

2019

Northwest Arkansas EDUCATION REPORT CARD



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Executive Summary

The NWA Report Card highlights how students in area schools are performing!

Northwest Arkansas students are demonstrating greater growth in achievement and earning higher scores on the ACT Aspire than are the students in the state overall. Schools in NWA also have higher School Quality and Student Success scores, higher graduation rates, and are more likely to receive an “A” or “B” rating than are other schools across the state.

We think the **Growth Score** is the most important measure of school quality. Growth Scores measures how much individual students at the school increase their achievement scores from year to year. Using growth as a measure of school success levels the playing field because all students are evaluated by the extent to which they grow from their own starting point; thus, students facing socioeconomic barriers to achievement have the same opportunity for growth as do their peers from advantaged backgrounds. All students can grow their understanding, and we should expect all schools to foster student growth, regardless of family income, first language, or learning needs. To be in the top 25% of schools in the state, elementary schools need a growth score of 83 or higher, middle level schools need a growth score of 82 or higher, and high schools need a growth score of 81 or higher.

The **Achievement Score** is a familiar measure of student performance that reflects how well students score on the state’s annual exams. Schools serving more advantaged students typically receive “good” scores because a high percentage of their students passed, while schools serving a larger percentage of students who lived in poverty, participated in special education, or were learning English often receive lower scores because a higher percentage of their students were unable to pass the test. The clear connection between Achievement Scores and student demographics suggests that point-in-time test scores are not a good measure of how well a school is educating students, but rather a reflection of the wealth of the community being served by the school.

The **School Quality/ Student Success Indicator Score** is a relatively new indicator for schools that includes measures like student attendance, reading at grade level, science achievement, and science growth. High school scores also reflect student enrollment in advanced courses, computer science courses, and community service learning. ACT performance and GPA are also considered. This indicator comprises a relatively small portion of the overall school index, and includes measures not previously reported, which may mean that differences between district scores may reflect differences between how the data are collected and reported.

Schools are assigned **A-F letter grades** to help parents and the public better understand how well a school is performing. This grade is based on an Overall index that is a combination of a Growth score, an Achievement score, and School Quality/ Student Success Indicators.

This report card presents information about these key performance indicators for the districts in Benton and Washington counties. The Growth, Achievement, School Quality, and Overall scores of each 15 traditional districts are compared to the average scores of the regional districts with similar enrollment 5 large districts and 10 small districts. The scores of the 5 public charter schools are compared to the average scores of all schools in the NWA area.



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Highlights

Highest Overall:

- Haas Hall Bentonville: **Highest Growth**
- Haas Hall Bentonville: **Highest Achievement**
- Haas Hall Bentonville: **Highest School Quality Score**
- Elkins and Farmington School Districts (tie): **Highest Graduation Rate**

Highest Traditional School District:

- Springdale School District: **Highest Growth**
- Bentonville School District: **Highest Achievement**
- Bentonville School District: **Highest School Quality Score**
- Elkins and Farmington School Districts (tie): **Highest Graduation Rate**

Highest serving at least 50% of students that face economic disadvantages:

- Springdale School District: **Highest Growth**
- Rogers School District: **Highest Achievement**
- Lincoln School District: **Highest School Quality Score**
- West Fork School District: **Highest Graduation Rate**

There are many things that contribute to a ‘good’ school, but **we believe student academic growth is the most meaningful indicator** that districts are doing what’s really important: helping all students learn. Many NWA districts had high growth at one or two school levels, and there is evidence of variation in growth rates between schools within the same districts. We recommend district and school leaders examine where their students are not demonstrating high growth, examine high growth schools to see what those schools are doing differently, and consider how they can further support learning for their students.

By the Numbers

49

National Merit
Semi-Finalists in the
class of 2019

7

Northwest
Arkansas high
schools ranked
in the top 10%
in the nation by
U.S. News &
World Report

\$9,733

K-12 Per Pupil
Spending (2018-19)

5,986

Certified teachers
employed by
NWA schools
(2018-19)

4,376

average district
enrollment
(2019-20)

88%

Graduation
Rate
(2018-19)

14 to 1

Student:Teacher Ratio

15

Districts in
Northwest Arkansas

5

Open enrollment
charter schools in NWA
(2018-19)

56%

Advanced Placement
Participation Rate
(2018-19)

Northwest Arkansas Region

Enrollment: 90,452 | 141 Schools

Each school is assigned a **letter grade (A-F)** based on their overall score.

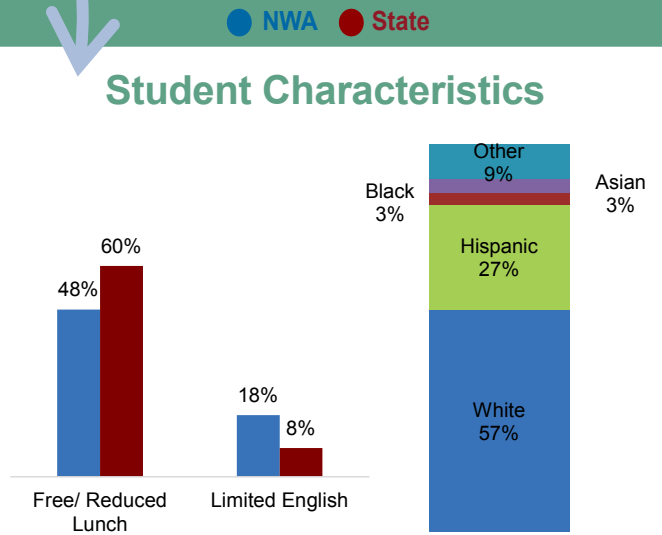
Student Characteristics: Why is this important? Students who participate in Free/Reduced lunch programs, or are identified as Limited English Proficient are At Risk for not meeting proficiency targets or graduating. When comparing district performance, it is important to consider the percentage of At Risk students enrolled.

Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

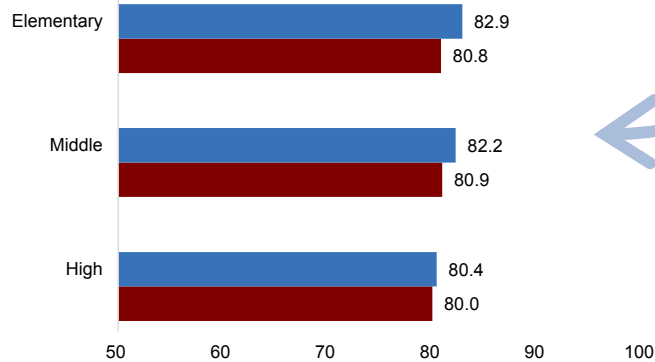
	A	B	C	D	F
NWA	36%	34%	28%	2%	0%
State	16%	30%	35%	15%	0%

	NWA	State
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$9,733	\$10,191
ACT Composite Score	21.1	19.8
Graduation Rate	88%	88%

Student Characteristics



Growth Score



The **annual per-pupil expenditure, ACT Composite score,** and percentage of **students who graduated** 4 years after entering high school are additional indicators of school performance.

Growth Score:

This indicates how much the district's students in grades 3-10 improved over time on state assessments in English language arts and mathematics. This score also includes how well non-native speakers are progressing toward English language proficiency.

Districts serving fewer At Risk students don't always have higher growth scores. Growth scores are less related to student characteristics than achievement scores.

Growth scores range from 69 to 89.

Northwest Arkansas Region

● NWA ● State

The Achievement Score indicates how well the district's students in grades 3-10 performed on state assessments in English language arts and mathematics. This achievement score is weighted so schools earn more points for students in higher achievement levels.

Districts serving fewer At Risk students typically have higher achievement scores. Achievement scores are more related to student characteristics than growth scores.

Achievement scores range from 11 to 114.

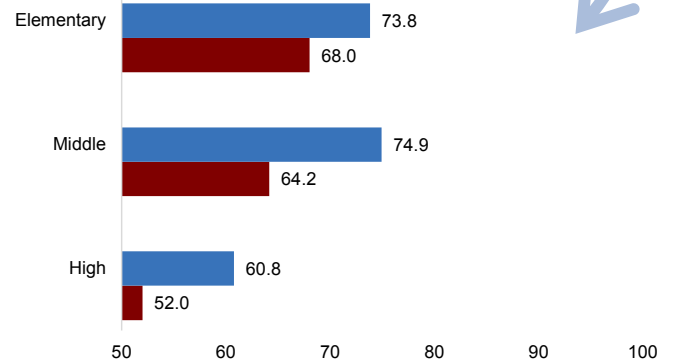
The School Quality and Student Success score

combines several measures of student engagement, readiness, completion, and success.

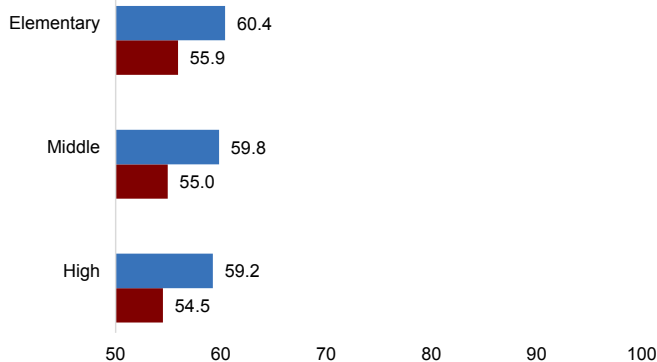
Schools get points for student attendance, reading at grade level, science achievement, and science growth. High school scores also reflect student enrollment in advanced courses, computer science courses, and community service learning. ACT performance and GPA are also considered.

School Quality scores range from 24 to 100.

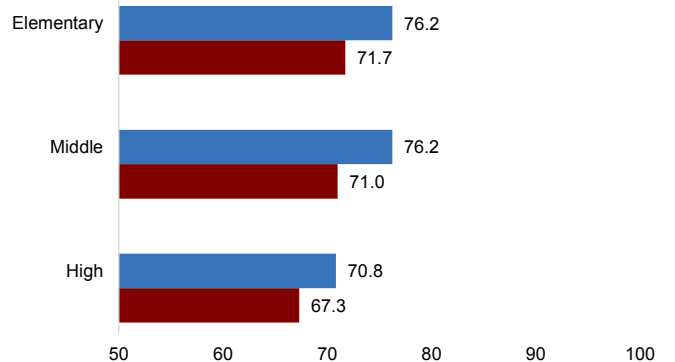
Achievement Score



School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



This is the **overall score** assigned to schools in the district. The overall score is based on several components: Achievement, Growth, School Quality and Student Success, and Graduation Rate for high schools.



Big 5 Districts

These 5 school districts enroll 78% of K-12 students in Northwest Arkansas. As a group, the large districts serve more diverse students and have higher achievement scores than the smaller districts. Following each district overview, school-level information is provided.

Traditional Public School Districts are systems of free public schools in which students are assigned to schools based on their home address. Students may apply for transfer to another school within their assigned school district, or to a school in a different district. Districts may accept or reject transfer requests.

Bentonville

Big 5 Districts

Enrollment: 17,848 | 21 Schools

● Bentonville ● Big 5 Districts ● State

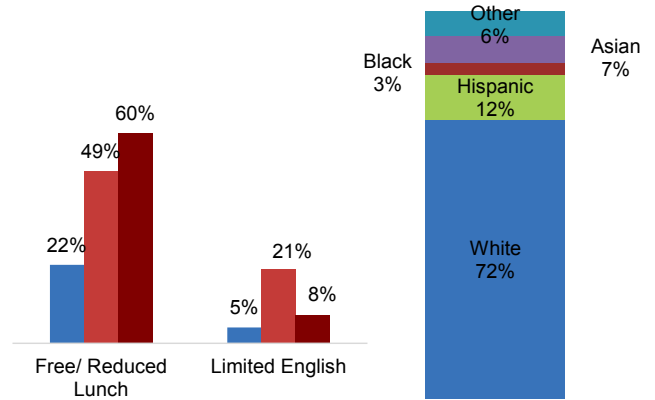
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

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Bentonville	81%	19%	0%	0%	0%
Big 5	41%	35%	23%	1%	0%

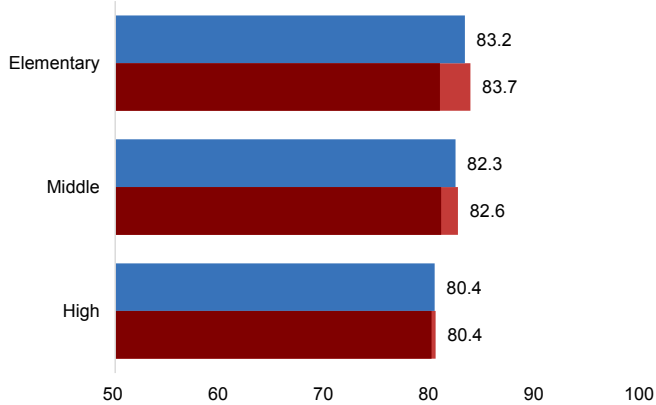
	Bentonville	Big 5
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$9,931	\$9,969
ACT Composite Score	22.4	21.0
Graduation Rate	93%	87%

