

**John I. Dawes Early Learning Center**

(25-2920-120)

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School Contact Information

This table contains contact information including principal name, address, phone number, email address, and social media information, if provided.

Type	Contact Information
County	Monmouth
District	Manalapan-Englishtown Regional Schools School District
Principal Name	Mrs. Melissa Foy
Address	38 GORDONS CORNER ROAD MANALAPAN, NJ 07726
Phone Number	732-786-2830
Email Address	melissafoy@mersnj.us
Website	http://www.mersnj.us/elc



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Enrollment data reflects enrollment reported at the end of the school year and only includes students attending the school. Students that attend programs at other schools or outside of the district are not included in enrollment counts and percentages.

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	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
PK	109	114	113
KG	328	321	259
Total	437	435	372

Enrollment Trends by Student Group

This table shows the percentage of students by student group for the past three school years.

Student Group	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Female	45.1%	43.2%	45.4%
Male	54.9%	56.8%	54.6%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	7.1%	6.9%	7.3%
Students with Disabilities	28.4%	29.4%	33.3%
English Learners	3.7%	2.3%	5.1%
Homeless Students	N	N	N
Students in Foster Care	N	0.7%	0.8%
Military-Connected Students	N	N	N
Migrant Students	N	N	N

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	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
White	72.1%	71.5%	77.7%
Hispanic	9.6%	10.3%	8.9%
Black or African American	2.1%	1.1%	0.8%
Asian	12.4%	12.4%	10.8%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	N	N	N
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N
Two or More Races	3.9%	4.6%	1.9%

Enrollment Trends by Full/Half Day PK and KG

This table shows number of students in full day and half day Pre-Kindergarten (PK) and Kindergarten (KG) for the past three school years.

Grade	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
PK - Half Day	72	79	74
PK - Full Day	37	35	39
KG - Half Day	N	N	N
KG - Full Day	328	321	259

Enrollment by Home Language

This table 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.

Home Language	% of Students
English	89.5%
Russian	3.8%
Spanish	1.6%
Telugu	1.1%
Other Languages	4.0%



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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. Expected growth is based on the student's initial level of English Language Proficiency during the 2016-17 school year and the number of years the student has been enrolled in the district. This table also shows the school's 2017-18 ESSA accountability target and whether the target was met.

Student Group	Percent of English Learners Making Expected Growth to Proficiency	2017-18 Target	Met Target?
Schoolwide/English Learners	*	*	*

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.

Years in District	# Students Tested	% Students with Overall Score Below 4.5	% Students with Overall Score of 4.5 and above
0-2	19	68.4%	31.6%
3-4	N	N	N
5 or more	N	N	N



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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.

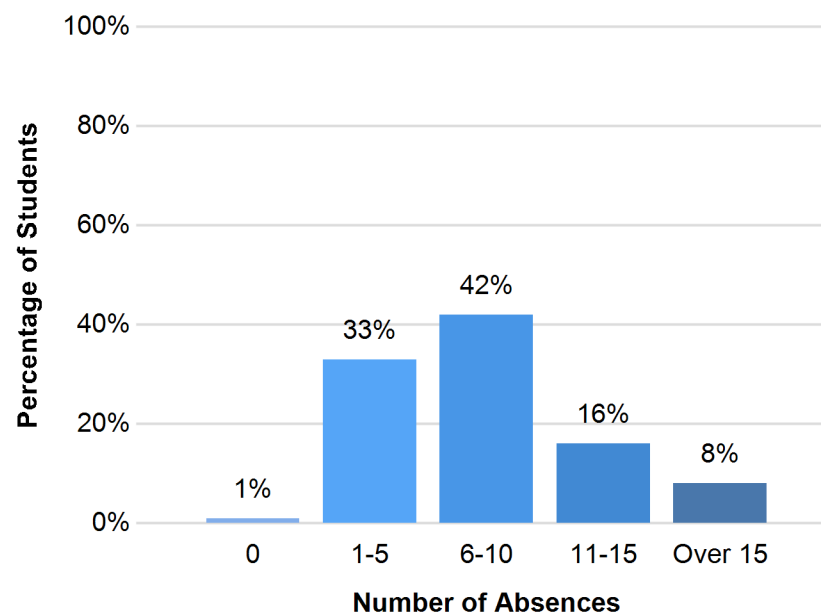
Chronic Absenteeism

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").

