

PPSD Fact Sheet At A Glance 2006-2007

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The Providence Public School District at a Glance

VISION & MISSION

Vision Statement

The Providence Public School District will be a national leader in educating urban youth.

Mission Statement

The Providence Public School District will prepare all students to succeed in the nation's colleges and universities, and in their chosen professions.

SCHOOLS

PPSD has 45 schools, 4 annexes, 1 center, 2 charter schools. Five (5) schools are site-based managed (*).

There are **25 elementary schools** and **4 annexes (ax):**

- PreK-Gr. 5: Bailey, Pleasant View, West Broadway
- PreK-Gr. 6: Carnevale, *Gregorian, King
- Gr. K-5: D'Abate, Feinstein at Broad Street, Feinstein at Sackett Street, Flynn, Fogarty, *Fortes (ax: PreK-1), Lima (ax: PreK-1), Reservoir, Windmill
- Gr. K-6: Kennedy, Kizirian, Lauro, Veazie, Webster, West, Woods, Young
- Gr. 2-5: Laurel Hill (ax: K-1), Messer (ax: K-1)

There are **7 middle schools:**

- Gr. 6-8: Bridgham, Springfield, Greene, Hopkins, Perry, Stuart, Williams

There are **13 high schools:**

- Gr. 9: 9th Grade Academy of Service
- Gr. 9-10: Adelaide at Harrison Street,
- Gr. 9-12: Central (Hanley Career & Tech Center), Classical, *Cooley/Health/Science High School, DelSesto High School, E₃ (E-Cubed) Academy, *Feinstein, Hope Arts, Hope Leadership, Hope Technology, Mount Pleasant, *Providence Academy of International Studies (PAIS)

There is **1 center** servicing students with significant disabilities:

- Gr. 9-12: Harold A. Birch Vocational Program

There are **2 charter schools:**

- Gr. K-12: Times² Academy
- Gr. 9-12: Textron Chamber of Commerce

STUDENTS

Enrollment: 24,804 students

As of February 2007

Student demographics:

14,706	59%	Hispanic
5,536	22%	Black
3,010	12%	White
1,457	6%	Asian
176	1%	Native American

As of January 2007

Free and Reduced Lunch Breakdown:

Elementary:	9,486 free	1,090 reduced	525 paid
Middle:	3,902 free	345 reduced	181 paid
High:	4,573 free	658 reduced	60 paid

As of November 2006

Note: PPSD is currently sponsoring a Universal Free Lunch Program in high schools only. High school students qualify for this program even if they are in the reduced or paid categories as long as they have a completed lunch application form on file.

STAFF

The **2006-07** school budget includes 3,345 staff positions, an increase of 12 positions from 2005-06. Below is a comparison of budgeted positions:

FY05-06	FY06-07	
2,120	2,074	Teachers
141	142	Administrators
246	238	Clerical Support Personnel
680	693	Aides and Monitors
146	198	Other

Number of cafeteria/custodial workers (non PPSD)

88 Lunch aides	72 custodians
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Demographics:

	Teachers	Administrators
White	82%	62%
Black	7.6%	24%
Hispanic	8.8%	12%
Asian/Pacific Islander	1.2%	2%
American Indian	.4%	0%
Male	27%	54%
Female	73%	46%

As of February 2007

SCHOOL BOARD

The PPSD is governed by a 9-member **School Board**, appointed by the Mayor from among nominees recommended by a broad-based Nomination Committee. Members serve 3-year terms. Current members and term expiration dates are:

- Mary McClure, *President* 12/31/07
- Maila Touray, *Vice President* 12/31/09
- Robert Wise, *Secretary* 12/31/09
- Umberto Crenca 12/31/07
- Ronnie Young 12/31/07
- Katherine McKenzie 12/31/08
- Jill Holloway 12/31/08
- Rosanna Castro 12/31/08
- Grace Gonzalez 12/31/09

