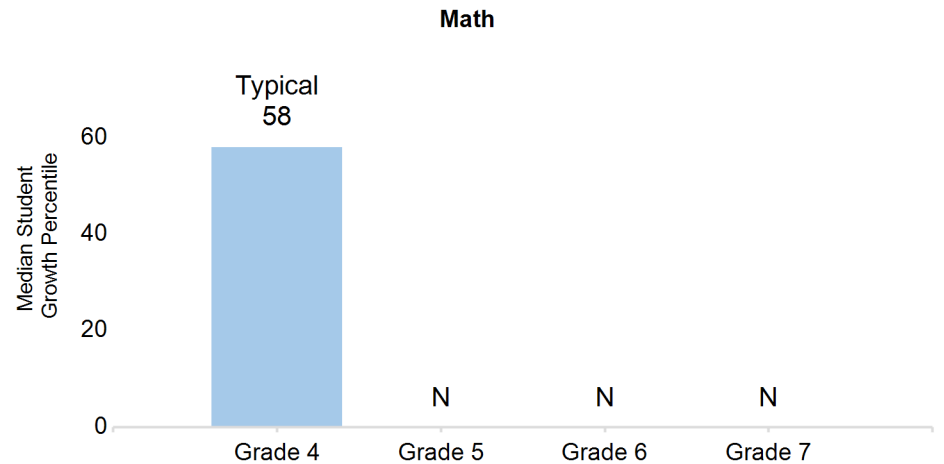
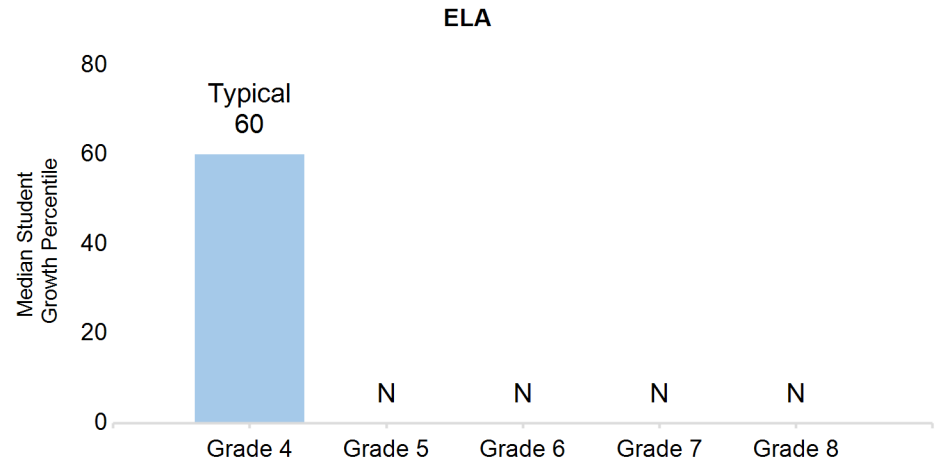
Student Growth by Performance Level

These graphs show the percentage of students by 2015-16 PARCC performance level that fall into each of the three levels of growth based on their 2016-17 test scores.



Student Growth by Grade

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





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This section shows information about student absences which provides important information about a school’s culture and climate. In addition, research shows that student absences impact a child’s ability to succeed in school. The New Jersey Department of Education selected 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, excused, unexcused or for disciplinary action, is considered absent unless permitted by statute or regulation.

