



Closter Public School District (03-0930)

2021-2022

County: Bergen
District: Closter Public School District
340 Homans Avenue
Closter, NJ 07624-2907

Superintendent: Mr. Vincent McHale
[District Website](#)
201-768-3001 x41116



1,189
Total Students



PK-08
Grades Offered

Overview & Resources

The School Performance Reports reflect the New Jersey Department of Education's (NJDOE) commitment to providing parents, students, and school communities with a large variety of information about each school and district. These reports can be used as a tool to help evaluate whether all students have equitable access to high quality education. We encourage you to use these reports to:

- **Learn** more about the school and the district
- **Start conversations** with school community members and ask questions
- **Engage** with school communities to identify where schools are doing well and where they can improve

Important Notes for 2021-22 Reports: The 2021-22 School Performance Reports include nearly all data that was previously reported prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, such as assessment results and accountability data. However, the 2021-22 reports will not include student growth as measured by median student growth percentiles (MSGPs) because individual student growth percentiles (SGPs) were not calculated for the 2021-22 school year due to lack of prior test results for the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years. The student growth section of the reports will include a link to an alternate measure of academic progress that will be used for accountability determinations for the 2021-22 school year. As data over the last three years was impacted by the pandemic in various ways, the NJDOE recommends caution in comparing data from year to year.

School Performance Report Resources: The NJDOE has several resource documents that can help you understand and use the School Performance Reports, which can also be found under the "Resource Documents" link at the top of the page:

- One-page guides to help start conversations for [administrators](#), [educators](#), [elementary](#), and [middle and high school families](#)
- [Reference Guide](#) with details on all the data in these reports
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Understanding Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rates](#)
- [Understanding Student Growth Percentiles](#)
- [Data Privacy Rules](#) (why you see *s and N's in the reports)

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District Contact Information

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

Type	Contact Information
County	Bergen
District	Closter Public School District
Superintendent Name	Mr. Vincent McHale
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Schools in this District

Click on a school name below to access the detailed school-level report for each school.

School Name	Grades Offered
Hillside Elementary School	PK-04
Tenakill Middle School	05-08

Demographics

Enrollment data reflects enrollment reported at the end of the school year and only includes students attending the school. Students that attend programs 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	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
PK	45	30	43
KG	122	92	98
1	105	123	110
2	128	104	129
3	128	128	116
4	137	128	136
5	141	138	134
6	129	144	143
7	125	134	145
8	136	126	135
Total	1,196	1,147	1,189

Enrollment Trends by Student Group

This table shows the percentage of students by student group for the past three school years. 2019-20 was the first year that data was collected for non-binary/undesigned gender and, as a result, data may not be a true representation of the student population. Additionally, to protect student privacy, gender percentages for 2019-20 are rounded to the nearest 0.5 and percentages for 2020-21 and 2021-22 may show a range, depending on the overall school population size.

Student Group	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Female	48.0%	47.0%	48.0%
Male	52.0%	53.0%	52.0%
Non-Binary/Undesignated Gender	<1%	≤1%	≤1%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	0.0%	0.1%	0.4%
Students with Disabilities	16.0%	15.5%	15.4%
English Learners	8.6%	11.1%	9.5%
Homeless Students	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Students in Foster Care	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Military-Connected Students	0.1%	2.3%	1.5%
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	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
White	46.6%	44.5%	44.5%
Hispanic	8.2%	9.5%	8.7%
Black or African American	0.6%	0.9%	0.8%
Asian	41.6%	40.8%	40.8%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.6%	1.5%	1.4%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.2%	0.4%	0.2%
Two Or More Races	2.3%	2.4%	3.6%

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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.

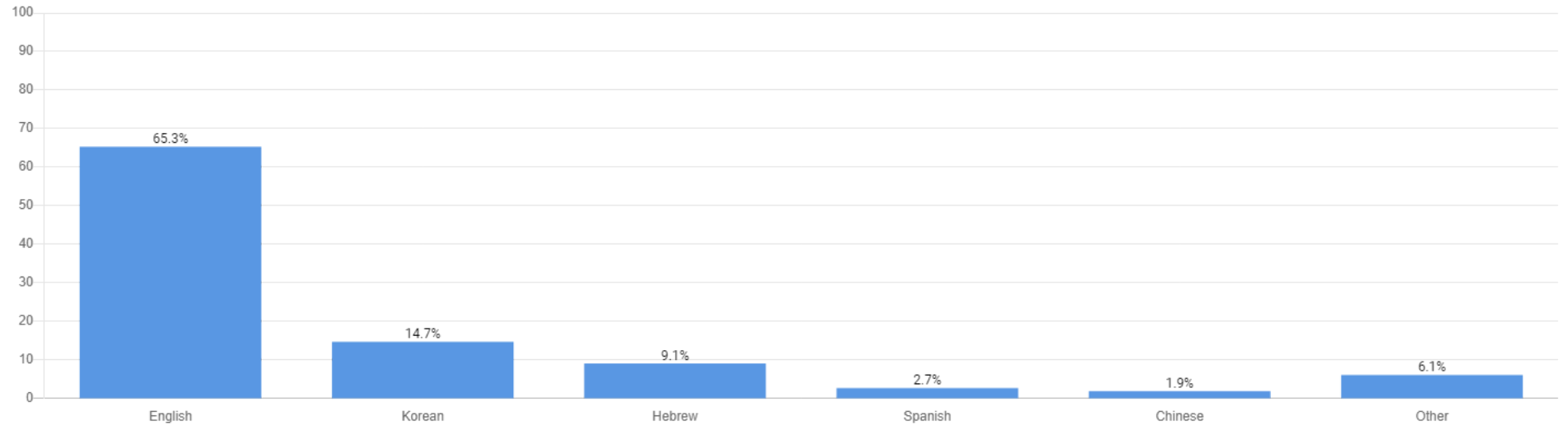
Grade	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
PK - Half Day	2	0	0
PK - Full Day	43	30	43
KG - Half Day	0	0	0
KG - Full Day	122	92	98

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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. To see this data in a table, click the Table View option below the chart.





Report Key:

- * Data is not displayed in order to protect student privacy
- ** Accountability calculations require 20 or more students
- N No Data is available to display
- † This indicates a table specific note, see note below table

Student Growth

Student growth is a measure of how much students are learning each year. New Jersey's ESSA state plan outlines that academic progress will be measured with school's median student growth percentile (mSGP) on statewide ELA and mathematics assessments. Each individual student receives a Student Growth Percentile (SGP) for English Language Arts (ELA) in grades 4 through 8 and for Mathematics in grades 4 through 7. The SGP measures their academic progress from one year to the next compared to other students with similar prior test scores (academic peers).

Important Note for 2021-22 Reports: The calculation of mSGPs relies on one to two consecutive years of prior assessment results to calculate individual student growth percentiles. Due to the cancellation of the NJLSA in both 2019-20 and 2020-21, SGPs were not calculated for 2019-2020, 2020-2021, or 2021-2022. The 2021-22 reports will not include any mSGP data.

The NJDOE received approved through the [COVID-19 State Plan Addendum](#), to use an alternative method to calculate academic progress for the 2021-22 school year based on aggregate score improvement on the NJSLA at the schoolwide and student group level between 2018-2019 and 2021-2022. For 2021-22, the NJDOE measured academic progress in ELA and mathematics using Relative School Improvement Measure (RSIM). Results of the RSIM measure are available on the [NJDOE's Accountability page](#) under 2022 Accountability Data.

Academic Achievement

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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 New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) and the DLM alternate assessment for English language arts (ELA) and mathematics. The Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability measures the percentage of students that met or exceeded expectations on the assessments (NJSLA or DLM) with an adjustment made if the participation rate is below 95% to ensure reporting on at least 95% of students. 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.

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ELA Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability



Math Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability



Performance Measure	2019-20 ELA	2020-21 ELA	2021-22 ELA	2019-20 Math	2020-21 Math	2021-22 Math
Participation Rate			99.4%			99.3%
Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability			82.2%			71.2%
Annual Target			80.0%			78.3%
Met Annual Target?			Met Goal			Not Met
Statewide Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability			49.0%			36.0%

† Target was met within a confidence interval.

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English Language Arts Assessment - Participation and Performance

This table shows performance on statewide assessments for English language arts (ELA) 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 9. Students that were enrolled for less than half a school year are excluded from performance results. Student are considered to have met or exceeded expectations if they score 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 2032. 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 the [NJDOE Accountability page](#). More information and additional data can also be found on the [NJDOE Academic Achievement page](#).