Student: Teacher Ratio 15 to 1

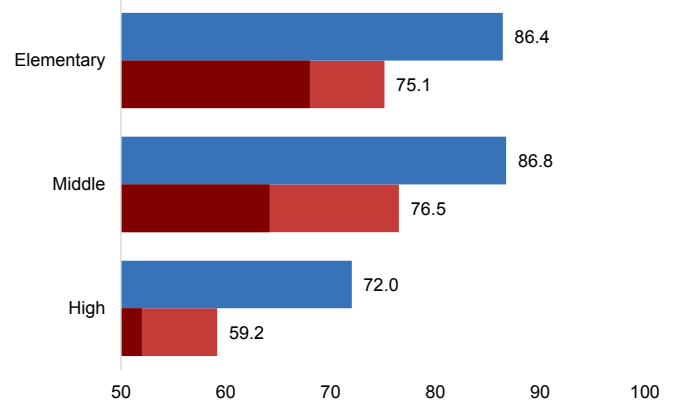
Student Characteristics



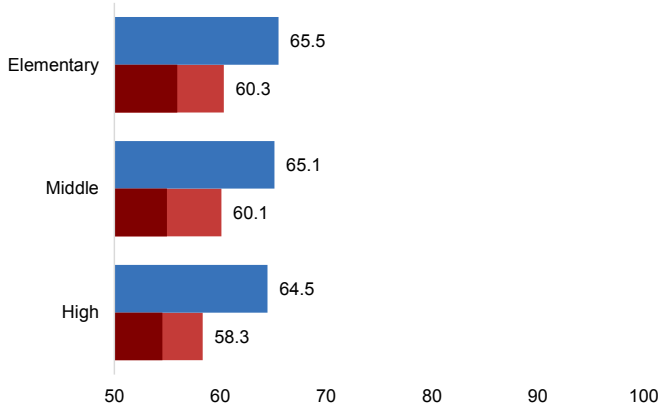
Growth Score



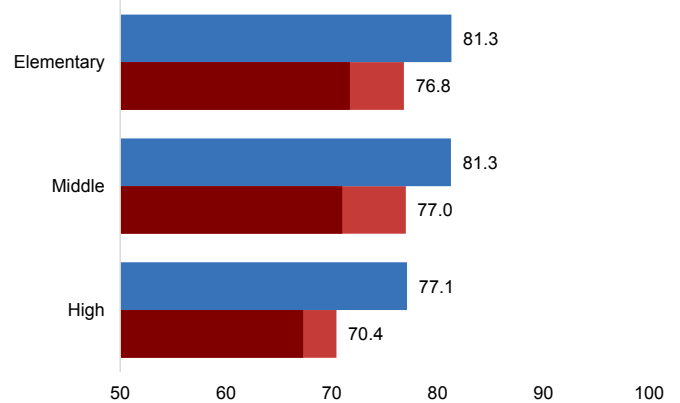
Achievement Score



School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Bentonville Schools

Name	Grades Served	Letter Grade	Achievement Percentile Within Type	Growth Percentile Within Type	Percent of Students Eligible for Free/ Reduced Lunch	ESSA Index Score	Achievement Score	Growth Score	Quality Score
Apple Glen Elementary	K-4	A	91	92	21%	82.9	85.2	85.9	67.6
Centerton Gamble Elementary	K-4	A	88	77	28%	80.0	82.8	83.1	63.0
Central Park At Morning Star	K-4	A	98	64	26%	84.2	93.6	81.7	70.7
Cooper Elementary	K-4	A	98	92	31%	85.7	94.1	85.9	65.3
Elm Tree Elementary	K-4	A	87	78	18%	79.7	82.1	83.1	62.4
Mary Mae Jones Elementary	K-4	B	76	70	51%	75.8	74.7	82.2	57.0
Osage Creek Elementary	K-4	B	84	58	27%	78.7	80.4	81.3	65.9
R.E. Baker Elementary	K-4	B	73	78	42%	76.0	73.0	83.1	58.9
Sugar Creek Elementary	K-4	A	90	40	25%	79.4	84.2	79.7	67.3
Thomas Jefferson Elementary	K-4	B	86	51	23%	78.0	81.3	80.6	61.9
Willowbrook Elementary	K-4	A	99	95	6%	89.8	100.3	86.7	75.4
Ardis Ann Middle	5-6	A	91	58	23%	79.0	82.9	81.4	61.9
Bright Field Middle	5-6	A	99	77	7%	87.0	98.5	82.5	75.0
Creekside Middle	5-6	A	89	79	28%	79.0	81.2	82.7	61.8
Old High Middle	5-6	A	88	31	27%	77.1	80.3	79.5	61.1
Ruth Barker Middle	5-6	A	94	81	34%	82.1	87.0	82.9	67.9
J. William Fulbright Junior High	7-8	A	98	65	20%	82.2	89.8	81.8	65.6
Lincoln Junior High	7-8	A	93	94	29%	82.0	86.2	84.2	64.8
Washington Junior High	7-8	A	95	87	24%	81.8	87.2	83.3	64.1
Bentonville High	9-12	A	96	57	16%	78.2	75.0	80.3	65.3
Bentonville West High	9-12	A	90	59	22%	75.5	67.6	80.4	63.1

***BOLD** values indicate performance in the top 10% of schools.*

Fayetteville

Enrollment: 10,487 | 16 Schools

Big 5 Districts

Fayetteville Big 5 Districts State

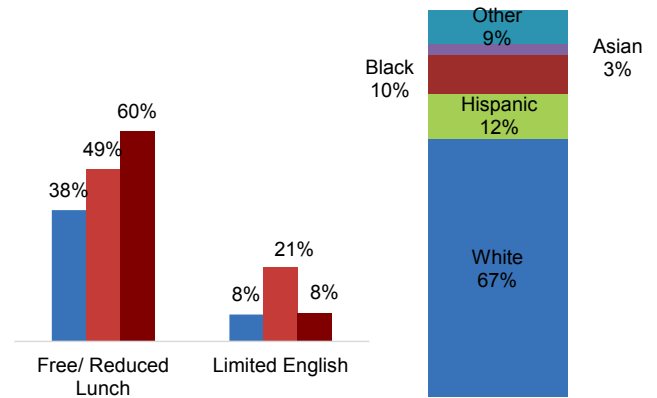
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

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Fayetteville	40%	40%	20%	0%	0%
Big 5	41%	35%	23%	1%	0%

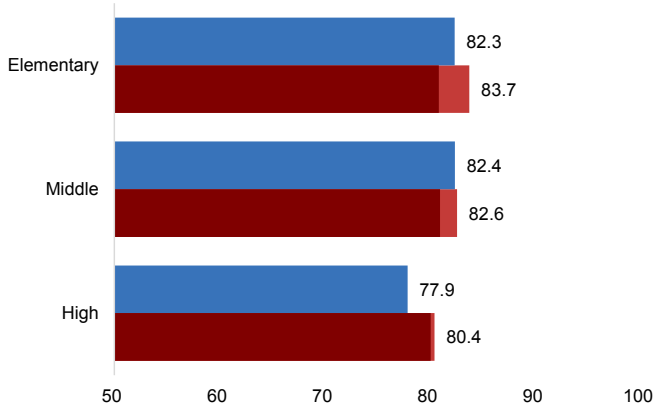
	Fayetteville	Big 5
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$11,568	\$9,969
ACT Composite Score	22.2	21.0
Graduation Rate	88%	87%

Student: Teacher Ratio 15 to 1

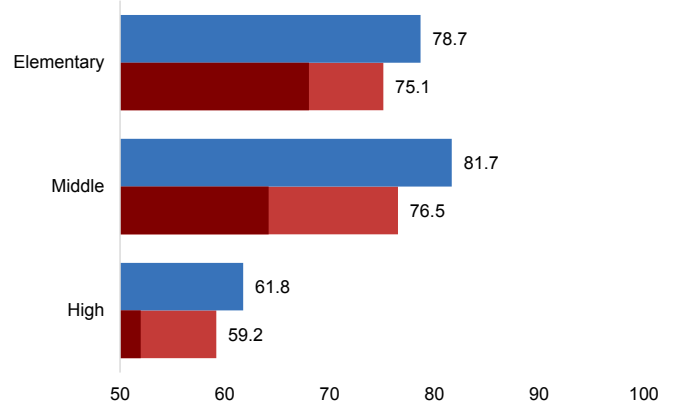
Student Characteristics



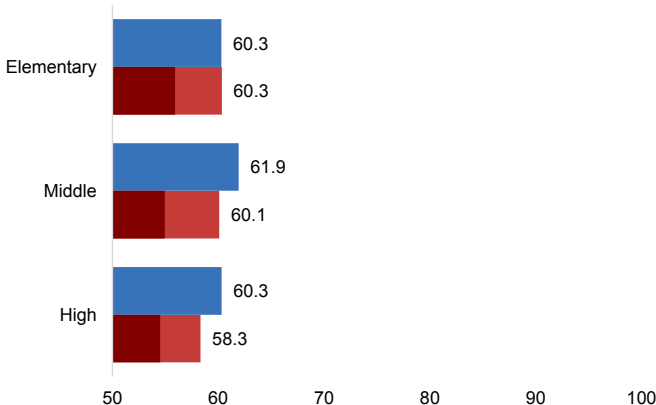
Growth Score



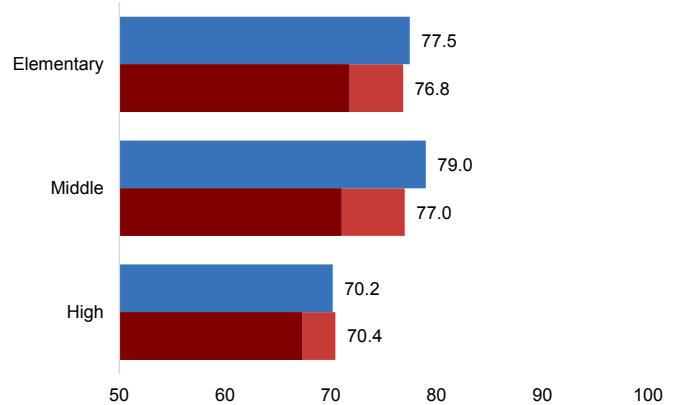
Achievement Score



School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Fayetteville Schools

Name	Grades Served	Letter Grade	Achievement Percentile Within Type	Growth Percentile Within Type	Percent of Students Eligible for Free/ Reduced Lunch	ESSA Index Score	Achievement Score	Growth Score	Quality Score
Asbell Elementary	K-4	C	49	74	79%	70.7	64.2	82.6	46.0
Butterfield Elementary	K-4	A	89	94	44%	82.3	83.6	86.3	66.0
Happy Hollow Elementary	K-4	B	84	64	41%	77.5	79.8	81.7	58.0
Holcomb Elementary	K-4	B	78	63	30%	77.0	75.3	81.7	65.3
Leverett Elementary	K-4	B	83	93	60%	79.2	78.4	86.1	58.2
Root Elementary	K-4	A	98	86	17%	85.7	94.5	84.5	69.4
Vandergriff Elementary	K-4	A	99	56	8%	85.9	97.8	81.1	74.0
Washington Elementary	K-4	C	42	25	52%	69.2	61.5	78.5	56.3
Owl Creek	K-6	C	47	60	62%	70.8	63.8	81.4	51.8
Holt Middle	5-6	B	72	74	56%	74.5	70.8	82.4	56.9
McNair Middle	5-6	A	99	89	21%	86.1	97.2	83.5	69.0
Ramay Junior High	7-8	B	53	30	53%	70.0	63.0	79.5	54.6
Woodland Junior High	7-8	A	97	91	28%	82.2	88.1	83.7	63.9
Agee Lierly Life Preparation Services	9-12	N/A	2	1	64%	41.2	5.6	68.7	17.3
Fayetteville High	9-12	B	82	22	29%	72.4	61.4	78.0	64.0
Fayetteville Virtual Academy A District Conversion Charter	K-12	A	98	43	16%	82.2	81.1	79.6	73.1

BOLD values indicate performance in the top 10% of schools.



● Rogers ● Big 5 Districts ● State

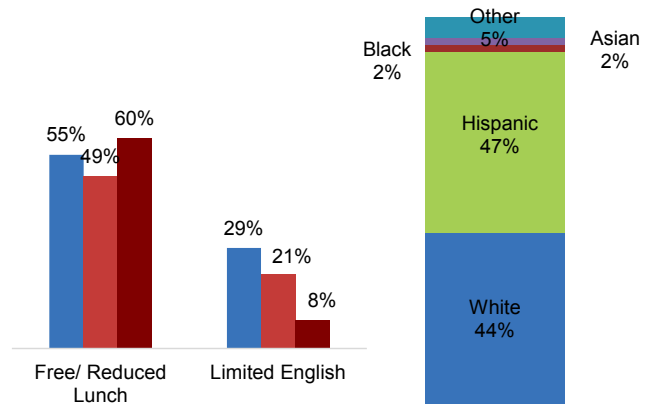
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

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Rogers	36%	55%	5%	5%	0%
Big 5	41%	35%	23%	1%	0%

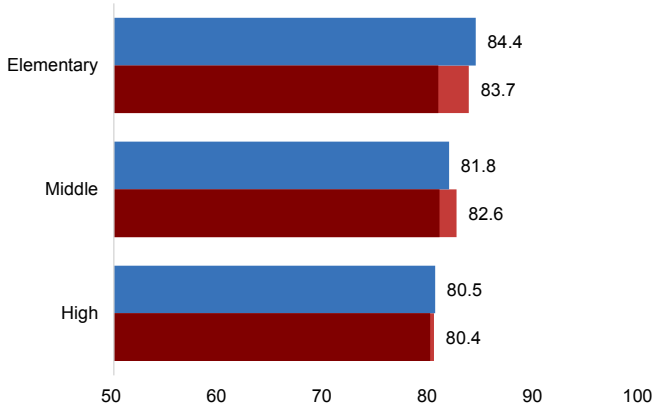
	Rogers	Big 5
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$9,092	\$9,969
ACT Composite Score	19.9	21.0
Graduation Rate	87%	87%

