## Stamford School District

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## District Information



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Unless otherwise noted, all data are for 2022-23 and include all grades offered by the district.

In most tables, data are displayed only for the three major race/ethnicity categories. For additional race/ethnicity categories, please visit https://edsight.ct.gov

State totals are not displayed as they are not comparable to district totals.

Special Education tables reflect only students for whom the district is fiscally responsible.

* When an asterisk is displayed, data have been suppressed to safeguard student confidentiality. Complete data suppression guidelines are available at https://tinyurl.com/SuppressionPolicy

N/A is displayed when a category is not applicable for a district or school.

## Students

October 1, 2022 Enrollment ${ }^{2}$

| October 1, 2022 Enrollment ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Count |  |  |
| District |  |  |  |
| Percent of Total |  |  |  |
| $(\%)$ |  |  |  |\(\left.) \begin{array}{c}State <br>

Percent of Total <br>
(\%)\end{array}\right)\)
${ }^{2}$ This table represents students in grades PK-12 reported by the district in the Public School Information System (i.e., PSIS Reporting District).
${ }^{3}$ Students in this category are students with an individualized education program (IEP) only. This category does not include students with Section 504 plans or services plans.

Chronic Absenteeism and Suspension/Expulsion

|  | Chronic Absenteeism |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Count | Suspension/Expulsion |  |  |
|  | Rate (\%) | Count | Rate (\%) |  |
| Female | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Male | 1,864 | 22.4 | 441 | 4.9 |
| Non-Binary | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Black or African American | 586 | 27.7 | 210 | 9.2 |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 2,040 | 25.2 | 393 | 4.5 |
| White | 597 | 14.3 | 103 | 2.3 |
| English Learners/Multilingual Learners | 879 | 31.6 | 134 | 4.4 |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 2,254 | 28.1 | 564 | 6.0 |
| Students with Disabilities | 860 | 33.8 | 195 | 6.4 |
| District | 3,584 | 22.5 | 741 | 4.4 |
| State |  | 20.0 |  | 7 |

Number of students qualified as truant under state statute: 3,293
Number of school-based arrests: 36
${ }^{4}$ A student is chronically absent if they miss ten percent or greater of the total number of days enrolled in the school year for any reason. Pre-Kindergarten students are excluded from this calculation.
${ }^{5}$ This column displays the count and percentage of students who receive at least one in-school suspension, out-of-school suspension or expulsion.

## District Profile and Performance Report for School Year 2022-23 Stamford School District

## Educators

| Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) ${ }^{1}$ Staff |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | FTE |
| General Education |  |
| Teachers and Instructors | 1,143.9 |
| Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants | 95.0 |
| Special Education |  |
| Teachers and Instructors | 191.6 |
| Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants | 354.0 |
| Administrators, Coordinators and Department Chairs |  |
| District Central Office | 20.2 |
| School Level | 77.2 |
| Library/Media |  |
| Specialists (Certified) | 2.5 |
| Support Staff | 1.0 |
| Instructional Specialists Who Support Teachers | 67.0 |
| Counselors, Social Workers and School Psychologists | 114.8 |
| School Nurses | 27.0 |
| Other Staff Providing Non-Instructional Services/Support | 623.1 |
| ${ }^{1}$ In the full-time equivalent count, staff members working part-time in the school are counted as a fraction of full-time. For example, a teacher who works half-time in a school contributes 0.50 to the school's staff count. |  |


| Educators by Race/Ethnicity |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | District <br> Percent of Total <br> $(\%)$ |  | State <br> Percent of Total <br> $(\%)$ |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 2 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Asian | 46 | 2.8 | 1.3 |
| Black or African American | 113 | 6.9 | 4.6 |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 141 | 8.7 | 4.9 |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific <br> Islander | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Two or More Races | 2 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| White | 1,325 | 81.3 | 88.7 |

Classroom Teacher Attendance: 2021-22

|  | District | State |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Average Number of FTE Days Absent Due to Illness or Personal Time | 19.0 | 13.2 |