Student Group	Number of Students Chronically Absent	Percent of Students Chronically Absent	State Average	Met State Average?
Schoolwide	20	7.9	13.1	Met
White	12	5.7	13.1	Met
Hispanic	2	20.0	**	**
Black or African American	*	*	**	**
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific	5	17.9	13.1	Not Met
American Indian or Alaska Native	N	N	N	N
Two or More Races	*	*	**	**
Female	7	5.8		
Male	13	9.9		
Economically Disadvantaged Students	1	9.1	**	**
Students with Disabilities	9	22.5	13.1	Not Met
English Learners	1	7.7	**	**
Homeless Students	N	N		
Students in Foster Care	N	N		
Military-Connected Students	N	N		
Migrant Students	N	N		

Days Absent

This graph shows the percentage of K-12 students by the number of days they were absent during the school year.





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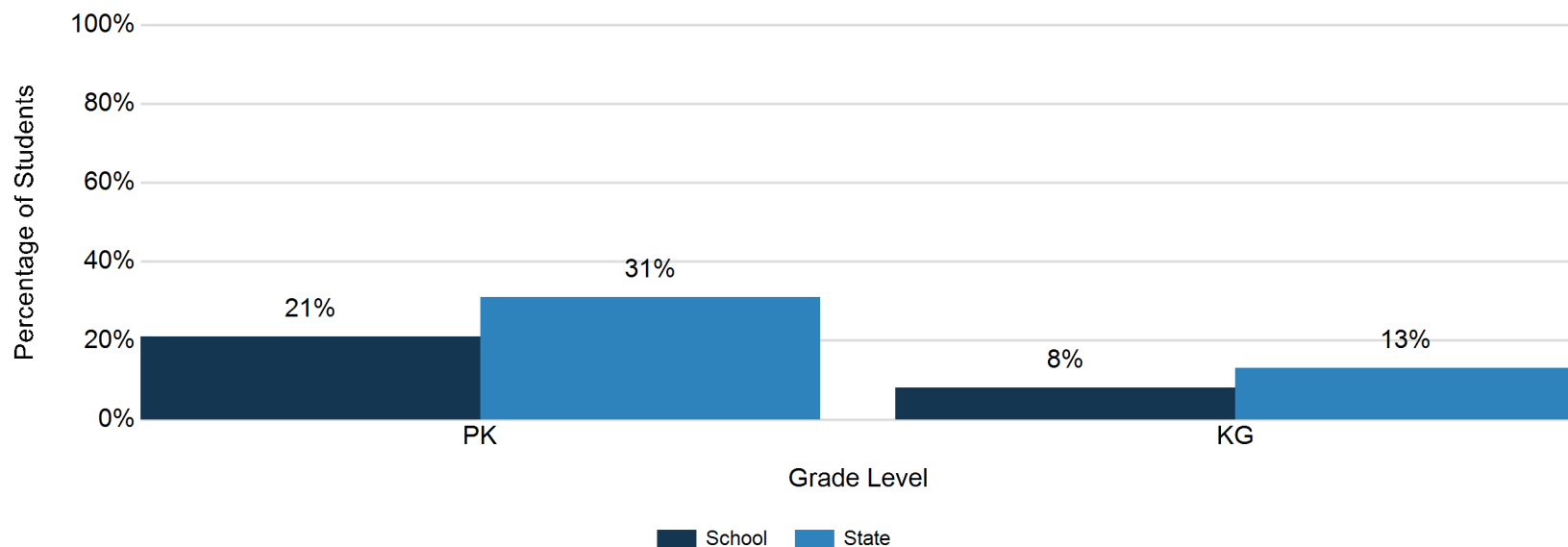
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Chronic Absenteeism by Grade

This graph shows the percentage of students by grade level who were chronically absent during the school year.





