## Regional School District 08

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## District Information



## Community Information

AdvanceCT Town Profiles provide summary demographic and economic information for Connecticut's municipalities at https://www.advancect.org/site-selection/town-profiles

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Unless otherwise noted, all data are for 2021-22 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
$\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ is displayed when a category is not applicable for a district or school.


## Students

| October 1, 2021 Enrollment ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Count | District <br> Percent of Total <br> $(\%)$ | State <br> Percent of Total <br> $(\%)$ |
| Female | $*$ | $*$ | 48.5 |
| Male | 645 | 52.8 | 51.5 |
| Non-Binary | $*$ | $*$ | 0.1 |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | $*$ | $*$ | 0.3 |
| Asian | 18 | 1.5 | 5.1 |
| Black or African American | 16 | 1.3 | 12.6 |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 84 | 6.9 | 29.0 |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | $*$ | $*$ | 0.1 |
| Two or More Races | 23 | 1.9 | 4.3 |
| White | 1,077 | 88.2 | 48.6 |
| English Learners/Multilingual Learners | $*$ | $*$ | 8.8 |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 202 | 16.5 | 40.6 |
| Students with Disabilities ${ }^{3}$ | 183 | 15.0 | 16.7 |

${ }^{2}$ 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 |  | Suspension/Expulsion |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Count | Rate (\%) | Count | Rate (\%) |
| Female | $*$ | $*$ | 26 | 4.4 |
| Male | 60 | 9.3 | 72 | 11.0 |
| Non-Binary | $*$ | $*$ | 0 | $*$ |
| Black or African American | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 12 | 14.3 | 18 | 20.2 |
| White | 90 | 8.4 | 74 | 6.8 |
| English Learners/Multilingual Learners | 0 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 45 | 21.7 | 29 | 13.1 |
| Students with Disabilities | 40 | 22.2 | 33 | 16.2 |
| District | 109 | 9.0 | 98 | 7.8 |
| State |  | 23.7 |  | 6.5 |

Number of students qualified as truant under state statute: Fewer than 6
Number of school-based arrests: 0
${ }^{4}$ 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.

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## Educators

| Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) ${ }^{1}$ Staff |  | Educators by Race/Ethnicity |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | FTE |  |  | District | State |
| General Education <br> Teachers and Instructors | 105.5 |  | Count | Percent of Total <br> (\%) | Percent of Total <br> (\%) |
| Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants | 0.0 | American Indian or Alaska Native | 1 | 0.7 | 0.1 |
| Special Education |  | Asian | 2 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| Teachers and Instructors | 22.8 | Black or African American | 2 | 1.3 | 4.3 |
| Paraprofessional Instructional Assistants | 41.0 | Hispanic or Latino of any race | 3 | 2.0 | 4.6 |
| Administrators, Coordinators and Department Chairs District Central Office | 4.8 | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| School Level | 5.4 | Two or More Races | 0 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| Library/Media |  | White | 146 | 94.8 | 89.2 |
| Specialists (Certified) | 1.0 |  |  |  |  |
| Support Staff | 4.0 |  |  |  |  |
| Instructional Specialists Who Support Teachers | 1.0 |  |  |  |  |
| Counselors, Social Workers and School Psychologists | 14.0 |  |  |  |  |
| School Nurses | 3.0 |  |  |  |  |
| Other Staff Providing Non-Instructional Services/Support | 98.0 |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ In the full-time equivalent count, staff members working part-ti are counted as a fraction of full-time. For example, a teacher who in a school contributes 0.50 to the school's staff count. | in the sc orks half |  |  |  |  |

Classroom Teacher Attendance: 2020-21

|  | District | State |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Average Number of FTE Days Absent Due to Illness or Personal Time | 8.8 | 10.4 |

## Instruction and Resources

| 11th and 12th Graders Enrolled in |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| College-and-Career-Readiness Courses during High School ${ }^{\mathbf{2}}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 11th |  | 12th |  |  |
|  | Count | Rate (\%) | Count | Rate (\%) |  |
| Black or African American | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |  |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 6 | $*$ | 6 | $*$ |  |
| White | 130 | 69.9 | 166 | 88.8 |  |
| English Learners/Multilingual Learners | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |  |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 17 | 54.8 | 22 | 78.6 |  |
| Students with Disabilities | 11 | $*$ | 19 | 65.5 |  |
| District | 143 | 70.1 | 182 | 87.5 |  |
| State |  | 81.7 |  | 87.7 |  |