## Instruction and Resources

| 11th and 12th Graders Enrolled in |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| College-and-Career-Readiness Courses during High School |  |  |  |  |
|  | 11th |  | 12th |  |
|  | Count | Rate (\%) | Count | Rate (\%) |
| Black or African American | 142 | 86.6 | 169 | 90.4 |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 420 | 84.5 | 419 | 89.7 |
| White | 340 | 95.5 | 299 | 95.8 |
| English Learners/Multilingual Learners | 118 | 67.8 | 126 | 77.3 |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 449 | 89.6 | 448 | 94.1 |
| Students with Disabilities | 136 | 91.9 | 151 | 88.3 |
| District | 1,006 | 89.5 | 968 | 92.3 |
| State |  | 86.5 |  | 94.2 |

${ }^{2}$ College-and-Career-Readiness Courses include Advanced Placement ${ }^{\circledR}$ (AP), International Baccalaureate ${ }^{\circledR}(\mathrm{IB})$, Career and Technical Education(CTE), workplace experience and dual credit courses.

Students Who Spend 80\% or Greater Time with Nondisabled Peers ${ }^{3}$

|  | Count | Rate (\%) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Autism | 60 | 21.7 |
| Emotional Disability | 33 | 38.8 |
| Intellectual Disability | $*$ | $*$ |
| Learning Disability | 236 | 58.1 |
| Other Health Impairment | 188 | 60.1 |
| Other Disabilities | 1,171 | 51.2 |
| Speech/Language Impairment |  | 68.6 |
| District |  | 6 |
| State |  |  |

## District Profile and Performance Report for School Year 2022-23 Stamford School District

| Students with Disabilities by Primary Disability ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | District |  | State |
|  | Count | Rate (\%) | Rate (\%) |
| Autism | 292 | 1.8 | 2.4 |
| Emotional Disability | 85 | 0.5 | 1.0 |
| Intellectual Disability | 61 | 0.4 | 0.6 |
| Learning Disability | 1,084 | 6.8 | 6.3 |
| Other Health Impairment | 400 | 2.5 | 3.4 |
| Other Disabilities | 193 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| Speech/Language Impairment | 306 | 1.9 | 1.9 |
| All Disabilities | 2,421 | 15.1 | 16.7 |

${ }^{1}$ This table represents students in grades K-12 for whom the district is fiscally responsible (i.e., Nexus District students with an IEP or services plan).

## Students with Disabilities Placed Outside of the District ${ }^{2}$

|  | District |  | State |
| :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rate (\%) |  |  |  |

${ }^{2}$ This table represents students in grades $\mathrm{K}-12$ for whom the district is fiscally responsible (i.e., Nexus District students with an IEP or services plan).

Overall Expenditures ${ }^{3}$ : 2021-22

|  | Total (\$) | Per Pupil |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | District (\$) | State (\$) |
| Instruction | \$226,348,152 | \$13,996 | \$12,671 |
| Support services - students | \$19,015,848 | \$1,191 | \$1,558 |
| Support services - instruction | \$14,073,958 | \$882 | \$837 |
| Support services - general administration | \$7,532,889 | \$472 | \$463 |
| Support services - school based administration | \$18,123,085 | \$1,135 | \$1,133 |
| Central and other support services | \$5,707,434 | \$358 | \$716 |
| Operation and maintenance of plant | \$33,548,082 | \$2,101 | \$1,893 |
| Student transportation services | \$22,605,182 | \$1,750 | \$1,464 |
| Food services | . | . | \$5 |
| Enterprise operations | . | . | \$186 |
| Total | \$346,954,631 | \$21,454 | \$20,165 |

${ }^{3}$ Expenditures may be supported by local tax revenues, state grants, federal grants, municipal in-kind services, tuition and other sources.

