

County: Morris

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Netcong School District (27-3520)

2019-2020

Superintendent: Mrs. Kathleen Walsh

District Website

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26 College Road Netcong, NJ 07857

District: Netcong School District

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

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Engage with school communities to identify where schools are doing well and where they can improve

Important Notes for 2019-2020: The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on the way the NJDOE was able to measure school performance and student achievement for the 2019-2020 School Performance Reports. Some data is not available at all and other data, while available, may not look the same as it did in prior years. The NJDOE also recognizes that our existing data can't begin to measure the hard work and perseverance of the students, families, educators and community members during this difficult year. This past year has been unlike any other, and the NJDOE believes that it is critical to use the available data in the reports, along with other information collected directly within districts and communities, to start conversations, identify gaps in information, and begin to find ways to address the impacts of COVID-19 and ensure all students receive the support that they need.

The 2019-2020 School Performance Reports will not include the following data elements:

- · Statewide assessment participation and performance (NJSLA, DLM, ACCESS for ELLs)
- Student growth Data
- Chronic absenteeism rates
- Progress toward English language proficiency
- · ESSA Summative ratings or indicator scores
- · Status in meeting annual targets or standards for ESSA indicators

A new "Impact of COVID-19 on Data Availability" resource summarizes which data is available, which data is not available, and which data may have been impacted. Notes are included throughout the School Performance Reports and the Reference Guide to explain where data is missing or impacted by COVID-19. Look for "Important Note for 2019-2020" sections.

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:

- New Impact of COVID-19 on Data Availability
- · 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)

Let the NJDOE know how we can improve future reports by taking our feedback survey. Contact reportcard@doe.nj.gov with any questions about the reports.



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District Contact Information

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PERFORMANCE REPORT

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Overview & Resources

Schools in this District					
Click on a school name below to access the detailed school-level report for each school.					
School Name	Grades Offered				
Netcong Elementary School	PK-08				



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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	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
PK	29	18	19
KG	31	27	25
1	29	31	29
2	23	23	31
3	39	24	22
4	27	39	27
5	30	21	39
6	40	31	21
7	32	41	34
8	36	34	39
Total	316	289	286

Enrollment Trends by Student Group

This table shows the percentage of students by student group for the past three school years. Note that 2019-20 is the first year that data was collected for non-binary/undesignated gender and, as a result, the 2019-20 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.

Student Group	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Female	50.9%	50.2%	49.5%
Male	49.1%	49.8%	50.5%
Non-Binary/Undesignated Gender			<1%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	38.9%	40.5%	39.5%
Students with Disabilities	19.0%	19.0%	21.0%
English Learners	4.4%	5.5%	7.0%
Homeless Students	2.5%	1.0%	0.3%
Students in Foster Care	0.9%	1.7%	0.7%
Military-Connected Students	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Migrant Students	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Enrollment by Racial and Ethnic Group

This table shows the percentage of students by racial and ethnic group for the past three school years.

Racial And Ethnic Group	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
White	54.4%	51.6%	51.4%
Hispanic	35.1%	39.4%	38.1%
Black or African American	5.7%	4.8%	5.6%
Asian	3.2%	2.8%	2.8%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Two Or More Races	0.9%	1.0%	1.7%



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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	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20		
PK - Half Day	29	15	4		
PK - Full Day	0	3	15		
KG - Half Day	0	0	0		
KG - Full Day	31	27	25		



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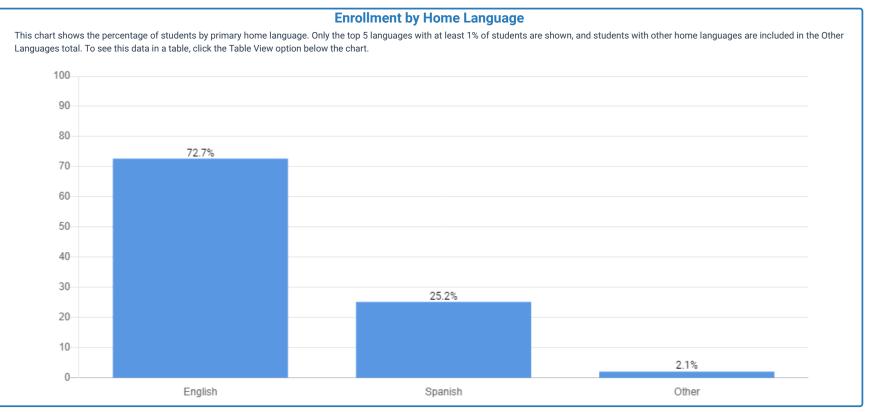
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Student Growth

Student growth is a measure of how much students are learning each year. Each 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 that explains their progress compared to students who had the same test scores in previous years.