Student Group	Valid Scores	% of students taking test	District: % of testers met/exceeded expectations	State: % of testers met/exceeded expectations	Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability	Annual Target	Met Annual Target
Districtwide	786	99.4%	82.2%	49%	82.2%	80%	Met Goal
White	358	99.2%	77.1%	58.2%	77.1%	79.2%	Met Target†
Hispanic	71	98.6%	66.2%	35%	66.2%	73.5%	Met Target†
Black or African American	*	*	*	30.9%	*	**	**
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	331	100%	91.2%	78%	91.2%	80%	Met Goal
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*	48.7%	*	**	**
Two or More Races	20	100%	85%	55.4%	85%		Met Goal
Female	*	99.7%	83.7%	55.1%	83.7%		
Male	*	99%	80.7%	43.2%	80.7%		
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	*	63.8%	*		
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	30.9%	*	**	**
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	99.5%	82.4%	57.8%	82.4%		
Students with Disabilities	118	98.4%	43.2%	17.9%	43.2%	51.6%	Not Met
Students without Disabilities	668	99.6%	89.1%	55.7%	89.1%		
English Learners	49	98.1%	55.1%	21.9%	55.1%	74.2%	Not Met
Non-English Learners	737	99.5%	84%	52%	84%		
Homeless Students	*	*	*	20.4%	*		
Students in Foster Care	*	*	*	17.9%	*		
Military-Connected Students	14	100%	92.9%	46%	92.9%		
Migrant Students	*	*	*	<10%	*		

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Academic Achievement

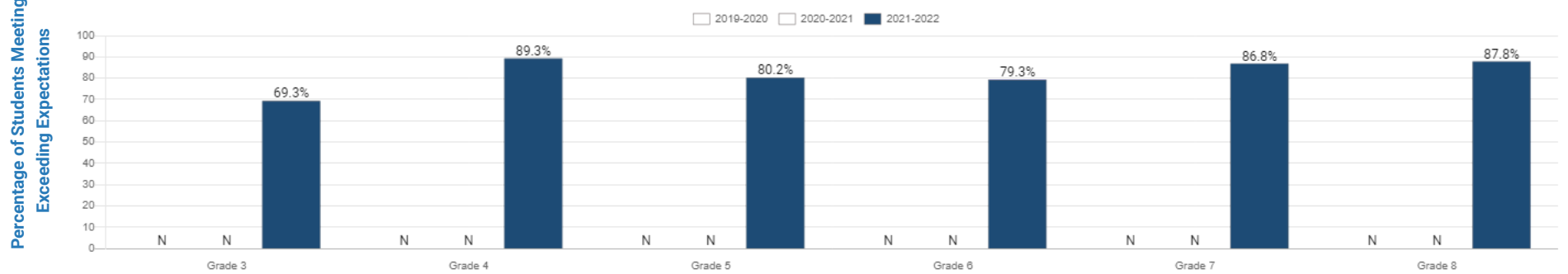
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English Language Arts Assessment - Performance Trends

This graph shows the percentage of students who met or exceeded expectations on each grade level exam on the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) for English Language Arts (ELA) for the past three years.

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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	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 or exceeded expectations	State: % of testers met or exceeded expectations
Districtwide	114	776	740	4%	6%	21%	43%	26%	69%	42%
White	58	763	750	2%	10%	29%	45%	14%	59%	52%
Hispanic	*	*	724	*	*	*	*	*	*	28%
Black or African American	*	*	722	*	*	*	*	*	*	26%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	41	798	771	2%	2%	10%	39%	46%	85%	71%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	745	*	*	*	*	*	*	45%
Two or More Races	*	*	748	*	*	*	*	*	*	50%
Female	*	783	745	4%	5%	15%	45%	31%	76%	47%
Male	*	770	735	3%	7%	27%	41%	22%	63%	38%
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	720	*	*	*	*	*	*	24%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	776	751	4%	6%	21%	43%	26%	69%	52%
Students with Disabilities	14	721	709	*	*	*	*	*	*	17%
Students without Disabilities	100	784	746	1%	3%	17%	49%	30%	79%	47%
English Learners	*	*	704	*	*	*	*	*	*	13%
Non-English Learners	*	779	744	2%	7%	20%	44%	28%	71%	46%
Homeless Students	*	*	707	*	*	*	*	*	*	18%
Students in Foster Care	*	*	708	*	*	*	*	*	*	16%
Military-Connected Students	*	*	737	*	*	*	*	*	*	40%
Migrant Students	*	*	691	*	*	*	*	*	*	24%

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English Language Arts Assessment - Performance By Grade: Grade 4

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	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 or exceeded expectations	State: % of testers met or exceeded expectations
Districtwide	131	787	746	0%	2%	9%	44%	46%	89%	49%
White	60	781	756	0%	2%	13%	45%	40%	85%	60%
Hispanic	*	*	732	*	*	*	*	*	*	34%
Black or African American	*	*	729	*	*	*	*	*	*	30%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	61	792	774	0%	2%	3%	41%	54%	95%	77%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	749	*	*	*	*	*	*	53%
Two or More Races	*	*	756	*	*	*	*	*	*	59%
Female	*	783	750	0%	3%	14%	41%	42%	83%	53%
Male	*	790	742	0%	0%	5%	46%	49%	95%	46%
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	728	*	*	*	*	*	*	29%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	787	756	0%	2%	9%	44%	46%	89%	60%
Students with Disabilities	17	764	717	0%	6%	35%	35%	24%	59%	21%
Students without Disabilities	114	790	752	0%	1%	5%	45%	49%	94%	55%
English Learners	*	*	713	*	*	*	*	*	*	15%
Non-English Learners	*	789	750	0%	2%	7%	43%	48%	91%	53%
Homeless Students	*	*	717	*	*	*	*	*	*	19%
Students in Foster Care	*	*	717	*	*	*	*	*	*	20%
Military-Connected Students	*	*	746	*	*	*	*	*	*	50%
Migrant Students	*	*	700	*	*	*	*	*	*	21%

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English Language Arts Assessment - Performance By Grade: Grade 5

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	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 or exceeded expectations	State: % of testers met or exceeded expectations
Districtwide	131	774	748	2%	5%	12%	56%	24%	80%	50%
White	58	767	757	5%	7%	16%	50%	22%	72%	60%
Hispanic	*	*	735	*	*	*	*	*	*	35%
Black or African American	*	*	731	*	*	*	*	*	*	31%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	61	783	775	0%	3%	8%	61%	28%	89%	78%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	746	*	*	*	*	*	*	49%
Two or More Races	*	*	755	*	*	*	*	*	*	57%
Female	*	779	753	0%	6%	13%	51%	30%	81%	55%
Male	*	769	743	5%	5%	11%	62%	16%	79%	45%
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	767	*	*	*	*	*	*	70%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	731	*	*	*	*	*	*	30%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	774	757	2%	5%	12%	56%	24%	80%	60%
Students with Disabilities	18	740	718	11%	22%	28%	39%	0%	39%	19%
Students without Disabilities	113	780	754	1%	3%	10%	59%	27%	87%	56%
English Learners	*	*	709	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Non-English Learners	*	777	751	2%	4%	11%	58%	25%	83%	53%
Homeless Students	*	*	720	*	*	*	*	*	*	22%
Students in Foster Care	*	*	722	*	*	*	*	*	*	17%
Military-Connected Students	*	*	746	*	*	*	*	*	*	47%
Migrant Students	*	*	684	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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English Language Arts Assessment - Performance By Grade: Grade 7

