



Garwood Boro (39-1710)

County: Union

District: Garwood Boro

 400 Second Avenue Garwood, NJ 07027




364
Total Students



PK-08
Grades Offered

Superintendent: Dr. Teresa Quigley

[District Website](#)

 908-789-0331 x2102

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 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)

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District Contact Information

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Type	Contact Information
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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
Lincoln	PK-08

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Demographics

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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	4	6	11
KG	37	39	33
1	45	36	40
2	32	46	35
3	48	32	44
4	47	48	30
5	35	49	45
6	47	37	47
7	41	48	35
8	41	43	44
Total	377	384	364

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	48.3%	50.0%	48.5%
Male	51.7%	50.0%	51.5%
Non-Binary/Undesignated Gender			<1%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	18.8%	15.9%	16.5%
Students with Disabilities	19.1%	19.5%	19.8%
English Learners	0.0%	0.5%	0.5%
Homeless Students	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Students in Foster Care	1.1%	0.0%	0.3%
Military-Connected Students	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
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	74.8%	74.5%	75.8%
Hispanic	22.3%	22.7%	20.9%
Black or African American	0.5%	0.3%	0.5%
Asian	0.8%	0.8%	0.5%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Two Or More Races	1.6%	1.8%	2.2%

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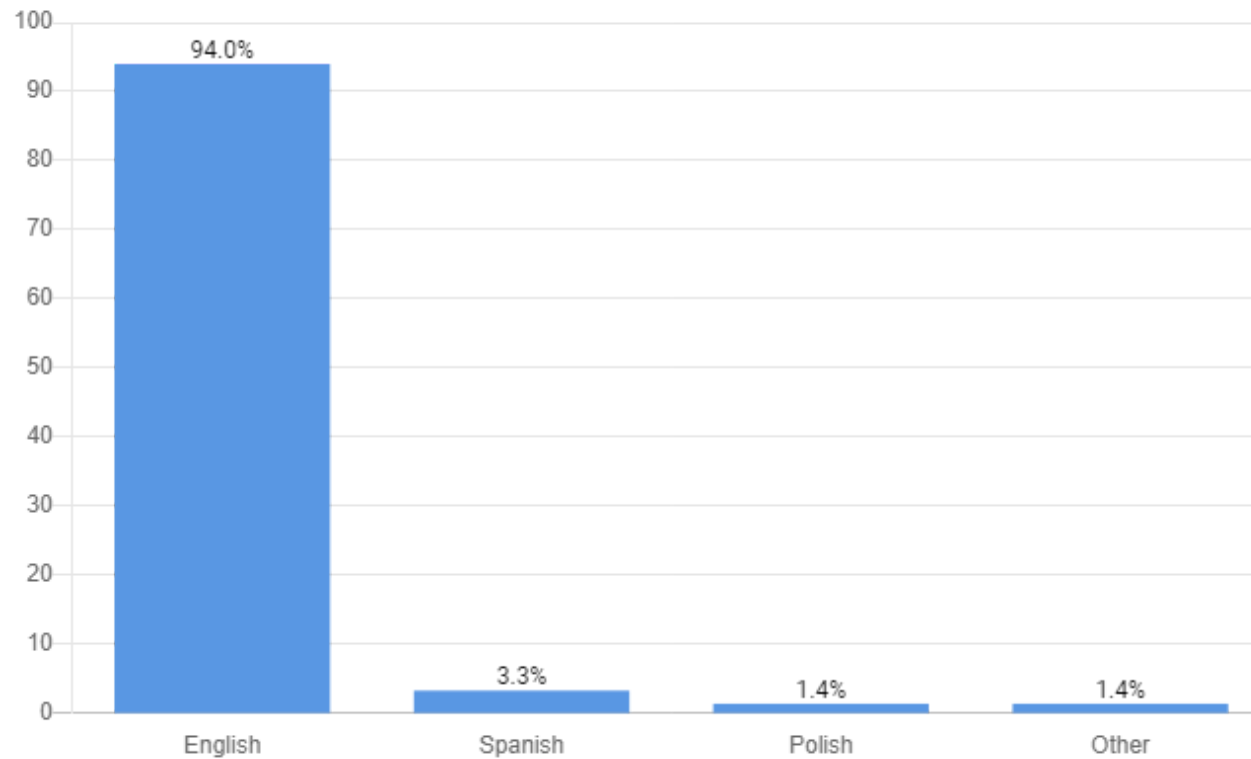
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Enrollment by Home Language

This chart 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.