${ }^{2}$ 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 with Disabilities Who Spend 79.1 to 100 Percent of Time with Nondisabled Peers ${ }^{3}$

|  | Count | Rate (\%) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Autism | 12 | 54.5 |
| Emotional Disturbance | 6 | $*$ |
| Intellectual Disability | $*$ | $*$ |
| Learning Disability | 42 | 78.8 |
| Other Health Impairment | $*$ | 69.0 |
| Other Disabilities | $*$ | $*$ |
| Speech/Language Impairment | 128 | 65.6 |
| District |  | 68.4 |
| State |  |  |
| This table represents students ages 6-21 for whom the district is fiscally <br> responsible (i.e., Nexus District students with an IEP or services plan). |  |  |

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Students with Disabilities by Primary Disability ${ }^{1}$

|  | District |  | State |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Count | Rate (\%) | Rate (\%) |
| Autism | 22 | 1.7 | 2.3 |
| Emotional Disturbance | 13 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| Intellectual Disability | 11 | 0.9 | 0.6 |
| Learning Disability | 66 | 5.2 | 6.1 |
| Other Health Impairment | 71 | 5.6 | 3.3 |
| Other Disabilities | $*$ | $*$ | 1.1 |
| Speech/Language <br> Impairment | $*$ | $*$ | 1.9 |
| All Disabilities | 195 | 15.3 | 16.3 |

${ }^{1}$ 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 |
| :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Count | Rate (\%) | Rate (\%) |
| Public Schools in <br> Other Districts | 21 | 10.8 | 8.2 |
| Private Schools <br> or Other Settings | 10 | 5.1 | 4.6 |

${ }^{2}$ 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 ${ }^{3}$ : 2020-21

|  |  |  | Per Pupil |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
|  | Total (\$) |  | District (\$) |  |

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

Special Education Expenditures: 2020-21

|  | District |  | State <br> Percent of Total (\%) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total (\$) | Percent of Total (\%) |  |
| Teacher Salaries | \$1,735,167 | 26.1 | 29.7 |
| Instructional Aide Salaries | \$784,672 | 11.8 | 10.8 |
| Other Salaries | \$508,322 | 7.6 | 9.8 |
| Employee Benefits | \$801,392 | 12.0 | 13.8 |
| Purchased Services Other Than Transportation | \$662,382 | 10.0 | 5.7 |
| Special Education Tuition | \$1,628,684 | 24.5 | 22.6 |
| Supplies | \$95,370 | 1.4 | 0.6 |
| Property Services | . | . | 0.4 |
| Purchased Services For Transportation | \$424,315 | 6.4 | 6.3 |
| Equipment | \$15,802 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| All Other Expenditures | \$150 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Total | \$6,656,256 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Percent of Total Expenditures Used for Special Edu |  | 24.2 | 24.5 |

Expenditures by Revenue Source ${ }^{4}$ : 2020-21

Percent of Total (\%) Excluding School Construction

| Local | 75.3 |
| :--- | ---: |
| State | 23.0 |
| Federal | 1.5 |
| Tuition \& Other | 0.2 |

${ }^{4}$ 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).

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## 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 | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A |
| Asian | 7 | * | 7 | * | * | * |
| Black or African American | * | * | * | * | 6 | * |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | 37 | 65.7 | 37 | 62.8 | 25 | 68.7 |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Two or More Races | 15 | * | 14 | * | 7 | * |
| White | 506 | 67.9 | 507 | 65.9 | 335 | 67.3 |
| English Learners/Multilingual Learners | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Non-English Learners/Non-Multilingual Learners | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 94 | 65.0 | 94 | 60.6 | 64 | 63.0 |
| Not Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 479 | 68.1 | 479 | 66.2 | 315 | 68.2 |
| Students with Disabilities | 82 | 48.6 | 83 | 43.2 | 47 | 52.1 |
| Students without Disabilities | 491 | 70.8 | 490 | 69.0 | 332 | 69.5 |
| High Needs | 157 | 58.5 | 158 | 53.9 | 97 | 59.4 |
| Non-High Needs | 416 | 71.1 | 415 | 69.6 | 282 | 70.1 |
| District | 573 | 67.6 | 573 | 65.3 | 379 | 67.4 |