Chronic Absenteeism

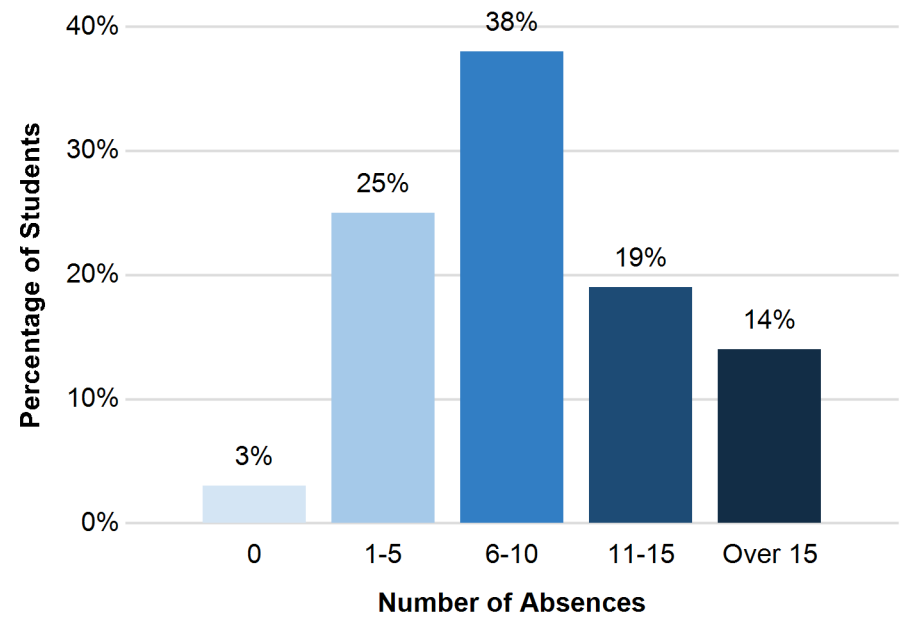
This table shows the percentage of students in grades K-12 in the school and each student group who were chronically absent. This table also shows whether the school and each student group met the *ESSA* accountability targets for 2016-17.

Student Group	% Chronically Absent	2016-17 Target	Met 2016-17 Target
Schoolwide	9.60	8.70	Not Met
White	10.30	8.70	Not Met
Hispanic	9.80	8.70	Not Met
Black or African American	6.30	8.70	Met Target
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	0	**	**
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	**	**
Two or More Races	0	**	**
Economically Disadvantaged Students	13.60	8.70	Not Met
Students with Disabilities	11.80	8.70	Not Met
English Learners	5.00	8.70	Met Target

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Days Absent

The graph displays the percentage of K-12 students schoolwide by the number of days they were absent during the school year. An absence is defined as being 'not present' and includes both excused and unexcused absences.



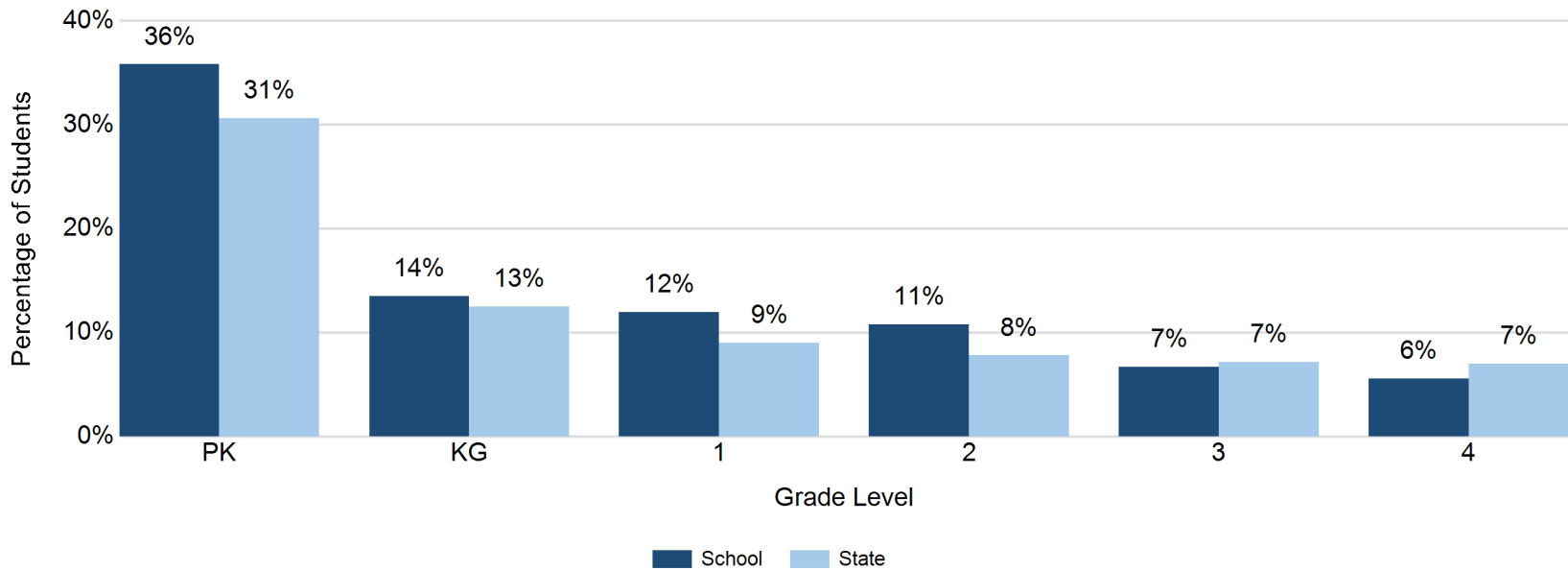


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Chronic Absenteeism by Grade

This graph shows the percentage of students in the school and across the state who were chronically absent for each grade level. **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, excused, unexcused or for disciplinary action, is considered absent unless permitted by statute or regulation.