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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 district are ordered from smallest to largest, the median student growth percentile (mSGP) for the district 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 percentiles 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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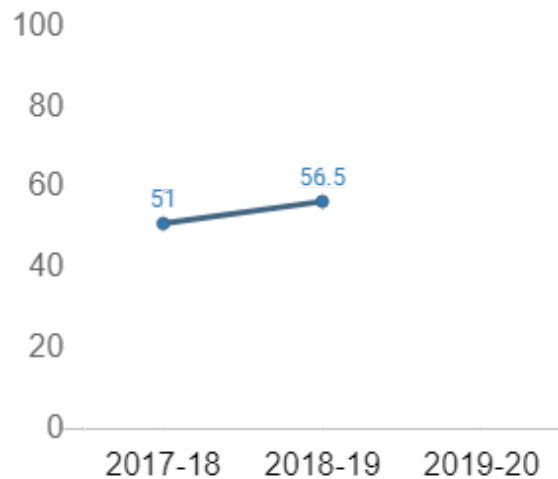
Student Growth

Student Growth Trends and Progress

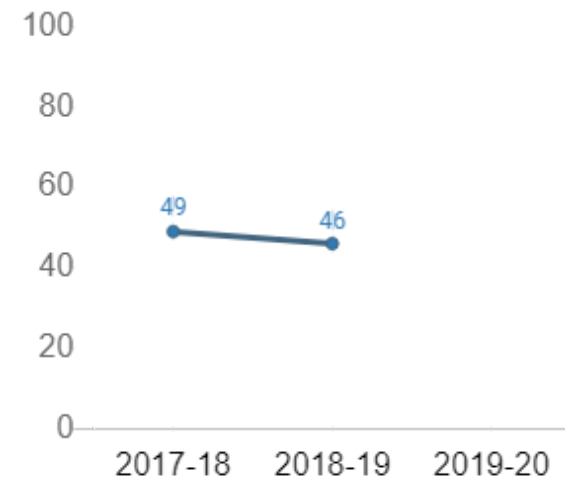
These graphs illustrate trends in student growth over the last three years. Student growth is measured by median student growth percentile. The table below tells us how student growth over the last three years compares to the state standard of 40-59.5 and to the statewide median.

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ELA Median Student Growth Percentile



Math Median Student Growth Percentile



Performance Measure	2017-18 ELA	2018-19 ELA	2019-20 ELA	2017-18 Math	2018-19 Math	2019-20 Math
Median Student Growth Percentile	51	56.5		49	46	
Met Standard (40-59.5)?	Met Standard	Met Standard		Met Standard	Met Standard	
Statewide: Median Student Growth Percentile	50	50		50	50	

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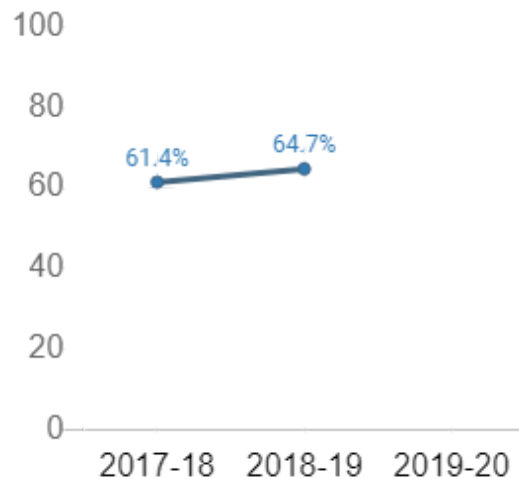
Important note for 2019-20: Due to the cancellation of statewide assessments and a federal waiver as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, statewide assessment results for the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments (NJSLA), Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM), and ACCESS for ELLs assessments and related accountability measures are not available and will not be reported for the 2019-20 school year. Tables showing 2019-20 statewide assessment results and related accountability measures will not be included in this report.