LEADERSHIP

Superintendent Dr. Donnie W. Evans
 Deputy Superintendent of
 Operations Tomas Hanna
 Chief Academic Officer Sharon Contreras
 Chief Financial Officer Mark Dunham

CONTACTING THE PPSD

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 379 Washington St., Providence, RI 02903

Registration

650 Prairie Ave., Providence, RI 02903

Student Affairs

182 Thurbers Ave., Providence, RI 02907

All Departments	401-456-9100
Academics	401-453-8676
Advanced Academics	401-456-9286
Athletics	401-456-9243
Budget	401-456-9379
Bus Yard	401-943-7536
Central Records	401-456-9239
Communications	401-278-0592
Community Partnerships	401-456-9296
Counseling & Social Services	401-456-1718
Credit Recovery	401-456-9126
Elementary School Education	401-456-1770
Equal Employment Opportunity	401-456-9222
Facilities	401-278-2820
Family & Community Engagement	401-456-0686
Finance	401-456-9435
Food Services	401-456-9311
Governmental Relations	401-456-9350
Health	401-456-9317
High School Education	401-456-9215
Human Resources	401-456-9100
Literacy	401-456-9386
Maintenance	401-278-0525
Mailroom	401-456-9173
Middle School Education	401-456-9434
My Learning Plan/Prof. Dev.	401-456-9255
Numeracy	401-456-9476
Operations	401-456-0658
Payroll	401-456-9313
Planning and Development	401-456-9255
Purchasing	401-456-9264
Registration	401-456-9301
School Board	401-453-8600
Science	401-278-2838
Special Populations: Special Education,	
English Language Learners	401-456-9253
Student Affairs	401-456-9293
Superintendent	401-456-9211
Supplemental Services	401-453-1710
Technology	401-278-0595
Telecommunications	401-456-9410
Testing (Research, Assessment)	401-456-9128
Transportation	401-456-9269
Vocational Education	401-278-2850
Youth Development	401-278-2802

SPECIAL POPULATIONS

Special Education

As of December 2006, 5,047 students, ages 3-21 were identified as having disabilities in the city of Providence.

97	230-Day program
51	Autism program
188	Behavioral needs program
308	Clinical
400	Full inclusion
331	Integrated preschoolers
98	Private parochial
1,981	Resource/intensive resource
1,133	Self-contained program
460	Speech only services

English Language Learners (ELL)

As of January 2006, 5,745 students have been provided with ELL services, and 42 Languages are spoken with 45 countries represented.

Bilingual Students	1,922
ESL Students	1,943
Total in program	3,865

Exited Students being monitored	1,014
Total with monitoring	4,879

CLASS SIZE

PPSD has a student to teacher ratio of 26:1 for general education in every school. Special education self-contained has a student to teacher ratio of 10:1 and special education 230-day has a 6:1 ratio.

TRANSPORTATION

There are 147 busses for the PPSD schools and 6 busses for the Times2 Charter School. Of the 147 PPSD busses 30 are for tuition special education students and 37 are for parochial and private school students. There are 147 routes, some with several bus runs. Approximately 5,677 elementary school, 2,185 middle school, 128 special education high school and 2,106 private and parochial school students take the bus (yellow busses). Approximately 2,737 regular education high school students receive monthly RIPTA bus passes.

ATHLETICS

PPSD recognizes the health benefits of physical activity. Sports activities help students gain a sense of self-confidence, belonging and discipline.

1,500	Athletes
66	Athletic teams
200	Students participating in the *Alternative Athletics Program

*The Alternative Athletics Program (AAP) is regulated by the Rhode Island Interscholastic League (www.riiil.org) and created for schools with an enrollment that does not warrant the offering of an athletic program(s). Students in the AAP participate in the athletics program offered at a neighborhood school in the community in which they reside. *Note:* Alternative schools whose enrollment exceeds 400 are obliged to offer their own athletic program(s). Currently, Adelaide, E-Cubed, Academy of Service and DelSesto High School participate.

TRANSITION SERVICES

Every school has designed a unique transition program for incoming students.