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Student Group	Valid Scores	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 or exceeded expectations	State: % of testers met or exceeded expectations
Districtwide	144	784	751	3%	4%	6%	36%	51%	87%	53%
White	61	779	759	2%	7%	10%	41%	41%	82%	62%
Hispanic	16	757	737	6%	6%	13%	50%	25%	75%	39%
Black or African American	*	*	732	*	*	*	*	*	*	34%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	61	797	782	2%	2%	2%	28%	67%	95%	82%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	744	*	*	*	*	*	*	48%
Two or More Races	*	*	756	*	*	*	*	*	*	57%
Female	*	792	757	1%	1%	6%	32%	59%	91%	60%
Male	*	776	744	4%	7%	7%	39%	43%	83%	46%
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	762	*	*	*	*	*	*	64%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	733	*	*	*	*	*	*	35%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	784	759	3%	4%	6%	36%	51%	87%	61%
Students with Disabilities	21	734	714	19%	19%	10%	38%	14%	52%	17%
Students without Disabilities	123	792	758	0%	2%	6%	36%	57%	93%	60%
English Learners	*	*	699	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Non-English Learners	*	784	753	3%	3%	6%	36%	51%	87%	55%
Homeless Students	*	*	720	*	*	*	*	*	*	22%
Students in Foster Care	*	*	717	*	*	*	*	*	*	19%
Military-Connected Students	*	*	747	*	*	*	*	*	*	48%
Migrant Students	*	*	683	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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Student Group	Valid Scores	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 or exceeded expectations	State: % of testers met or exceeded expectations
Districtwide	131	794	750	2%	1%	10%	34%	54%	88%	51%
White	58	787	758	2%	2%	14%	34%	48%	83%	60%
Hispanic	12	771	736	8%	0%	17%	33%	42%	75%	38%
Black or African American	*	*	730	*	*	*	*	*	*	32%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	57	805	783	0%	0%	4%	33%	63%	96%	82%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	752	*	*	*	*	*	*	53%
Two or More Races	*	*	756	*	*	*	*	*	*	57%
Female	*	793	757	0%	0%	10%	42%	48%	90%	59%
Male	*	794	742	3%	1%	10%	26%	59%	86%	44%
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	759	*	*	*	*	*	*	60%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	732	*	*	*	*	*	*	34%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	793	758	2%	1%	10%	34%	54%	88%	59%
Students with Disabilities	22	752	712	9%	5%	32%	45%	9%	55%	15%
Students without Disabilities	109	802	757	0%	0%	6%	31%	63%	94%	58%
English Learners	*	*	697	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Non-English Learners	*	794	752	2%	1%	9%	34%	55%	89%	53%
Homeless Students	*	*	716	*	*	*	*	*	*	22%
Students in Foster Care	*	*	712	*	*	*	*	*	*	14%
Military-Connected Students	*	*	745	*	*	*	*	*	*	47%
Migrant Students	*	*	678	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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Mathematics Assessment - Participation and Performance

This table shows performance on statewide assessments for mathematics both overall and by student group. It includes the results of students taking both the NJSLA and DLM assessments. NJSLA results include students taking end-of-grade assessments in grades 3 through 8, as well as end-of-course assessments (Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II) in middle school and high school. High school mathematics assessment results include all results for Algebra I and Geometry and/or Algebra II results only for students who took Algebra I in middle school and who are enrolled in their first high school mathematics course that corresponds to an end-of-course assessment. Students that were enrolled for less than half a school year are excluded from performance results. Student are considered to have met or exceeded expectations if they score 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 2032. 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 the [NJDOE Accountability page](#). More information and additional data can also be found on the [NJDOE Academic Achievement page](#).

Student Group	Valid Scores	% of students taking test	District: % of testers met/exceeded expectations	State: % of testers met/exceeded expectations	Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability	Annual Target	Met Annual Target
Districtwide	794	99.3%	71.2%	36%	71.2%	78.3%	Not Met
White	360	98.9%	61.7%	46.2%	61.7%	73.1%	Not Met
Hispanic	73	98.7%	46.6%	19.9%	46.6%	56%	Met Target†
Black or African American	*	*	*	15.7%	*	**	**
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	335	100%	86.9%	71.3%	86.9%	80%	Met Goal
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*	37.3%	*	**	**
Two or More Races	20	100%	80%	44.1%	80%		Met Goal
Female	*	99.5%	68.2%	34.5%	68.2%		
Male	*	99%	74.1%	37.4%	74.1%		
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	*	35%	*		
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	17.3%	*	**	**
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	99.4%	71.4%	45.2%	71.4%		
Students with Disabilities	118	98.4%	24.6%	14.7%	24.6%	41.2%	Not Met
Students without Disabilities	676	99.4%	79.3%	40.5%	79.3%		
English Learners	58	98.5%	51.7%	16%	51.7%	75.3%	Not Met
Non-English Learners	736	99.3%	72.7%	38.4%	72.7%		
Homeless Students	*	*	*	<10%	*		
Students in Foster Care	*	*	*	10%	*		
Military-Connected Students	14	100%	71.4%	34.5%	71.4%		
Migrant Students	*	*	*	<10%	*		

† Target was met within a confidence interval.

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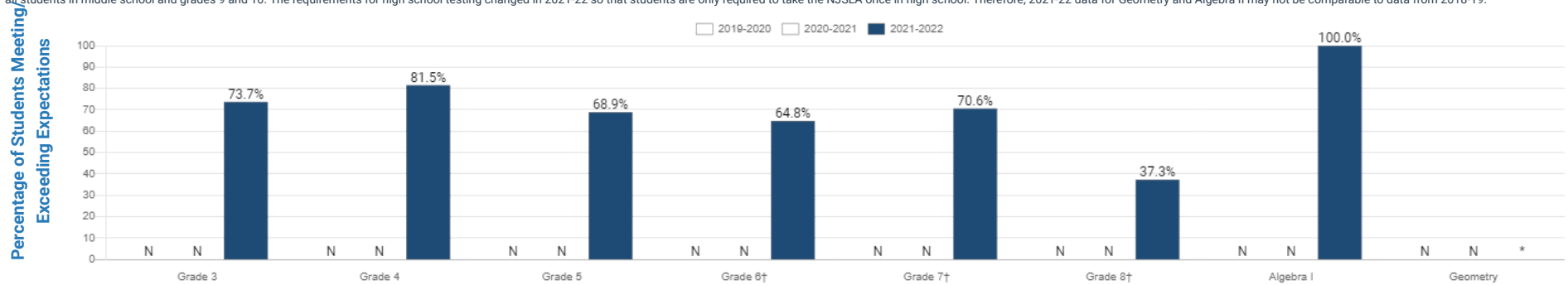
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Mathematics Assessment – Performance Trends

This graph shows the percentage of students who met or exceeded expectations on each grade level or end-of-course exam on the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) for Mathematics for the past three years.

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

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Mathematics Assessment - Performance By Grade: Grade 3

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	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 or exceeded expectations	State: % of testers met or exceeded expectations
Districtwide	114	774	745	1%	7%	18%	45%	29%	74%	45%
White	58	763	756	2%	9%	22%	45%	22%	67%	59%
Hispanic	*	*	729	*	*	*	*	*	*	27%
Black or African American	*	*	723	*	*	*	*	*	*	23%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	41	793	777	0%	2%	10%	46%	41%	88%	79%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	751	*	*	*	*	*	*	52%
Two or More Races	*	*	752	*	*	*	*	*	*	53%
Female	*	775	743	2%	11%	11%	44%	33%	76%	43%
Male	*	773	747	0%	3%	25%	46%	25%	71%	48%
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	725	*	*	*	*	*	*	24%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	774	755	1%	7%	18%	45%	29%	74%	57%
Students with Disabilities	14	733	724	0%	29%	57%	14%	0%	14%	24%
Students without Disabilities	100	779	749	1%	4%	13%	49%	33%	82%	49%
English Learners	*	*	719	*	*	*	*	*	*	17%
Non-English Learners	*	777	748	0%	5%	18%	47%	30%	77%	49%
Homeless Students	*	*	714	*	*	*	*	*	*	16%
Students in Foster Care	*	*	712	*	*	*	*	*	*	13%
Military-Connected Students	*	*	744	*	*	*	*	*	*	45%
Migrant Students	*	*	714	*	*	*	*	*	*	24%

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Mathematics Assessment - Performance By Grade: Grade 4