English Language Arts and Mathematics Performance Trends

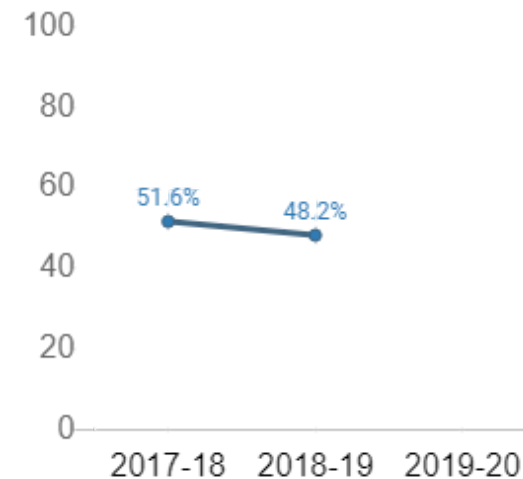
These graphs show trends in the Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability over the last three years. The data includes the results of students taking both the statewide assessment (NJSLA for 2018-19 and PARCC for 2017-18) and the DLM alternate assessment. The Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability 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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ELA Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability



Math Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability



Performance Measure	2017-18 ELA	2018-19 ELA	2019-20 ELA	2017-18 Math	2018-19 Math	2019-20 Math
Participation Rate	99.2%	99.2%		99.6%	98.9%	
Proficiency Rate for Federal Accountability	61.4%	64.7%		51.6%	48.2%	
Annual Target	59.4%	60.5%		49.7%	51.4%	
Met Annual Target?	Met Target	Met Target		Met Target	Met Target†	
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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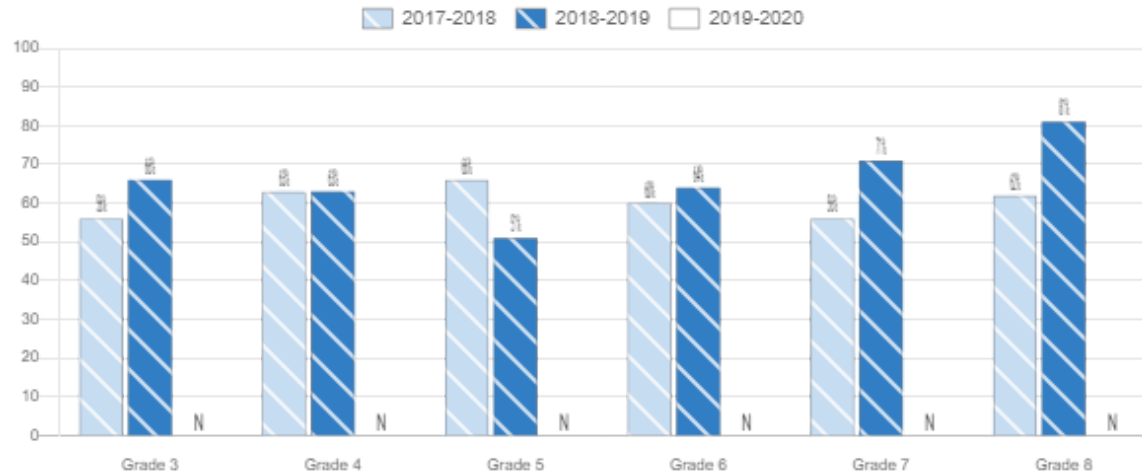
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English Language Arts Assessment - Performance Trends

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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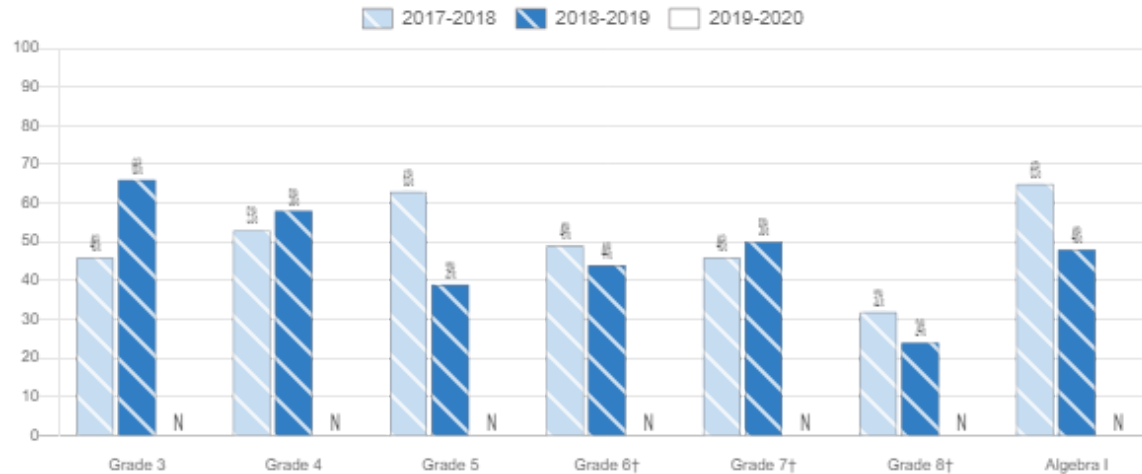
Mathematics Assessment – Performance Trends

