



Cheesequake School (23-4660-301)

2022-2023

County: Middlesex
District: Sayreville School District
111 Highway 34
Matawan, NJ 07747

Principal: Mrs. April Magistro
[School Website](#)
732-525-5200



274
Total Students



PK-PK
Grades Offered

Overview & Resources

The School Performance Reports reflect the New Jersey Department of Education's (NJDOE) commitment to providing parents, students, and school communities with a large variety of information about each school and district. These reports can be used as a tool to help evaluate whether all students have equitable access to high quality education. We encourage you to use these reports to:

- **Learn more** about the school and the district
- **Start conversations** with school community members and ask questions
- **Engage** with school communities to identify where schools are doing well and where they can improve

Important Notes for 2022-23 Reports: The 2022-23 School Performance Reports include all data that was previously reported prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, which includes all assessment, student growth, and accountability data. Data throughout the reports has been impacted by the pandemic in various ways, so the NJDOE recommends caution in comparing data from year to year.

School Performance Report Resources: The NJDOE has several resource documents that can help you understand and use the School Performance Reports, which can also be found under the "Resource Documents" link at the top of the page:

- One-page guides to help start conversations for [school board members](#), [administrators](#), [educators](#), [elementary](#), and [middle and high school families](#)
- [Reference Guide](#) with details on all the data in these reports
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Understanding Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rates](#)
- [Understanding Student Growth Percentiles](#)
- [Data Privacy Rules](#) (why you see *s and N's in the reports)

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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	Middlesex
District	Sayreville School District
Principal Name	Mrs. April Magistro
Address	111 Highway 34, Matawan, NJ 07747
Phone Number	732-525-5200
Email Address	april.magistro@sayrevillek12.net
Website	cheesequake.sayrevillek12.net/
Twitter	https://twitter.com/PB_Cheesequake

Demographics

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	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
PK	285	238	274
Total	285	238	274

Enrollment Trends by Student Group

This table shows the percentage of students by student group for the past three school years. To protect student and staff privacy, gender percentages for 2020-21, 2021-22, and 2022-23 may show a range, depending on the overall school population size.

Student Group	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Female	35-40%	40-45%	35-40%
Male	55-60%	55-60%	60-65%
Non-Binary/Undesignated Gender	≤5%	≤5%	≤5%
Economically Disadvantaged Students	23.9%	25.7%	37.6%
Students with Disabilities	36.8%	46.6%	37.2%
English Learners	0.0%	5.6%	15.3%
Homeless Students	0.0%	1.2%	0.0%
Students in Foster Care	0.4%	0.4%	0.0%
Military-Connected Students	0.4%	0.8%	0.7%
Migrant Students	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%

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	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
White	44.6%	38.2%	38.0%
Hispanic	2.1%	2.8%	12.8%
Black or African American	14.7%	20.1%	17.5%
Asian	22.1%	18.5%	17.2%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	6.7%	6.8%	1.8%
American Indian or Alaska Native	3.9%	6.4%	5.5%
Two Or More Races	6.0%	7.2%	7.3%

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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.

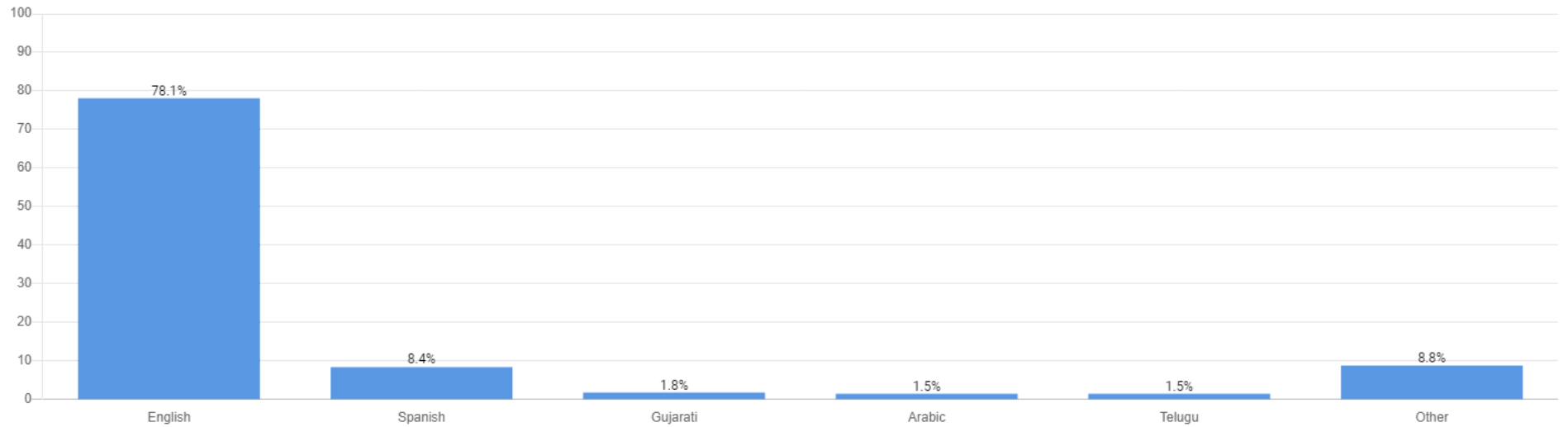
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PK - Half Day	0	0	0
PK - Full Day	285	238	274