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	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 or exceeded expectations	State: % of testers met or exceeded expectations
Districtwide	135	775	740	0%	7%	12%	57%	24%	81%	39%
White	61	765	750	0%	11%	16%	56%	16%	72%	52%
Hispanic	*	*	725	*	*	*	*	*	*	21%
Black or African American	*	*	720	*	*	*	*	*	*	17%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	64	784	770	0%	3%	9%	55%	33%	88%	75%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	746	*	*	*	*	*	*	46%
Two or More Races	*	*	749	*	*	*	*	*	*	50%
Female	*	767	738	0%	12%	16%	53%	19%	72%	37%
Male	*	783	741	0%	1%	7%	61%	30%	91%	41%
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	721	*	*	*	*	*	*	18%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	775	749	0%	7%	12%	57%	24%	81%	51%
Students with Disabilities	17	764	719	0%	18%	12%	53%	18%	71%	18%
Students without Disabilities	118	776	744	0%	5%	12%	58%	25%	83%	44%
English Learners	12	755	714	0%	17%	17%	58%	8%	67%	11%
Non-English Learners	123	777	743	0%	6%	11%	57%	26%	83%	43%
Homeless Students	*	*	711	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students in Foster Care	*	*	712	*	*	*	*	*	*	12%
Military-Connected Students	*	*	742	*	*	*	*	*	*	40%
Migrant Students	*	*	711	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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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	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 or exceeded expectations	State: % of testers met or exceeded expectations
Districtwide	135	766	736	2%	10%	19%	39%	30%	69%	36%
White	59	753	746	5%	14%	25%	44%	12%	56%	47%
Hispanic	10	745	722	0%	30%	30%	40%	0%	40%	18%
Black or African American	*	*	716	*	*	*	*	*	*	14%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	63	782	769	0%	5%	10%	35%	51%	86%	74%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	736	*	*	*	*	*	*	38%
Two or More Races	*	*	744	*	*	*	*	*	*	45%
Female	*	763	736	3%	11%	18%	45%	23%	68%	34%
Male	*	770	737	2%	10%	19%	32%	37%	69%	38%
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	747	*	*	*	*	*	*	55%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	718	*	*	*	*	*	*	15%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	766	746	2%	10%	19%	39%	30%	69%	47%
Students with Disabilities	18	722	714	11%	44%	33%	6%	6%	11%	14%
Students without Disabilities	117	773	741	1%	5%	16%	44%	33%	78%	41%
English Learners	11	741	707	9%	27%	36%	18%	9%	27%	*
Non-English Learners	124	768	739	2%	9%	17%	41%	31%	73%	39%
Homeless Students	*	*	709	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students in Foster Care	*	*	710	*	*	*	*	*	*	10%
Military-Connected Students	*	*	737	*	*	*	*	*	*	35%
Migrant Students	*	*	685	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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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.

Students in sixth grade who were enrolled in an Algebra I course during the 2021-22 school year were required to take both the Algebra I and Grade 6 mathematics assessment. The results of the Grade 6 mathematics assessment are included in this data.

Student Group	Valid Scores	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 or exceeded expectations	State: % of testers met or exceeded expectations
Districtwide	142	760	733	3%	8%	25%	47%	18%	65%	31%
White	64	754	742	2%	9%	33%	48%	8%	56%	41%
Hispanic	20	742	720	10%	10%	40%	35%	5%	40%	15%
Black or African American	*	*	714	*	*	*	*	*	*	12%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	54	774	763	2%	2%	9%	52%	35%	87%	68%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	733	*	*	*	*	*	*	30%
Two or More Races	*	*	739	*	*	*	*	*	*	38%
Female	*	757	733	4%	4%	27%	52%	12%	64%	30%
Male	*	762	734	1%	12%	22%	42%	23%	65%	33%
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	734	*	*	*	*	*	*	21%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	717	*	*	*	*	*	*	13%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	760	741	2%	8%	24%	48%	18%	66%	40%
Students with Disabilities	20	724	710	20%	35%	25%	15%	5%	20%	*
Students without Disabilities	122	766	738	0%	3%	25%	52%	20%	72%	36%
English Learners	*	*	703	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Non-English Learners	*	760	736	3%	8%	22%	49%	18%	67%	33%
Homeless Students	*	*	708	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students in Foster Care	*	*	706	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Military-Connected Students	*	*	734	*	*	*	*	*	*	31%
Migrant Students	*	*	706	*	*	*	*	*	*	20%

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Mathematics Assessment - Performance By Grade: Grade 7

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.

Students who took the Algebra I, Geometry, or Algebra II end-of-course assessments are not included in grade level results.

Student Group	Valid Scores	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 or exceeded expectations	State: % of testers met or exceeded expectations
Districtwide	136	760	737	3%	11%	15%	49%	21%	71%	34%
White	61	758	745	5%	8%	21%	46%	20%	66%	45%
Hispanic	17	734	727	6%	41%	6%	47%	0%	47%	20%
Black or African American	*	*	722	*	*	*	*	*	*	15%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	52	771	761	0%	4%	12%	56%	29%	85%	68%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	733	*	*	*	*	*	*	26%
Two or More Races	*	*	742	*	*	*	*	*	*	40%
Female	*	762	736	3%	10%	15%	46%	25%	72%	32%
Male	*	758	738	3%	12%	16%	52%	17%	70%	36%
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	738	*	*	*	*	*	*	42%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	725	*	*	*	*	*	*	17%
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	761	743	3%	10%	16%	50%	21%	71%	43%
Students with Disabilities	21	722	715	19%	43%	19%	14%	5%	19%	10%
Students without Disabilities	115	767	741	0%	5%	15%	56%	24%	80%	39%
English Learners	*	*	712	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Non-English Learners	*	761	739	3%	10%	16%	50%	22%	72%	36%
Homeless Students	*	*	715	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students in Foster Care	*	*	715	*	*	*	*	*	*	10%
Military-Connected Students	*	*	738	*	*	*	*	*	*	32%
Migrant Students	*	*	697	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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Mathematics Assessment - Performance By Grade: Grade 8

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.

Students who took the Algebra I, Geometry, or Algebra II end-of-course assessments are not included in grade level results.

Student Group	Valid Scores	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 or exceeded expectations	State: % of testers met or exceeded expectations
Districtwide	75	740	716	17%	13%	32%	35%	3%	37%	15%
White	41	736	725	22%	15%	27%	34%	2%	37%	21%
Hispanic	10	728	711	20%	20%	40%	20%	0%	20%	11%
Black or African American	*	*	703	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	20	753	737	10%	0%	45%	40%	5%	45%	36%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	718	*	*	*	*	*	*	17%
Two or More Races	*	*	718	*	*	*	*	*	*	18%
Female	*	739	716	14%	19%	36%	31%	0%	31%	14%
Male	*	741	716	21%	6%	27%	39%	6%	45%	16%
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	733	*	*	*	*	*	*	26%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	708	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	739	721	18%	14%	32%	34%	3%	36%	19%
Students with Disabilities	21	712	699	43%	19%	29%	10%	0%	10%	*
Students without Disabilities	54	751	721	7%	11%	33%	44%	4%	48%	18%
English Learners	*	*	698	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Non-English Learners	*	739	718	16%	15%	32%	35%	1%	37%	16%
Homeless Students	*	*	700	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students in Foster Care	*	*	694	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Military-Connected Students	*	*	716	*	*	*	*	*	*	15%
Migrant Students	*	*	683	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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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 the most significant intellectual disabilities.

Grade	ELA: # Students Tested	Math: # Students Tested
3	*	*
4	*	*
5	N	N
6	*	*
7	*	*
8	*	*

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Academic Achievement

This section of the reports includes results on statewide assessments, including the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA), the Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM), and the ACCESS for ELLs assessment. For more information about New Jersey's statewide assessments, see the [NJDOE's Assessment page](#).

Important Note for 2021-22: NJSLA data is not available for 2019-20 or 2020-21 due to federal waivers and assessment cancellations and DLM and ACCESS for ELLs data is not available for 2019-20. As data over the last three years was impacted by the pandemic in various ways, the NJDOE recommends caution in comparing data from year to year.

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 4.5 or Above
0-2	67	76.1%	23.9%
3-4	34	55.9%	44.1%
5 or more	*	*	*

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	Annual Target	Met Target?
Schoolwide/English Learners	73%	35.9%	Exceeds Target

† Target was met within one standard deviation.