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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Percentage of Students Meeting/Exceeding Expectations



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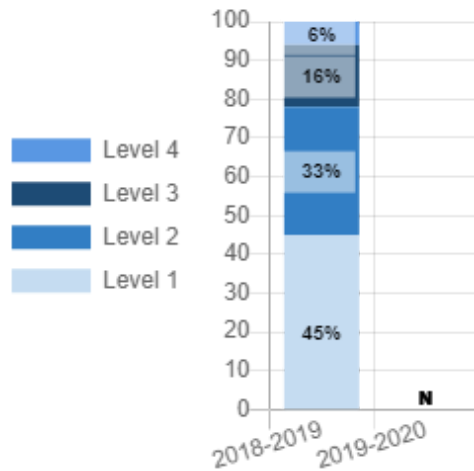
The New Jersey Student Learning Assessment for Science (NJSLA-S) measures student proficiency with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards for Science. All students in grades 5, 8, and 11 will take the NJSLA-Science assessment. Students receive a score of Level 1, 2, 3, or 4 where levels 3 and 4 represent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

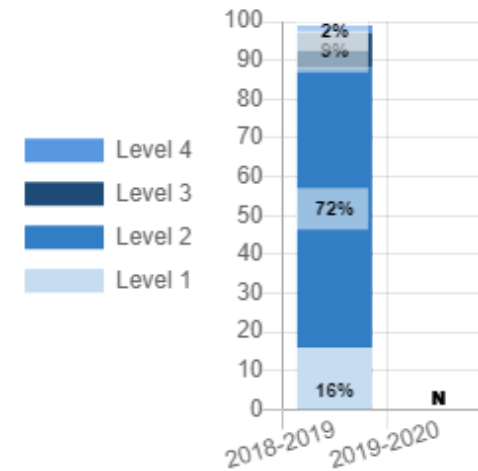
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NJSLA Science Assessment: Grade 8 Summary

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

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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	Other Math
6	0	0	47
7	0	0	35
8	20	0	23
Total	20	0	105

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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	N	N	N	N	N	N
7	N	N	N	N	N	N
8	N	N	N	N	N	N
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0

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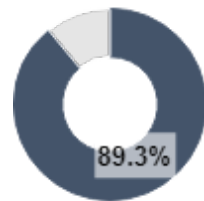
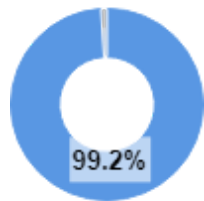
Visual and Performing Arts – Course Participation

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** classes

 District

 State



Students enrolled in one or more classes by discipline:

Music



Dance



Drama



Visual Arts





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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 to 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.

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").

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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	1
Weapons	0
Vandalism	0
Substances	0
Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)	1
Total Unique Incidents	2
Incidents Per 100 Students Enrolled	0.55

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 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	0	0	0
Religion	0	0	0
Ancestry	0	0	0
Gender	0	0	0
Sexual Orientation	0	1	1
Disability	0	0	0
Other	2	0	2
No Identified Nature	5		5

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	0	0.0%	N
Out-of-School Suspensions	*	*	
Any Suspension	*	*	
Removal to other education program	0	0.0%	
Expulsion	0	0.0%	
Arrest	0	0.0%	