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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. To see this data in a table, click the Table View option below the chart.



Climate and Environment

The New Jersey Department of Education collects data through the Student Safety Data System (SSDS). In addition to the data below, NJDOE is required, under ESSA, to report on the most recent, publicly-available Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) data, which can be found on the [NJDOE School Performance webpage](#). Please note that prior to school year 2017-2018, the CRDC and the State collection system, EVVRS, did not collect the same data elements. In an effort to better align the State system with the CRDC, the new Student Safety Data System (SSDS) collects all the required CRDC data elements. NJDOE is in the process of developing a reporting function for the SSDS which will allow LEAs to use the same data for both submissions.

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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	0
Weapons	0
Vandalism	0
Substances	0
Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)	0
Total Unique Incidents	0
Incidents Per 100 Students Enrolled	0.00

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	0
Weapons	0
Vandalism	0
Substances	0
Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)	0
Other Incidents Leading to Removal	0

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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	0	0	0
Religion	0	0	0
Ancestry	0	0	0
Gender	0	0	0
Sexual Orientation	0	0	0
Disability	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
No Identified Nature	0		0

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. The NJDOE is additionally required to report on the number, percentage, and demographics of students who received removals and that data is available on the [NJDOE website](#).

Removal Type	Number of Students	Percent of Students	School Days Missed due to Out-of-School Suspensions
In-School Suspensions	0	0.0%	0
Out-of-School Suspensions	0	0.0%	
Any Suspension	0	0.0%	
Removal to other education program	0	0.0%	
Expulsion	0	0.0%	
Arrest	0	0.0%	

Climate and Environment

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	8:00 AM
Typical End Time	2:00 PM
Length of School Day	6 Hrs. 0 Mins.
Full Time - Instructional Time	4 Hrs. 55 Mins.
Shared Time - Instructional Time	N

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Staff

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

Experience: Experience is based on information submitted by districts on all their staff members. For purposes of this report, the ESSA Educator Equity and federal reporting requirements, NJDOE has defined teachers as "inexperienced" if they have fewer than four years of prior experience in a given district. The tables below report on "experienced" teachers and administrators for federal reporting purposes.

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Teachers – Experience

This table shows information about the experience and professional qualifications of teachers. Out-of-field teachers are teachers who are potentially teaching outside of their area of certification. Teachers with provisional certifications are fully certified novice teachers of record who must meet further requirements of evaluation and mentoring during their induction into the profession before being granted "standard" or permanent certification. The New Jersey Department of Education does not issue emergency instructional certificates for teachers. Additional data on the professional qualifications of teachers and administrators, broken down by schools with high or low economically disadvantaged populations, is available on the [School Performance Staff page](#).

Category	Teachers in School	Teachers in State
Total Number of teachers	29	118,882
Average years experience in public schools	3.6	12.5
Average years experience in district	3.6	11.3
Number of Teachers with 4 or more years experience in the district	8	88,415
Percentage of Teachers with 4 or more years experience in the district	27.6%	74.8%
Number of out-of-field teachers	0	2,811
Percentage of out-of-field teachers	0%	2.4%
Number of Teachers with Provisional Credentials	2	8,605
Percentage of Teachers with Provisional Credentials	6.9%	7.3%

Administrators – Experience

This table shows information about the experience of administrators assigned to this school and across the state.