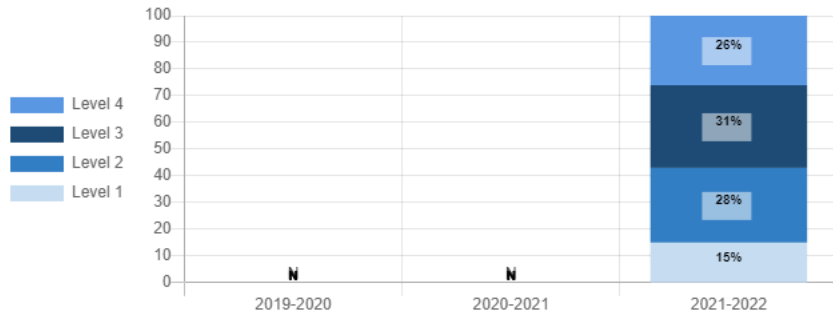
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NJSLA Science Assessment: Grade 5 Summary

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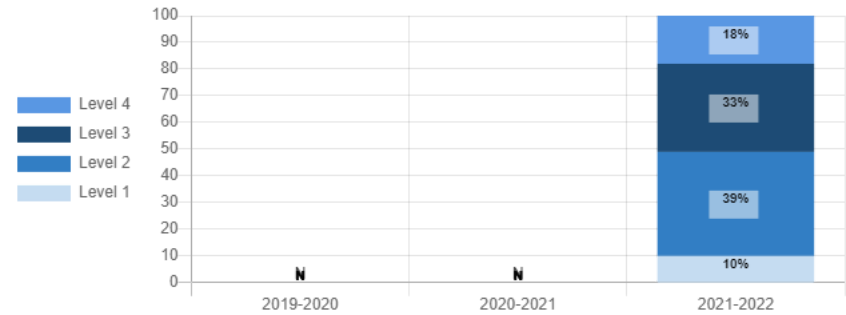
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NJSLA Science Assessment: Grade 5

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Student Group	% Level 1	% Level 2	% Level 3	% Level 4
Districtwide	15%	28%	31%	26%
White	20%	34%	34%	12%
Hispanic	30%	20%	20%	30%
Black or African American	*	*	*	*
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	8%	24%	29%	40%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*	*
Two or More Races	*	*	*	*
Female	16%	30%	29%	25%
Male	13%	26%	34%	27%
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	*	*
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	*
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	15%	28%	31%	26%
Students with Disabilities	47%	47%	0%	6%
Students without Disabilities	10%	25%	36%	29%
English Learners	55%	18%	27%	0%
Non-English Learners	11%	29%	31%	28%
Homeless Students	*	*	*	*
Students in Foster Care	*	*	*	*
Military-Connected Students	*	*	*	*
Migrant Students	*	*	*	*

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Student Group	% Level 1	% Level 2	% Level 3	% Level 4
Districtwide	10%	39%	33%	18%
White	12%	47%	32%	10%
Hispanic	25%	50%	17%	8%
Black or African American	*	*	*	*
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	3%	30%	37%	30%
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*	*
Two or More Races	*	*	*	*
Female	8%	50%	27%	15%
Male	11%	29%	39%	21%
Non-binary/undesignated gender	*	*	*	*
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	*	*
Non-Economically Disadvantaged Students	10%	39%	33%	19%
Students with Disabilities	41%	50%	9%	0%
Students without Disabilities	4%	37%	38%	22%
English Learners	*	*	*	*
Non-English Learners	9%	38%	34%	19%
Homeless Students	*	*	*	*
Students in Foster Care	*	*	*	*
Military-Connected Students	*	*	*	*
Migrant Students	*	*	*	*

College and Career Readiness

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Mathematics - Course Participation

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

Grade	Algebra I	Geometry	Grade Level and Other Math
6	0	0	139
7	9	0	133
8	53	6	75
Total	62	6	347

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World Languages - Course Participation

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

Grade	Spanish	French	Italian	Latin	German	Chinese	Other Languages
6	121	0	0	0	0	123	0
7	71	0	0	0	0	55	0
8	65	0	0	0	0	50	0
Total	257	0	0	0	0	228	0

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Computer Science – Course Participation

This table shows the number of students who were enrolled in Computer Science and Information Technology (IT) courses by grade and subject area. Students are counted more than once if they were enrolled in courses across multiple subject areas. The last two rows show the number of students enrolled in Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) courses and Dual Enrollment courses by subject area. Subject areas where AP/IB courses are not offered are grayed out.

Grade	Computer Programming	Principles of Computer Science	Computing Systems	Other Computer Science	Networking	Information Systems	Other IT
6	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
7	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
8	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

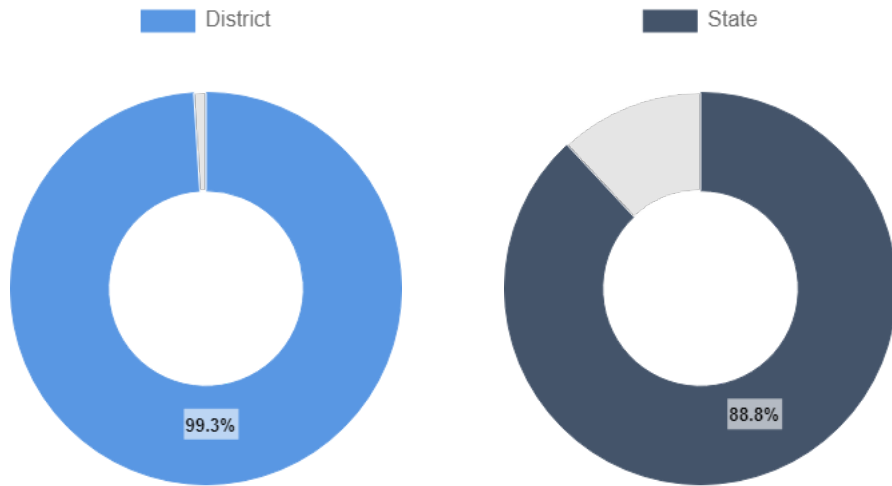
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Visual and Performing Arts – Course Participation

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Grades 6-8: Students enrolled in one or more visual and performing arts classes



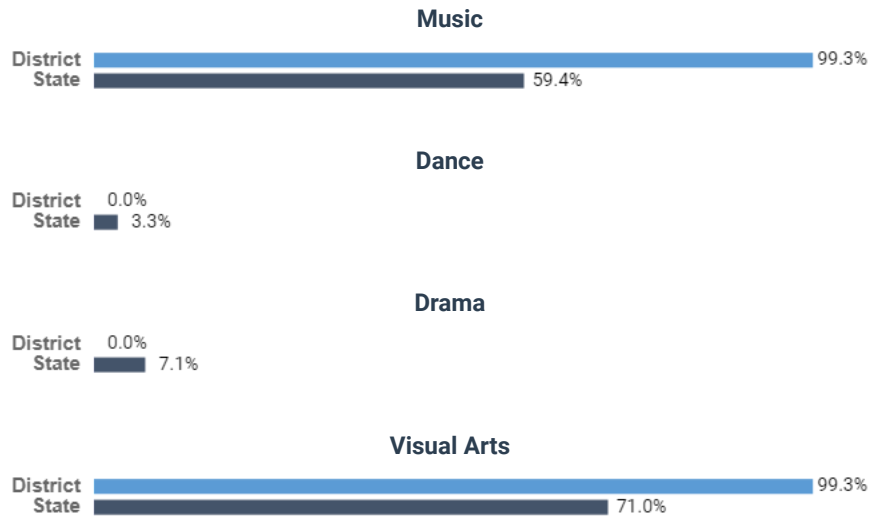
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Students enrolled in one or more classes by discipline:



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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	# of Students Chronically Absent	% of Students Chronically Absent	State Average	Met State Average
Districtwide	60	5.3%	17.3%	Met
White	33	6.5%	17.3%	Met
Hispanic	8	8.1%	17.3%	Met
Black or African American	*	*	**	**
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	14	2.9%	17.3%	Met
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	**	**
Two or More Races	3	7.5%	17.3%	Met
Female	*	6.8%		
Male	*	3.9%		
Non-Binary/Undesignated Gender	*	*		
Economically Disadvantaged Students	*	*	**	**
Students with Disabilities	17	10.9%	17.3%	Met
English Learners	5	4.5%	17.3%	Met
Homeless Students	*	*		
Students in Foster Care	*	*		
Military-Connected Students	1	6.3%		
Migrant Students	*	*		