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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.

Category	School
Typical Start Time	8:25AM
Typical End Time	2:45PM
Length of School Day	6 Hrs 20 Mins
Full Time - Instructional Time	5 Hrs. 28 Mins.
Shared Time - Instructional Time	*

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 provides a non-duplicated count of incidents. The final row shows a rate of incidents for every 100 students enrolled in the school.

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

Student Suspension Rate

This table shows the percentage of students who received one or more in-school suspensions, one or more out-of-school suspensions, and one or more suspensions of any type during the school year. Students receiving both in-school and out-of-school suspensions will be counted in all rows of the table. Students who received more than one suspension are counted only one time in each category below.

Suspension Types	% of Students
In-School Suspensions	0.0%
Out-of-School Suspensions	0.2%
Any Suspension	0.2%

Student Expulsions

This table shows the number of students who were expelled from the school during the school year. An expulsion is when a student is removed from a school and does not receive any further educational services during the school year.

Category	Number of Students
Expulsions	0



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Technology Readiness

This table shows information that was collected through the optional NJTRAx survey to determine a school’s technology readiness. The student to device ratio shows the number of students for every computer or tablet in the school. The internet speed is the internet bandwidth per 1000 students enrolled in the district measured in megabits per second. The connectivity between schools is a school’s LAN network architecture. The NJTRAx survey is optional for schools, so data may not be available for all schools. Additionally, schools that have adopted a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) policy may have appear to have a very low Student to Device ratio due to this policy decision.

School Year	Student to Device Ratio	Internet Speed	Recommended Internet Speed	Met Recommended Speed?	Connectivity between Schools	Recommended Connectivity	Met Recommended Connectivity?
2016-17	1:0.5	318.1 kbps	100 kbps	Yes	Fiber	Fiber	Yes

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).

Per-Pupil Expenditures	Federal	State/ Local	Total
District Total	\$449	\$15,807	\$16,256



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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

Full-Time Equivalent: In calculations, staff members are weighted based on the percentage of their time that they are assigned to a school or district. For example – a teacher assigned to a school half time would be weighted 50% in calculations, but a teacher assigned to a school full time would be weighted 100% in calculations.

Teachers – Experience and Certifications

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

Category	Teachers in Schools	Teachers in State
Total Number of teachers	45	115,100
Average years experience in public schools	10.5	11.8
Average years experience in district	9.7	10.5
Teachers in district for 4 or more years	69%	74%

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	11	9,476
Average years experience in public schools	17.5	15.7
Average years experience in district	16.1	11.5
Administrators in district for 4 or more years	100%	74%

Student to Staff Ratios

This table shows the number of students per staff member 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.

Staff Type	School Students: Staff	District Students: Staff
Teachers	11:1	11:1
Administrators	246:1	143:1
Librarian/Media Specialists		786:1
Nurses		524:1
Counselors		262:1
Child Study Team		225:1



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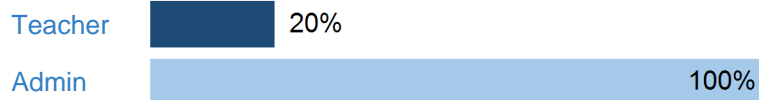
Teachers and Administrators - Level of Education

This chart shows the highest level of education attained by the teachers and administrators at this school. 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 the district in 2015-16 that were still assigned to the district in 2016-17. Staff who are not retained may have changed districts or no longer work for the state (including retirements).

Job Type	District	State
2015-16 Teachers: Same district 2016-17	93%	77%
2015-16 Administrators: Same district 2016-17	100%	85%

Faculty Attendance

This table shows the percentage of days that school 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
2016-17	94%



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Accountability Indicator Scores and Summative Rating

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. This table shows the indicator scores for each indicator included in the accountability system and the weights 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 rating below the 5th percentile or high schools with a 4-year graduation rate that is less than or equal to 67% are identified for Comprehensive Support. For more information about New Jersey’s accountability system and how these indicator scores were calculated, see these [accountability resources](#).