A student's SGP falls between 1 and 99 and can be grouped into three levels:

Low Growth: Less than 35

Typical Growth: Between 35 and 65

High Growth: Greater than 65

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

Important note for 2019-20: Due to the cancellation of statewide assessments as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, student growth percentile were not calculated and will not be reported for the 2019-20 school year. Tables showing 2019-20 median student growth percentiles and other measures of student growth will not be included in this report.



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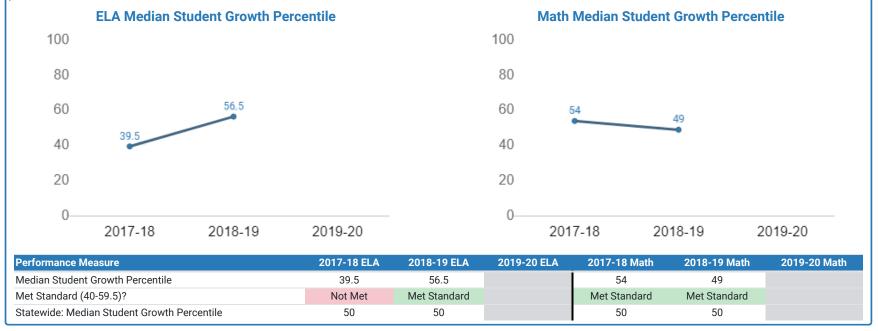
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Student Growth

Student Growth Trends and Progress

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

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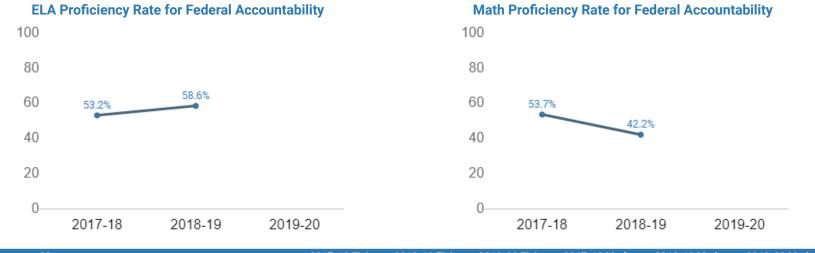
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English Language Arts and Mathematics Performance Trends

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

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Performance Measure	2017-18 ELA	2018-19 ELA	2019-20 ELA	2017-18 Math	2018-19 Math	2019-20 Math
Participation Rate	98.6%	98.4%		98.6%	98.5%	
Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability	53.2%	58.6%		53.7%	42.2%	
Annual Target	58.2%	59.4%		51.9%	53.5%	
Met Annual Target?	Met Target†	Met Target†		Met Target	Not Met	
Statewide Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability	56.7%	57.9%		45.0%	44.5%	
† Target was met within a confidence interval.						



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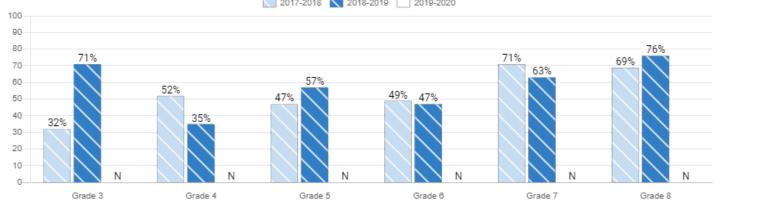
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English Language Arts Assessment - Performance Trends

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

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Percentage of Students Meeting/Exceeding Expectations



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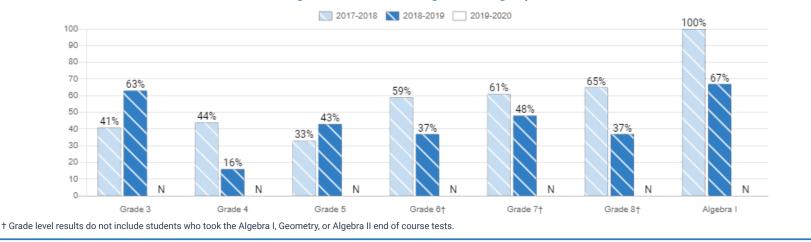
Mathematics Assessment – Performance Trends

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

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

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DLM Alternate Assessment -Participation

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

Important note for 2019-20: Due to the cancellation of statewide assessments and a federal waiver as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, DLM participation is not available for 2019-20.