Category	Admin. in School	Admin. in State
Total Number of administrators	1	9,952
Average years experience in public schools	23.0	16.1
Average years experience in district	23.0	12.5
Number of Administrators with 4 or more years experience in the district	1	7,675
Percentage of Administrators with 4 or more years experience in the district	100.0%	77.9%

Staff Counts

This table shows the number of staff members assigned to the school, district, and state across several staff categories. The staff counts in this table reflect data submitted by districts to NJ SMART and reflect any teachers assigned and are not based on full-time equivalent (FTE). Additionally, some staff members may be assigned to the district only but work in multiple schools in the district. In these cases, the table may show 0 staff members assigned to the school, even though there are district staff members working in the school. The School Safety Specialists data is based on data submitted by districts in the CDS system and is not available at the school level because it is a district assigned position.

Staff Category	School: Total Staff Members	District: Total Staff Members	State: Total Staff Members
Teachers	29	549	118,882
Administrators	1	35	9,952
Librarians/Media Specialists	N	7	1,194
Nurses	N	6	2,960
School Counselors	N	20	4,519
Child Study Team Members	4	33	9,367
School Psychologists	N	6	2,166
School Social Workers	N	6	2,654
Student Assistance Coordinators	N	2	381
School Safety Specialists	N	3	694

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Student and Staff Ratios

This table shows ratios of students and staff members in the school and district. The ratios are based on data submitted by districts to NJ SMART and are not based on staff full-time equivalent (FTE). The School Safety Specialists data is based on data submitted by districts in the CDS system and is not available at the school level because it is a district assigned position.

Ratio	School Ratio	District Ratio
Students to Teachers	9:1	12:1
Students to Administrators	274:1	182:1
Teachers to Administrators	29:1	16:1
Students to Librarians/Media Specialists †	N	912:1
Students to Nurses †	N	1064:1
Students to Counselors †	N	319:1
Students to Child Study Team Members †,††	26:1	34:1
Students to School Psychologists †	N	1064:1
Students to School Social Workers †	N	1064:1
Students to Student Assistance Coordinators †	N	3192:1
Students to School Safety Specialists †	N	2128:1

† In some districts, staff members in these roles who work in multiple schools may be assigned only to the district and not to individual schools. As a result, a School Ratio may show N, but there may be district assigned staff working in the school

†† Child Study Team members include school psychologists, school social workers, and learning disabilities teacher consultants, also note that the ratio compares Students with Disabilities instead of all students.

Teachers and Administrators – Demographics

This table compares the percentage of students, teachers, and administrators by gender and by racial and ethnic group. To protect student and staff privacy, gender percentages may show a range, depending on the overall school population size.

Category	Students in School	Teachers in School	Administrators in School	Students in State	Teachers in State	Administrators in State
Female	35-40%	>80%	*	48.0%	77.0%	57.0%
Male	60-65%	≤20%	*	52.0%	23.0%	43.0%
Non-Binary/Undesignated Gender	≤5%	≤20%	*	≤1%	≤1%	≤1%
White	38.0%	86.2%	100.0%	39.1%	82.2%	74.8%
Hispanic	12.8%	3.4%	0.0%	33.1%	8.3%	8.5%
Black or African American	17.5%	3.4%	0.0%	14.4%	6.3%	14.3%
Asian	17.2%	6.9%	0.0%	10.1%	2.4%	1.4%
American Indian or Alaska Native	5.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	1.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.4%	0.6%
Two or More Races	7.3%	0.0%	0.0%	2.9%	0.2%	0.4%

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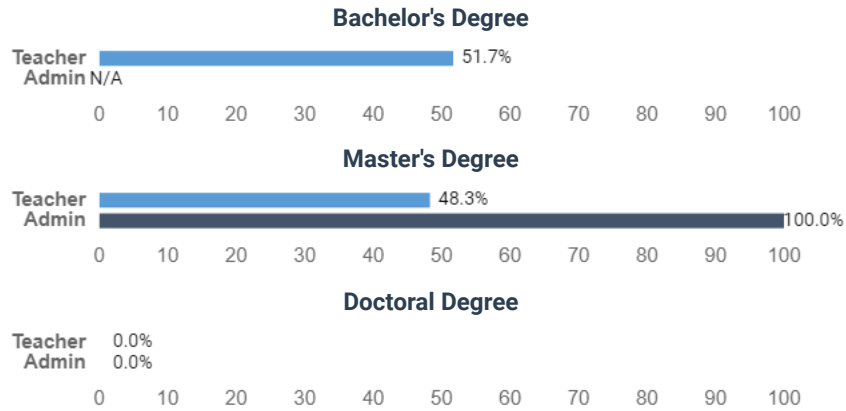
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Teachers and Administrators - Level of Education

This chart shows the highest level of education attained by teachers and administrators. The Bachelor's degree category may include other degrees/certificates such as a Specialist's degree. Administrators are required to have a Master's degree or higher.