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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	35	119,170
Average years experience in public schools	11.7	12.3
Average years experience in district	9.1	11.0
Percentage of Teachers with 4 or more years experience in the district	54.3%	75.8%
Number of out-of-field teachers	6	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	21.3	16.2
Average years experience in district	12.0	12.3
Percentage of Administrators with 4 or more years experience in the district	66.7%	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	121:1
Teachers to Administrators	12:1
Students to Librarians/Media Specialists	N
Students to Nurses	364:1
Students to Counselors	N
Students to Child Study Team Members	121:1

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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 non-binary/undesigned 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	48.5%	83.0%	100.0%	48.5%	77.0%	55.5%
Male	51.5%	17.0%	0.0%	51.5%	23.0%	44.5%
Non-Binary/Undesignated Gender	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%
White	75.8%	97.1%	100.0%	41.4%	83.2%	77.0%
Hispanic	20.9%	2.9%	0.0%	30.5%	7.6%	7.4%
Black or African American	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	15.1%	6.6%	14.1%
Asian	0.5%	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	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Two or More Races	2.2%	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%	0.2%	0.2%

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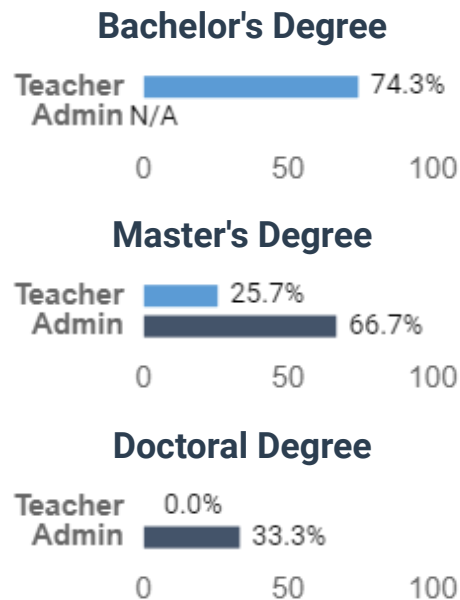
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Teachers and Administrators - Level of Education

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	85.3%	90.7%
2018-19 Administrators: Same district 2019-20	75.0%	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 [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 2018-19 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.

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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 [statewide progress toward long-term goals](#), see these [accountability resources](#).

Important Note for 2019-2020: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, New Jersey received a [waiver from the United States Department of Education \(USED\)](#) 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 [accountability resources](#) 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 [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 2020-21 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 Accountability Indicator	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
ELA Proficiency	61.4%	64.7%	
Math Proficiency	51.6%	48.2%	
ELA Growth	51	57	
Math Growth	49	46	
4-Year Graduation Rate†	N	N	N
5-Year Graduation Rate†	N	N	N
Progress toward English Language Proficiency	N	*	
Chronic Absenteeism	10.1%	8.4%	

† 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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Highlights:

- The staff, students, and parents of Lincoln School are extremely proud of the learning community that we have created that reflects the care and concern for the well-being of each individual student.
- Developing positive character attributes and becoming responsible community members is an important focus at Lincoln School. Lincoln Links and community service projects are a part of our curriculum.
- Our Curriculum Fair showcases the students' work in Spanish, Science, ELA, Math and Social Studies. Seasonal programs feature instrumental and vocal ensembles and 4th and 8th grade theater productions.



Mission, Vision, Theme:

The Garwood Board of Education believes that all children can learn and that the Garwood Public Schools must prepare pupils to be lifelong learners, good citizens, and involved community members. Through the use of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards and our commitment to excellence, the Garwood Public Schools, in partnership with the community, will support a positive and productive learning environment that will empower each child to develop his/her potential while building and fostering enthusiasm, curiosity, responsibility, creativity, critical thinking, and problem solving skills.

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Awards, Recognition, Accomplishments:

Each year our students participate in many contests and competitions including Cranford Rotary Are You Smarter than a Fifth Grader, Westfield Area YMCA Health Bee, Union County Freeholders Arbor Day Poetry Contest, Doodle for Google Art Contest, Red Ribbon Week Poster Contest, Union County Teen Arts Festival and DARE graduation.



Courses, Curriculum, Instruction:

The academic and instructional program is aligned to the NJ Student Learning Standards. Our dedicated teachers infuse 21st century skills, employ cross-curricular connections, and integrate writing across all content areas. After school homework help, electronic textbooks and teacher webpages are available to ensure success for all.

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Sports and Athletics:

Sports Offered: Baseball (Boys), Basketball (Boys & Girls), Field Hockey (Coed), Soccer (Coed), Softball (Girls)

Co-curricular sports, clubs and other school-sponsored activities provide our middle school students with a variety of opportunities to broaden their interests and further develop their talents. After school sports are provided on a seasonal basis.



Clubs and Activities:

School clubs are offered in all grades depending on student interest and staff availability, The following clubs have been offered in the past few years: Mustang Works of Heart Club, Near Space Club, Chromebook Club, Pep Club, Pay it Forward Club, Election Club and Back Stage Crew Club. In conjunction with the Garwood Public Library that is housed in our school, students also participate in ISTEAM, NASA Academy, and LEGO club. Student Council has coordinated many projects throughout the school year to help our students help the community. A yearly food drive, warm clothing drive, the Souper Bowl of Caring, and the Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service are some of the many service opportunities held at school.

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Before and After School Programs:

The Westfield Area YMCA rents the off-line Washington School from the district. The YMCA provides before and after care to all the Lincoln School students. The YMCA also provides pre-school to the community.



Staff and Professional Learning:

Lincoln School's ScIP committee continues to utilize our Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) for 2018-2019 school year. PLCs meet at least once a month to allow our staff members the time and opportunity to articulate with one another and share ideas. Staff are grouped in several ways throughout the school year, based upon the subject matter being covered. PLC groups meet in content areas to analyze standardized test results, evaluate assessment tools, and to discuss the applications of strategies used to enhance student-centered learning and the growth mindset. Our varied PLC groupings enable our teachers to collaborate effectively with their colleagues. In addition to our PLCs, the targeted PD areas and others are addressed through a combination of faculty meetings, in-service workshops, out-of-district workshops, grade-level and cross-grade level articulation, curriculum review and revision, mentoring, and online offerings .

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Student Supports and Services:

The IR&S committee which includes the 504 and CORE team meet monthly to discuss academic and behavioral student concerns. Eligible students are offered a tiered system of services and interventions to meet their needs. Basic Skills Instruction, ELS, Gifted and Talented, and Special Education programs are available to students.



Student Health and Wellness:

Students at Lincoln School have recess everyday rain or shine! Physical education classes participates in the presidential physical fitness test and they learn the importance of staying physically fit and maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Students have a healthy morning snack and breakfast is offered daily prior to the start of the school day. Middle school students who need time to decompress are offered a quiet place at lunchtime to relax and recharge. Students who need help socializing have lunch bunch with a counselor and their peers. Seventh grade students receive a free yearly membership to the YMCA and participate in the YMCA yearly Health Bee.

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Parent and Community Involvement:

Lincoln School has an active PTA and EFG providing support, assemblies, grants and scholarships. Parent Partnership workshops, special education parent meetings and family nights are hosted yearly. The school website has teacher webpages and a link to the parent portal for grades 4-8.



Climate Surveys:

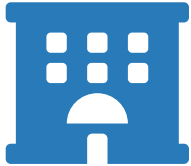
Is a Climate Survey Used: Yes; Who is surveyed: Students, Parents, Administrators, Teachers. School surveys alternate each year between informal (discussions at PTA meetings and school sponsored events) and formal (pen and paper/online). The information is shared with our School Safety Team and staff. Results are also communicated publicly at BOE meetings. The school is encouraged by the fact that students report that adults take action 90% of the time when bullying occurs and that less than 10% of our students report seeing bullying every day.

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Facilities:

The completion of a new building and renovations to the existing building in 2006 brought Lincoln School into the 21st century. Handicap accessibility, air conditioning, technology and computer labs, WIFI, art room, gymnasium and public/school library are all part of our state of the art learning facility.



School Safety:

School safety is the first priority of Garwood and the district has an excellent relationship with our local police department. The superintendent and the chief of police meet on a regular basis to review the school safety plan and discuss safety improvements. Staff is trained on an on-going basis and the school facility is continually evaluated and upgraded for safety.

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Technology and STEM:

Technology is part of all students school day with 1:1 chromebooks in grades 3-8 and grades K-2 grade level chromebooks. Students in grades 1-8 have ISTEAM cycle classes where they have hands on learning experiences that teach them to think outside the box to solve real world problems while they collaborate, think creatively, and effectively communicate with one another.



Early Childhood Education:

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Other Information:

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