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.

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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.

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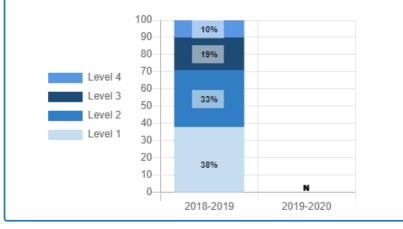
The New Jersey Student Learning Assessment for Science (NJSLA-S) measures student proficiency with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards for Science. All students in grades 5, 8, and 11 will take the NJSLA-Science assessment. Students receive a score of Level 1, 2, 3, or 4 where levels 3 and 4 represent proficiency. Visit the <u>NJSLA-Science website</u> for more information about NJSLA-S. These results do not include students that took the Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) Science assessment, visit the <u>assessment reports page</u> for DLM results.

Important note for 2019-20: Due to the cancellation of statewide assessments and a federal waiver as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, statewide assessment results are not available for 2019-20. Tables showing 2019-20 NJSLA Science assessment results will not be included in this report.

NJSLA Science Assessment: Grade 5 Summary

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

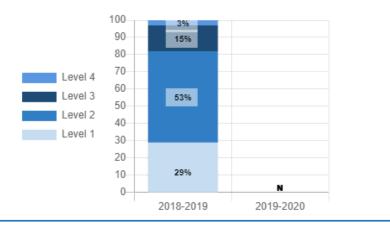
Important note for 2019-20: Due to the cancellation of statewide assessments and a federal waiver as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, statewide assessment results for NJSLA Science are not available for 2019-20.



NJSLA Science Assessment: Grade 8 Summary

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

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College and Career Readiness

Information about <u>New Jersey Student Learning Standards</u> can be found on the NJDOE website.

Mathematics - Course Participation					
This table shows the number of students who were enrolled in Mathematics courses by grade and subject area. Students are counted more than once if they were enrolled in courses across multiple subject areas.					
Grade	Algebra I	Geometry	Other Math		
6	0	0	22		
7	0	0	36		
8	19	0	22		
Total	19	0	80		



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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	22	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	36	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	41	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	99	0	0	0	0	0	0



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Computer Science and Information Technology – 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	Computing Systems	Other Computer Science	Networking	Information Systems	Other IT
6	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	N
7	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν
8	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0



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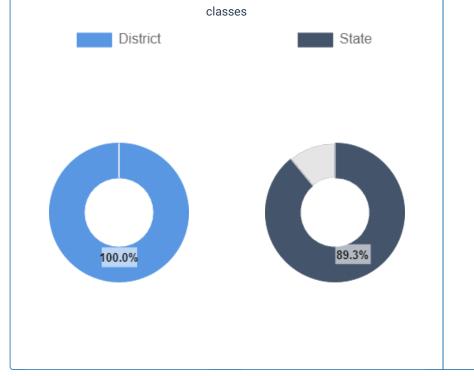
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Visual and Performing Arts – Course Participation

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

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





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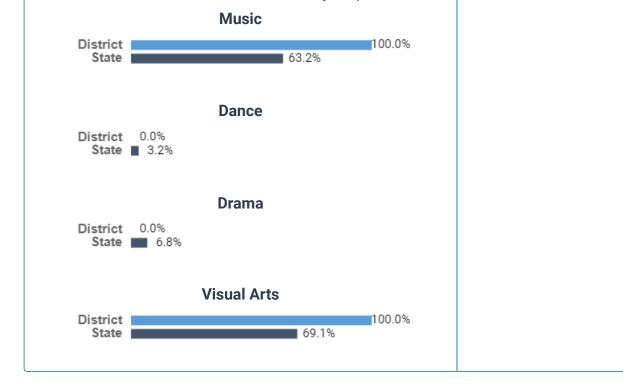
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Students enrolled in one or more classes by discipline:





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Climate and Environment

Student absences provide important information about a school's culture and climate. Research shows that absences impact a student's ability to succeed in school. The New Jersey Department of Education used input from New Jersey communities to select chronic absenteeism as its measure of school quality and student success for the ESSA accountability plan. **Chronic absenteeism** is defined as being absent for 10% or more of the days enrolled during the school year. A student who is not present for any reason, whether excused, unexcused, or for disciplinary action, is considered absent unless permitted by state statute or regulations. Students with fewer than 45 days in membership are excluded from attendance calculations.