## 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 ${ }^{\mathbf{2}}$

|  | Percent of Students by Grade ${ }^{3}$ (\%) |  |  | All Tested Grades |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
|  | 4 | 6 | 8 | HS | Count | Rate (\%) |
| Sit \& Reach | N/A | N/A | 55.7 | 48.1 | 395 | 51.6 |
| Curl Up | N/A | N/A | 55.7 | 48.1 | 395 | 51.6 |
| Push Up | N/A | N/A | 55.7 | 48.1 | 395 | 51.6 |
| Mile Run/PACER | N/A | N/A | 55.7 | 48.1 | 395 | 51.6 |
| All Tests - District | N/A | N/A | 55.7 | 48.1 | 395 | 51.6 |
| All Tests - State | 48.9 | 46.7 | 44.3 | 43.3 |  | 45.8 |

${ }^{2}$ 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.

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Cohort Graduation: Four-Year ${ }^{1}$

|  | 2020-21 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  | Cohort Count | Rate (\%) |
| Black or African American | $*$ | $*$ |
| Hispanic or Latino of any race | $*$ | $*$ |
| White | 245 | 95.5 |
| English Learners/Multilingual Learners | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals | 41 | 90.2 |
| Students with Disabilities | 45 | 80.0 |
| District | 262 | 94.3 |
| State |  | 89.6 |

${ }^{1}$ 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 2020-21 school year.

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

|  | Participation | Meeting Benchmark |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Rate (\%) | Count | Rate (\%) |
| Female | $*$ | 137 | 70.3 |
| Male | 96.3 | 159 | 73.6 |
| Non-Binary | $*$ | 0 | $*$ |
| Black or African American | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Hispanic or Latino | $*$ | 10 | $*$ |
| White | 96.5 | 275 | 73.7 |
| English Learners/ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Multilingual Learners |  |  |  |
| Eligible for Free or | 89.8 | 32 | 54.2 |
| Reduced-Price Meals |  |  |  |
| Students with Disabilities | 66.7 | $*$ | $*$ |
| District | 95.9 | 296 | 71.8 |
| State | 95.0 |  | 43.5 |

${ }^{3}$ 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
- $I^{\circledR}-4$ or higher on any one $I B^{\circledR}$ 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:
$\mathrm{SAT}^{\oplus}$ and $\mathrm{AP}^{\circledR}$ statistics derived from data provided by the College Board.
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College Entrance and Persistence

${ }^{5}$ 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

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## 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 | State Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ELA Performance Index | All Students | 67.6 | 75 | 45.1 | 50 | 90.2 | 64.2 |
|  | High Needs Students | 58.5 | 75 | 39.0 | 50 | 78.0 | 54.2 |
| Math Performance Index | All Students | 65.3 | 75 | 43.5 | 50 | 87.0 | 58.6 |
|  | High Needs Students | 53.9 | 75 | 35.9 | 50 | 71.8 | 47.7 |
| Science Performance Index | All Students | 67.4 | 75 | 44.9 | 50 | 89.8 | 61.4 |
|  | High Needs Students | 59.4 | 75 | 39.6 | 50 | 79.2 | 51.3 |
| ELA Academic Growth | All Students | 52.6\% | 100\% | 52.6 | 100 | 52.6 | 60.4\% |
|  | High Needs Students | 47.7\% | 100\% | 47.7 | 100 | 47.7 | 56.2\% |
| Math Academic Growth | All Students | 50.3\% | 100\% | 50.3 | 100 | 50.3 | 65.2\% |
|  | High Needs Students | 44.2\% | 100\% | 44.2 | 100 | 44.2 | 59.1\% |
| Progress Toward English | Literacy | . | 100\% | . | . | . | 64.9\% |
| Proficiency | Oral | . | 100\% | . | . | . | 57.4\% |
| Chronic Absenteeism | All Students | 9.0\% | <=5\% | 42.1 | 50 | 84.1 | 23.7\% |
|  | High Needs Students | 20.8\% | <=5\% | 18.4 | 50 | 36.7 | 34.0\% |
| Preparation for CCR | \% Taking Courses | 78.9\% | 75\% | 50.0 | 50 | 100.0 | 84.8\% |
|  | \% Meeting Benchmark | 71.8\% | 75\% | 47.9 | 50 | 95.8 | 43.5\% |
| On-track to High School Graduation |  | 92.1\% | 94\% | 49.0 | 50 | 98.0 | 82.7\% |
| 4-year Graduation All Students (2021 Cohort) |  | 94.3\% | 94\% | 100.0 | 100 | 100.0 | 89.6\% |
| 6-year Graduation - High Needs Students (2019 Cohort) |  | 89.5\% | 94\% | 95.2 | 100 | 95.2 | 85.2\% |
| Postsecondary Entrance (Class of 2021) |  | 73.3\% | 75\% | 97.7 | 100 | 97.7 | 66.1\% |
| Physical Fitness (estimated part rate) and (fitness rate) |  | 95.6\% \| 51.6\% | 75\% | 34.4 | 50 | 68.9 | 94.0\% \| 45.8\% |
| Arts Access |  | 48.7\% | 60\% | 40.6 | 50 | 81.2 | 52.4\% |
| Accountability Index |  |  |  | 1018.0 | 1350 | 75.4 |  |

