



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION



TO: Clerk of the Senate
Clerk of the House of Representatives

FROM: Charlene M. Russell-Tucker
Commissioner of Education

DATE: July 8, 2026

SUBJECT: Report on Enrollment Data of Private Providers of Special Education

In fulfillment of the requirement in Section 10-91p of the Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S.), the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) hereby notifies the Connecticut General Assembly that the CSDE has created a new public dashboard on its data portal EdSight called the [Approved Private Special Education Programs \(APSEP\) Dashboard](#). Enrollment counts for individual providers are listed under the tab labeled "APSEP Data." Data can be disaggregated by a variety of student groups. To protect student confidentiality, small counts will be suppressed. Screenshots from the dashboard are included at the end of the report.

This [APSEP Dashboard](#) will be updated annually after the October enrollment counts and the October special education child count data are finalized. Please note the following two points about items in this legislation:

- Non-residents of Connecticut are not reported to the CSDE as public school students attending APSEPs.
- Waitlist data are not reliable because they are self-reported and often a moving target. The CSDE had repeatedly expressed its concerns about the reliability of these waitlist data during the 2025 legislative session. In any case, the CSDE will conduct a pilot survey in July to procure this information. If this approach is found to yield useful and reliable information, then the data will be posted under [Related Links on the APSEP Dashboard](#).

The CSDE is submitting this notification in fulfillment of this reporting requirement. If you have any questions, please contact Laura Stefon, Chief of Staff at (860) 713-6493.

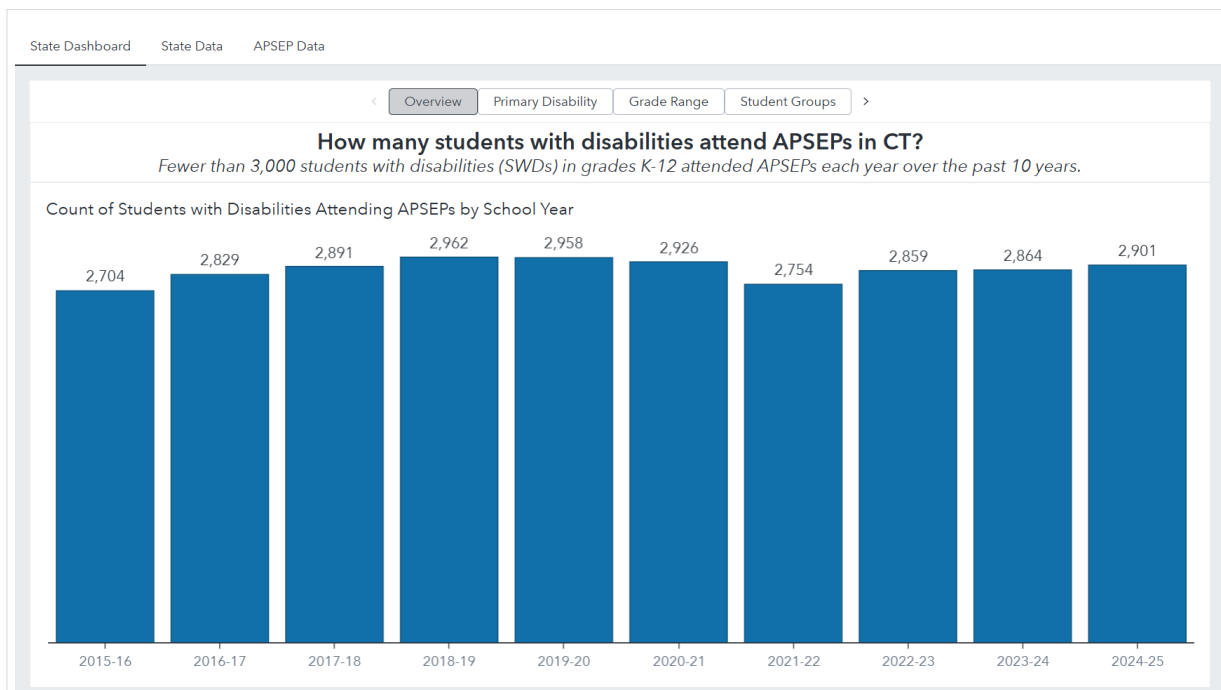
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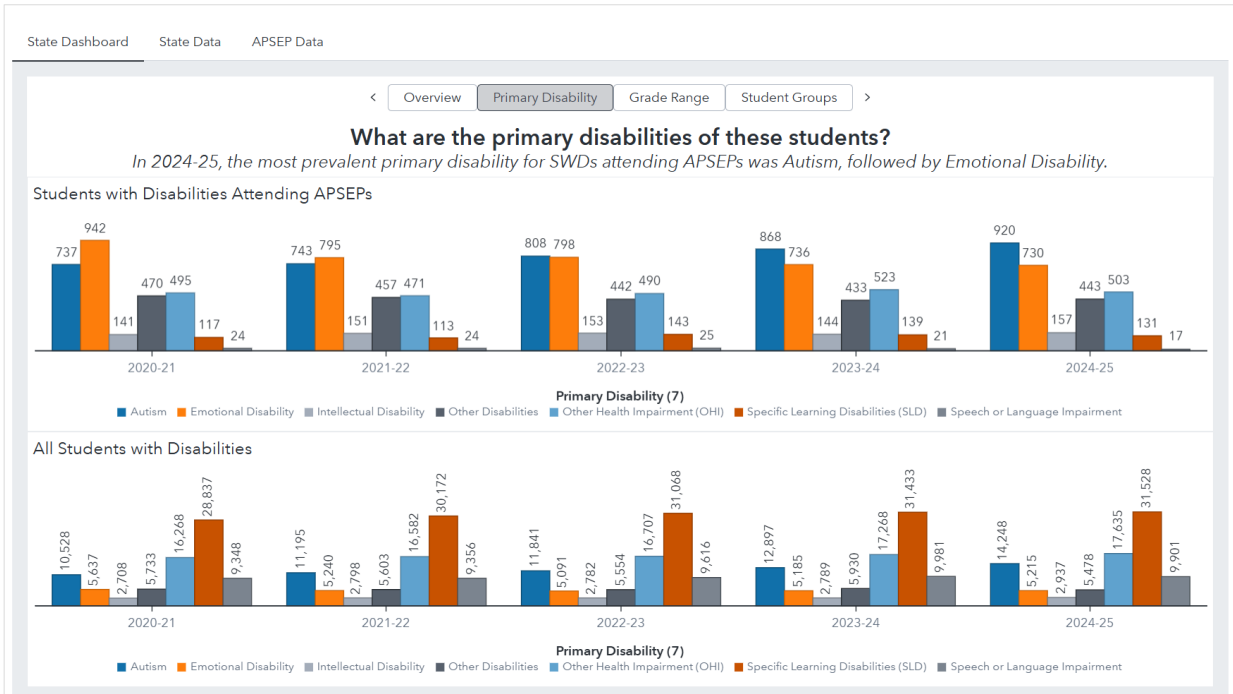
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APSEP Dashboard Sample Screenshots