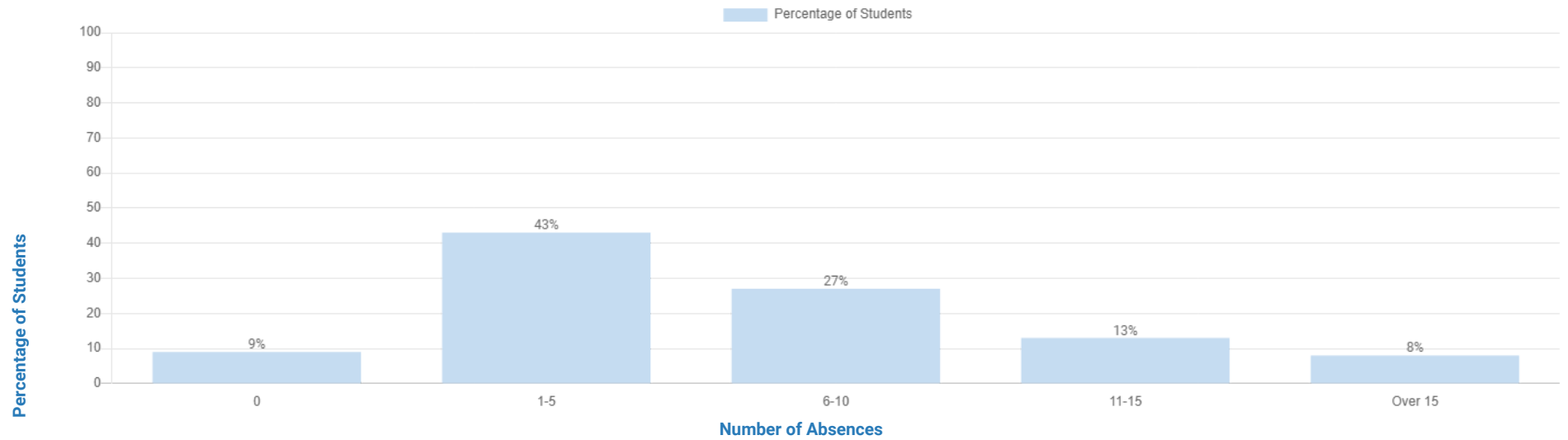
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Days Absent

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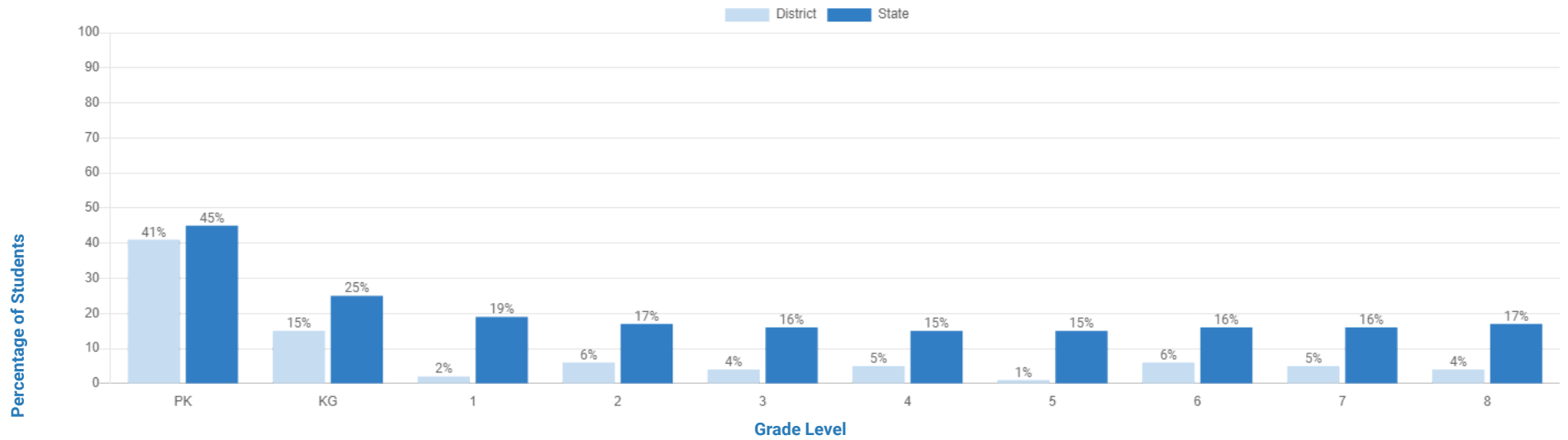
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Chronic Absenteeism by Grade

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



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Violence, Vandalism, HIB, and Substance Offenses

This table shows the number of incidents reported by type. A single incident may be counted under multiple incident types. The total unique incidents row provides an unduplicated count of incidents. The last row shows the rate of incidents for every 100 students enrolled.

Incident Type	Number of Incidents
Violence	6
Weapons	1
Vandalism	1
Substances	1
Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)	5
Total Unique Incidents	14
Incidents Per 100 Students Enrolled	1.18

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	1
Vandalism	0
Substances	1
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 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	1	1	2
Religion	0	0	0
Ancestry	1	0	1
Gender	0	0	0
Sexual Orientation	0	1	1
Disability	0	0	0
Other	5	3	8
No Identified Nature	3		3

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	School Days Missed due to Out-of-School Suspensions
In-School Suspensions	*	*	
Out-of-School Suspensions	*	*	*
Any Suspension	*	*	
Removal to other education program	*	*	
Expulsion	0	0.0%	
Arrest	0	0.0%	

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Student Access to Technology and Internet

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the NJDOE began collecting information on student device types, device owners, and internet connectivity during the 2020-2021 school year. [Additional reports about student access to technology and internet connectivity](#) as of the end of the 2021-2022 school year can be found on the NJDOE website.

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Teachers – Experience

This table shows information about the experience of teachers assigned to this district and across the state. No teachers in New Jersey are teaching under emergency or provisional credentials as defined the United States Department of Education. The number of out-of-field teachers is the number of teachers who are potentially teaching outside of their area of certification.

Category	Teachers in District	Teachers in State
Total Number of teachers	93	118,773
Average years experience in public schools	14.6	12.5
Average years experience in district	11.6	11.3
Percentage of Teachers with 4 or more years experience in the district	75.3%	76.0%
Number of out-of-field teachers	3	2,937

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	7	9,578
Average years experience in public schools	12.9	16.5
Average years experience in district	5.0	12.6
Percentage of Administrators with 4 or more years experience in the district	57.1%	78.8%

Staff Counts

This table shows the number of staff members assigned to the district and state across several staff categories. The staff counts in this table reflect data submitted by districts to NJ SMART and reflect any teachers assigned and are not based on full-time equivalent (FTE). Additionally, some staff members may be assigned to the district only, but work in multiple schools in the district. In these cases, the table may show 0 staff members assigned to the school, even though there are district staff members working in the school.

Staff Category	District: Total Staff Members	State: Total Staff Members
Teachers	93	118,773
Administrators	7	9,578
Librarians/Media Specialists	1	1,212
Nurses	2	2,911
School Counselors	3	4,324
Child Study Team Members	8	9,115
School Psychologists	1	2,159
School Social Workers	1	2,487
Student Assistance Coordinators	N	372
School Safety Specialists	1	694

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Student and Staff Ratios

This table shows ratios of students and staff members in the district. The ratios are based on data submitted by districts to NJ SMART and are not based on staff full-time equivalent (FTE).

Ratio	District Ratio
Students to Teachers	13:1
Students to Administrators	170:1
Teachers to Administrators	13:1
Students to Librarians/Media Specialists †	1189:1
Students to Nurses †	595:1
Students to Counselors †	396:1
Students to Child Study Team Members †,††	23:1
Students to School Psychologists †	1189:1
Students to School Social Workers †	1189:1
Students to Student Assistance Coordinators †	N
Students to School Safety Specialists †	1189:1

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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. 2019-20 was the first year that data was collected for non-binary/undesignated gender and, as a result, the data may not be a true representation of the student or staff population. Additionally, to protect student privacy, gender percentages for 2019-20 are rounded to the nearest 0.5 and percentages for 2020-21 and 2021-22 may show a range, depending on the overall school population size.