Important Note for 2019-20: Due the COVID-19 pandemic, NJDOE received a federal waiver which removed the requirement to report on chronic absenteeism and related accountability measures for the 2019-20 school year. As a result, NJDOE will not report on chronic absenteeism and other attendance data for 2019-20. Tables showing 2019-20 attendance data will be hidden in this report.



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Important note for 2019-20: Due to school closures as a result of Executive Order 107, discipline data for the 2019-20 school year may not be comparable to prior or future school years and NJDOE recommends caution in making comparisons.

Violence, Vandalism, HIB, and Substance Offenses

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

Incident Type	Number of Incidents
Violence	0
Weapons	0
Vandalism	0
Substances	0
Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)	2
Total Unique Incidents	2
Incidents Per 100 Students Enrolled	0.70

Police Notifications

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

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



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Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) Investigations

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

HIB Nature (Protected Category)	HIB Alleged	HIB Confirmed	Total HIB Investigations
Race	0	0	0
Religion	0	0	0
Ancestry	0	0	0
Gender	0	0	0
Sexual Orientation	0	0	0
Disability	0	1	1
Other	0	1	1
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
In-School Suspensions	*	*
Out-of-School Suspensions	*	*
Any Suspension	*	*
Removal to other education program	0	0.0%
Expulsion	0	0.0%
Arrest	0	0.0%

School Days Missed due to Out-of-School Suspensions



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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	29	119,170
Average years experience in public schools	13.4	12.3
Average years experience in district	11.4	11.0
Percentage of Teachers with 4 or more years experience in the district	62.1%	75.8%
Number of out-of-field teachers	0	2,276

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	3	9,574
Average years experience in public schools	20.7	16.2
Average years experience in district	2.7	12.3
Percentage of Administrators with 4 or more years experience in the district	33.3%	77.9%

Student and Staff Ratios

This table shows ratios of students and staff members in the district.

Ratio	District Ratio
Students to Teachers	10:1
Students to Administrators	95:1
Teachers to Administrators	10:1
Students to Librarians/Media Specialists	N
Students to Nurses	286:1
Students to Counselors	286:1
Students to Child Study Team Members	143:1



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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. Note that 2019-20 is the first year that data was collected for nonbinary/undesignated gender and, as a result, the 2019-20 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.

Category	Students in District	Teachers in District	Administrators in District	Students in State	Teachers in State	Administrators in State
Female	49.5%	83.0%	33.5%	48.5%	77.0%	55.5%
Male	50.5%	17.0%	66.5%	51.5%	23.0%	44.5%
Non-Binary/Undesignated Gender	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%
White	51.4%	89.7%	100.0%	41.4%	83.2%	77.0%
Hispanic	38.1%	10.3%	0.0%	30.5%	7.6%	7.4%
Black or African American	5.6%	0.0%	0.0%	15.1%	6.6%	14.1%
Asian	2.8%	0.0%	0.0%	10.2%	2.1%	1.2%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Two or More Races	1.7%	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%	0.2%	0.2%



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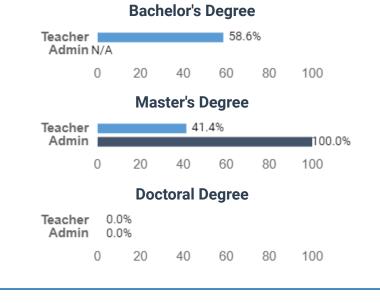
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Teachers and Administrators - Level of Education

This chart shows the highest level of education attained by teachers and administrators. The Bachelor's 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 2018-19 that were still assigned to this district in 2019-20. Staff who were not retained may have changed districts or no longer work for the state (including retirements).