Student: Teacher Ratio 16 to 1

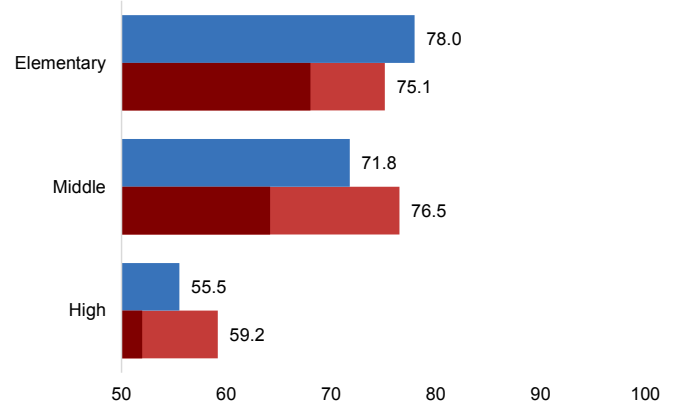
Student Characteristics



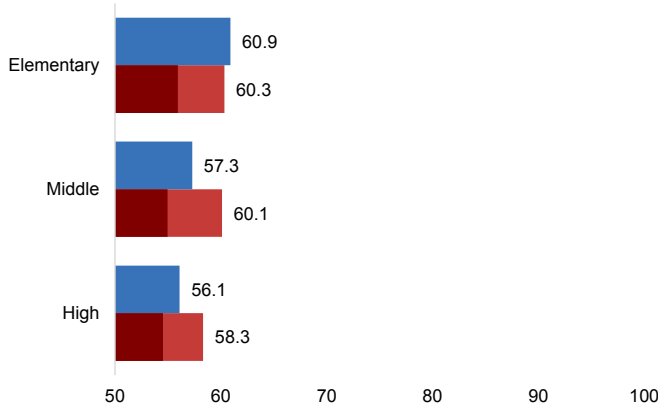
Growth Score



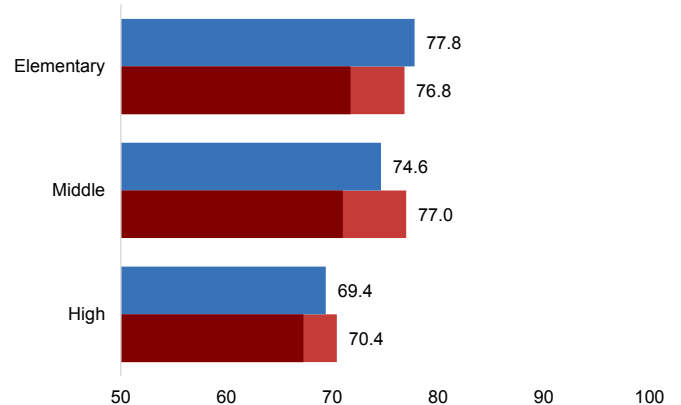
Achievement Score



School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Rogers Schools

School Name	Grades Served	School Letter Grade	Achievement Percentile Within School Type	Growth Percentile Within School Type	Percent of Students Eligible for Free/ Reduced Lunch	ESSA Index Score	Achievement Score	Growth Score	School Quality Score
Bellview Elementary	K-5	A	96	82	15%	84.8	91.7	83.7	72.8
Bonnie Grimes Elementary	K-5	B	68	91	75%	75.9	71.2	85.7	54.7
Eastside Elementary	K-5	A	91	87	60%	81.3	85.8	84.6	59.8
Elza R. Tucker Elementary	K-5	B	84	84	55%	79.2	79.0	84.2	63.4
Frank Tillery Elementary	K-5	B	74	98	68%	78.3	73.8	87.4	58.1
Garfield Elementary	K-5	B	71	64	69%	74.8	72.2	81.7	58.0
Grace Hill Elementary	K-5	D	13	28	79%	63.5	48.4	78.7	48.2
Janie Darr Elementary	K-5	A	99	75	13%	88.3	101.8	82.9	74.3
Joe Mathias Elementary	K-5	B	57	83	74%	74.1	67.4	83.9	56.8
Jones Elementary	K-5	B	71	96	80%	78.2	72.4	86.9	62.9
Lowell Elementary	K-5	A	81	94	58%	79.6	77.6	86.4	61.3
Northside Elementary	K-5	B	67	58	58%	74.0	70.3	81.2	58.5
Old Wire Elementary	K-5	A	83	95	82%	79.7	78.3	86.8	59.0
Reagan Elementary	K-5	B	58	80	57%	74.5	68.1	83.5	59.9
Westside Elementary	K-5	B	48	76	67%	72.5	63.8	82.9	57.9
Elmwood Middle	6-8	A	78	70	48%	76.3	74.5	82.2	60.9
Kirksey Middle	6-8	A	84	63	56%	76.9	78.5	81.6	57.8
Lingle Middle	6-8	B	69	64	63%	73.8	70.0	81.7	56.2
Oakdale Middle	6-8	B	53	68	70%	71.1	62.8	82.0	54.2
Rogers Heritage High	9-12	C	43	70	51%	65.8	48.2	80.9	53.1
Rogers High	9-12	B	74	51	43%	70.1	57.7	80.1	55.7
Rogers New Technology High	9-12	A	91	70	55%	76.9	68.5	80.9	65.0

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Siloam Springs

Enrollment: 4,371 | 6 Schools

Big 5 Districts

● Siloam Springs ● Big 5 Districts ● State

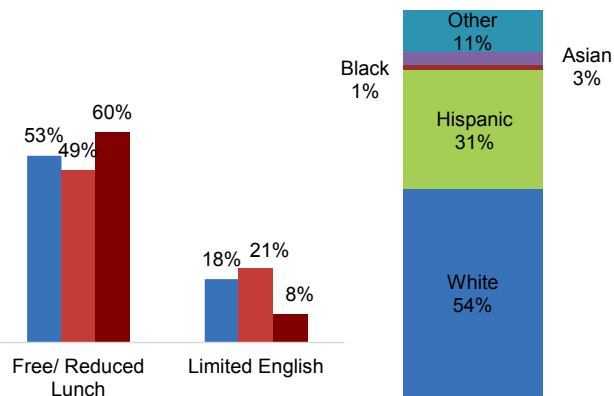
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

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Siloam Springs	0%	50%	50%	0%	0%
Big 5	41%	35%	23%	1%	0%

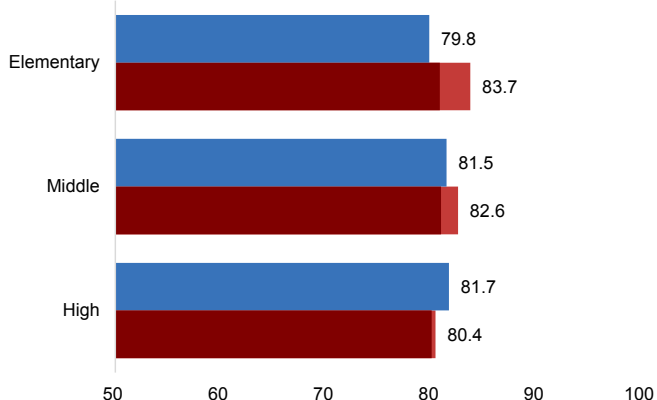
	Siloam Springs	Big 5
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$9,752	\$9,969
ACT Composite Score	19.8	21.0
Graduation Rate	90%	87%

Student: Teacher Ratio 15 to 1

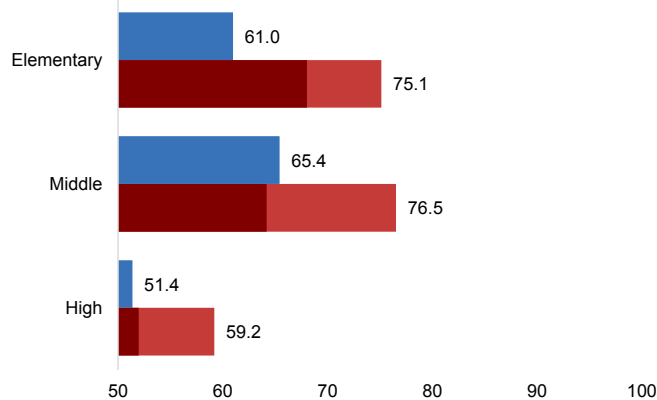
Student Characteristics



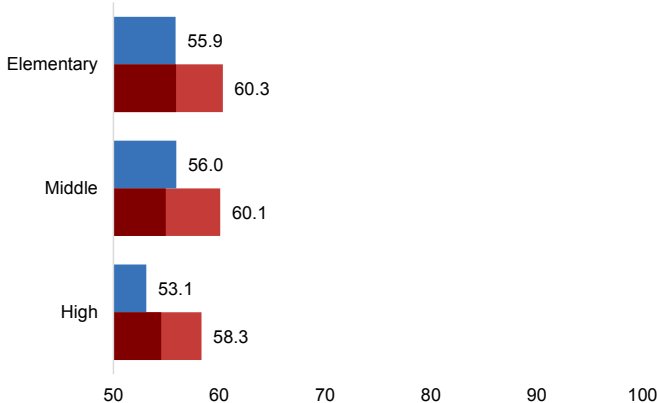
Growth Score



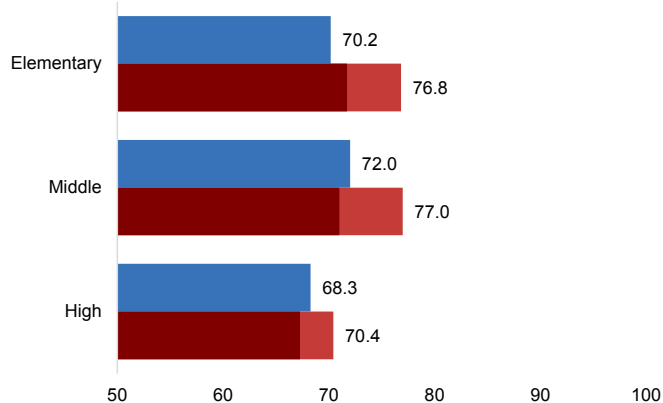
Achievement Score



School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Siloam Springs Schools

School Name	Grades Served	School Letter Grade	Achievement Percentile Within School Type	Growth Percentile Within School Type	Percent of Students Eligible for Free/ Reduced Lunch	ESSA Index Score	Achievement Score	Growth Score	School Quality Score
Northside Elementary	P-K	C	40	42	63%	69.8	61.0	79.8	57.2
Delbert "Pete" & Pat Allen Elementary	1-2	C	40	42	60%	71.5	61.0	79.8	68.0
Southside Elementary	3-4	C	40	42	58%	69.0	61.0	79.8	51.9
Siloam Springs Intermediate	5-6	B	61	76	57%	73.1	66.6	82.5	57.2
Siloam Springs Middle	7-8	B	56	44	54%	70.9	64.2	80.4	54.7
Siloam Springs High School Conversion Charter	9-12	B	53	84	43%	68.3	51.4	81.7	53.1

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● Springdale ● Big 5 Districts ● State

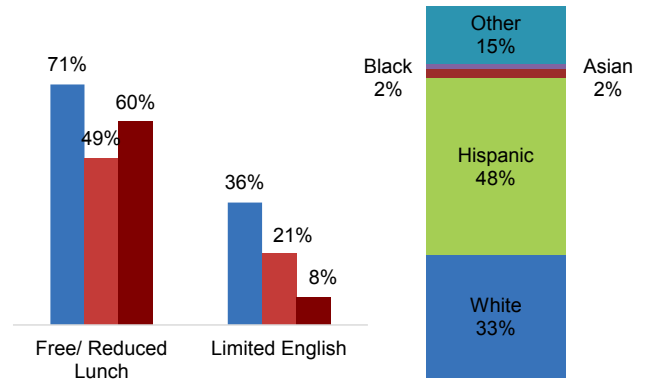
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

	A	B	C	D	F
Springdale	24%	28%	48%	0%	0%
Big 5	41%	35%	23%	1%	0%

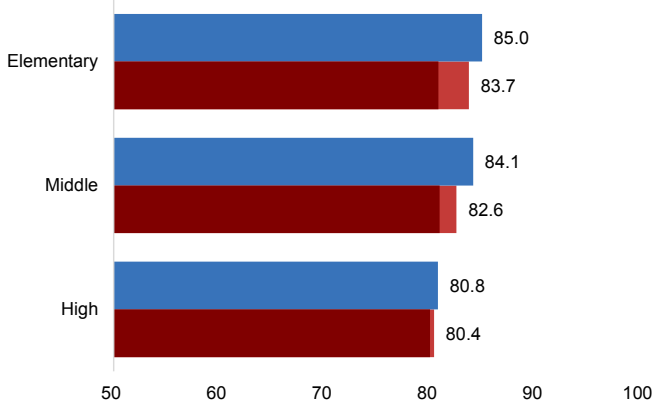
	Springdale	Big 5
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$9,919	\$9,969
ACT Composite Score	20.0	21.0
Graduation Rate	83%	87%

Student: Teacher Ratio 15 to 1

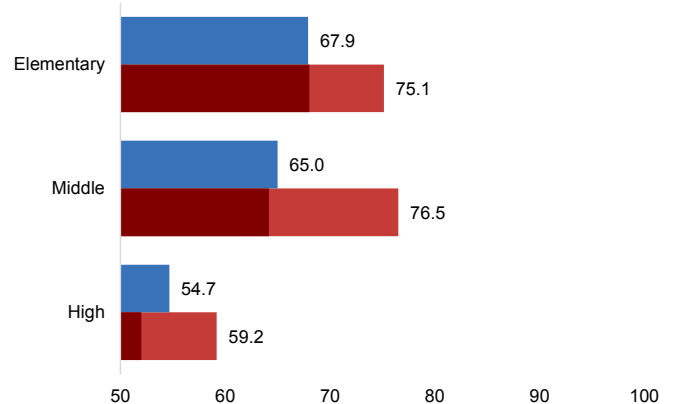
Student Characteristics



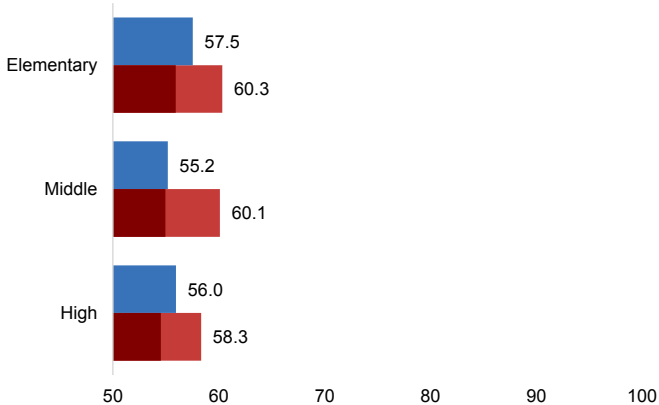
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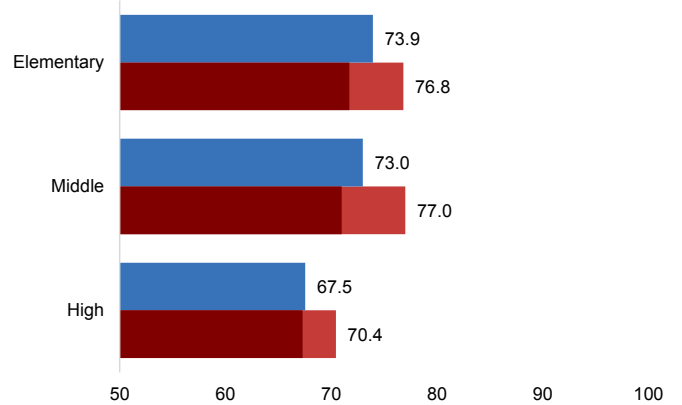
Achievement Score