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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	N
Weapons	N
Vandalism	N
Substances	N
Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)	N
Total Unique Incidents	N
Incidents Per 100 Students Enrolled	N

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	N
Weapons	N
Vandalism	N
Substances	N
Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)	N
Other Incidents Leading to Removal	N



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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	N	N	N
Religion	N	N	N
Ancestry	N	N	N
Gender	N	N	N
Sexual Orientation	N	N	N
Disability	N	N	N
Other	N	N	N
No Identified Nature	N		N

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
In-School Suspensions	N	N
Out-of-School Suspensions	N	N
Any Suspension	N	N
Removal to other education program	N	N
Expulsion	N	N
Arrest	N	N

School Days Missed due to Out-of-School Suspensions

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School Day

This table shows the start and end times and length of school day for a typical student at this school. Instructional time is the amount of time that a typical student was engaged in instructional activities under the supervision of a certified teacher. Full time students attend this school for more than half of the school day and shared-time students attend the school for half of the school day or less.

Category	School
Typical Start Time	9:20 AM
Typical End Time	3:40 PM
Length of School Day	6 Hrs 20 Mins
Full Time - Instructional Time	5 Hrs 45 Mins
Shared Time - Instructional Time	5 Hrs. 45 Mins.



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Key terms for staff data:

Faculty: All classroom teachers and educational support services personnel (such as Librarians, Nurses, Counselors, and Child Study Team members)

Teachers: All classroom teachers

Administrators: Principals, assistant principals, supervisors, coordinators, directors, and other central-office administrators, as well as superintendents and other district-level administrators

Teachers – Experience

This table shows information about the experience of teachers assigned to this school and across the state. No teachers in New Jersey are teaching under emergency or provisional credentials as defined the United States Department of Education.

Category	Teachers in School	Teachers in State
Total Number of teachers	35	118,214
Average years experience in public schools	9.5	12.1
Average years experience in district	9.3	10.8
Percentage of Teachers with 4 or more years experience in the district	71.4%	75.3%

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	28	9,530
Average years experience in public schools	14.0	16.0
Average years experience in district	13.6	12.0
Percentage of Administrators with 4 or more years experience in the district	82.1%	76.9%

Student and Staff Ratios

This table shows ratios of students and staff members in the school and district. Ratios for librarians, nurses, counselors, and child study team members are only reported at the district level because many staff in these jobs are assigned only to the district and not to individual schools.

Ratio	School Ratio	District Ratio
Students to Teachers	11:1	12:1
Students to Administrators	186:1	179:1
Teachers to Administrators	18:1	14:1
Students to Librarians/Media Specialists		1001:1
Students to Nurses		501:1
Students to Counselors		715:1
Students to Child Study Team Members		238:1



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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.

Category	Students in School	Teachers in School	Administrators in School	Students in State	Teachers in State	Administrators in State
Female	45.4%	100.0%	100.0%	48.4%	77.1%	54.9%
Male	54.6%	0.0%	0.0%	51.6%	22.9%	45.1%
White	77.7%	94.3%	100.0%	42.4%	83.6%	77.4%
Hispanic	8.9%	5.7%	0.0%	29.9%	7.3%	7.2%
Black or African American	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	15.0%	6.6%	13.9%
Asian	10.8%	0.0%	0.0%	10.2%	2.0%	1.1%
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	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%	2.1%	0.2%	0.2%



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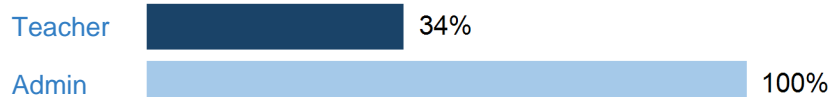
Teachers and Administrators - Level of Education

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.

Bachelor's Degree



Master's Degree



Doctoral Degree



Teachers and Administrators - One-Year Retention (District Level)

This table shows the percentage of teachers and administrators assigned to this district in 2017-18 that were still assigned to this district in 2018-19. Staff who were not retained may have changed districts or no longer work for the state (including retirements).

Job Type	District	State
2017-18 Teachers: Same district 2018-19	92.3%	90.5%
2017-18 Administrators: Same district 2018-19	89.3%	87.9%

Faculty Attendance

This table shows the percentage of days that faculty members were present during the school year. Approved professional days, personal days, staff training days, bereavement days, jury duty, and absences due to extended illness are not counted against days present, and faculty members on long-term leave or disability are excluded from this calculation.

School Year	% Days Present
2018-19	96.7%



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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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Highlights:

- The preschool program utilizes the Tools of the Mind Curriculum.
- The kindergarten curriculum includes Envision Math 2.0, Units of Study for Writing, Project Read, and Making Meaning.
- Technology such as Smartboards, iPads and document cameras are integrated into instruction.