Category	Students in District	Teachers in District	Administrators in District	Students in State	Teachers in State	Administrators in State
Female	48.0%	80-85%	*	48.0%	77.0%	56.0%
Male	52.0%	15-20%	*	52.0%	23.0%	44.0%
Non-Binary/Undesignated Gender	≤1%	≤5%	*	≤1%	≤1%	≤1%
White	44.5%	88.2%	85.7%	40.1%	82.6%	76.3%
Hispanic	8.7%	2.2%	0.0%	32.1%	8.1%	8.1%
Black or African American	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	14.6%	6.5%	13.9%
Asian	40.8%	9.7%	14.3%	10.1%	2.3%	1.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%
Two or More Races	3.6%	0.0%	0.0%	2.7%	0.2%	0.3%

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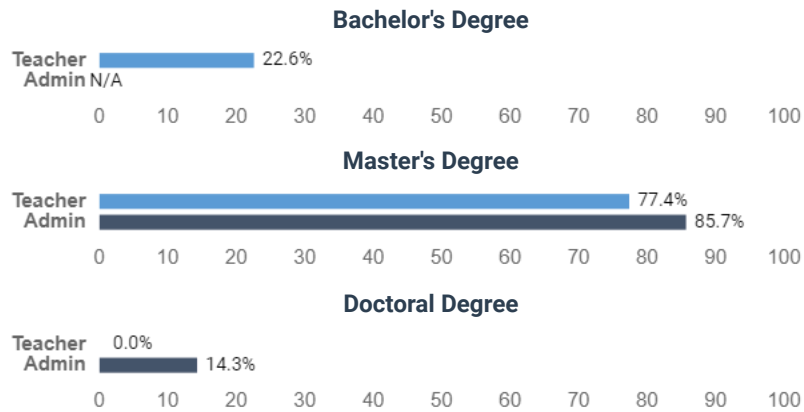
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Teachers and Administrators - Level of Education

This chart shows the highest level of education attained by teachers and administrators. The Bachelor's degree 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 2020-21 that were still assigned to this district in 2021-22. Staff who were not retained may have changed districts or no longer work for the state (including retirements).

Job Type	District	State
2020-21 Teachers: Same district 2021-22	87.1%	90.7%
2020-21 Administrators: Same district 2021-22	100.0%	87.4%

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Teachers by Subject Area

This table shows the counts of teachers by subject area with gender breakdown, experience, and level of education. The staff counts in this table reflect staff assignments as submitted by districts to NJ SMART and reflect any teachers assigned and are not based on full-time equivalent (FTE). Note that some teachers may teach in multiple subject areas and may be counted more than once in this table or they may only be counted in their primary subject area. Additionally, in many elementary schools teachers are not assigned to specific subject areas, so teachers will appear in the Elementary (Not Subject Specific) category and not in the other subject areas, but that does not mean those subjects are not being taught in the school. Special Education and Bilingual teachers are generally assigned to a subject area and also either special education or bilingual, so those teachers will be counted in multiple subject areas.

Subject Area	Total Number of Teachers	% Female	% Male	% Non-binary or Undesignated Gender	% White	% Hispanic	% Black or African American	% Asian	% Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander	% American Indian or Native American	% Two or More Races	% 4 or more years experience in the district	% Bachelor's Degree(Highest Degree)	% Master's Degree(Highest Degree)	% Doctoral Degree(Highest Degree)
Elementary Not Subject Specific	40	>90%	≤10%	≤10%	92.5%	0.0%	0.0%	7.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	75.0%	22.5%	77.5%	0.0%
English/Language Arts/Literacy	8	*	*	*	87.5%	0.0%	0.0%	12.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	75.0%	12.5%	87.5%	0.0%
English Speakers or Other Languages	4	*	*	*	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	25.0%	75.0%	0.0%
Mathematics	7	*	*	*	71.4%	14.3%	0.0%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	28.6%	71.4%	0.0%
Science	1	*	*	*	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%
Social Studies/History	3	*	*	*	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%
World Language	3	*	*	*	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%
Visual and Performing Arts	5	*	*	*	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	60.0%	40.0%	60.0%	0.0%
Health/Physical Education	4	*	*	*	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	75.0%	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%
Family & Consumer Sciences	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Financial Literacy	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Business	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Computer Science/IT	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Industrial Arts	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Career and Technical Education	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Special Education	22	>80%	≤20%	≤20%	95.5%	0.0%	0.0%	4.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	72.7%	18.2%	81.8%	0.0%
Bilingual	1	*	*	*	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%

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Per-Pupil Expenditures

Per-Pupil Expenditures by Source

The table below summarizes the most recently available expenses for regular and special education students taught at schools in the district. The amounts include both actual personnel and actual non-personnel expenditures and include expenditures for instruction, support services, administration, operations and maintenance, and extra-curricular activities. An overall cost per pupil for a given school can be calculated by adding the Central Expenditures and the Expenditures Not Assigned to a School to the School Level Expenditures reported for that school. The Average Daily Enrollment (ADE**) comes from the 2021-22 School Registry Summary (SRS).

For more information regarding this table please refer to the guidance for school level reporting, which is available on the NJDOE webpage [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 2021-22 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.

Closter Boro	Federal	State & Local	Total	ADE**
School Level Expenditures Not Assigned to a School		\$2,401	\$2,401	1,180.8
District Level Central Expenditures		\$2,300	\$2,300	1,180.8
Hillside Elementary School	\$591	\$12,311	\$12,902	624.8
Tenakill Middle School	\$639	\$10,937	\$11,576	556.0
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Accountability

New Jersey's Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Accountability System 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). Based on New Jersey's [approved ESSA state plan](#), NJDOE will identify schools in the following four federal categories every three years:

- **Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI): Overall Low Performing:**
 - Schools with a summative score in the bottom 5% of Title I schools.
- **Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI): Low Graduation Rate:**
 - High schools with a four-year graduation rate of 67% or less
- **Additional Targeted Support and Improvement: Low Performing Student Group (ATSI):**
 - Schools with one or more student group with a summative score that would be in the bottom 5% of Title I schools
- **Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI): Chronically Low Performing:**
 - Title I schools identified as Additional Targeted Support and Improvement; Low Performing Student Group (ATSI) that are identified for three or more consecutive years, i.e. ATSI schools that do not meet exit criteria.
 - The NJDOE has not yet identified schools in this category as no ATSI schools have been in status for three or more years.

Annually, NJDOE will identify schools in the following federal category:

- **Targeted Support and Improvement: Consistently Underperforming Student Group (TSI):**
 - Schools with one or more student groups that missed annual targets or standards for all indicators for two years in a row

For purposes of ESSA accountability, only schools and student groups with data for 20 or more students are included in calculations.

For more information about New Jersey's accountability system, how indicator and summative scores were calculated, how federal accountability status is determined, and additional data, see the [NJDOE accountability page](#).

Important Note for 2021-2022: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, New Jersey received waivers from the United States Department of Education (USED) in both [March 2020](#) and [March 2021](#) that waived accountability-related requirements in the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years. These waivers removed the requirements to:

- Calculate indicator scores and summative scores for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years;
- Measure progress toward long-term goals and measures of interim progress for accountability indicators for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years; and
- Identify schools for comprehensive and targeted support and improvement during the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 school years (based on 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 data, respectively).

As a result of these waivers, any school that was identified for comprehensive or targeted support and improvement during the 2019-20 school year will retain the same status for the 2021-22 and 2022-23 school years.

The NJDOE identified schools across four categories during the 2022-23 school year (based on 2021-22 data):

- CSI: Overall Low Performing;
- CSI: Low Graduation Rate;
- ATSI; and
- TSI.

For the TSI identification that occurred during the 2022-23 school year, status in meeting annual targets for the 2018-19 and 2021-22 school years were used since data was not available for two consecutive years.

Additionally, all schools that were previously identified were eligible to exit status at the end of the 2022-23 school year if the NJDOE's Exit Criteria were met.

The NJDOE received approval to make a one-time change to the identification timeline under the COVID-19 State Plan Addendum. Under the approved Addendum, the NJDOE will identify schools for CSI and ATSI status in both fall 2022 and fall 2023. Schools identified for CSI or ATSI status in fall 2022 will be eligible to exit status in fall 2023 if all exit criteria are met. Schools identified for TSI status will be eligible to exit annually if exit criteria are met.

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Schools Identified as Requiring Comprehensive or Targeted Support – Districtwide

The table below provides the list of schools in the district that have been identified for either comprehensive or targeted support for the 2023-24 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. For additional information, the [NJDOE ESSA Accountability webpage](#) includes a list of all schools requiring comprehensive or targeted support and improvement with the amount of School Improvement Aid (SIA) funds received and information on exit criteria for identified schools.

There are currently no schools in this district identified as requiring comprehensive or targeted support during the 2023-24 school year.

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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: Percentage of students who met or exceeded expectations on statewide assessments (NJSLA or DLM)

ELA and Math Growth: For 2021-22 only, this data shows the Relative School Improvement Measure (RSIM), which is based on aggregate scale score improvement on the statewide assessments in ELA and mathematics (NJSLA), when comparing prior year performance to 2021-22 performance. Schools are assigned a percentile rank based on their improvement as compared to schools with similar prior year performance. This is only measured for grades 3-8. The NJDOE plans to resume measuring growth by mSGP in 2022-23.