School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Springdale Schools

School Name	Grades Served	School Letter Grade	Achievement Percentile Within School Type	Growth Percentile Within School Type	Percent of Students Eligible for Free/ Reduced Lunch	ESSA Index Score	Achievement Score	Growth Score	School Quality Score
Bayyari Elementary	K-5	C	17	72	90%	67.2	51.2	82.5	53.9
Bernice Young Elementary	K-5	A	97	98	26%	86.6	91.9	87.6	71.2
Elmdale Elementary	K-5	C	27	82	89%	69.7	56.2	83.8	54.3
George Elementary	K-5	B	55	95	89%	75.4	66.4	86.7	58.5
Harp Elementary	K-5	B	61	97	75%	75.9	68.9	87.0	55.1
Hunt Elementary	K-5	A	94	97	49%	84.7	88.1	87.1	68.6
John Tyson Elementary	K-5	B	74	94	74%	78.2	73.8	86.4	61.2
Jones Elementary	K-5	C	25	84	97%	69.4	55.1	84.1	54.0
Linda Childers Knapp Elementary	K-5	B	46	92	89%	73.3	63.5	85.9	54.0
Monitor Elementary	K-5	C	36	91	82%	71.7	59.6	85.8	53.1
Parson Hills Elementary	K-5	C	17	89	94%	67.7	50.6	85.3	49.2
Robert E. Lee Elementary	K-5	C	20	92	93%	69.2	51.9	85.9	53.7
Sonora Elementary	K-5	B	43	76	72%	72.2	62.0	82.9	60.0
Thurman G. Smith Elementary	K-5	C	33	76	73%	70.4	58.6	82.9	56.0
Turnbow Elementary	K-5	C	42	86	84%	71.6	61.6	84.5	51.8
Walker Elementary	K-5	A	86	95	58%	81.5	81.5	86.8	63.6
Westwood Elementary	K-5	C	28	87	86%	69.7	56.6	84.7	50.2
Willis Shaw Elementary	K-5	B	78	65	33%	77.0	75.2	81.8	65.1
Helen Tyson Middle	6-7	A	68	99	79%	76.3	69.6	86.8	57.3
Hellstern Middle	6-7	A	83	84	53%	77.8	77.3	83.1	61.2
J. O. Kelly Middle	6-7	C	31	78	90%	67.6	54.5	82.6	48.0
Sonora Middle	6-7	C	30	96	85%	69.2	54.1	84.8	52.7
Central Junior High	8-9	A	90	79	50%	74.4	68.3	81.3	65.7
George Junior High	8-9	C	31	87	88%	64.6	42.6	82.2	57.0
Lakeside Junior High	8-9	C	22	69	85%	61.7	39.4	80.8	49.9
Southwest Junior High	8-9	B	80	88	75%	70.6	59.8	82.3	56.9
Don Tyson School Of Innovation	6-12	A	96	32	54%	75.4	73.8	78.9	67.4
Har-Ber High	10-12	B	60	67	52%	68.3	52.8	80.8	54.4
Springdale High	10-12	C	20	56	79%	61.5	37.2	80.2	48.2

***BOLD** values indicate performance in the top 10% of schools.*



Small 10 Districts

These 10 school districts serve about 16% of K-12 students in Northwest Arkansas. As a group, the small districts have lower student:teacher ratios and higher graduation rates than the larger districts.

Traditional Public School Districts are systems of free public schools in which students are assigned to schools based on their home address. Students may apply for transfer to another school within their assigned school district, or to a school in a different district. Districts may accept or reject transfer requests.

Enrollment: 532 | 3 Schools

● School ● Small 10 Districts ● State

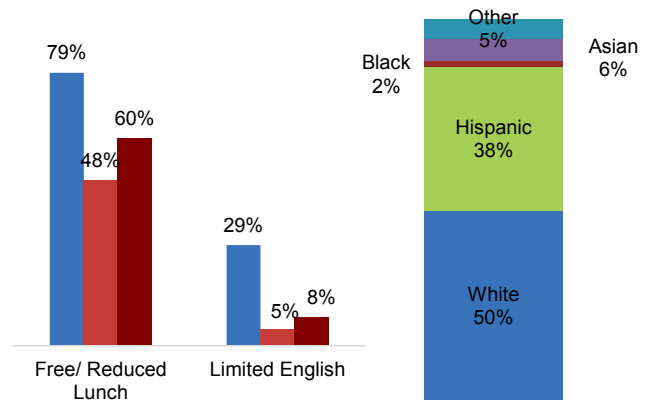
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

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Small 10	14%	38%	43%	5%	0%

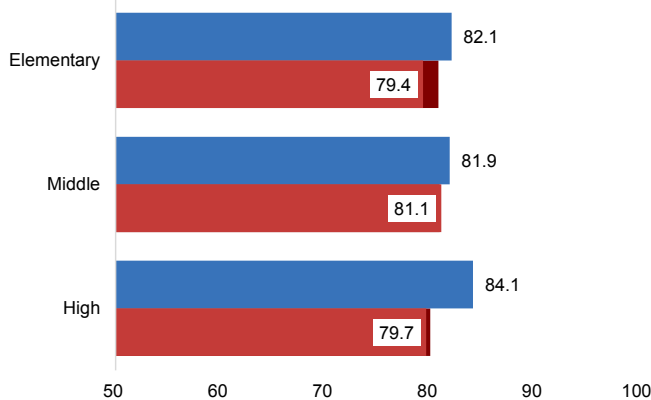
	Decatur	Small 10
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$12,042	\$9,205
ACT Composite Score	16.2	19.8
Graduation Rate	78%	90%

Student: Teacher Ratio 8 to 1

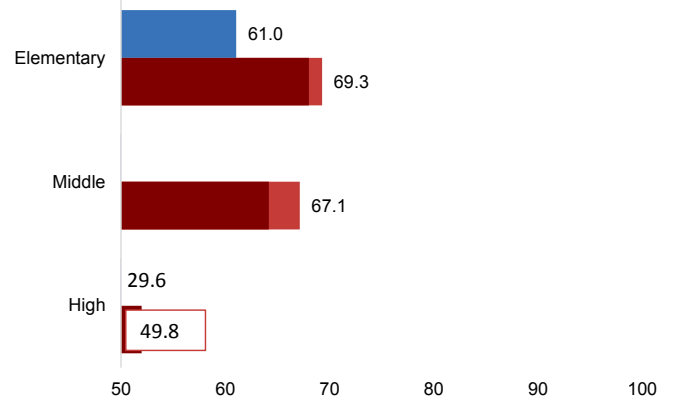
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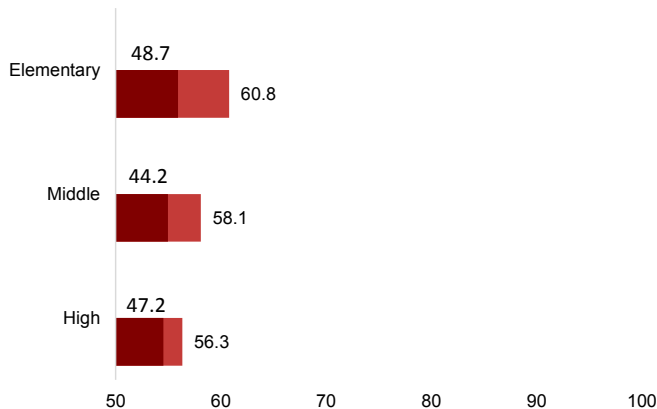
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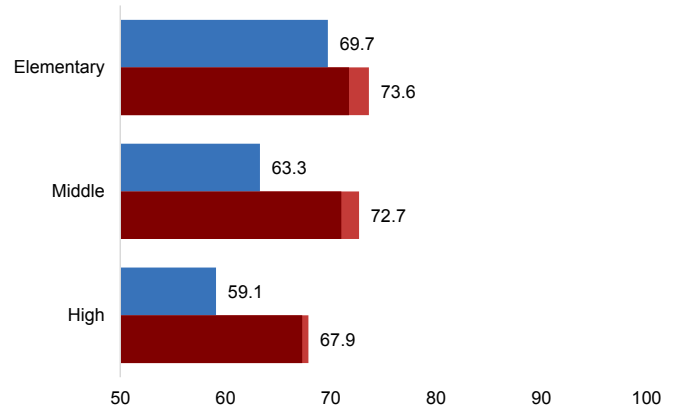
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School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Enrollment: 1,250 | 4 Schools

● Elkins ● Small 10 Districts ● State

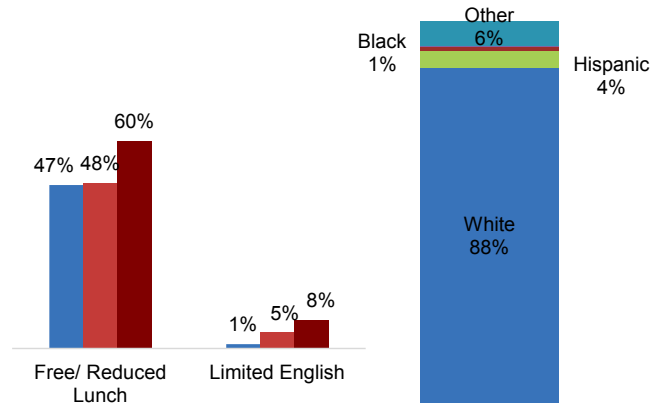
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

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Small 10	14%	38%	43%	5%	0%

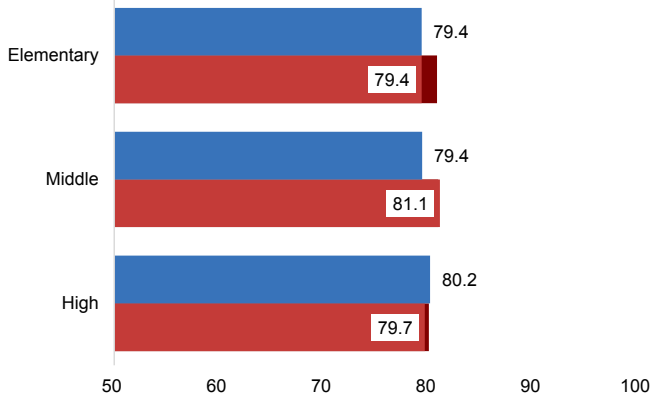
	Elkins	Small 10
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ACT Composite Score	19.1	19.8
Graduation Rate	96%	90%

Student: Teacher Ratio 14 to 1

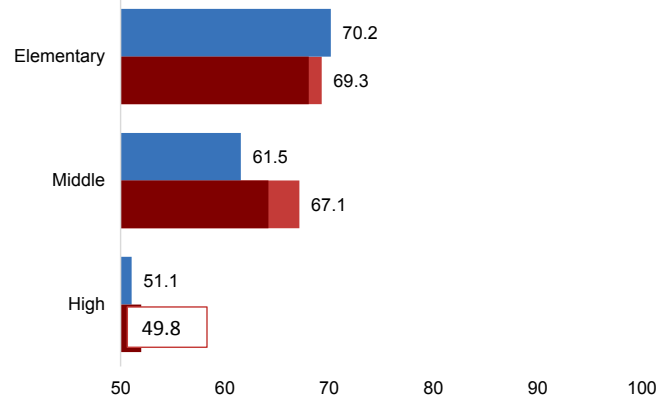
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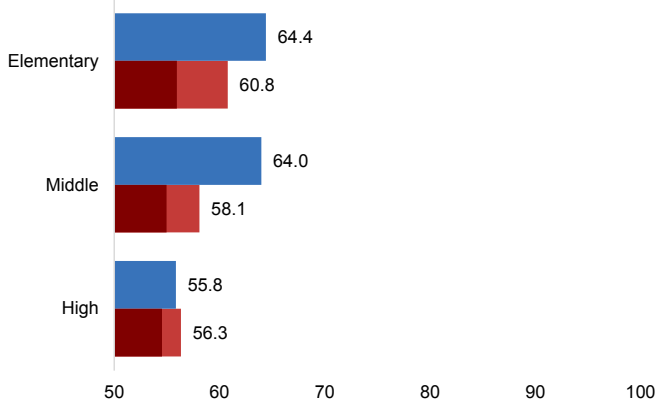
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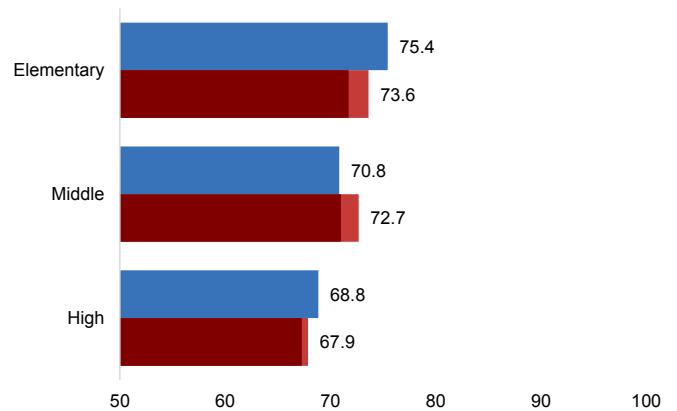
Achievement Score



School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Enrollment: 2,556 | 5 Schools

● Farmington ● Small 10 Districts ● State

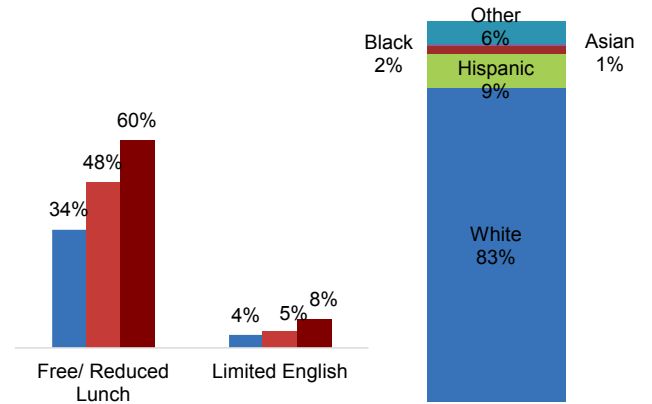
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

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Small 10	14%	38%	43%	5%	0%

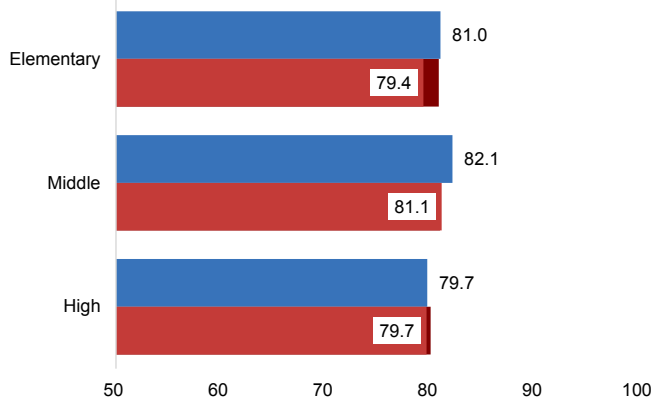
	Farmington	Small 10
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$8,475	\$9,205
ACT Composite Score	20.6	19.8
Graduation Rate	96%	90%