Special Education Expenditures: 2021-22

|  | District |  | State |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total (\$) | Percent of <br> Total (\%) | Percent of <br> Total (\%) |
| Teacher Salaries | $\$ 19,271,706$ | 22.1 | 29.0 |
| Instructional Aide Salaries | $\$ 10,684,468$ | 12.2 | 10.6 |
| Other Salaries | $\$ 12,465,339$ | 14.3 | 10.1 |
| Employee Benefits | $\$ 10,973,882$ | 12.6 | 13.1 |
| Purchased Services Other Than Transportation | $\$ 6,981,216$ | 8.0 | 5.9 |
| Special Education Tuition | $\$ 18,648,642$ | 21.4 | 21.8 |
| Supplies | $\$ 851,002$ | 1.0 | 0.7 |
| Property Services | $\$ 7,133,566$ | 8.2 | 0. |
| Purchased Services For Transportation | $\$ 161,776$ | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| Equipment | $\$ 78,504$ | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| All Other Expenditures | $\$ 87,250,100$ | 100.0 | 100.1 |
| Total |  | 25.1 | 24.9 |
| Percent of Total Expenditures Used for Special Education |  |  |  |

Expenditures by Revenue Source ${ }^{4}$ : 2021-22

Percent of Total (\%) Excluding School Construction

| Local | 80.6 |
| :--- | :---: |
| State | 11.7 |
| Federal | 7.3 |
| Tuition \& Other | 0.4 |

${ }^{4}$ Revenue sources do not include state-funded Teachers' Retirement Board contributions, Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS) operations, CSDE-budgeted costs for salaries and leadership activities and other state-funded school districts (e.g., Dept. of Children and Families and Dept. of Correction).

## District Profile and Performance Report for School Year 2022-23 Stamford School District

## Performance and Accountability

## District Performance Index (DPI)

A District Performance Index (DPI) is the average performance of students in a subject area (i.e., ELA, Mathematics or Science) on the state summative assessments. The DPI ranges from 0-100. A DPI is reported for all students tested in a district and for students in each individual student group. Connecticut's ultimate target for a DPI is 75.

|  | English Language Arts (ELA) |  | Math |  | Science |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Count | DPI | Count | DPI | Count | DPI |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 9 | * | 9 | * | * | * |
| Asian | 514 | 73.6 | 514 | 72.7 | 229 | 69.6 |
| Black or African American | 1,053 | 51.6 | 1,046 | 44.1 | 477 | 48.0 |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 4,007 | 52.4 | 4,001 | 48.4 | 1,574 | 50.2 |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 8 | * | 8 | * | * | * |
| Two or More Races | 282 | 64.6 | 281 | 59.3 | 84 | 61.8 |
| White | 2,119 | 68.8 | 2,112 | 65.5 | 925 | 65.9 |
| English Learners/Multilingual Learners | 1,474 | 43.1 | 1,473 | 40.1 | 591 | 42.2 |
| Non-English Learners/Non-Multilingual Learners | 6,518 | 61.9 | 6,498 | 57.6 | 2,705 | 59.0 |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 4,251 | 52.5 | 4,240 | 47.9 | 1,712 | 50.4 |
| Not Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 3,741 | 65.2 | 3,731 | 61.8 | 1,584 | 62.1 |
| Students with Disabilities | 1,345 | 40.0 | 1,334 | 34.1 | 535 | 38.9 |
| Students without Disabilities | 6,647 | 62.2 | 6,637 | 58.4 | 2,761 | 59.3 |
| High Needs | 5,211 | 50.8 | 5,192 | 46.3 | 2,097 | 49.1 |
| Non-High Needs | 2,781 | 72.8 | 2,779 | 69.3 | 1,199 | 68.1 |
| District | 7,992 | 58.5 | 7,971 | 54.4 | 3,296 | 56.0 |

## National Assessment of Educational

 Progress (NAEP): Percent At or Above Proficient ${ }^{1}$|  | NAEP 2022 |  | NAEP $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| READING | Grade 4 | Grade 8 | Grade 12 |
| Connecticut | 35 | 35 | 50 |
| National Public | 32 | 29 | 36 |
| MATH | Grade 4 | Grade 8 | Grade 12 |
| Connecticut | 37 | 30 | 32 |
| National Public | 35 | 26 | 25 |

