



NJ School Performance Summary Report Guide

About the Report and this Guide

New Jersey School Performance Summary Reports provide families, educators and the public valuable information about how a school is doing across many elements: academic progress, college and career readiness, etc. The Summary Reports compare school performance to overall state performance and state targets.

The NJDOE encourages families, educators and broader community members to use the performance reports to help start conversations by asking questions such as, “How is our school doing relative to other schools?” or “Are all of our students making progress from last year?”

The Summary Reports provide a more reader-friendly companion to the [full New Jersey School Performance Reports](#), which provide additional information (i.e. student group performance and student access to arts, advanced placement courses, and career and technical education, etc.). This 2-page guide provides a brief explanation about the Summary Report.

Understanding the Summary Report

New Jersey K-8 School
2016-2017

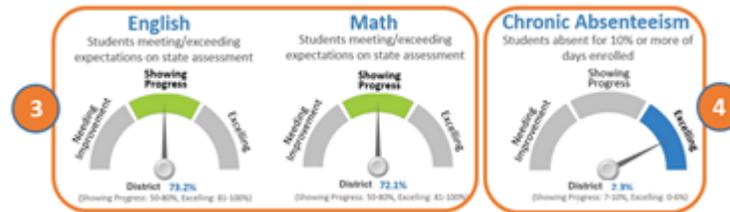
1 County: County
District: District
Principal: Principal Name
Street Address
City, State Zip
[School Website](#)
(555)555-5555

2 Total students: **627**
Grades offered: **PK-08**
Teachers – average years experience: **12**
Student/Teacher Ratio: **10:1**
Students with Disabilities: **14%**
Economically Disadvantaged: **0%**
English Language Learners: **4%**

1 School and District Contact Information: Address, website, and phone number.

2 Student and Teacher Information: General information about the students and teachers in the school for the 2016-17 school year.

Are students on track for success?



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English and Math Assessments: This shows the percentage of students who met or exceeded expectations on the 2016-17 PARCC assessments. Schools or districts that are...

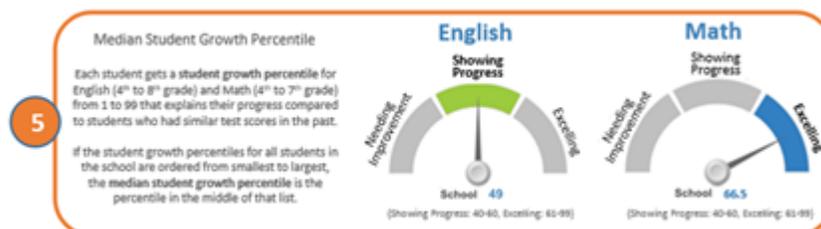
- **Excelling** are meeting New Jersey's long-term goal of having at least 80% of students meeting or exceeding expectations according to statewide assessments.
- **Showing progress** have at least 40% but fewer than 80% of students meeting or exceeding expectations according to statewide assessments.
- **Needing improvement** have fewer than 40% of students meeting or exceeding expectations according to statewide assessments.

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Chronic Absenteeism: This shows the percentage of K-12 students who were chronically absent, which is defined as being absent for 10% or more of the days they were enrolled during the 2016-17 school year. Schools or districts that are...

- **Excelling** have 5% or fewer students chronically absent.
- **Showing progress** have 10% or fewer but more than 5% of students chronically absent.
- **Needing improvement** have more than 10% of students chronically absent.

How much are students learning? (PK-8 reports only)



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ELA and Math Growth: This shows the Median Student Growth Percentile for ELA and Math for the 2016-17 school year. This measures student growth as compared to other students who had similar test scores in the past. Schools or districts that are...

- **Excelling** have median student growth percentiles higher than 60.
- **Showing progress** have median student growth percentiles from 40 to 60.
- **Needing improvement** have median student growth percentiles below 40.

Are students graduating and going to college? (High school reports only)



6 Graduation: This shows the 4-year graduation rate for the Class of 2017. Schools or districts that are...

- **Excelling** have graduation rates that meet or exceed New Jersey’s long-term goal of 95%.
- **Showing progress** have graduation rates of 90% or more but fewer than 95%.
- **Needing improvement** have graduation rates below 90%.

7 College Enrollment: This shows the percentage of Class of 2016 graduates who were enrolled in college in the fall of 2017 and the percentages of graduates who were enrolled in 2-year and 4-year colleges. New Jersey has not set targets or goals for college enrollment, but statewide rates are provided for reference.

School Highlights

- Curriculum includes Reading and Writing Workshop format, Everyday Math, and Knowing Science.
- Technology is part of each school day, with students utilizing a 2:1 initiative.
- Our chorus performed at the American Young Voices Concert at the Prudential Center in Newark.

8 School Highlights (School level reports only): This section provides school highlights collected directly from school districts. This allows schools to share information, in their own words, about their school, programs, students, and/or staff, which can be used along with the other information in this report.

If you are looking for more detailed explanations about how the data was collected or calculated, visit the [Reference Guide](#). If you have any additional questions, contact reportcard@doe.nj.gov.