Student: Teacher Ratio 13 to 1

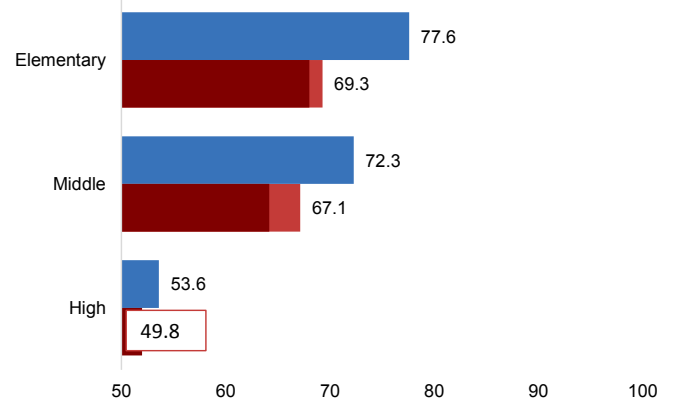
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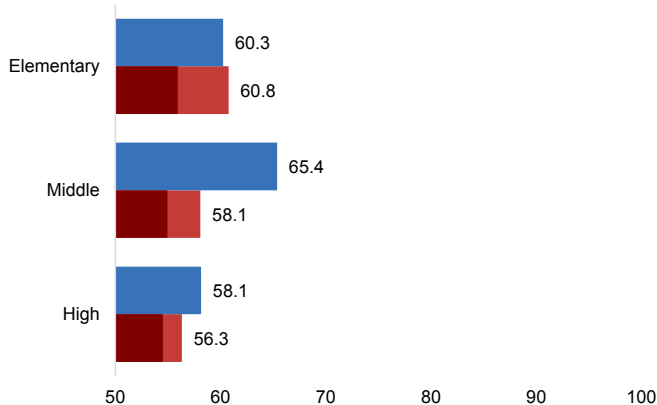
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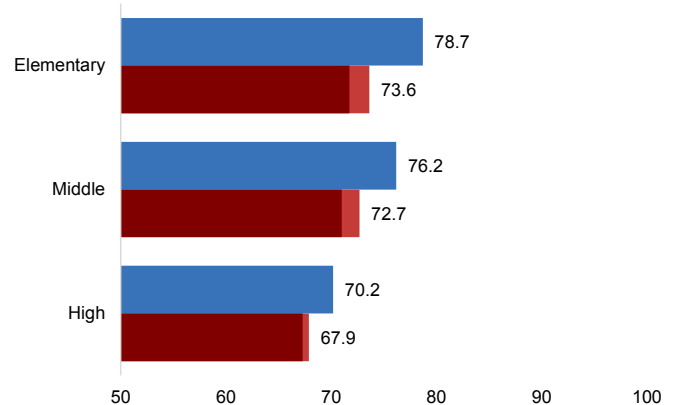
Achievement Score



School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Enrollment: 1,442 | 4 Schools

● Gentry ● Small 10 Districts ● State

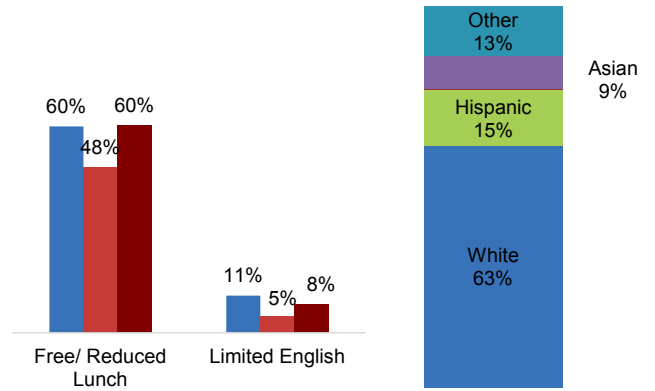
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

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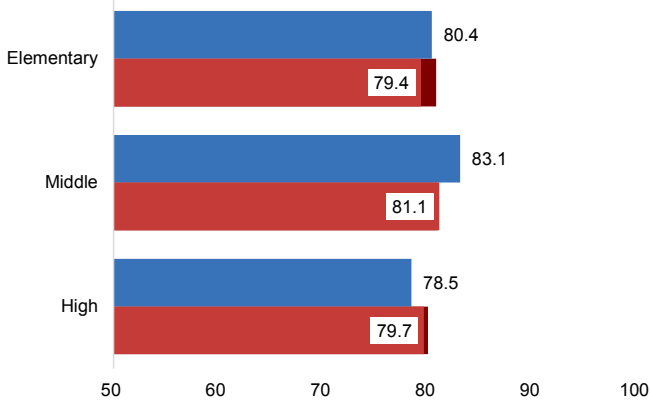
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Per Pupil Expenditure	\$10,308	\$9,205
ACT Composite Score	19.9	19.8
Graduation Rate	88%	90%

Student: Teacher Ratio 11 to 1

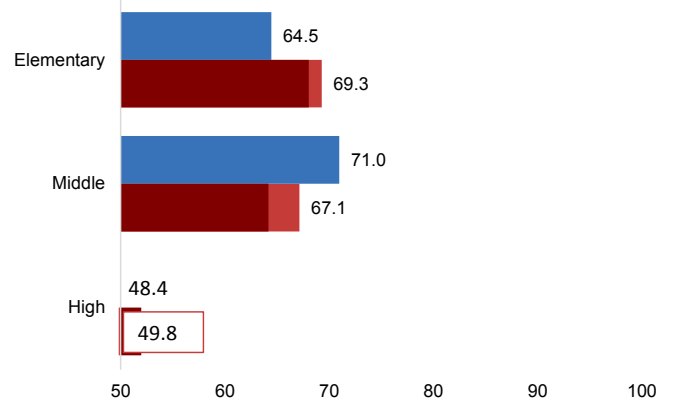
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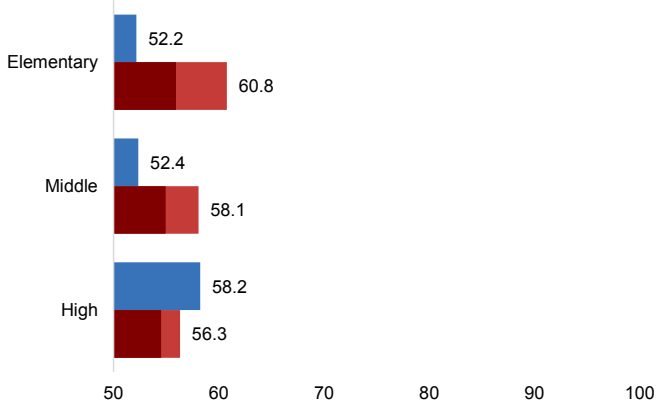
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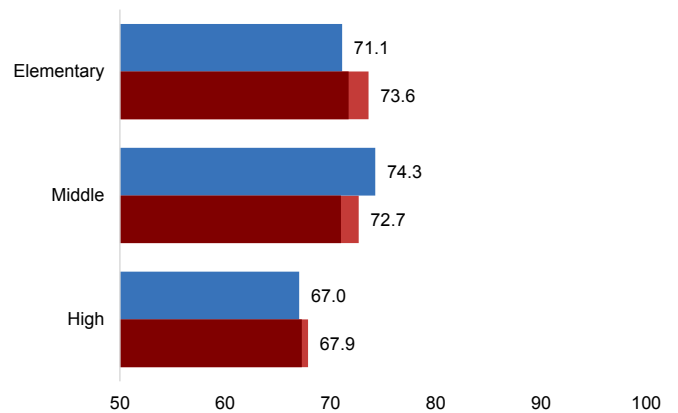
Achievement Score



School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Enrollment: 1,877 | 4 Schools

● Gravette ● Small 10 Districts ● State

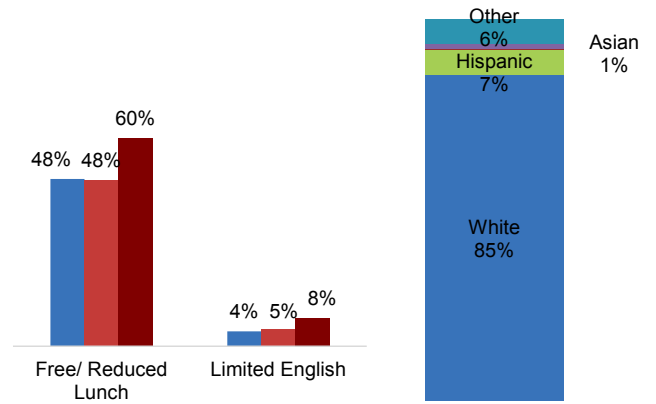
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

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Small 10	14%	38%	43%	5%	0%

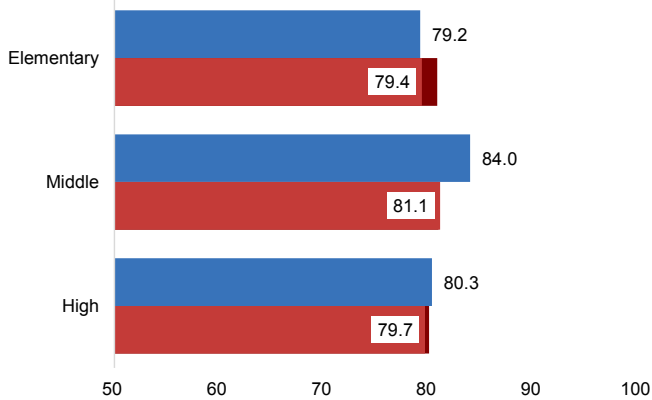
	Gravette	Small 10
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ACT Composite Score	20.3	19.8
Graduation Rate	84%	90%

Student: Teacher Ratio 14 to 1

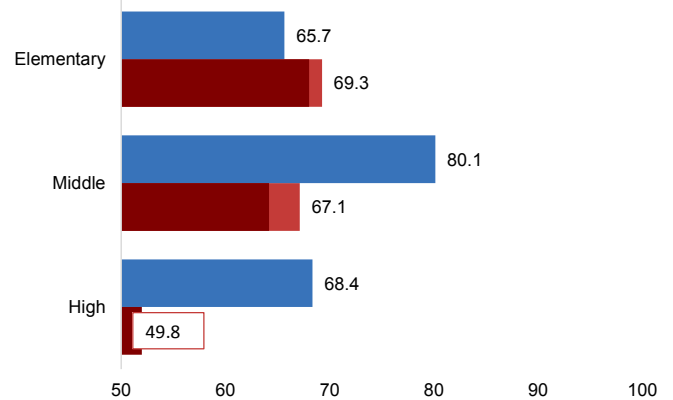
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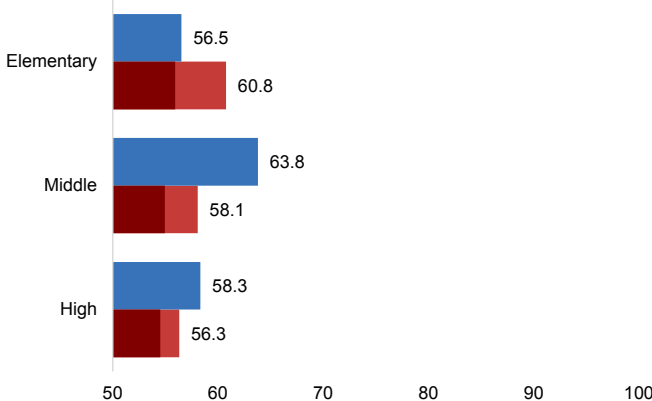
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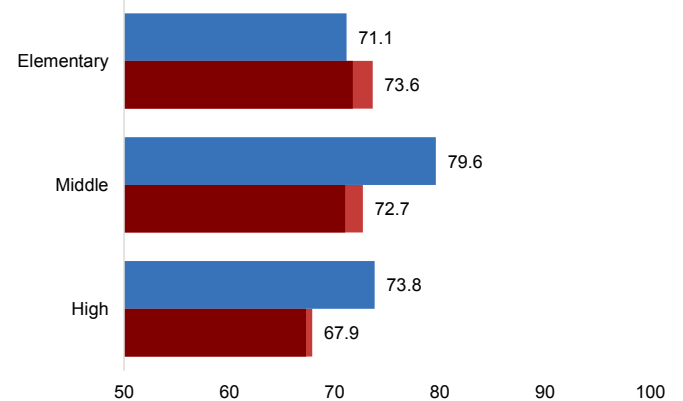
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School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Enrollment: 753 | 3 Schools

● Greenland ● Small 10 Districts ● State

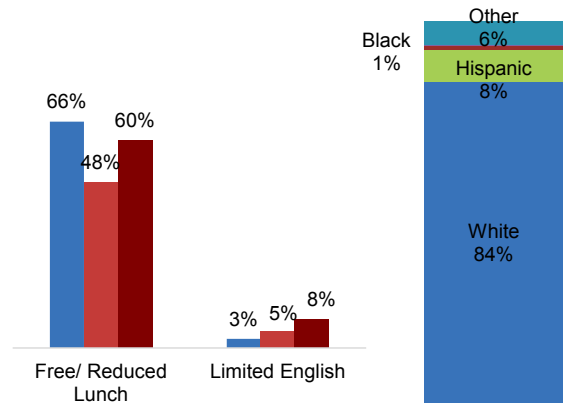
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

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Small 10	14%	38%	43%	5%	0%

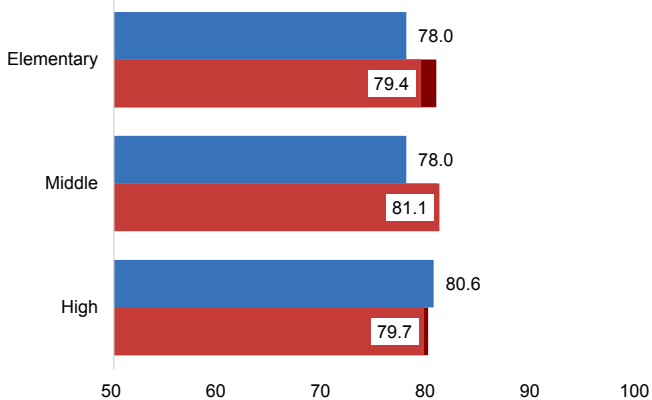
	Greenland	Small 10
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$10,250	\$9,205
ACT Composite Score	18.7	19.8
Graduation Rate	94%	90%