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 | 71.1 | 58.5 | 12.6 | 16.6 |
| Math Performance Index Gap | 69.6 | 53.9 | 15.8 | 18.2 |
| Science Performance Index Gap | 70.1 | 59.4 | 10.7 | 17.4 |
| Graduation Rate Gap | $94.0 \%$ | $89.5 \%$ | $4.5 \%$ | $10.2 \%$ |

${ }^{1}$ 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 applicable based on grades served. Gap calculations are based on unrounded rates.

| Subject/Student Group |  | Participation Rate (\%) |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| ELA | All Students | 98.6 |
|  | High Needs Students | 97.6 |
| Math | All Students | 98.6 |
|  | High Needs Students | 98.2 |
| Science | All Students | 95.3 |
|  | High Needs Students | 95.3 |

## 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:

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\text { District: N/A State: } 49.7
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${ }^{3}$ 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 2021-22 Regional School District 08 

## Narratives

## School District Improvement Plans and Parental Outreach Activities

The district continues to focus on the implementation of the five-year strategic plan. The strategic plan represents an overview of the priorities of the district. It provides transparency and accountability as the district works to achieve its Mission and Vision. The Theory of Action, Commitments and Goals are important levers that will be included in all district activities and will drive Region 8's improvement efforts. The plan will guide and influence district-based decision making and provide guidance in budgeting and programming; ultimately resulting in improved student success.

Region 8 is guided by and inclusive model for special education programming. The district regularly provides staff training in effective co-teaching models and Social and Emotional Learning. Families are provided with numerous opportunities to engage with planning for their children's educational programming. The district recently installed interactive screens and audio in each of our guidance and special education conference rooms so that families can engage remotely in planning meetings.

Region 8 is committed to a high level of parent and community involvement. The district communicates with families and community members in the three towns of Hebron, Andover and Marlborough through the school websites, email and text notifications and district notifications. The district partners with AHM Youth and Family Services, the three elementary schools and local businesses for a variety of programming opportunities, such as parent informational nights, concerts, sporting events and job shadowing. In addition, board of education are able to be attended both in-person and virtually.

## Efforts to Reduce Racial, Ethnic and Economic Isolation

Regional School District 8 continues its efforts to reduce social, ethnic and economic isolation through both intra and inter-district programming. Each year, students in grades 8 and 10 participate in the Power of Words assemblies. This program emphasizes how words have an impact on fellow students and themselves. There are numerous clubs at both the middle and high school that focus on building a culture of acceptance, such as Best Buddies, Gender Sexuality Alliance, and Leos. Each of these programs focuses on students' awareness of prejudice, stereotyping and needs and encourages tolerance and acceptance of differences. RHAM students and staff members regularly collaborate with AHM Youth and Family Services, Hebron Interfaith and the Hunger Action Team staff to engage in community improvement and equity projects. In addition, approximately 60 students each year attend various inter-district and Hartford hosted magnet schools.

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## Equitable Allocation of Resources among District Schools

The Region 8 Board of Education allocates an equitable level of material and financial resources among the middle and high school. The development of the budget occurs with input from the three sending towns and aligns with the district vision, mission and goals. Each of the member towns is responsible for funding a portion of the total budget. Each town's levy is calculated based on the October first enrollment numbers of the previous year.