Four- and five-year graduation rates: The adjusted cohort graduation rate

Progress toward English Language Proficiency: The percentage of English Learners who demonstrated the expected amount of growth on the ACCESS for ELLs Assessment for English Language proficiency.

Chronic absenteeism: The percentage of students that were absent for 10% or more of the days enrolled during the school year.

Important Note for 2021-22: The NJDOE received federal waivers that waived certain assessment and accountability-related requirements for the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years. As a result, proficiency, growth, and progress toward English language proficiency data is not available for 2019-20 or 2020-21 and chronic absenteeism data is not available for 2019-20. The growth measure used for 2021-22 is an alternate measure used because median student growth percentiles were not available for 2021-22. The NJDOE plans to resume reporting median student growth percentiles in 2022-23. As data over the last three years was impacted by the pandemic in various ways, the NJDOE recommends caution in comparing data from year to year.

ESSA Accountability Indicator	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
ELA Proficiency			82.2%
Math Proficiency			71.2%
ELA Growth			39
Math Growth			28
4-Year Graduation Rate†			
5-Year Graduation Rate†			
Progress toward English Language Proficiency			73.0%
Chronic Absenteeism		0.7%	5.3%

† This table shows the most recent graduation rate for reference, but accountability calculations for a given year use the prior year's graduation rate.

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Accountability Summary by Student Group - 2021-22 School Year

This table shows whether the district and each student group met annual ESSA accountability targets for each indicator.

For more information about accountability determinations, indicators, and annual targets, see the [NJDOE Accountability page](#).

Student Group	ELA Proficiency	Math Proficiency	ELA Growth	Math Growth	4-Year Graduation Rate	5-Year Graduation Rate	Progress toward English Language Proficiency	Chronic Absenteeism
Districtwide	Met Goal	Not Met	Met Standard	Met Standard	N	N	Exceeds Target	Met
White	Met Target†	Not Met	Met Standard	Met Standard	N	N		Met
Hispanic	Met Target†	Met Target†	Met Standard	Met Standard	N	N		Met
Black or African American	**	**	**	**	N	N		**
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	Met Goal	Met Goal	Met Standard	Met Standard	N	N		Met
American Indian or Alaska Native	**	**	**	**	N	N		**
Two or More Races	Met Goal	Met Goal	**	**	N	N		Met
Economically Disadvantaged Students	**	**	**	**	N	N		**
Students with Disabilities	Not Met	Not Met	Met Standard	Met Standard	N	N		Met
English Learners	Not Met	Not Met	Met Standard	Not Met	N	N	Exceeds Target	Met

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

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Highlights:

- Closter Public Schools consistently performs high academically to meet the needs of various learner.
- Closter Schools has STEM labs in each building servicing all students in grades K-8.
- Closter is part of the Northern Valley Consortium sharing services for professional development, curriculum alignment, special education and related services.



Mission, Vision, Theme:

The Closter Public School District is dedicated to educational excellence & committed to meeting the educational needs of each child by providing the programs & environment necessary to 1) Enable every child to reach full potential 2) Promote self-esteem, respect, responsibility & appreciation of diversity 3) Develop knowledge, skills & academic achievement as per the NJ Learning Standards 4) Prepare each child for continued education & responsible citizenship 5) Instill a lifelong passion for learning.



Awards, Recognition, Accomplishments:

Closter students are recognized at the regional, state, and national levels for academic achievement and the creative arts. NAMM has named Closter one of the Best Communities for Music Education. Faculty speak at state and national conferences.

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Courses, Curriculum, Instruction:

Some features within the full spectrum of curricula include the following courses: Mandarin, Robotics, Coding, a full range of arts electives, Digital Media Literacy, Forensics, Fitness, and STEM. We use Phonics First K-2, provide Orton-Gillingham reading instruction, and have gifted education push-in/pullout programs for qualified students. Technology is available at all levels and is integrated within the curriculum. All students are assigned a device.



Sports and Athletics:

Sports Offered: Baseball (Boys), Basketball (Boys & Girls), Cross Country (Coed), Soccer (Coed), Softball (Girls), Track and Field - Spring (Coed), Volleyball (Girls)
Students in sixth through eighth grade can participate in our middle school sports program, which includes volleyball, cross-country, soccer, basketball, track-and-field, baseball, and softball.



Clubs and Activities:

Tenakill clubs available include dance, drama, kids tutoring, ambassadors club, service club, stage crew, newspaper, culture club, photography club, poetry club, Continental Math League, garden club, television broadcasting, and student council. Grade seven and eight clubs include debate, fitness, and science olympiad. Eighth graders can participate in peer-to-peer and tutoring for community service. The Hillside PTO runs an enrichment program three days a week with courses such as chess, fencing, Korean drumming, robotics, cooking, Outrageous Pets, tennis, golf, and crafting.

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Staff and Professional Learning:

In addition to embedded professional development within the school year, the staff of Closter Public Schools participate in a consortium of seven elementary schools in which courses, resources, classroom coaching, and specifically-designed learning opportunities are designed to support and improve instruction. The Northern Valley Curriculum Consortium offers a wide variety of courses in their catalog. New staff participate in a three-year Academy with designated curriculum and coaching. Staff participate in a variety of committees, book clubs, and PLCs.



Student Supports and Services:

There are many support services offered at Closter Public Schools that are designed to assist students in their studies and social interactions. Examples include classroom interventions, the Intervention and Referral Services committee designed to offer additional strategies for struggling students. Among the services offered in school are ELL, Basic Skills, Gifted and Talented, OT/PT, Orton-Gillingham multisensory reading, speech-language services, a School Guidance Counselor and a School Psychologist.



Student Health and Wellness:

Closter students engage in physical fitness and health on a regular basis. Yoga and meditation were added to the activities. All students participate in recess every day. Sixth graders take a Northern Valley Criterion Reference Test on Health. Closter had the highest passing rate in the consortium of schools. In the middle school, the health classroom was converted into a fitness center.

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Parent and Community Involvement:

Closter has a supportive PTO. The PTO raised enough money to put air conditioning in every classroom. The PTO sponsors cultural events like the Veteran's Day and Lunar New Year assemblies, the spring musical, and school dances. In addition, parents may join the superintendent's advisory group. Parents are informed about student progress through a parent portal that not only displays grades but contacts parents about district events. Parents are also part of committees for ELL, Title I, Special Education, and HIB.



Facilities:

The Closter Public School District has two school buildings. Hillside Elementary School was built in 1955 but has had additions through 2005. Tenakill Middle School was built in the earlier part of the 20th century with extensive additions in 1996. Both schools include STEM labs, TV production studios and stages, gymnasiums, and media centers.



School Safety:

Closter invested in additional security measures in 2018 and continues to prioritize school safety. School safety is a priority for Closter Public Schools. Visitor access is limited to essential business. Staff and students practice a variety of drills. In conjunction with the Closter Police Department, upgrades to the lockdown system and evacuation plan have firmed up safety measures for the Hillside community within the past year. Cameras, outside and in, have added a level of security to the building and grounds. Frequent police presence in the school is a reassuring presence.

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Technology and STEM:

Under the program umbrella, Closter has several STEM initiatives for the students to participate in during the day and after school. Coding and robotics are embedded in the program. General education classes also participate in Hour of Code. After school activities are available through separate courses supported by the PTO. The Closter Nature Center supports the curriculum in most grades, investigating the local environment and animal habitats. Regarding technology, all teachers use Macbooks and either Promethean Boards or SmartBoards, while students utilize laptops or iPads.



Early Childhood Education:

Closter offers an integrated preschool program for students starting at three years old. Teachers are dually certified in early childhood and special education. A speech therapist is dedicated to the classes and students receive enrichment from the special area staff, such as world language, physical education, library sciences, music and movement, and art. Enrollment is limited and wait lists are often needed for general education students. Tuition is based on half day and full day services.



Addressing the Impact of COVID-19:

The district offers both hybrid and fully virtual schedules during the COVID Pandemic. Hybrid students attend on alternating four hour A/B days. For full information regarding our reopening plan, visit our district web site or https://tb2cdn.schoolwebmasters.com/accnt_390190/site_390191/Documents/Closter-Reopening-Plan.pdf.

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Other Information:

Closter Public Schools are an integral part of the borough. Teachers, staff, and parents strive to work together to foster learning opportunities for children that are challenging and interesting in a safe, relaxed, and welcoming atmosphere.