Student: Teacher Ratio 10 to 1

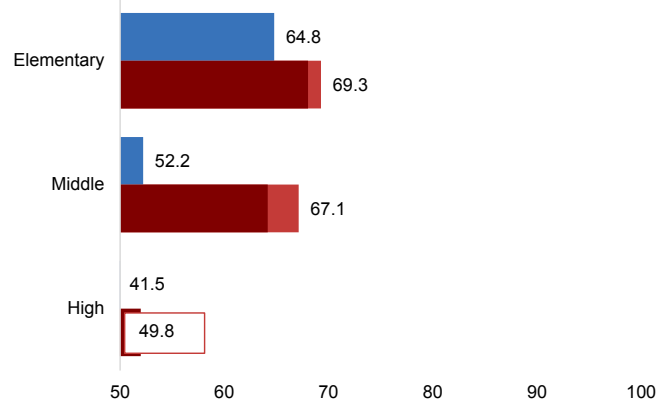
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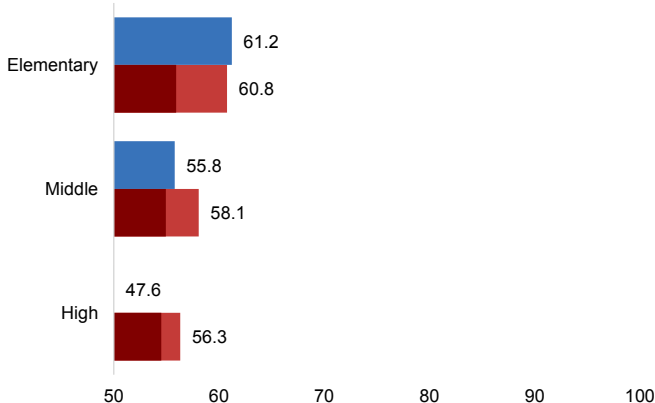
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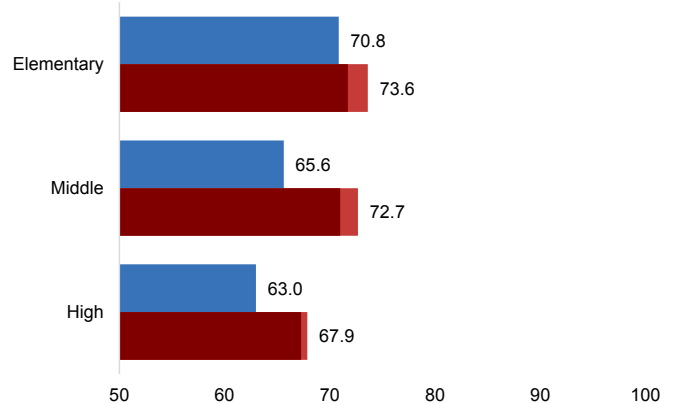
Achievement Score



School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Enrollment: 1,049 | 3 Schools

● Lincoln ● Small 10 Districts ● State

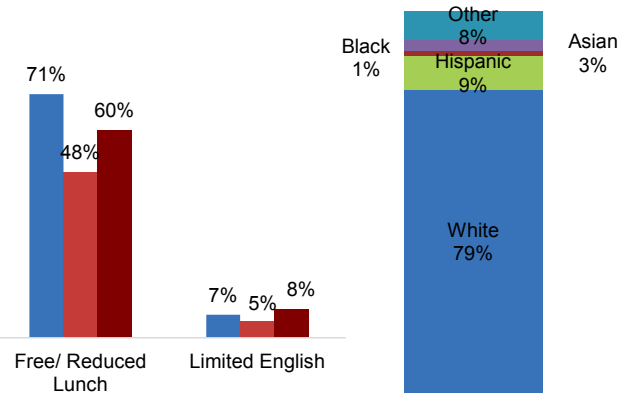
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

	A	B	C	D	F
Lincoln	0%	33%	67%	0%	0%
Small 10	14%	38%	43%	5%	0%

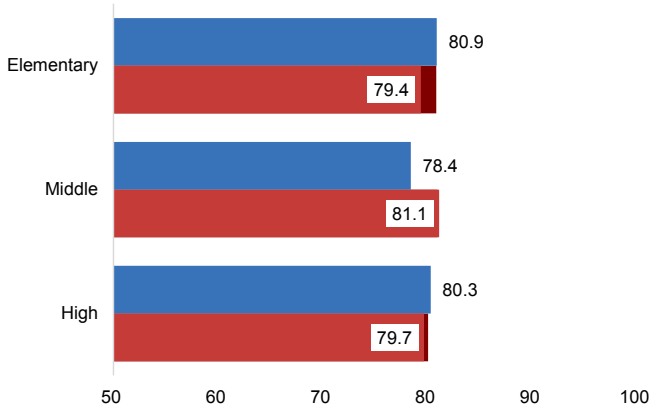
	Lincoln	Small 10
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$9,391	\$9,205
ACT Composite Score	19.1	19.8
Graduation Rate	85%	90%

Student: Teacher Ratio 8 to 1

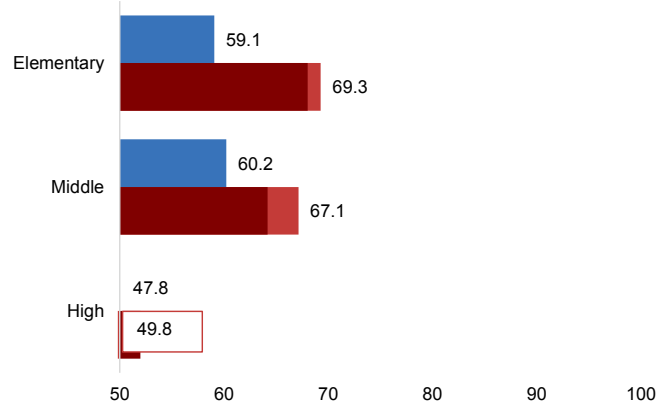
Student Characteristics



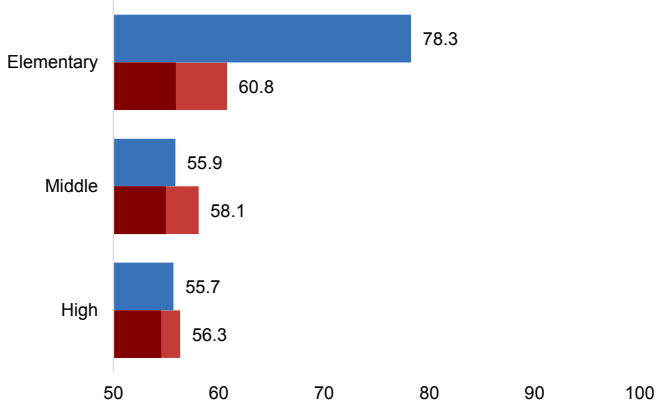
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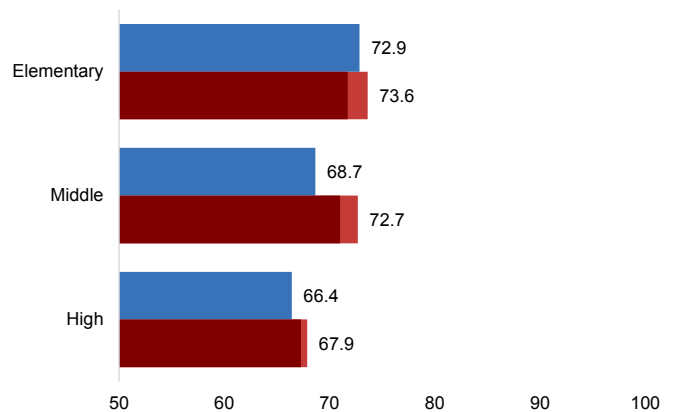
Achievement Score



School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Pea Ridge

Enrollment: 2,231 | 4 Schools

Small 10 Districts

● Pea Ridge ● Small 10 Districts ● State

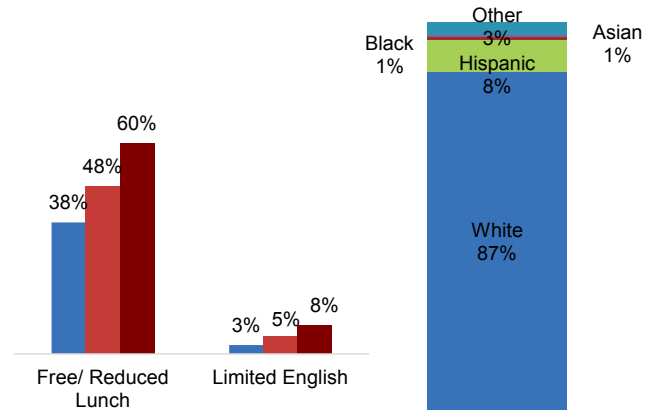
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

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Small 10	14%	38%	43%	5%	0%

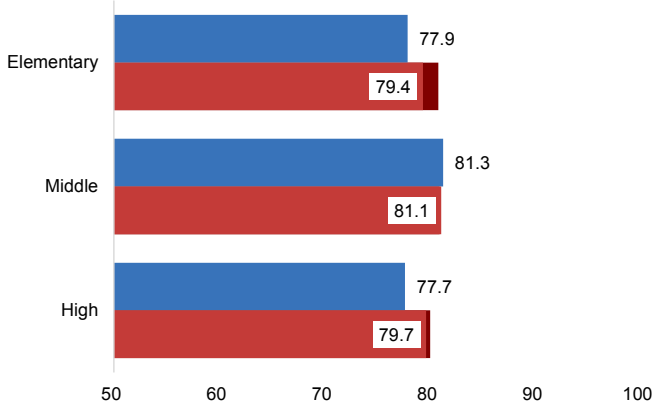
	Pea Ridge	Small 10
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$9,068	\$9,205
ACT Composite Score	19.8	19.8
Graduation Rate	90%	90%

Student: Teacher Ratio 15 to 1

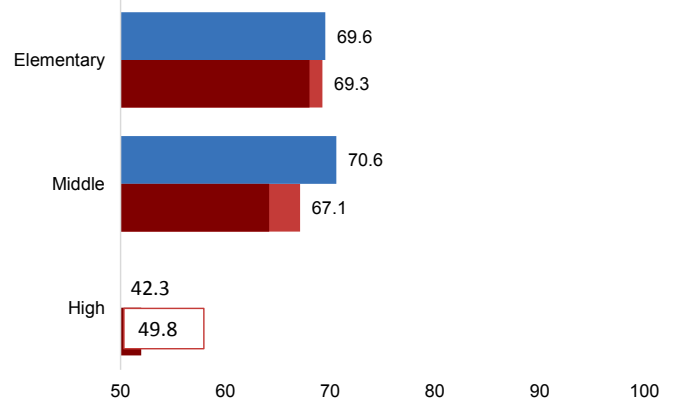
Student Characteristics



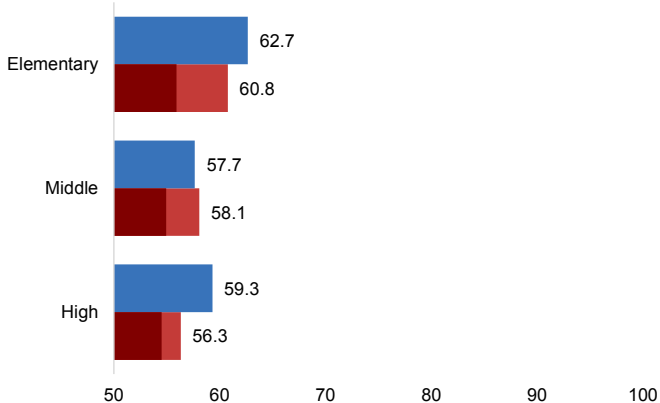
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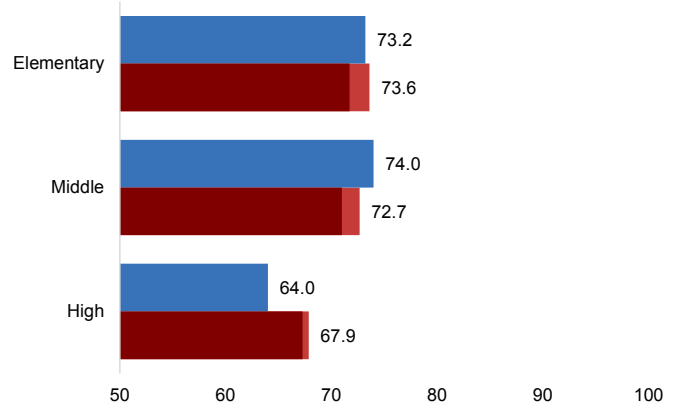
Achievement Score



School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Prairie Grove

Enrollment: 2,019 | 3 Schools

Small 10 Districts

● Prairie Grove ● Small 10 Districts ● State

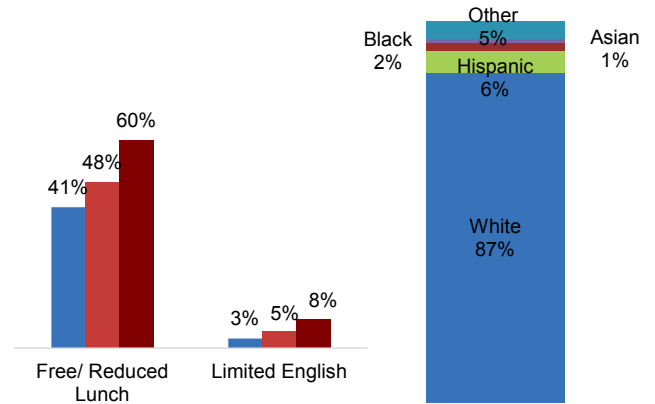
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

	A	B	C	D	F
Prairie Grove	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%
Small 10	14%	38%	43%	5%	0%