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

This table shows the percentage of teachers and administrators assigned to this district in 2021-22 that were still assigned to this district in 2022-23. Staff who were not retained may have changed districts or no longer work for the state (including retirements).

Job Type	District	State
2021-22 Teachers: Same district 2022-23	89.3%	88.4%
2021-22 Administrators: Same district 2022-23	97.1%	86.6%

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Per-Pupil Expenditures

Per-Pupil Expenditures by Source

The table below summarizes the most recently available expenses for regular and special education students taught at schools in the district. The amounts include both actual personnel and actual non-personnel expenditures and include expenditures for instruction, support services, administration, operations and maintenance, and extra-curricular activities. An overall cost per pupil for a given school can be calculated by adding the Central Expenditures and the Expenditures Not Assigned to a School to the School Level Expenditures reported for that school. The Average Daily Enrollment (ADE**) comes from the 2022-23 School Registry Summary (SRS).

For more information regarding this table please refer to the guidance for school level reporting, which is available on the NJDOE webpage [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 2022-23 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.

Sayreville Boro	Federal	State & Local	Total	ADE**
District Level Total Expenditures	\$617	\$15,869	\$16,486	6,169.4
District Level Central Expenditures		\$4,931	\$4,931	6,169.4
Sayreville War Memorial High School	\$12	\$10,156	\$10,168	1,737.8
Sayreville Middle School	\$276	\$10,347	\$10,623	1,357.4
Emma Arleth Elementary School	\$298	\$11,377	\$11,675	489.2
Dwight D. Eisenhower Elementary School	\$284	\$9,675	\$9,959	470.3
Harry S. Truman Elementary School	\$307	\$9,786	\$10,093	447.2
Samsel Upper Elementary School	\$273	\$10,896	\$11,169	841.9
Woodrow Wilson Elementary School	\$232	\$10,910	\$11,142	334.7
Project Before At Selover School		\$16,082	\$16,082	225.9
Cheesequake School	\$189	\$18,236	\$18,425	265.0

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Highlights:

- Project Before's Preschool Expansion Aid remained \$9.0 million dollars.



Mission, Vision, Theme:

The mission of the Sayreville Public Schools is to educate today's learners to be tomorrow's leaders by providing all students with a high quality, challenging education that instills character and enables our students to compete successfully in the 21st century...and it all starts in preschool!



Courses, Curriculum, Instruction:

Project Before Preschool's curricula combines Tools of the Mind, Fountas and Pinnell Classroom (FPC) Age of Learning- Mathematics and Language Arts

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Clubs and Activities:

Project Before at Cheesequake offers Leading Edge before and after care, as well as a Unified Sports (fall and spring) program.



Before and After School Programs:

Project Before at Cheesequake offers Leading Edge Before and After Care for working families.



Staff and Professional Learning:

Professional Development opportunities are provided by the District through Grow NJ Kids- Tool of the Mind Training, Two Staff Development Days, GCN Training, and Professional Learning Communities

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Student Health and Wellness:

Project Before at Cheesequake employs a full time nurse, and our students participate in daily gross motor play. Project Before participates in Dental Health Month with a visit from a local dentist.



Parent and Community Involvement:

Project Before Preschool has a Parent Teacher Organization, (CPIS) Community Parent Involvement Specialist, (ECAC) Early Childhood Advisory Committee



School Safety:

Project Before at Cheesequake employs a Full time Campus Monitor and full time Class III Officer, in addition to having a metal detector, identification card scanner, and classroom door locks up to code.

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Technology and STEM:

Project Before at Cheesequake supports a School technician, iPad for 100% of students, and daily classroom STEAM lessons.



Early Childhood Education:

Social Emotional Learning addressed through Pyramid Model training and strategies provided by (PIRS) Preschool Intervention Specialists, as well as targeted lessons delivered by preschool social worker