${ }^{1}$ NAEP is often called the "Nation's Report Card." It is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education. This table compares Connecticut's performance to that of national public school students. Performance standards for state assessments and NAEP are set independently. Therefore, one should not expect performance results to be the same across Smarter Balanced and NAEP. Instead, NAEP results are meant to complement other state assessment data. To view performance on NAEP by student group, at
https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Student-Assessment/NAEP/report-card_NAEP-2022.pdf

Physical Fitness Tests: Students Reaching Health Standard ${ }^{2}$

|  | Percent of Students by Grade ${ }^{3}$ (\%) |  |  | All Tested Grades |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 4 | 6 | 8 | HS | Count | Rate (\%) |
| Sit \& Reach | 83.8 | 69.4 | 74.5 | 73.4 | 5,590 | 75.0 |
| Curl Up | 71.6 | 74.3 | 78.5 | 79.1 | 5,507 | 76.4 |
| Push Up | 58.8 | 59.2 | 56.2 | 64.6 | 5,589 | 60.7 |
| Mile Run/PACER | 59.5 | 40.9 | 33.3 | 29.8 | 5,590 | 38.9 |
| All Tests - District | 30.1 | 22.7 | 24.4 | 20.8 | 5,253 | 23.9 |
| All Tests - State | 51.5 | 46.0 | 44.1 | 41.1 |  | 45.5 |

${ }^{2}$ The Connecticut Physical Fitness Assessment (CPFA) is administered to students in Grades 4, 6, 8 and High School (HS). The health-related fitness scores gathered through the CPFA should be used to educate and motivate children and their families to increase physical activity and develop lifetime fitness habits.
${ }^{3}$ Only students assessed in all four areas are included in this calculation.

# District Profile and Performance Report for School Year 2022-23 Stamford School District 

## Cohort Graduation: Four-Year¹

|  | 2021-22 |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
|  | Cohort Count | Rate (\%) |
| Black or African American | 207 | 79.7 |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 480 | 73.5 |
| White | 446 | 92.8 |
| English Learners/Multilingual Learners | 254 | 56.3 |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 803 | 77.8 |
| Students with Disabilities | 190 | 71.6 |
| District | 1,248 | 83.1 |
| State |  | 88.9 |

${ }^{1}$ The four-year cohort graduation rate represents the percentage of first-time 9 th graders who earn a standard high school diploma within four years.
${ }^{2}$ Cohort count includes all students in the cohort as of the end of the 2021-22 school year.

## 11th and 12th Graders Demonstrating Postsecondary Readiness ${ }^{3}$

|  | Participation | Meeting Benchmark |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | :---: |
|  | Rate (\%) | Count | Rate (\%) |
|  | $*$ | 417 | 39.2 |
| Female | 91.7 | $*$ | $*$ |
| Male | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Non-Binary | 87.2 | 56 | 16.0 |
| Black or African American | 91.5 | 236 | 24.5 |
| Hispanic or Latino | 96.7 | 403 | 60.3 |
| White | 84.0 | 16 | 4.7 |
| English Learners/ |  |  |  |
| Multilingual Learners | 92.3 | 235 | 24.1 |
| Eligible for Free or |  |  |  |
| Reduced-Price Meals | 78.7 | 22 | 6.9 |
| Students with Disabilities | 92.9 | 813 | 37.4 |
| District | 95.2 |  | 44.3 |
| State |  |  |  |

${ }^{3}$ Students demonstrate postsecondary readiness through at least one of the following:

- SAT ${ }^{\circledR}$ - meets benchmark score on SAT, Revised SAT or Connecticut School Day SAT
- $\mathrm{ACT}^{\circledR}$ - meets benchmark score on 3 of 4 exams (benchmark score varies by subject)
- $A P^{\circledR}-3$ or higher on any one $A P^{\circledR}$ exam
- $\mathrm{IB}^{\circledR}-4$ or higher on any one $\mathrm{IB}^{\circledR}$ exam
- Earning three or more non-remedial college credits cumulatively during high school.
${ }^{4}$ Participation Rate equals the number of test-takers in 11th and 12th grade divided by the number of students enrolled in those grades, as a percentage. Sources:

