



School Overview

Highland Middle School is a Spanish Dual Language and PACIFIC program school serving approximately 500 students. Our foundational belief is that all students can be successful without exception or excuse. We strive to affirm and inspire each and every student to learn and thrive as creators of their future world.

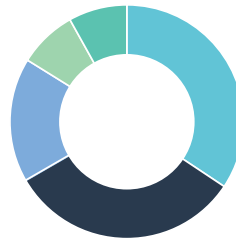
Programs Offered

Pacific (special education), Spanish Dual Language

School & Student Characteristics ¹

	SCHOOL	DISTRICT ²
Enrollment	450	683
National Board Certified Teachers	26%	28%
Eligible for Free/Reduced Price Meals	50%	17%
Receiving Special Education Services	16%	8%
English Language Learners	22%	8%
First Language Other Than English	53%	35%
Mobility Rate ³	12%	7%

Racial Diversity



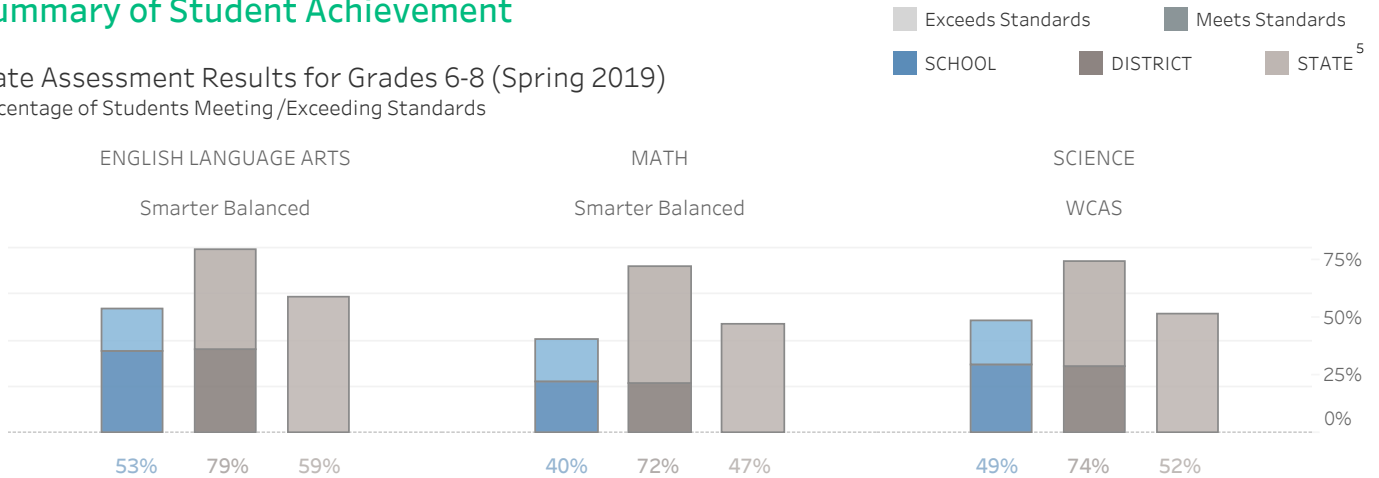
- 17% Asian
- 8% Black
- 34% Hispanic
- 8% Two or more races
- 32% White
- N/A Native American
- N/A Pacific Islander

Attendance & Discipline

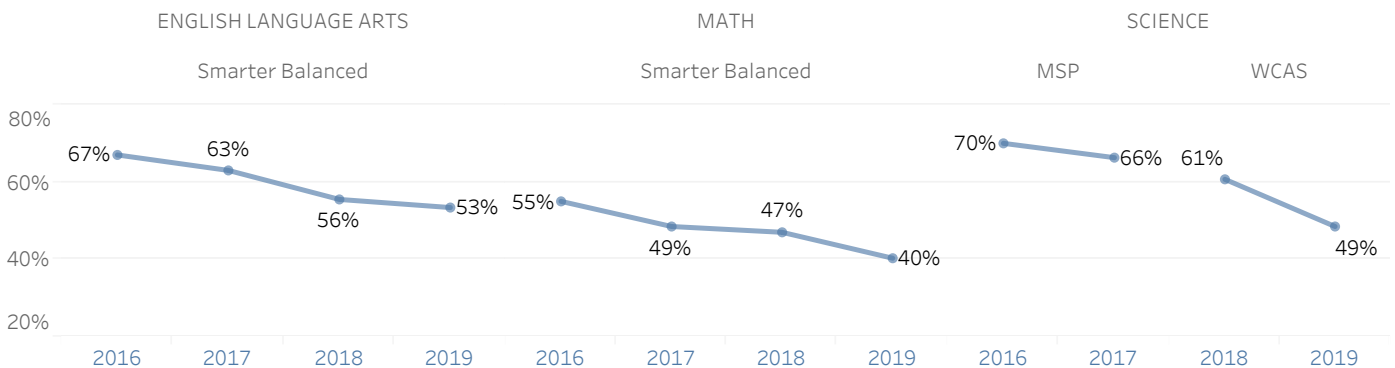
	SCHOOL	DISTRICT
Average Attendance Rate	95%	96%
Students with < 10 Absences Per Year	62%	63%
Students with 18+ Absences Per Year	16%	17%
Suspension Rate ⁴	8.2%	3.4%

Summary of Student Achievement

State Assessment Results for Grades 6-8 (Spring 2019)
 Percentage of Students Meeting/Exceeding Standards



State Assessment Results for Grades 6-8 in the Last Four Years
 Percentage of Students Meeting Standards



Glossary

National Board Certified Teachers

The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards offers a voluntary certification process for teachers to show that they have met the organization's standards for effective teaching. Teachers who apply go through a lengthy and rigorous screening process to obtain certification.

Science Assessments - WCAS/MSP

WCAS stands for Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science, first administered in Spring 2018 to students state-wide in grades 5, 8 and 11. The WCAS replaces the WA State MSP science assessment. The WCAS is aligned to Next Generation Science Standards, which emphasize engineering and technology. The standards were adopted by the state in 2013. For more information see www.k12.wa.us/assessment/StateTesting/default.aspx.

Smarter Balanced

Starting in 2014-15, Washington State adopted the Smarter Balanced exams to assess student learning in English language arts and math in grades 3-8 and 10-11. These computer-based exams are aligned to the state's Common Core learning standards. For more information see www.k12.wa.us/assessment/StateTesting/default.aspx.

Special Education Services

Neighborhood schools provide a continuum of special education services. We provide specialty centers as well:

* **Cascade** program for students who benefit from behavioral supports due to emotional stressors.

* **Evergreen** program to serve young adults (ages 18-21) with disabilities.

* **Olympic** program to support students on the autism spectrum.

* **Pacific** program for students with significant developmental and intellectual disabilities.

* **PALS** (Preschool Age Learning) preschool to provide early intervention services for children with special needs (ages 3-5), together with typically developing peers.

End Notes

- 1 School and Student Characteristics**
Data are from October 1, 2018 unless otherwise specified.
- 2 District Average**
The district averages displayed here are the averages for district middle schools.
- 3 Mobility Rate**
The percent of students who entered or withdrew from the school between October 1 and June 15, based on October 1 enrollment.
- 4 Suspension Rate**
The percent of students who received at least one in-school or out-of-school suspension or were expelled over the course of the school year.
- 5 State Assessment Results**
State pass rate percentages combine "Meets Standard" and "Exceeds Standard."