Mission, Vision, Theme:

The John I. Dawes Early Learning Center is home to the district's preschool program and the majority of the district's kindergarten classes. The ELC provides a safe, secure and nurturing environment that promotes active learning with high expectations for each student. Our caring staff is committed to the development of each child academically, emotionally, socially and physically. We work collaboratively with parents and students to establish a solid foundation for lifelong learning.



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 <p>Courses, Curriculum, Instruction:</p>	<p>The preschool program utilizes the Tools of the Mind Curriculum. Play is the central teaching tool of the curriculum which focuses on giving children the tools they need to develop academic and self-regulation skills. The kindergarten curriculum includes the use of Project Read, Making Meaning, Units of Study for Writing and guided reading. Small group instruction is provided through the Daily 5 structure. Envision Mathematics 2.0 is utilized through the Daily 3 structure. Technology enhances our programs.</p>
 <p>Clubs and Activities:</p>	<p>The ELC Cares Buddy Program allows kindergarten students to visit our preschool disabled classes during activities that promote socialization to provide peer modeling. Kindergarten teachers are asked to nominate students who they feel are warm, patient and nurturing and who have a desire to help others. The buddies spend time in their assigned preschool classroom weekly, where they are paired with a specific child.</p>



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Staff and Professional Learning:

Professional development is provided regularly at both the district and school levels. The school ScIP Committee determines professional development needs yearly based on feedback from the staff. Developing teacher leaders was an area of focus through the implementation of pineapple charts and lesson study. In addition, many teachers present workshops and participate in teacher-led book clubs. Teachers collaborate in their PLC's to analyze student data in order to increase student achievement.






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 <p>Student Supports and Services:</p>	<p>A Child Study Team, comprised of a school psychologist and a learning disabilities teacher consultant, as well as a social worker, are on site for case management and to provide academic and behavioral supports. Additional support services such as speech, occupational therapy, and an English Language Learners program are available for students. The school social worker also supports children with their social and emotional needs. A reading interventionist provides academic support as needed.</p>
 <p>Student Health and Wellness:</p>	<p>Students participate in physical education twice weekly and recess daily. The school social worker and classroom teachers provide character education and anti-bullying lessons monthly, as well as Family Life lessons. The school nurse provides lessons on topics such as germs and handwashing. In addition, the school social worker provides social groups and social skills lessons as needed.</p>
 <p>Parent and Community Involvement:</p>	<p>A partnership among students, staff, parents and the community is very important. The help of daily classroom volunteers and an active Parent Teacher Association are important components to the success of our school. The PTA sponsors many events for the children and families such as educational assemblies and an end of the year Fun Day. In addition, monthly birthday celebrations and school-wide special events help to promote school spirit in the school community.</p>



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Facilities:

The Early Learning Center was opened in 2007 and is air conditioned. The community room is a spacious room in the center of the building. Assemblies, physical education and parent workshops are held there.



School Safety:

Safety and security are extremely important at the ELC. We use a visitor management system so we are aware of who is visiting the school at all times. In addition, safety drills are run monthly to ensure that our students and staff know how to respond to a variety of situations. The local police department conducts walk-throughs regularly.



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 <p>Technology and STEM:</p>	<p>Technology is integrated into all areas of the curriculum. Teachers utilize Smartboards and the document camera to enhance instruction. Students use iPads daily. All kindergarten students have a STEM class weekly. STEM lessons include the use of technology and hands-on activities with a plethora of materials and cooperative learning. Students are learning the real-world skills of the using the engineering process, communicating with one another, and collaborating to solve problems. Lessons include the use of technology, hands-on activities with a plethora of materials and cooperative learning. Students are learning the real-world skills of the using the engineering process, communicating with one another, and collaborating to solve problems. Technology is also used for parent communication. We use an electronic backpack and a school website to provide information to the parents and community.</p>
 <p>Early Childhood Education:</p>	<p>The John I. Dawes Early Learning Center houses the district's preschool program and the majority of the district's kindergarten classes. These young learners have the opportunity to learn and grow together in a child-centered, developmentally appropriate environment. Providing rich academic experiences and tailoring instruction to meet the needs of all learners helps children establish strong foundational skills as they begin their educational journey. The Tools of the Mind curriculum is utilized in all preschool classrooms. The ELC is a great place to learn!</p>