SAT ${ }^{\circledR}$ and $\mathrm{AP}^{\circledR}$ statistics derived from data provided by the College Board.
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ACT ${ }^{\circledR}$ statistics derived from data provided by ACT, Inc.
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College Entrance and Persistence

|  | Class of 2022 <br> Entrance ${ }^{5}$ <br> Rate (\%) | Class of 2021 <br> Persistence ${ }^{6}$ <br> Rate (\%) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Female | 71.5 | 90.3 |
| Male | 61.5 | 88.0 |
| Non-Binary | N/A | N/A |
| Black or African American | 67.4 | 82.8 |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 49.7 | 83.9 |
| White | 80.1 | 94.0 |
| English Learners/ Multilingual Learners | 24.2 | 76.9 |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 55.7 | 84.5 |
| Students with Disabilities | 44.5 | 70.6 |
| District | 66.4 | 89.3 |
| State | 66.1 | 87.7 |

${ }^{5}$ College entrance refers to the percent of high school graduates from the year who enrolled in college any time during the first year after higr school.
${ }^{6}$ College persistence refers to the percent of students who enrolled in college the first year after high school and returned for a second year (Freshman to Sophomore persistence).

Source: National Student Clearinghouse

# District Profile and Performance Report for School Year 2022-23 Stamford School District 

## Next Generation Accountability Results

Connecticut's Next Generation Accountability System is a broad set of 12 indicators that help tell the story of how well a district/school is preparing its students for success in college, careers, and life. It moves beyond test scores and graduation rates to provide a more holistic, multifactor perspective of district and school performance.

| Indicator |  | Index/Rate | Target | Points <br> Earned | Max Points | \% Points Earned | State Average Index/Rate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ELA Performance Index | All Students | 58.5 | 75 | 39.0 | 50 | 78.0 | 63.9 |
|  | High Needs Students | 50.8 | 75 | 33.9 | 50 | 67.7 | 54.1 |
| Math Performance Index | All Students | 54.4 | 75 | 36.2 | 50 | 72.5 | 59.7 |
|  | High Needs Students | 46.3 | 75 | 30.9 | 50 | 61.8 | 48.9 |
| Science Performance Index | All Students | 56.0 | 75 | 37.3 | 50 | 74.6 | 61.6 |
|  | High Needs Students | 49.1 | 75 | 32.7 | 50 | 65.4 | 51.1 |
| ELA Academic Growth | All Students | 52.6\% | 100\% | 52.6 | 100 | 52.6 | 57.2\% |
|  | High Needs Students | 49.3\% | 100\% | 49.3 | 100 | 49.3 | 52.5\% |
| Math Academic Growth | All Students | 56.4\% | 100\% | 56.4 | 100 | 56.4 | 61.8\% |
|  | High Needs Students | 52.3\% | 100\% | 52.3 | 100 | 52.3 | 55.5\% |
| Progress Toward English | Literacy | 50.6\% | 100\% | 25.3 | 50 | 50.6 | 55.3\% |
| Proficiency | Oral | 54.9\% | 100\% | 27.5 | 50 | 54.9 | 56.1\% |
| Chronic Absenteeism | All Students | 22.5\% | <=5\% | 15.1 | 50 | 30.1 | 20.0\% |
|  | High Needs Students | 28.2\% | <=5\% | 3.5 | 50 | 7.0 | 28.5\% |
| Preparation for CCR | \% Taking Courses | 90.8\% | 75\% | 50.0 | 50 | 100.0 | 90.4\% |
|  | \% Meeting Benchmark | 37.4\% | 75\% | 24.9 | 50 | 49.9 | 44.3\% |
| On-track to High School Graduation |  | 68.2\% | 94\% | 36.3 | 50 | 72.5 | 82.4\% |
| 4-year Graduation All Students (2022 Cohort) |  | 83.1\% | 94\% | 88.4 | 100 | 88.4 | 88.9\% |
| 6-year Graduation - High Needs Students (2020 Cohort) |  | 86.2\% | 94\% | 91.7 | 100 | 91.7 | 85.6\% |
| Postsecondary Entrance (Class of 2022) |  | 66.4\% | 75\% | 88.5 | 100 | 88.5 | 66.1\% |
| Physical Fitness (estimated part rate) and (fitness rate) |  | 100.0\% \| $23.9 \%$ | 75\% | 15.9 | 50 | 31.9 | 93.0\% \| 45.5\% |
| Arts Access |  | 61.7\% | 60\% | 50.0 | 50 | 100.0 | 54.5\% |
| Accountability Index |  |  |  | 937.6 | 1450 | 64.7 |  |