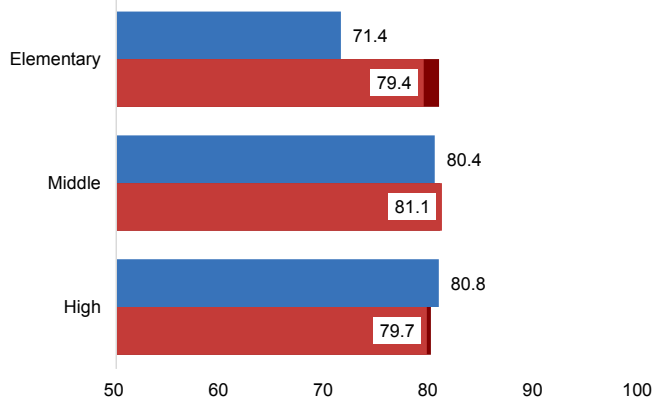
	Prairie Grove	Small 10
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$8,461	\$9,205
ACT Composite Score	21.2	19.8
Graduation Rate	91%	90%

Student: Teacher Ratio 13 to 1

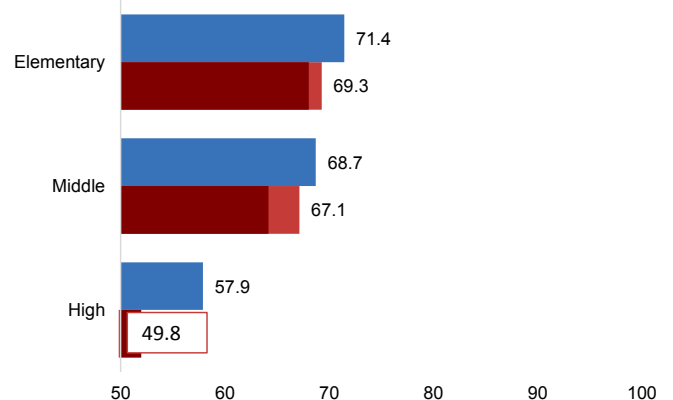
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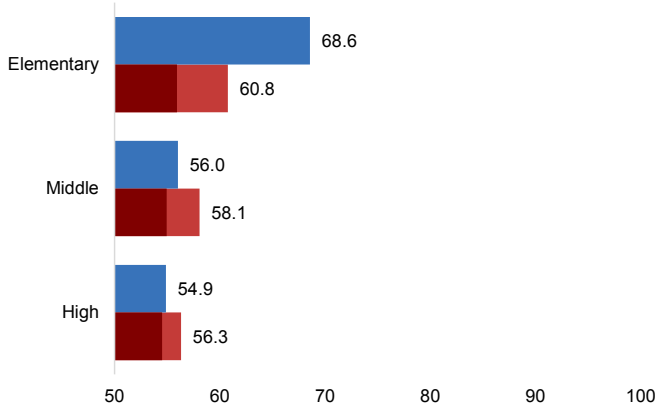
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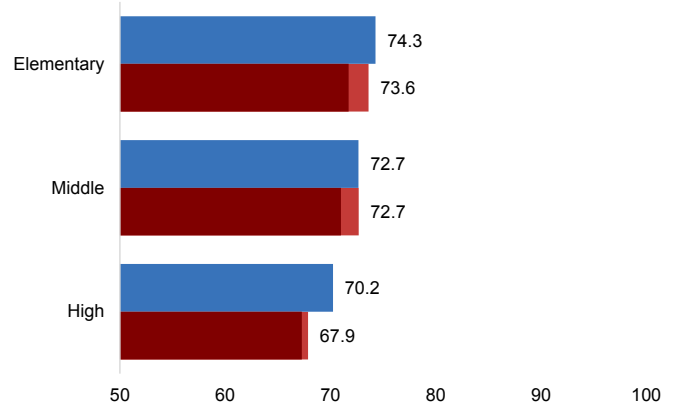
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School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Enrollment: 977 | 3 Schools

● West Fork ● Small 10 Districts ● State

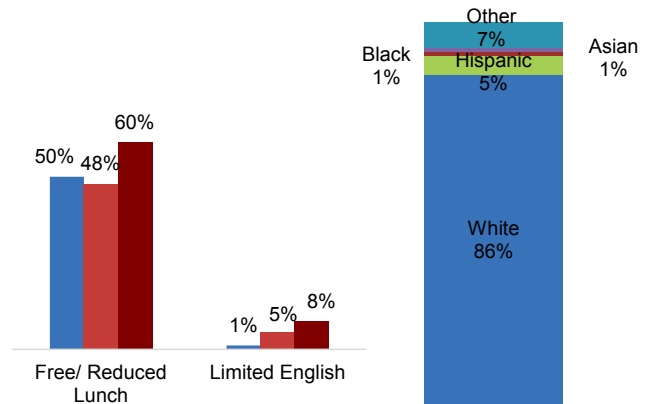
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

	A	B	C	D	F
West Fork	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%
Small 10	14%	38%	43%	5%	0%

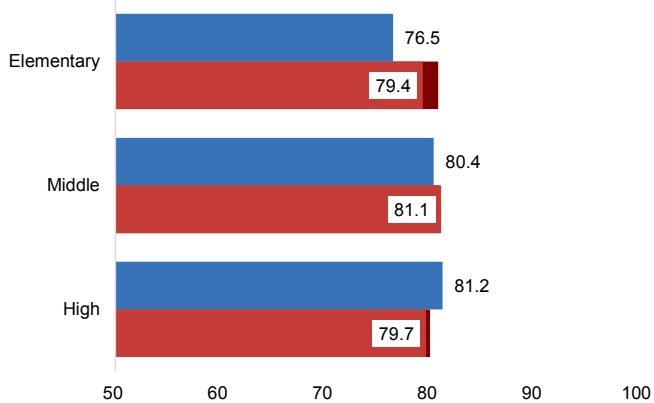
	West Fork	Small 10
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$9,282	\$9,205
ACT Composite Score	19.0	19.8
Graduation Rate	95%	90%

Student: Teacher Ratio 9 to 1

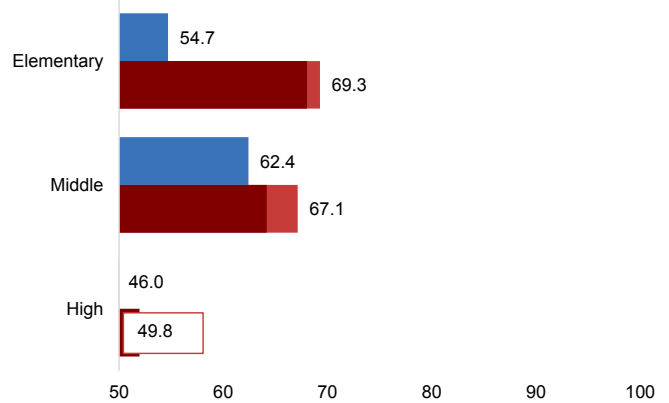
Student Characteristics



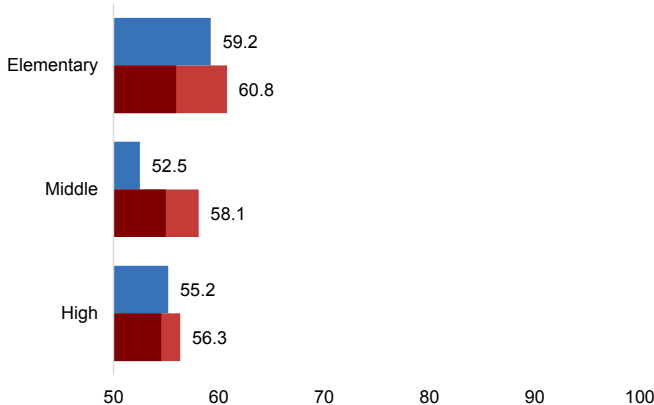
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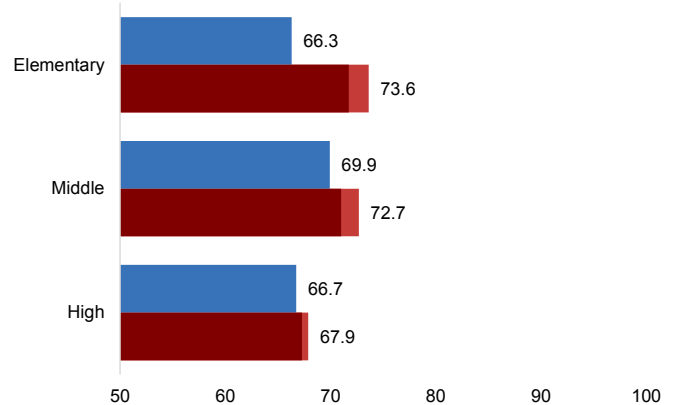
Achievement Score



School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index





NWA Charter Schools

These 5 open-enrollment public charter schools serve about 6% of K-12 students in Northwest Arkansas. As a group, the charters have higher achievement scores than the traditional public schools in Northwest Arkansas and spend fewer dollars per student annually.

Open-Enrollment Public Charter Schools are free public schools that can draw students from across district boundaries. Students who want to attend an open-enrollment charter school complete an application.

Charter schools are prohibited from selecting students based on academic performance, student demographic characteristics, family income, or any other type of information. If more students apply to attend the charter school than there are seats available, the school must hold a public, random lottery to select students.

● AAA ● NWA ● State

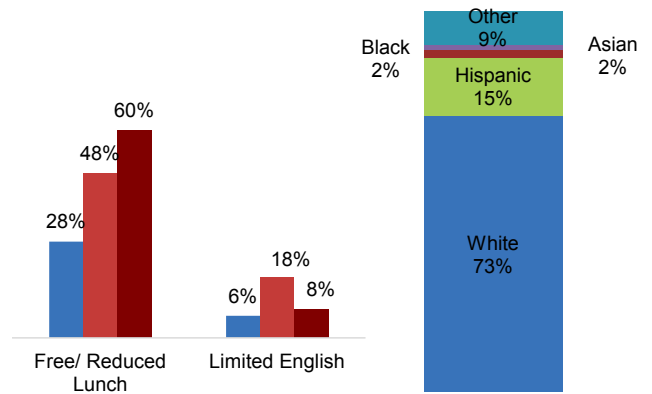
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

	A	B	C	D	F
AAA	50%	50%	0%	0%	0%
NWA	36%	34%	28%	2%	0%

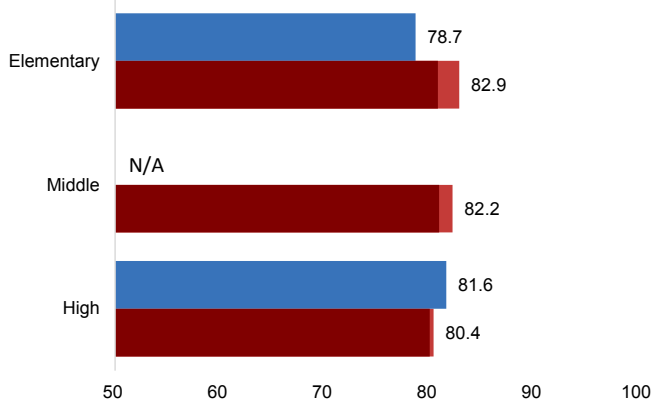
	Arkansas Arts Academy	NWA
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$8,466	\$9,733
ACT Composite Score	24.6	21.1
Graduation Rate	90%	88%

Student: Teacher Ratio 12 to 1

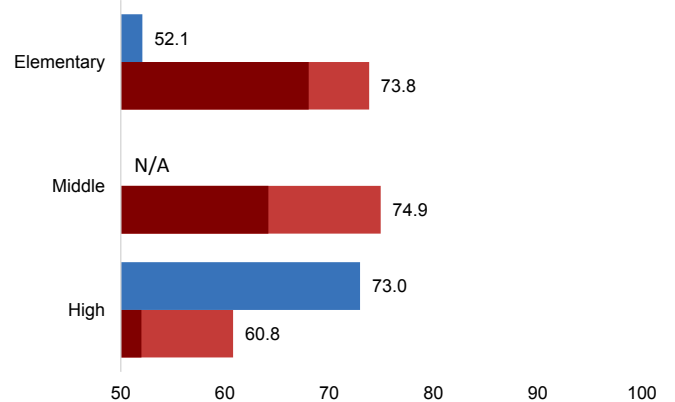
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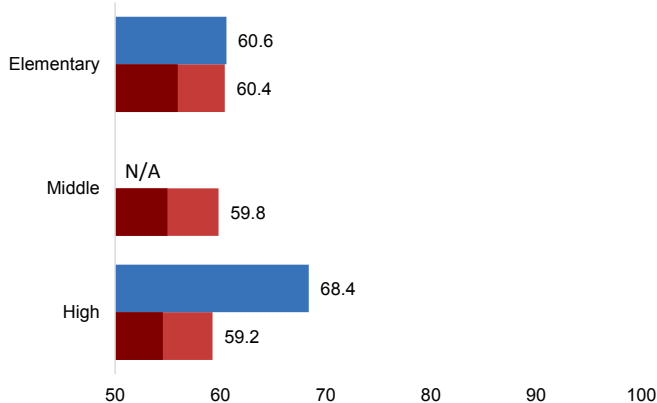
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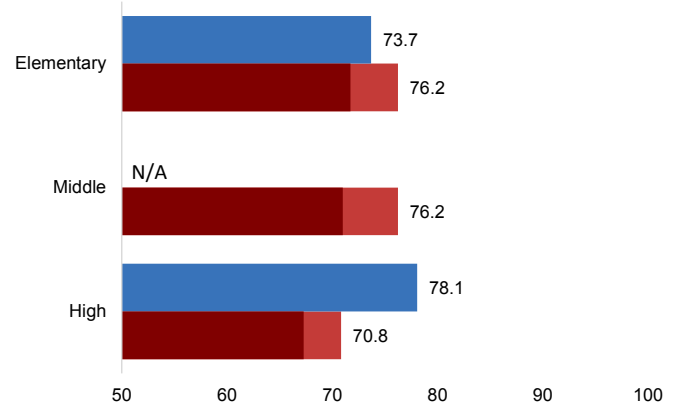
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School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Arkansas Connections Academy

Charter School

Enrollment: 1,597 | 1 School

Arkansas Connections Academy NWA State

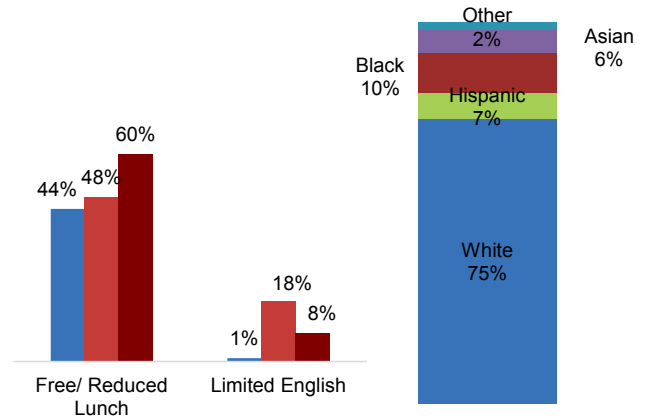
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