Job Type	District	State
2018-19 Teachers: Same district 2019-20	96.2%	90.7%
2018-19 Administrators: Same district 2019-20	33.3%	87.8%



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Per-Pupil Expenditures

Per-Pupil Expenditures by Source

The link below produces a table summarizing the most recently available expenses for regular and special education students taught at schools in the district. The amounts shown include expenditures for instruction, support services, administration, operations and maintenance, and extra-curricular activities.

For more information regarding this table please refer to the guidance for school level reporting, which is available on the <u>NJDOE webpage ESSA School Level Reporting Information</u>. More in-depth information about district and charter school spending can be found in the <u>User Friendly Budget</u> and the <u>Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and Auditor Management Reports (AMRs)</u>.

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 2019-20 School-Level Per Pupil Expenditures by Source.

An option to <u>download all school-level summaries by district</u> in one spreadsheet is also available. However, because districts have flexibility in how certain costs are allocated to individual schools, school-level costs should not be compared between schools in different districts.

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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 students group 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 <u>statewide progress toward long-term</u> goals, see these <u>accountability resources</u>.

Important Note for 2019-2020: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, New Jersey received a <u>waiver from the United States Department of Education (USED)</u> in March 2020 to waive statewide assessment, accountability, and reporting requirements in the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) for the 2019-2020 school year. This removes the requirement to:

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

As a result of the March 2020 waiver, any school that was identified for comprehensive or targeted support and improvement during the 2019-2020 school year for support during the 2020-2021 school year will retain the same status for the 2021-2022 school year and continue to receive support and interventions from the NJDOE.

For the categories that are identified every three years, the last identification occurred in the 2018-2019 school year (based on 2017-2018 data) and the next identification was scheduled for the 2021-2022 school year (based on 2020-2021 data). Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and associated federal waivers, New Jersey has submitted a proposed addendum to New Jersey's consolidated state plan to delay the next identification until the 2022-2023 school year (based on 2021-2022 data) and also delay the exit of all currently identified schools to align with the next identification.

For the annual identification of schools for Targeted Support and Improvement: Consistently Underperforming Student Group, no schools will be identified during the 2020-2021 school year as a result of the March 2020 waiver. New Jersey has submitted a request to USED to waive the next identification in the 2021-2022 school year due to the lack of two consecutive years of data.

Because these requests to adjust exit dates are dependent on approval by USED, exit dates are not included in the 2019-2020 reports. Updated exit dates will be shared directly with districts when they are finalized. Check the <u>accountability resources</u> page for current information.

The 2019-2020 Accountability Indicator Scores and Summative Ratings and Accountability Summary by Student Group tables will not be included in the report for 2019-2020 as these tables include indicator scores, summative scores, and progress toward long-term goals and those measures were waived under the March 2020 waiver.



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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 2021-22 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 <u>NJDOE ESSA Accountability webpage</u> includes a <u>list of all schools</u> requiring comprehensive or targeted support and improvement with the amount of School Improvement Aid (SIA) funds received and information on <u>exit criteria</u> for identified schools.

There are currently no schools in this district identified as requiring comprehensive or targeted support during the 2021-22 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 represent the percentage of students that met or exceeded expectations on statewide assessments (NJSLA/PARCC or DLM). ELA and Math Growth represent the median student growth percentile. Four- and five-year graduation rates represent the adjusted cohort graduation rates. Progress toward English Language Proficiency, which was first available in 2017-18, shows the percentage of English Learners that demonstrated the expected amount of growth on the ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Assessment for English Language proficiency. Chronic absenteeism represents the percentage of students that were absent for 10% or more of the days enrolled during the school year.

ESSA Acountability Indicator	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
ELA Proficiency	53.2%	58.6%	
Math Proficiency	53.7%	42.2%	
ELA Growth	40	57	
Math Growth	54	49	
4-Year Graduation Rate†	Ν	Ν	Ν
5-Year Graduation Rate†	Ν	Ν	Ν
Progress toward English Language Proficiency	60.0%	*	
Chronic Absenteeism	9.0%	10.9%	
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Narrative

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Highlights:	 The district began to highlight students and staff at monthly Board of Education meetings to recognize their achievements. The shared regional supervisor of curriculum and instruction position was reinstated. The district sponsored a Robotics club for students.
Mission, Vision, Theme:	Netcong, a tradition to nurture, inspire, empower, and achieve by all, for all.