NOTE: A dot (.) appears in the table above when there are fewer than 20 students in the student group or the indicator is not applicable based on grades served.

| Gap Indicators | Non-High Needs Rate ${ }^{1}$ | High Needs Rate | Size of Gap | State Gap Mean +1 Stdev ${ }^{2}$ Is Gap an Outlier? ${ }^{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Achievement Gap Size Outlier? |  |  |  |  |
| ELA Performance Index Gap | 72.8 | 50.8 | 22.0 | 16.6 |
| Math Performance Index Gap | 69.3 | 46.3 | 23.0 | 18.0 |
| Science Performance Index Gap | 68.1 | 49.1 | 19.0 | 17.8 |
| Graduation Rate Gap | $94.0 \%$ | $86.2 \%$ | $7.8 \%$ | $8.7 \%$ |

${ }^{1}$ If the Non-High Needs Rate exceeds the ultimate target ( 75 for Performance Index and $94 \%$ for graduation rate), the ultimate target is used for gap calculations. ${ }^{2}$ If the size of the gap exceeds the state mean gap plus one standard deviation, the gap is an outlier.
NOTE: A dot (.) appears in the table above when there are fewer than 20 students in at least one of the student groups used to calculate the gap measure or the indicator is not applicable based on grades served. Gap calculations are based on unrounded rates.

| Subject/Student Group |  | Participation Rate (\%) |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| ELA | All Students | 97.6 |
|  | High Needs Students | 96.9 |
| Math | All Students | 97.3 |
|  | High Needs Students | 96.6 |
| Science | All Students | 95.2 |
|  | High Needs Students | 94.1 |

## Connecticut's State Identified Measurable Result (SIMR) for Children with Disabilities

Increase the reading performance of all 3rd grade students with disabilities statewide, as measured by Connecticut's English Language Arts (ELA) Performance Index.

Grade 3 ELA Performance Index for Students with Disabilities:
District: $\mathbf{4 3 . 5}$ State: $\mathbf{4 9 . 6}$
${ }^{3}$ Minimum participation standard is $95 \%$.

Supporting Resources: https://public-edsight.ct.gov/Overview/Next-Generation-Accountability-Dashboard\#related-links

## District Profile and Performance Report for School Year 2022-23 Stamford School District

## Narratives

## School District Improvement Plans and Parental Outreach Activities

Stamford Public Schools recognizes the challenges, successes and accomplishments that happen every day in our schools. We are a learning organization capable of continuous change and growth in which all students, staff, families - and the community - work collaboratively to ensure that every student is challenged, inspired and prepared to reach their maximum potential. The mission of the Stamford Public Schools is to provide an education that cultivates productive habits of mind, body and heart in every student. All School Strategic Improvement Plans are aligned to the district goals and focus on areas of mind, body, and heart. The focus for the 22-23 school year was on growth in the academic areas of reading and math, improving the chronic absenteeism rate, and developing social emotional learning programs. Stamford Public Schools has a district-wide Attendance Team and School Attendance Teams that meet monthly to review and analyze district and school attendance data. Stamford Public Schools has an Office of Family and Community Engagement, which supports implementation and planning for events in the schools and in the community for students and families. This department also provides support through full-time Parent Facilitators who work in schools as liaisons between home and school engaging in two-way communication with families. This year the department conducted Parent Teacher Home Visits (PTHV) for outreach for disengaged and disconnected students and families. It also continued a program (Here 2 Help) in collaboration with community partners to support and assist families of students who displayed disengagement from school The district and individual schools hosted several Parent Pop-Up Webinars to educate and engage parents on a variety of topics to help support their child's learning at home. The Family and Community Engagement (FCE) Advisory which was established during the 20-21 school year continued to bring voice from different stakeholders, generate ideas on how to best meet the needs of our students and families and foster action in support for our most marginalized families. Each school has a Parent Teacher Organization and School Governance Council that works closely with the school staff for programming. Stamford Public Schools continues to expand and improve special education services and programs for students with disabilities. All students who are identified as special education students are considered general education students first in all planning. Special education services and programs are developed and identified based on the individual needs of each student. The District has expanded in-district specialized programs for students with Autism, Intellectual Disabilities, Developmental Delays, and Emotional Disturbance. The increased number and quality of these programs has provided families with additional programming options to meet students' individual needs. Transition services for students ages 18-22 have also been an area of focus and expansion. We have developed our post-graduate transition services for supporting students with independent living, employment and post-secondary education opportunities through the age of 22. The District also continues to improve special education teachers' skills in delivering quality specialized reading support through focused professional development and coaching.

## Efforts to Reduce Racial, Ethnic and Economic Isolation

Stamford Public Schools is deeply committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion in all our schools.

1. Demographic Balance - The policy of the Stamford Public Schools requires that all schools are within $+/-10 \%$ of the district's demographic integration standard. 2. Magnet Schools - Stamford Public Schools includes six magnet schools - three elementary magnets, one K-8 interdistrict magnet school, one middle school magnet and one high school interdistrict magnet. In addition to providing parents some element of choice in the programs offered to their students, the purpose of the magnet schools is to manage enrollment and demographic balance. Accordingly, these magnet schools select students through a lottery process to control enrollment and achieve the district's integration standard. 3. Interdistrict Magnet Schools - The K-8 Interdistrict Magnet (Rogers IB) was initiated 12 years ago as an International Baccalaureate (IB) school. In September 2016 the Rogers IB School was expanded to a second school campus, Strawberry Hill. The Strawberry Hill campus is a K-7 school with approximately 750 students. We continue to add one grade per year with a planned student population of 900 by the 23-24 school year. At the high school level, the Academy of Information Technology \& Engineering (AITE) enrolls students in grades 9-12 from Stamford and neighboring towns. 4. Curricula - We have reviewed and implemented the recommendations of our external curriculum audit. We have implemented new curriculum in all of core high school courses. We are updating the curriculum in all core courses in middle school and planning a three year roll out of all updated elementary schools. 5. Cultural Events - All schools plan and host numerous events in the course of the school year to promote student, parent, and teacher knowledge and sensitivity to the wide variety of cultural backgrounds of Stamford students. 6. Stamford Public Schools continues to engage with the CSDE's effort to increase the diversity of the teaching staff. Our partnership with Educators Rising has allowed us to develop a high school pathway to teaching to encourage our students to return to Stamford upon completion of their degree.

# District Profile and Performance Report for School Year 2022-23 Stamford School District 

## Equitable Allocation of Resources among District Schools

Resources to all Stamford Public Schools are allocated based on student enrollment. Class sizes are planned to be 25 or lower in the elementary grades. At the middle and high school levels, class sizes are planned to be 30 or lower. Art, music and physical education specialists are assigned based upon school enrollment. The district uses a weighted allocation model that incorporates differential student needs to complement the existing allocation model based on enrollment. Separate budgets allocate funds for English Learner (EL) and Special Education students; these students are also counted in the total school enrollments for purposes of staff and material allocations. In addition to the districtwide budget allotments, each school is given a per capita allocation for materials and instructional supplies. The district continued to invest in technology devices (i.e. Chromebooks and laptops) as well as Wi-Fi hotspots for students. During the 22-23 school year, Stamford Public Schools continued a 1-to-1 technology program for both students and staff.