Accountability Indicator	Indicator Score	Indicator Weight
English Language Arts Proficiency	35	17.5%
Mathematics Proficiency	33	17.5%
English Language Arts Growth	82	25%
Mathematics Growth	74	25%
Chronic Absenteeism	33	15%
Progress Towards English Language Proficiency (coming 2018)	N/A	N/A
Summative Score: Sum of all indicator scores multiplied by indicator weights		55.9
Summative Rating: Percentile rank of Summative Score		59 th
Requires Comprehensive Support: Summative Rating is less than or equal to 5th percentile		No

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Accountability Summary by Student Group

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Student Group	Summative Score	Cut-off Score for Targeted Support and Improvement	Requires Targeted Support and Improvement for 2016-17	English Language Arts Proficiency	Mathematics Proficiency	Chronic Absenteeism	English Language Arts Student Growth	Mathematics Student Growth	At Risk for Consistently Underperforming Student Group
Schoolwide	56	12	No	Met Target†	Met Target†	Not Met	Exceeds Target	Met Target	No
White	52	12	No	Met Target	Met Target†	Not Met	Exceeds Target	Met Target	No
Hispanic	49	12	No	Met Target	Met Target	Not Met	Met Target	Met Target	No
Black or African American	**	**	No	**	**	Met Target	**	**	No
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	**	**	No	**	**	**	**	**	No
American Indian or Alaska Native	**	**	No	**	**	**	**	**	No
Two or More Races	**	**	No	**	**	**	**	**	No
Economically Disadvantaged Students	64	12	No	Met Target†	Met Target†	Not Met	Met Target	Met Target	No
Students with Disabilities	**	**	No	Not Met	Met Target†	Not Met	**	**	No
English Learners	**	**	No	**	**	Met Target	**	**	No

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School Narrative

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

Highlights:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognized as a National School of Character • Achieved significant academic growth in student literacy • Earned Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification
Mission, Vision, Theme:	The mission of the Newton Public Schools is to educate the whole child. Due to a maximum of 500 characters in this section, please go to "Other Information and Highlights" for our full mission statement.
Awards, Recognition, Accomplishments:	Recognized as a National School of Character. Achieved significant academic growth in student literacy. Earned Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification.






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 <p>Courses, Curriculum, Instruction:</p>	<p>Comprehensive instructional program offerings in all core content areas. Increased focus on student-centered learning, especially through technology integration. Recent inclusion of digital citizenship curriculum. NJSLA-aligned curricula available publicly through Atlas management system.</p>
 <p>Clubs and Activities:</p>	<p>Art Club, Yoga, Conversational Spanish, Earth Keepers Recycling Club, Inspiring Youth Life Skills Training Program, Pride Ambassadors</p>
 <p>Before and After School Programs:</p>	<p>Project Launch (21st Century Community Learning Center Program) for students in Grade 4; Aftercare Program for students in Grades K-3</p>






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 <p>Student Supports and Services:</p>	<p>Guidance counseling and child study team services for all students, targeted programs for at-risk populations (disabilities, gifted & talented, ELL)</p>
 <p>Student Health and Wellness:</p>	<p>Health and social services for all students, Wellness Team, Breakfast After The Bell program, Safe Routes to School, Family Fun Run, Pedometer Challenge, Miles for Merriam</p>
 <p>Parent and Community Involvement:</p>	<p>PTO is active in providing funding and support for student activities; Parent Academy; Community Schools model to bring together resources that have an integrated focus on academics, health and social services, youth development, and community engagement;</p>



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The mission of the Newton Public Schools is to educate the whole child. We believe today's students will become tomorrow's leaders. Therefore, it is our expectation that all students shall achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards at all grade levels, and graduate ready for college, careers, and life. We believe success is an unlimited commodity, and every child can be successful. Therefore, we focus all that we do on student learning, whether that comes through academics, athletics, the arts, student activities, or community service. We believe in the power of diversity. Therefore, we look to identify the unique talents of our students, and help them to build those talents into strengths by expanding their knowledge and skills. We believe in the value of care. Therefore, we put trust, respect, and support at the heart of our school culture, and safety, security, and sustainability at the center of our physical environment. We believe parents, teachers, support staff, and citizens must partner in order to help children achieve their highest potential. Therefore, we organize ourselves as community schools to ensure we allocate sufficient resources to the social, emotional, and physical well-being of our students as well as to their academic achievement.



Other Information: