

## Section 7

# Education

### Early Education in Newark

All 3- and 4-year-olds have access to free, full-day, high-quality preschool in Newark. Since 1999, when the existing state-funded preschool program began, tens of thousands of Newark children have benefitted from this strong start. With qualified early learning teachers, small class sizes and a strong curriculum, New Jersey’s nationally recognized preschool model helps young children attain the skills necessary to be successful in kindergarten and beyond. To meet the local needs of families, Newark uses a “mixed-delivery system,” meaning young children can attend preschool through Newark Public Schools, Head Start or a qualified private child care center in their neighborhoods. During the 2018-19 school year, just over 6,750 students benefitted from Newark’s preschool program, an increase from the prior year.

#### State-Funded Preschool Enrollment

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	% Change 15-19
Newark	6,180	6,821	7,024	6,318	6,759	9
Essex	9,664	10,206	10,484	9,676	10,046	4
New Jersey	51,232	51,952	51,371	51,580	53,177	4

#### Kindergarten Enrollment

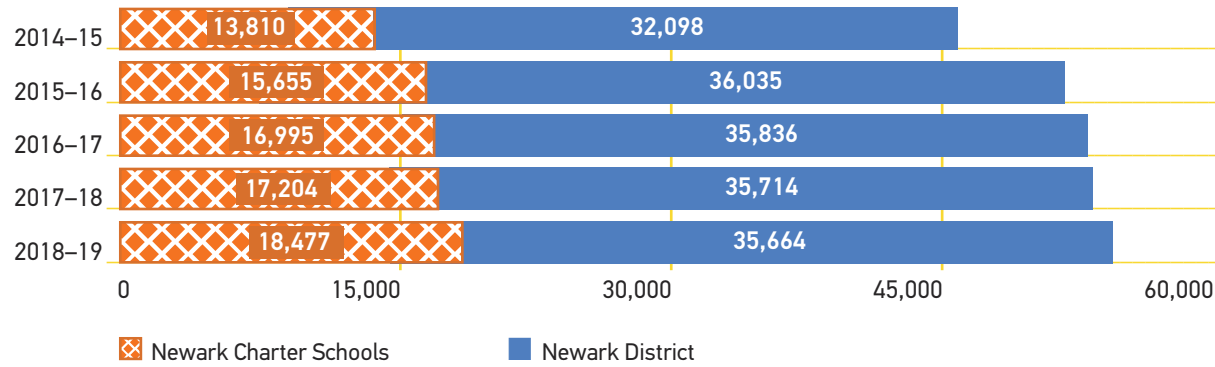
	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Newark District	1,137	2,508	2,423	2,450	2,287
Newark Charter Schools	1,562	1,606	1,744	1,826	1,787
<b>Newark Total</b>	<b>2,699</b>	<b>4,114</b>	<b>4,167</b>	<b>4,276</b>	<b>4,074</b>
Essex	8,876	9,980	9,995	9,959	9,816
New Jersey	91,570	91,703	90,740	90,831	89,294

#### Pre-K-12 Total Enrollment, Newark\*

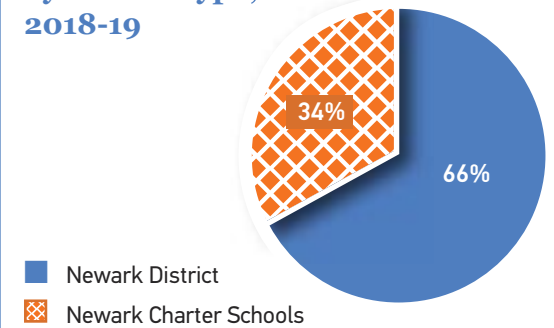
	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	% Change 15-19
Newark District	32,098	36,035	35,836	35,714	35,664	11
Newark Charter Schools	13,810	15,655	16,995	17,204	18,477	34
<b>Newark Total</b>	<b>45,908</b>	<b>51,690</b>	<b>52,831</b>	<b>52,918</b>	<b>54,141</b>	<b>18</b>

\*Does not include preschool students enrolled in a community based program.

### Pre-K-12 Total Enrollment, Newark



### Percentage of Newark Students Enrolled in School by School Type, 2018-19

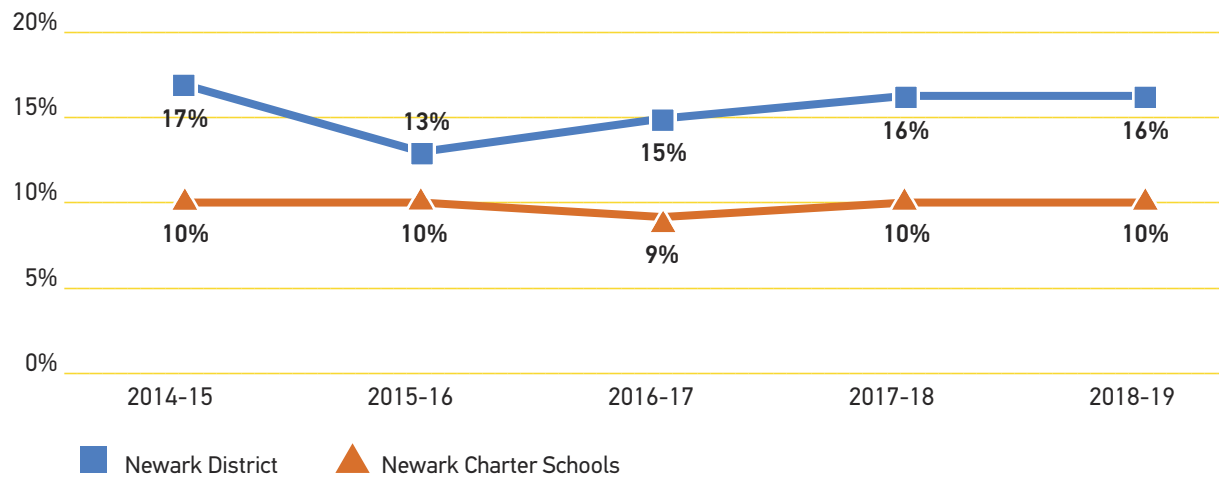


### Special Education Enrollment, Ages 3-21

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Newark District	5,725	5,400	5,812	6,419	6,557
Newark Charter Schools	1,339	1,511	1,561	1,219	1,840
<b>Newark Total</b>	<b>7,064</b>	<b>6,911</b>	<b>7,373</b>	<b>7,638</b>	<b>8,397</b>

Note: Includes public and non-public students.

### Special Education Enrollment, as a Percentage of Total Enrollment



## What is a Homeless Student?

A homeless student is defined as any youth lacking a regular and adequate nighttime residence. Included in this definition is a broad set of living arrangements—children living in hotels or motels, public places or sharing housing with other families due to a lack of suitable housing or financial stability. This definition was provided by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and amended through the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) in 2016. Under the ESSA amendment, children awaiting foster care placement are no longer defined as homeless. Legally, the state is required to provide a number of services to homeless children. This includes the appointment of a homeless student liaison who helps students and parents with enrollment, transportation arrangements and accessing services. For more information on homeless students, visit <http://nche.ed.gov/> or for more information on homeless students at the state level, visit <https://nj.gov/education/homeless/index.html>.

### Number of Homeless Students

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	% Change 15-19
Newark District	664	580	683	776	782	18

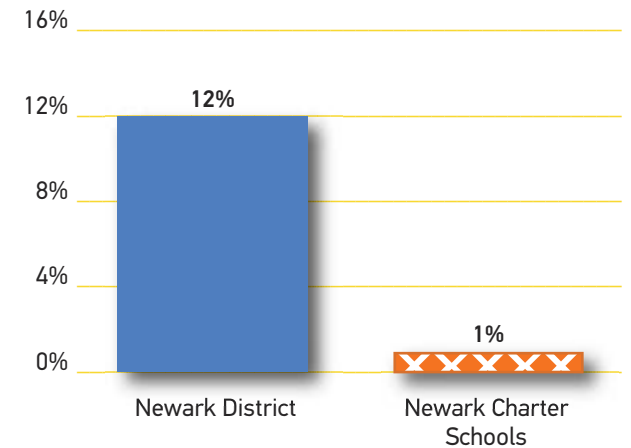
### English Language Learners (ELL)

	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Newark District	4,221	4,592	4,443
Newark Charter Schools	192	206	259
<b>Newark Total</b>	<b>4,413</b>	<b>4,798</b>	<b>4,702</b>
Essex	7,527	8,314	8,590
New Jersey	72,257	93,584	84,079

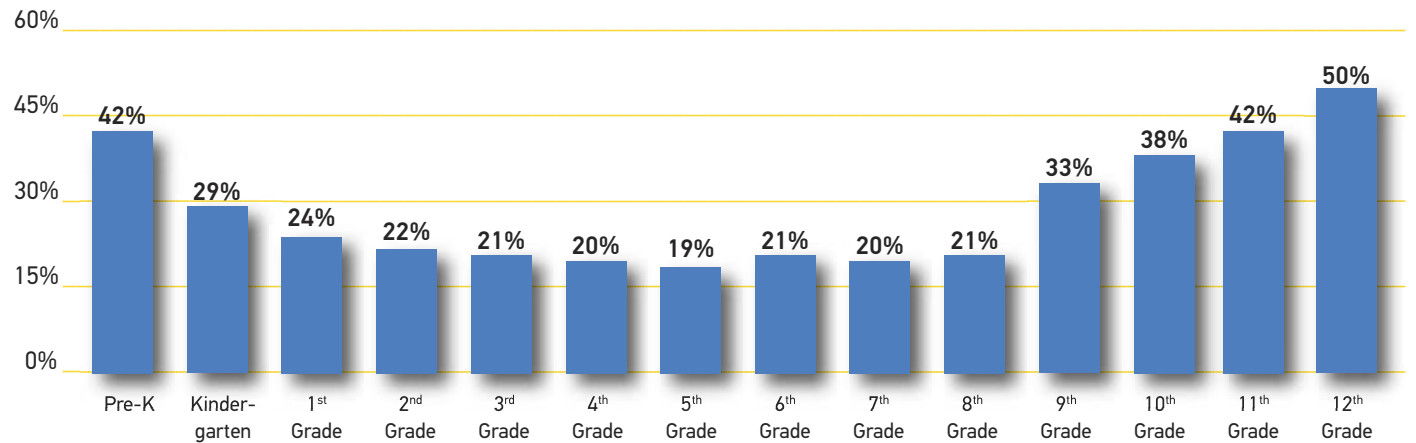
## When is a Student Considered an English Language Learner?

The N.J. Department of Education uses the term English Language Learner (ELL) to describe students whose first language is other than English or who have difficulty reading, writing and understanding English. The State of New Jersey administers an annual survey to assess the languages spoken in students' homes in an effort to identify ELL students. An English Language Learner's proficiency may require additional services to allow them to be successful in the district's academic program. For the 2018-19 school year, 4,443 ELL students attended Newark Public Schools (Newark District), compared to 259 ELL students in the city's charter schools.

### Percentage of Students who are English Language Learners, 2018-19



**Percentage of NPS Students Chronically Absent by Grade, 2018-19\***

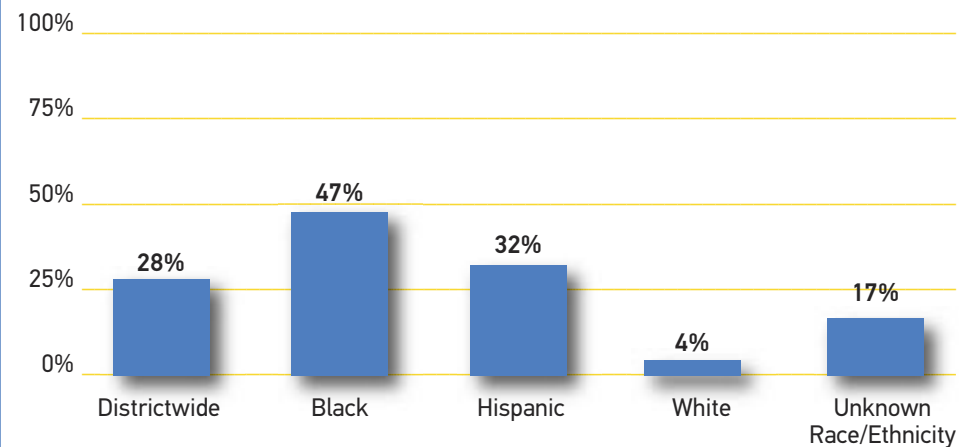


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## Chronic Absenteeism in Newark

Regular school attendance is an essential component in ensuring high achieving students. Students who miss 10 percent of school days (about two days a month) are considered chronically absent and are more likely to fall behind in school and not graduate on time. In the early grades, preschool students show some of the highest rates of absenteeism, with 42 percent being chronically absent during the 2018-19 school year. Among high school students, ninth graders had the lowest rate of chronic absenteeism at 33 percent of students. High school seniors posted a 50 percent chronic absenteeism rate, the highest out of all grades. For more information on chronic absenteeism in Newark and New Jersey, read ACNJ’s series of reports—Showing Up Matters—on our website [www.acnj.org/issues/school-attendance/](http://www.acnj.org/issues/school-attendance/).

**% of NPS Students Chronically Absent by Race, 2018-19\***



\* Does not include charter schools.

### School Violence Incidents, 2017-18

	Violence	Weapons	Vandalism	Substances	Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)	Total Unique Incidents
Newark District	339	40	38	59	236	647
Newark Charter Schools	279	20	31	40	40	404
New Jersey	10,838	877	1,587	4,463	7,522	24,938

### Third Grade New Jersey State Learning Assessment (NJSLA), Percentage Meeting or Exceeding Expectations

District Name	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		Progress 2015-2019	
	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH
Newark District	16.7	21.9	23.9	27.7	26.5	35.1	29.7	30.5	28.5	35.4	Better	Better
Newark Educators Community Charter School	18.2	18.2	15.7	17.6	38.8	40.8	25	27.1	31.3	33.3	Better	Better
Great Oaks Legacy Charter School	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	23.9	38	33.3	45.7	45.8	61.4	N/A	N/A
Roseville Community Charter School	22.4	32.9	29	46.8	34.4	48.4	49.2	47.6	22.4	27.6	No Change	Worse
Philip's Academy Charter School	42.5	62.5	69.2	56.4	45.2	42.9	38.1	28.6	25	37.5	Worse	Worse
Gray Charter School	44.7	57.9	52.2	42.6	63.4	73.2	67.4	60.9	94.9	94.9	Better	Better
Marion P. Thomas Charter School	16.4	31.5	22.2	34.7	14.1	21.1	29.4	31.8	29.5	28.7	Better	Worse
New Horizons Community Charter School	17.7	31.6	28.8	37.5	27.4	23.8	49.3	35.8	22.8	32.9	Better	Better
North Star Academy Charter School	67.9	83.3	67.7	75.3	77.3	80.9	79.1	83.1	67.9	76.7	No Change	Worse
Team Academy Charter School	22.5	38.5	38.7	49.8	42.8	71	50.9	60.3	44.6	48.7	Better	Better
Robert Treat Academy Charter School	77.9	83.1	80	88	75.3	81.8	74	79.5	74.4	71.8	Worse	Worse
Maria L. Varisco-Rogers Charter School	77.6	77.6	50	69.6	91.7	90	79.7	79.7	88.7	87.1	Better	Better
University Heights Charter School	32.4	44.1	30.6	31.9	40.3	45.8	26.6	30.4	19.4	26.8	Worse	Worse

### Fourth Grade NJSLA, Percentage Meeting or Exceeding Expectations

District Name	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		Progress 2015-2019	
	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH
Newark District	21	17.2	27.1	23	29.6	26.1	34.1	27.7	32.9	32	Better	Better
Newark Educators Community Charter School	15.6	13.3	32.6	17.8	29.2	12.5	39.6	29.2	25.5	21.3	Better	Better
Great Oaks Legacy Charter School	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	20.3	20.3	31.3	36.6	50.6	41.6	N/A	N/A
Roseville Community Charter School	40.5	8.1	38.3	37	43.1	33.9	40.3	34.4	48.3	32.8	Better	Better
Philip's Academy Charter School	67.5	70	47.6	52.4	59	46.2	41.5	26.8	62.5	45	Worse	Worse
Discovery Charter School	42.9	21.4	22.7	13.6	60	37.5	60	53.3	66.7	33.3	Better	Better
Gray Charter School	64.9	37.8	50	38.2	71.1	53.3	82.1	82.1	85.3	79.4	Better	Better
Marion P. Thomas Charter School	23.3	12.2	38.4	22.2	29.5	12.8	30	11.1	40.9	23.9	Better	Better
New Horizons Community Charter School	42.5	38.8	39.5	32.9	39.5	22.2	38.1	22.6	29.7	21.6	Worse	Worse
North Star Academy Charter School	81.7	84.6	86.2	75.8	82.9	73.1	86.4	78.8	83.5	80.8	Better	Worse
Team Academy Charter School	40	28.5	36	33.1	40.4	36.7	53.2	54.3	45.6	44.1	Better	Better
Robert Treat Academy Charter School	73.1	75.6	84	77.3	88.2	71.1	85.5	77.6	84.2	72.4	Better	Worse
Maria L. Varisco-Rogers Charter School	70.9	43.6	85.5	63.6	69.5	37.3	91.9	88.7	98.3	62.7	Better	Better
University Heights Charter School	36.2	17	35.8	26.9	42.9	26.1	28.9	23.7	16.3	20	Worse	Better

### Seventh Grade NJSLA, Percentage Meeting or Exceeding Expectations

District Name	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		Progress 2015-2019	
	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH	ELA	MATH
Newark District	27.4	16.9	32.3	17.4	35.7	20	39.3	25	43.9	25.4	Better	Better
Great Oaks Legacy Charter School	41.8	40.3	42.5	41.7	46.9	31.3	55	33.1	50	35.6	Better	Worse
Philip's Academy Charter School	44.7	36.8	37.5	35	39	24.4	66.7	47.6	67.5	47.5	Better	Better
Link Community Charter School	25	10.4	62.9	23.8	62	14.1	62.9	22.9	68.1	34.7	Better	Better
Discovery Charter School	50	25	50	27.3	71.4	41.4	76.5	41.2	82.6	43.5	Better	Better
Gray Charter School	86.4	45.5	86.7	46.7	100	69.2	100	93.8	100	52.9	Better	Better
Marion P. Thomas Charter School	20	12.9	27.2	20.7	27.8	11.3	34.8	29.3	44.9	31.6	Better	Better
New Horizons Community Charter School	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	31.9	9.7	37	15.1	N/A	N/A
North Star Academy Charter School	75.8	59.6	79.5	67.5	78.2	64.6	82.1	60.7	83.1	69.2	Better	Better
Team Academy Charter School	27.1	20.4	47.8	35.3	56.6	43.9	68.4	41.2	54.7	33.8	Better	Better
Robert Treat Academy Charter School	85.1	70.2	85.5	72.5	78.6	62.9	84.9	74	91	71.6	Better	Better
Maria L. Varisco-Rogers Charter School	72.7	52.7	80	56.4	78.3	53.3	76.7	60	83.6	50	Better	Worse
University Heights Charter School	39.6	8.3	46	18	42.2	22.7	38.8	16	32.7	20.4	Worse	Better

### High School English Language Arts NJSLA, Percentage Meeting or Exceeding Expectations\*\*

District Name	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		Progress 2015-2019	
	9th	10th	9th	10th	9th	10th	9th	10th	9th	10th	9th	10th
Newark District	23.4	19.8	26.4	26	29.5	26.8	33.6	32	33.4	35.7	Better	Better
Great Oaks Legacy Charter School	28.4	35	45.2	33.8	26.7	43	48.1	35.4	42.3	52.5	Better	Better
People's Preparatory Charter School	5.9	7.4	19.2	23	11.7	30.4	15.4	33	11.7	15.2	Better	Better
LEAD Charter School	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Marion P. Thomas Charter School	6.6	10.1	32.4	22.7	21.6	34	22.2	23.4	11.4	17	Better	Better
North Star Academy Charter School	70.3	69.3	59.6	83.8	67	54.7	64.7	60.8	58.2	57.9	Worse	Worse
Team Academy Charter School	29.5	34.9	23.6	30.8	30.7	44.1	43.4	52.8	37	40.7	Better	Better

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### High School Math NJSLA, Percentage Meeting or Exceeding Expectations\*\*

District Name	2015			2016			2017			2018			2019		
	Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II
Newark District	18.3	4.5	5.5	25	5.9	6.8	21.1	9.9	7.2	25.2	8.3	13.2	20.8	13.6	43.6
Great Oaks Legacy Charter School	36.5	25	N/A	49.5	20.5	55.6	22.8	18.8	30.4	39.3	10.1	12.7	33.5	50.0	*
People's Preparatory Charter School	4.8	1.4	7.4	7.1	5.5	8.2	9.8	0.9	3.8	11	6.0	2.2	8.4	3.8	*
Philip's Academy Charter School	N/A	N/A	N/A	20.6	N/A	N/A	45	N/A	N/A	45	N/A	N/A	77.3	N/A	N/A
LEAD Charter School	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.9	N/A	N/A	0	*	N/A
Marion P. Thomas Charter School	13.7	0.7	1.3	22.5	0.9	4	14.1	3.6	1.3	6.4	*	4.6	1.9	*	0
North Star Academy Charter School	69.4	65.5	71.4	69.3	52.6	N/A	70.6	53.1	32.9	69.7	36.2	49.1	57.1	41.7	62.6
Team Academy Charter School	11.3	7.6	4.3	25	4.9	6	23	9.2	0	36.6	20.3	15.7	32.4	18.7	66.7
Robert Treat Academy Charter School	100	N/A	N/A	*	N/A	N/A	88.9	N/A	N/A	96.4	N/A	N/A	93.3	N/A	N/A
Maria L. Varisco-Rogers Charter School	N/A	N/A	N/A	53.7	N/A	N/A	38.5	N/A	N/A	55.3	N/A	N/A	43.9	N/A	N/A

\* Data are suppressed to protect the confidentiality of the students.

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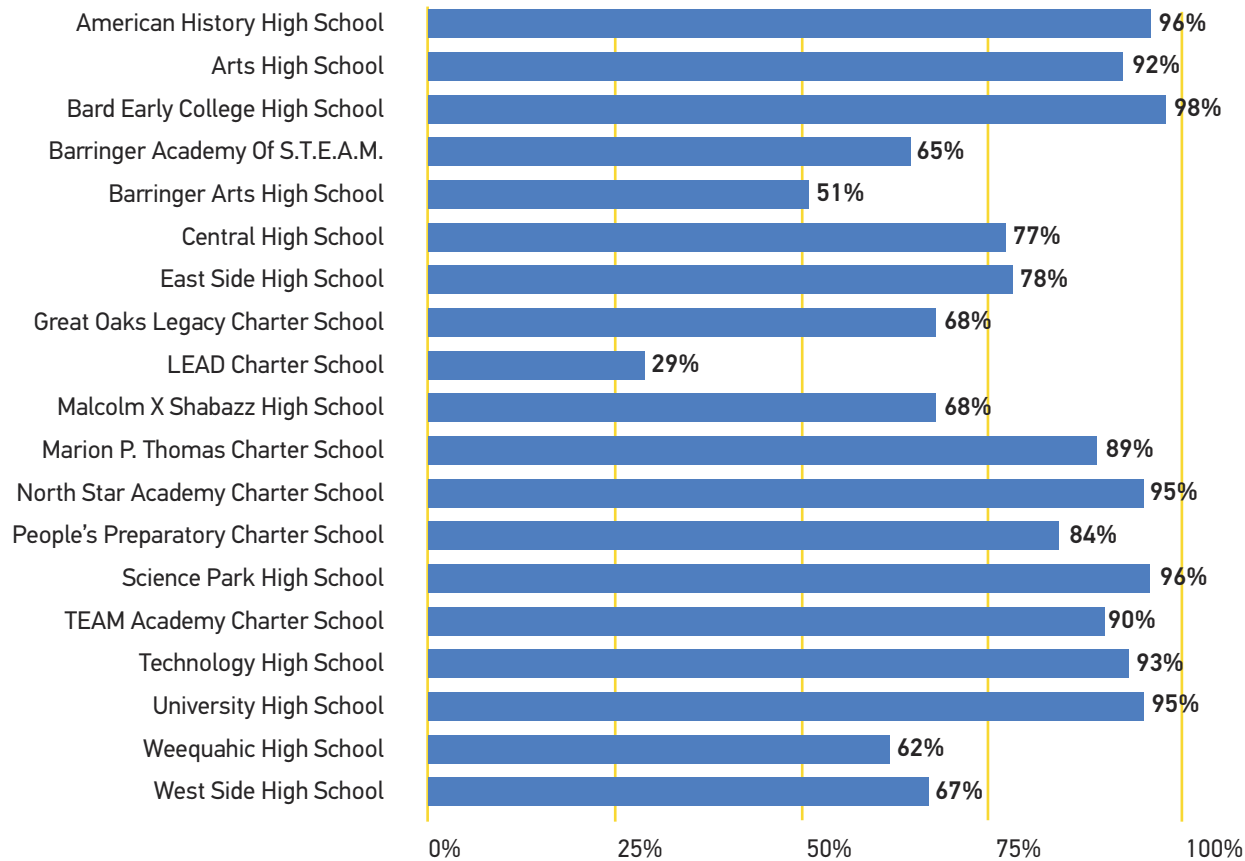


### High School Graduation Rates

	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	% Change 14-18
Newark District*	69	70	73	78	76	10
New Jersey	89	90	90	91	91	3

\*Does not include charter schools.

### Graduation Rates by High School, 2017-18



### Graduation Rates by Demographic Group, Newark District, 2017-18\*\*

Demographic Group	Rate
<b>Districtwide</b>	<b>76</b>
White	83
Black or African American	75
Hispanic	*
Asian	96
American Indian or Alaska Native	*
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	*
Two or More Races	*
Male	72
Female	79
Economically Disadvantaged	76
Students with Disabilities	66
English Language Learners	78
Homeless	82
Foster Care	57

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## Average SAT Score, by High School

	2016-17			2017-18		
	Math	Reading and Writing	Percentage Participation	Math	Reading and Writing	Percentage Participation
American History High School	463	476	100	411	438	100
Arts High School	487	496	100	452	466	100
Bard Early College High School	497	518	100	477	502	100
Barringer Academy of S.T.E.A.M.	N	N	N	373	391	100
Barringer Arts High School	395	400	*	382	406	85
Central High School	406	413	68	389	399	92
East Side High School	447	439	57	421	423	92
Great Oaks Legacy Charter School	N/A	N/A	N/A	518	466	90
LEAD Charter School	N/A	N/A	N/A	*	*	*
Malcolm X Shabazz High School	412	434	77	380	396	90
Marion P. Thomas Charter School	436	452	66	413	437	64
Newark Leadership Academy	*	*	*	*	*	*
North Star Academy Charter School	577	563	100	559	547	100
People's Preparatory Charter School	486	495	31	453	478	35
Science Park High School	600	585	100	593	568	100
TEAM Academy Charter School	N	N	N	444	461	77
Technology High School	501	500	100	518	495	100
University High School	483	479	100	460	471	100
Uplift Academy	N/A	N/A	N/A	375	394	59
Weequahic High School	409	422	71	394	413	100
West Side High School	N/A	N/A	N/A	392	403	73
<b>New Jersey Average</b>	<b>552</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>72</b>

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**Average ACT Score, 2017-18**

	Reading	English	Math	Science	Percentage Participation
Newark District*	15	14	16	15	61.9
<b>New Jersey Average</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24.6</b>

\*Does not include charter schools.

**Percentage of Graduates Enrolled in a Post-Secondary Institution, 2017-18**

School	% Schoolwide	% Economically Disadvantaged	% Students with Disabilities
American History High School	54	61	0
Arts High School	67	64	*
Bard Early College High School	81	74	N
Barringer Academy of S.T.E.A.M.	25	30	15
Barringer Arts High School	34	36	18
Central High School	32	36	15
Eagle Academy for Young Men of Newark	N	N	N
East Side High School	40	39	30
Great Oaks Legacy Charter School	79	81	*
LEAD Charter School	29	*	*
Malcom X Shabazz High School	27	25	11
Marion P. Thomas Charter School	41	44	17
Newark Leadership Academy	*	*	N
North Star Academy Charter School	87	86	*
People's Preparatory Charter School	66	68	58
Science Park High School	85	84	*
TEAM Academy Charter School	74	73	67
Technology High School	78	78	75
University High School	74	68	*
Uplift Academy	30	*	N
Weequahic High School	30	26	31
West Side High School	35	34	15
<b>NJ Average</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>50</b>

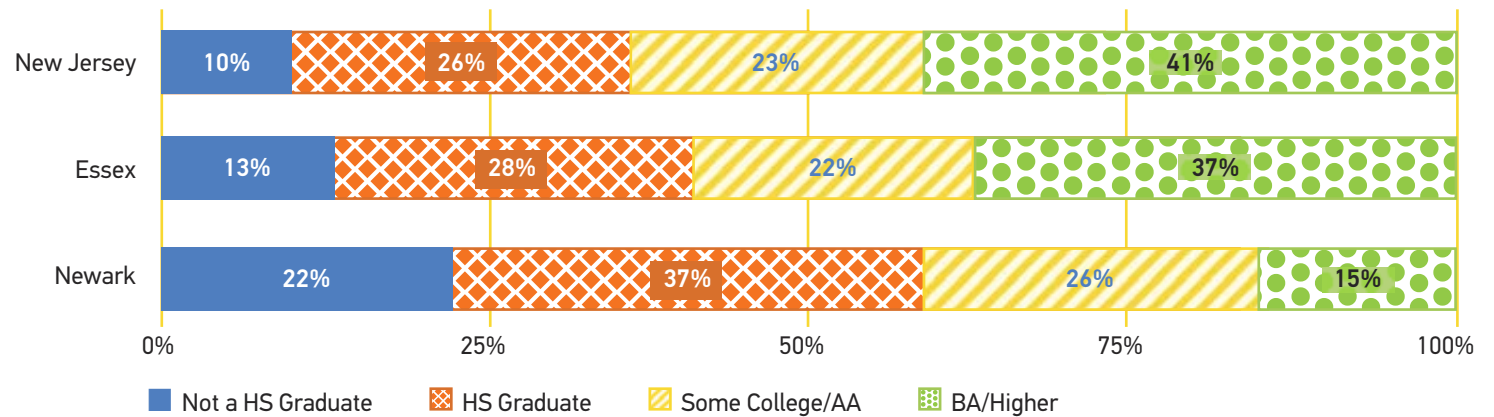
\*Note: Post-secondary institutions include 2-year or 4-year institutions. An "N" indicates that there are no data to display. An "\*" indicates that data are not displayed in order to protect student privacy.

### Advance Placement/International Baccalaureate Course Participation and Performance, 2017-18

	Newark District* (%)	New Jersey Average (%)
Students enrolled in one or more AP or IB course	19	35
Students taking one or more AP or IB exam	15	28
Students with one or more exams with a score of at least a 3 on AP exams or 4 on IB exams	6	21

\*Does not include charter data.

### Highest Education Levels for People Ages 25+, Newark vs. Essex vs. NJ, 2018



## ● Data Sources and Technical Notes:

**State-Funded Preschool Enrollments, 2014-15 through 2018-19.** Number of three- and four-year-old students enrolled in half- and full-day New Jersey Department of Education-approved preschools, operated both in-district and in community centers, as reported by the N.J. Department of Education. Excludes children enrolled in Head Start or other federally-funded programs that do not receive any state aid.

**Kindergarten Enrollment, 2014-15 through 2018-19.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Education, Enrollment Data. Data include students enrolled in full and half-day programs in both traditional district and charter schools.

**Pre-K—12 Total Enrollment, Newark, 2014-15 through 2018-19.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Education, Enrollment Data. Data include both traditional district and charter schools. Please note that total enrollment figures do not include students enrolled in public preschool programs operating within community based providers.

**Percentage of Newark Students Enrolled in School by School Type, 2018-19.** The percentage of students enrolled in Newark district and Newark charter schools. As reported by the N.J. Department of Education, Enrollment Data. Data include both traditional district and charter schools.

**Special Education Enrollment, Ages 3-21, 2014-15 through 2018-19.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Education. Number of students who are classified, ages 3-21. Data include both traditional district schools and charter schools and public and non-public students. Charter totals may be higher due to suppression of districts with fewer than 10 students.

**Special Education Enrollment, as a Percentage of Total Enrollment, 2014-15 through 2018-19.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Education. Percentage of total enrollment of students who are classified, ages 3-21. Special education counts include both traditional district schools and charter schools and public and non-public students. Charter figures may differ due to suppression of districts with fewer than 10 students. Total enrollment based on October general education enrollment data for each school year.

**Number of Homeless Students, 2014-15 through 2018-19.** As reported by Newark Public Schools. Data are as of June for each school year listed and do not include charter schools. Represents any student identified as homeless during the given school year.

**English Language Learners, 2016-17 through 2018-19.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Education, October enrollment counts.

**Percentage of Students who are English Language Learners, 2018-19.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Education, October enrollment counts.

**Percentage of NPS Students Chronically Absent by Grade, 2018-19.** Data for grades Pre-K—12. As reported by Newark Public Schools. Data do not include charter schools and are cumulative as of June.

**Percentage of NPS Students Chronically Absent, by Race, 2018-19.** Data for grades Pre-K—12. As reported by Newark Public Schools. Data do not include charter schools and are cumulative as of June.

**School Violence Incidents, 2017-18.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Education, N.J. School Performance Report Data. The N.J. Department of Education migrated to a new reporting system; data for 2017-18 should not be compared to data for prior years. A single incident may be counted under multiple incident types; the total unique incidents row provides an unduplicated count of incidents.

**Newark English Language Arts and Math NJSLA Results, Grades 3, 4, 7, 10, 11, and Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II Math Exams, 2015-2019.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Education, New Jersey Statewide Assessment Reports for each year. Includes general education students, special education students, and foreign-language students. Data include both traditional district as well as charter schools. Percentage meeting or exceeding standards are those students scoring Level 4 or Level 5. Data suppressed in some instances to protect students' confidentiality. For Spring 2019, the NJSLA assessments were optional for Grade 11 students. Therefore, the Spring 2019 NJSLA results do not include Grade 11 test results and Spring 2019 results for Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II should not be compared to previous years.

**High School Graduation Rates, 2013-14 through 2017-18.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Education, Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate Data. In 2011, the Department of Education changed the way that graduation rates are calculated to the 4-year adjusted cohort graduation rate. Data do not include charter schools.

**Graduation Rates by High School, 2017-18.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Education, Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate Data. Data include both traditional district as well as charter schools.

**Graduation Rates by Demographic Group, Newark District, 2017-18.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Education, Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate Data. Data do not include charter schools.

**Average SAT Score, by High School, 2016-17 through 2017-18.** The percentage of 12<sup>th</sup> grade students participating in the SAT for the given school year or for prior years. Average scores reflect the highest scoring test by subject area. The score range for the SAT is from 400 to 1600 for a total score. As reported by the N.J. Department of Education, New Jersey School Performance Report data.

**Average ACT Score, 2017-18.** The percentage of 12<sup>th</sup> grade students participating in the ACT for the given school year or for prior years. Average scores reflect the highest scoring test by subject area. The score range for the ACT is from 1 to 36 for each subject. As reported by the N.J. Department of Education, New Jersey School Performance Report data.

**Percentage of Graduates Enrolled in a Post-Secondary Institution, 2017-18.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Education, N.J. School Performance Report Data. These data reflect the percentage of the 2017 high school graduates that were enrolled in post-secondary institutions the fall after high school graduation. The data are pulled from the National Student Clearinghouse. Students who enroll in post-secondary institutions outside of the United States are not included. Data for some categories are unavailable.

**AP/IB Course Participation and Performance, 2017-18.** Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate participation and performance amongst 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students. As reported by the N.J. Department of Education, New Jersey School Performance Report data.

**Highest Education Level for People Ages 25+, Newark, Essex, N.J., 2018.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B15002.