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Mrs. Arbolino was named the Teacher of the Year and Ms. Yaeger was named the Education Services Professional of the Year. Mrs. Koch was recognized as an Exemplary Educator by the New Jersey Department of Education for her teaching methodologies in middle school math. Mr. Sandrue was recognized by the New Jersey Department of Education as an Exemplary Educator for his teaching methodologies in middle school Language Arts, Updates to safety and security were put into motion and a number of facilities upgrades were accomplished.



Courses, Curriculum, Instruction:

The district offers a comprehensive educational program to students in Pre-K through eight. Students in Pre-K utilize the Creative Curriculum which provides them with a foundation in ELA, Math, and Social Skills to prepare the students for Kindergarten. Students in grades K-8 take math, ELA, science, social studies, music, art, Spanish, computers/STEM/STEAM, PE, Health, Character Education, and Financial Literacy. An enrichment period is built into students' schedules to provide additional instruction in the areas of ELA and Math. Algebra I is offered to eighth-grade students who excel in math. The district utilizes Pearson Reading Street and Pearson Envision Math for students in grades K-5. The district utilizes Pearson Literature and Pearson Digits for Math for students in grades 6-8. My Classroom Economy and Everfi are used to teach students about Financial Literacy.



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Sports Offered: Baseball (Boys & Girls)



Clubs and Activities:

The school district has both a boys and girls basketball team. In addition to those teams, the following clubs and activities are offered to students: Student Council, Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD), Yearbook Club, Beginner Band, Advanced Band, Chorus, Ski Club, Drama Club, Robotics Club, and Chef it Up.



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Breakfast before the bell is offered 180 days a year from 7:45 am - 8:15 am. The Netcong Education Foundation provides Before and After Care programs for students whose parents work. Homework help is available three days a week from 3 pm - 4 pm for students in grades 6-8 and twice a week from 3 pm - 4 pm for students in K-5. The Homework help is targeted to specific grade levels to ensure the needs of the students are being met: K-1,2-3, 4-5, 6-8, and ELL.



The district holds four in-service days for the staff where in house professional development takes place. The faculty, administration, and paraprofessionals participated in training in Response to Intervention and the Link It! platform as a way to measure academic growth and identify standards with which individual students struggle. Furthermore, staff participated in training on implementing the Reader's Workshop model and the Sonday System as the district planned to shift from a basal reader to the workshop model for Language Arts Instruction. Additionally, teachers participate in weekly Professional Learning Communities. Finally, all staff members are encouraged to attend outside professional development opportunities and then turnkey what they learned to the staff at a faculty meeting.



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Anti-bullying programs are offered each year to students. The Second Step Social and Emotional Learning program was implemented for students in K-8. The district partnered with Prevention is Key on a variety of health and wellness programs for students including Footprints, We're Not Buying It, and Curriculum-Based Support Group. All students in grades K-8 have physical education and health. Character Education is also built into students' weekly schedules.



Parent and Community Involvement: The district has an active PTA and Education Foundation. The PTA and Netcong Education Foundation (NEF) sponsor several events for students and staff during the year. The district is engaged with local community organizations such as the police department, fire department, local businesses, the Municipal Alliance, the Netcong Stanhope Rotary, and the Growing Stage Theatre. The district partners with the Municipal Alliance to bring in programs that support student health and wellness.



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The Main Office was redone and retrofitted with a security vestibule. Security bollards were also installed.



All staff members are trained yearly on the district's crisis plan. A list of updates to school security and safety were compiled and prioritized. The district continues to make upgrades to security to ensure the safety of the students and staff in the district. The district works closely with the Netcong Police Department to increase security measures at the school. Security bollards were installed. Security cameras were installed in the buildings and on the campus.



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The district offers a Pre-School Disabled Class and received Preschool Expansion Funds to offer a full day integrated preschool program. The district also offers a full-day Kindergarten program. The Ready Rosie program is utilized as a tool to engage parents in their child's/children's educations.



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Due to COVID-19, students who needed a device to continue their learning were issued a district Chromebook. Teachers and administrators met weekly in a virtual environment for lunch to discuss concerns and were provided with support as needed. Paraprofessionals were assigned to assist struggling students during distance learning last spring. Surveys were administered to parents to identify strengths and weaknesses of distance learning and modifications were made accordingly. Despite the COVID-19 shut down, our 8th graders participated in a virtual graduation that allowed them to deliver speeches and receive their diplomas.