Approved Private Special Education Programs (APSEP) Dashboard

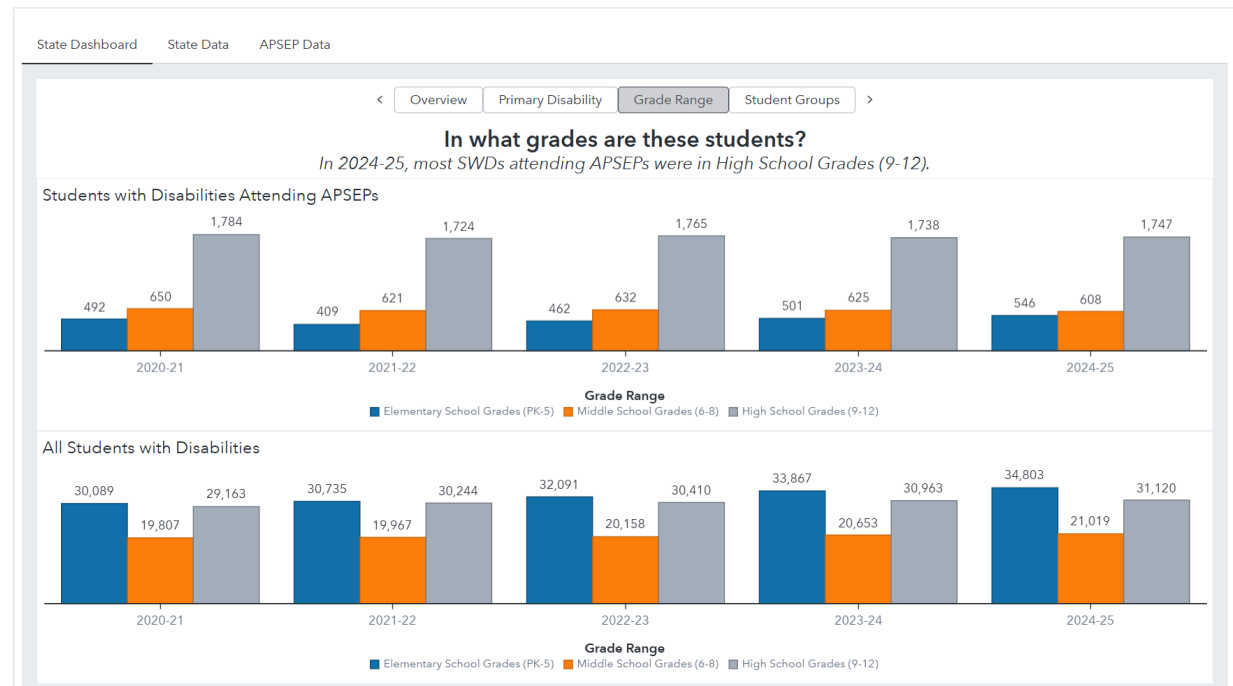
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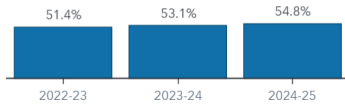
What is the demographic and programmatic makeup of this group of students?