Goals: To provide a welcoming transition experience for incoming students that includes an orientation to school experience, school-specific expectations and operations, in-school and community-based learning supports and communication with parents and families.

Program Design Objectives: Increase the percentage of incoming students who receive transition support; provide an organizational orientation which introduces students to a new set of systems while helping them build a set of skills for use throughout their educational careers; provide a social/emotional transition where students become familiar with in and out-of-school learning supports; and to develop a strong family/parent engagement component during transition.

SUPPLEMENTAL SERVICES

Supplemental Educational Services (SES) provide additional academic instruction for students in schools that have not met State targets for increasing student achievement (adequate yearly progress or AYP) for three or more years. SES are offered at all seven middle schools; in 10 elementary schools (Veazie, West, Windmill, Lima, Fortes, Kizirian, Lauro, Young, Laurel Hill and Pleasant View); and in two elementary school annexes (Fortes and Lima).

SCHOOL CHOICE

School Choice was adopted by the School Board on December 13, 1999 to implement an assignment process that is fair and equitable for all students; to school choice process; to provide students greater opportunity to attend a neighborhood school; and to allow siblings to attend the same school. At the elementary and middle levels the plan allocates 75% for neighborhood students, 20% for non-neighborhood students, and 5% for students who chose the school as a second choice and live in the neighborhood. High Schools are 80% neighborhood and 20% for non-neighborhood.

FINANCE: BUDGET, SALARIES, PER PUPIL COSTS

FY 06-07 Local Budget: \$311,217,603

Program	Budget	% of total
Instruction	\$162,266,677	52%
Support Services	\$42,629,704	13.6%
Operations	\$46,804,295	15%
Other Commitments	\$39,454,851	12.7%
Admin & Leadership	\$20,062,076	6.7%

FY 06-07 External Funds

Formula grants	\$38,977,937
Competitive grants	\$1,429,659
Reimbursement grants	\$11,594,110
Other special revenue	\$7,537,545

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) from Fall 2005 and Fall 2006: The percentages below indicate the students whose test scores are **on grade level or above grade level** for reading, math and writing. *Note that only grades 5 and 8 take the NECAP Writing test.*

	Reading		Writing		Mathematics	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
Gr. 3	32	41	--	--	23	34
Gr. 4	31	39	--	--	25	32
Gr. 5	36	39	37	27	31	37
Gr. 6	30	40	--	--	22	33
Gr. 7	26	31	--	--	19	28
Gr. 8	24	34	22	21	20	25
District	30	37	29	24	24	31

New Standards Reference Exam (NSRE) from March 2006: The percentages below indicate the students whose test scores are **on grade level or above grade level** for reading, math, and writing.

Grade	Reading	Writing	Mathematics
11	26%	41%	19%

Graduation Rates

SY 2002-03: 65.70%
 SY 2003-04: 65.60%
 SY 2004-05: 72.98%
 SY 2005-06: 71.01%

Dropout Prevention and Credit Recovery Services:

- During the 2005-06 school year, the office of student opportunities met with 1,250 students on issues including General Equivalency Diploma (GED) programs, skill-based programs and other certificate and community-based programs.
- For the 05-06 academic school year, the office of student opportunities graduated 130 students from the Alternate Diploma Evening Program (ADEP). In addition, the office of student opportunities graduated an additional 108 students through its early graduation/senior summer program. Student opportunities also serviced 175 seniors, who needed two additional course credits to graduate, through its credit recovery program. These seniors graduated on time and with their school.

FY 06-07 Average Annual Salaries

Teachers	60,748
Elementary school principals	93,176
Middle school principals	99,209
High school principals	108,660
Directors	101,555
Executive Directors	108,742
Secretary/clerk (12 month)	37,561

Teachers' Salary Range: 35,563- 67,033

FY 05-06 Spending Per Pupil (All Funds):

Reg Ed	LEP	Special Pop	Voc Ed
\$12,264	\$4,235	\$28,964	n/a

FY 05-06 District Spending Per Pupil:
\$13,157