Of all SWDs attending APSEPs in 2024-25,

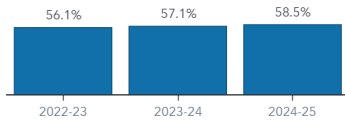
54.8% were students of color, **43.8%** were eligible for free or reduced-price meals (FRL), and **5.3%** were English Learners/Multilingual Learners (EL/ML)

Percent Students of Color

Students with Disabilities Attending APSEPs

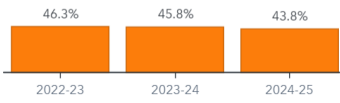


All Students with Disabilities

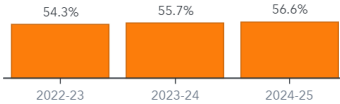


Percent Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals

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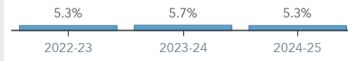


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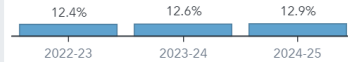


Percent English Learners/Multilingual Learners

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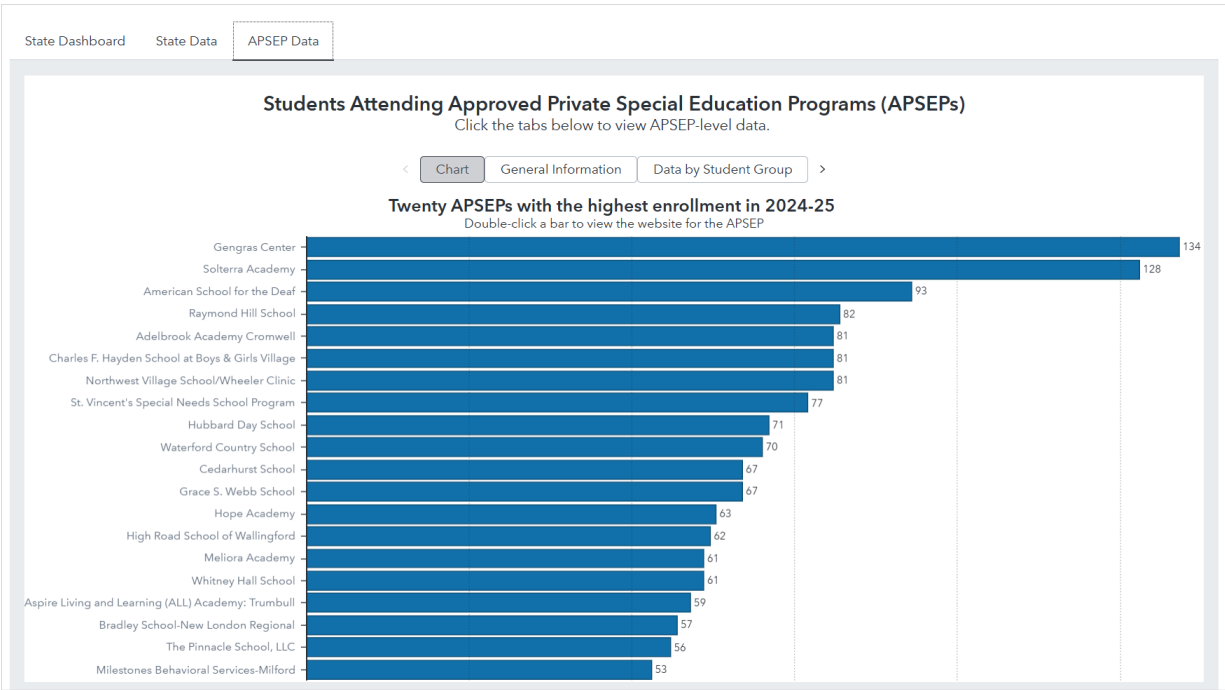


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Students Attending Approved Private Special Education Programs (APSEPs)

Click the tabs below to view APSEP-level data.

<ChartGeneral InformationData by Student Group>

Counts of Students by APSEP and Student Group

The table below shows the number of students with disabilities by APSEP. Use the dropdowns to select a student group or filter the data before exporting.

Select School YearSelect APSEPSelect Student Group

Filters: indicates an active filter

Year: 2024-25 || APSEP: <No item selected> || Student Group: Disability (7)

APSEP Name/Code

Student Group

Value

School Year

2024-25

Student Count (APSEP)*

A Collaborative Academy (1060321)	Primary Disability (7)	Autism		8
		Other Disabilities		*
		Other Health Impairment (OHI)		*
		Subtotal: Primary Disability (7)		11
		Subtotal: A Collaborative Academy (1060321)		11
Adelbrook Academy Cromwell (0330161)	Primary Disability (7)	Autism		53
		Emotional Disability		*
		Intellectual Disability		9
		Other Disabilities		10
		Other Health Impairment (OHI)		*

All Students

Disability (7)

EL/ML

Gender

Grade

Lunch

Primary Disability

Race

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*Data suppressed to protect student privacy.

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