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Arkansas Connections Academy	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%
NWA	36%	34%	28%	2%	0%

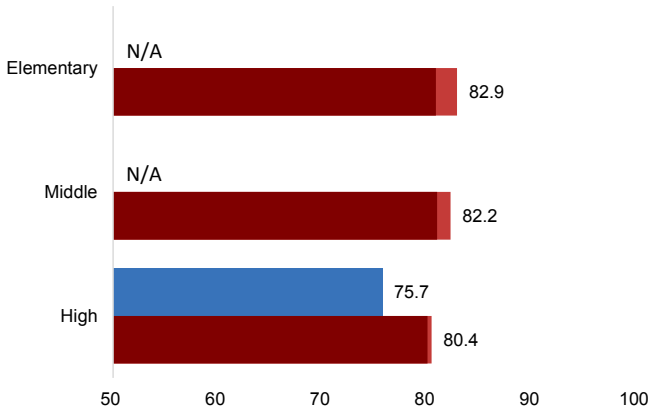
	Arkansas Connections Academy	NWA
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$7,449	\$9,733
ACT Composite Score	N/A	21.1
Graduation Rate	N/A	88%

Student: Teacher Ratio 31 to 1

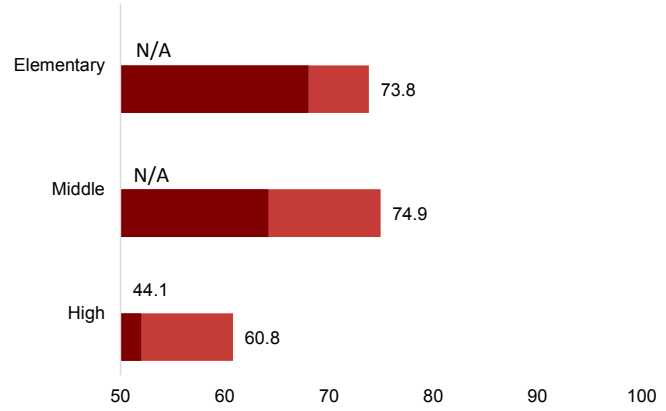
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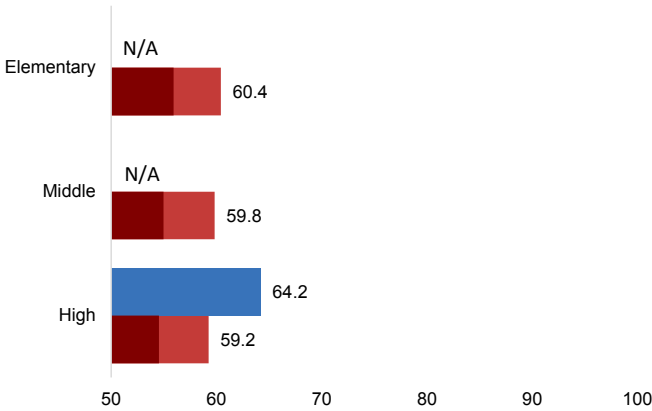
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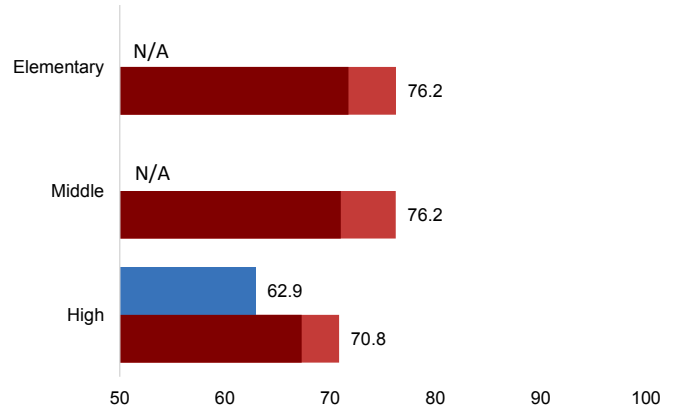
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School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



● Haas Hall Academy ● NWA ● State

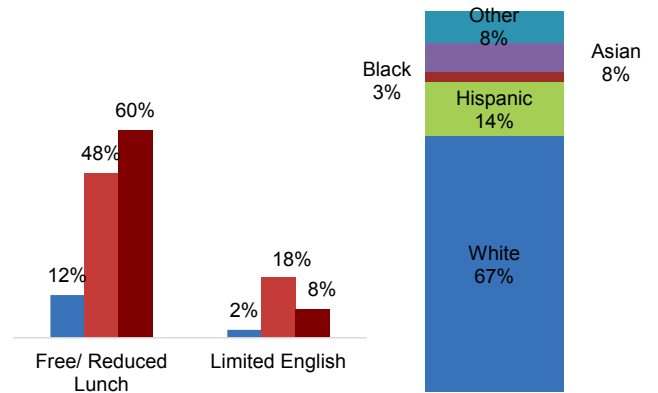
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NWA	36%	34%	28%	2%	0%

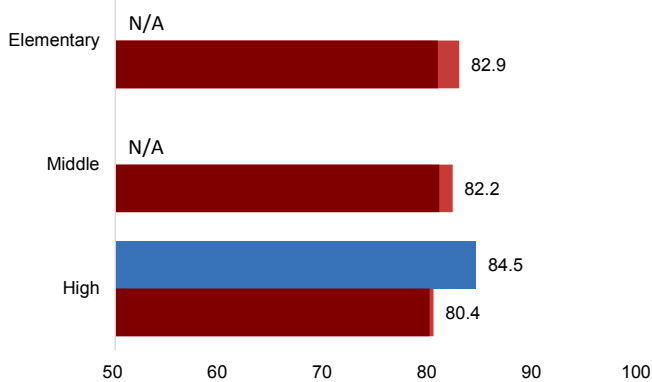
	Haas Hall	NWA
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ACT Composite Score	28.8	21.1
Graduation Rate	98%	88%

Student: Teacher Ratio 16 to 1

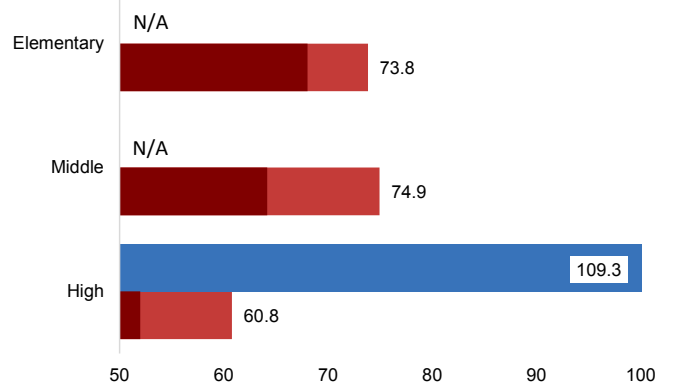
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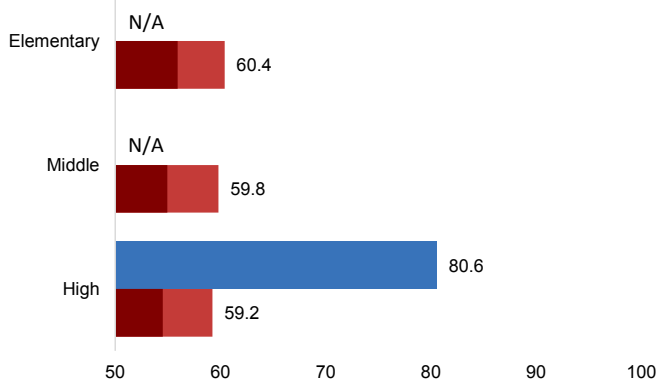
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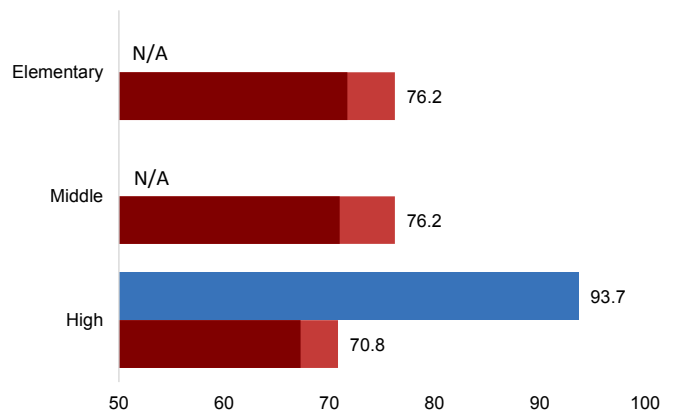
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School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



● Haas Hall Academy Bentonville ● NWA ● State

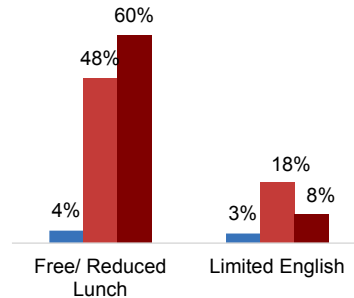
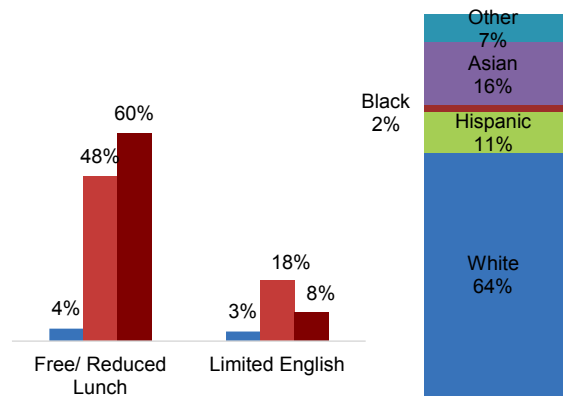
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

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Haas Hall Bentonville	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
NWA	36%	34%	28%	2%	0%

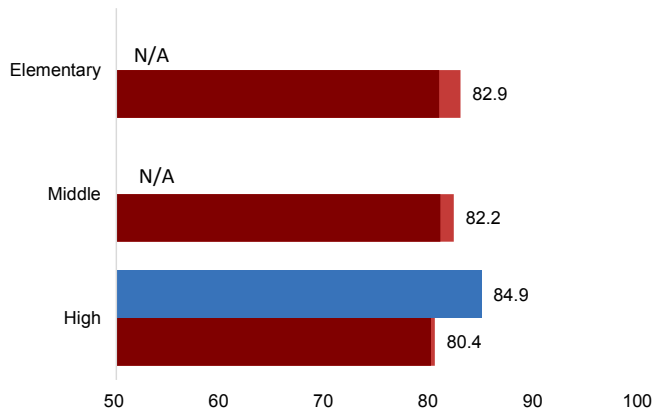
	Haas Hall Bentonville	NWA
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$6,434	\$9,733
ACT Composite Score	28.8	21.1
Graduation Rate	77%	88%

Student: Teacher Ratio 19 to 1

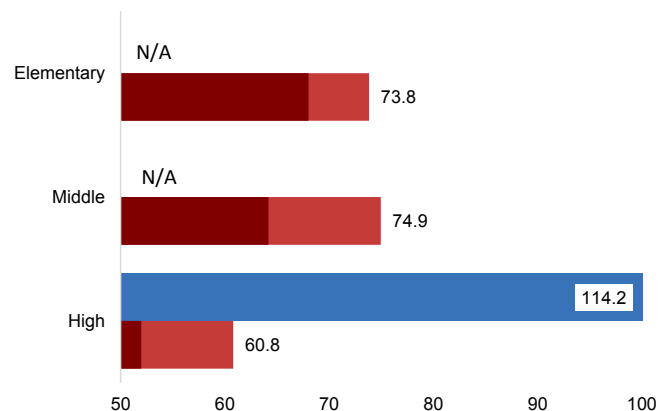
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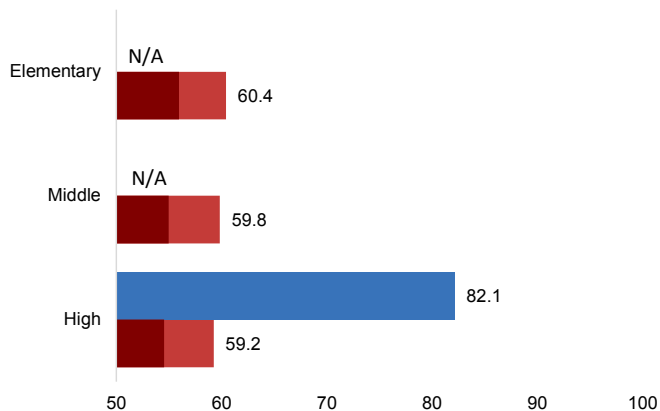
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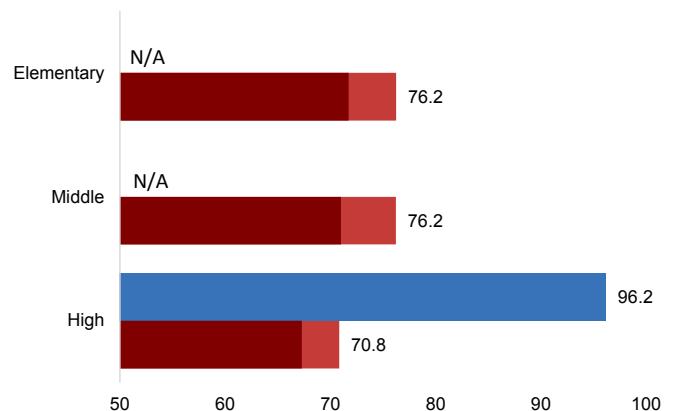
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School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



● NWA Classical ● NWA ● State

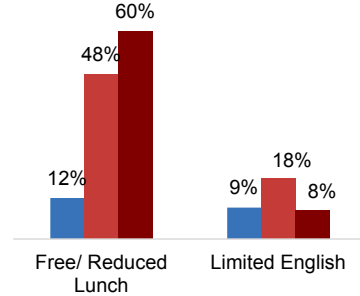
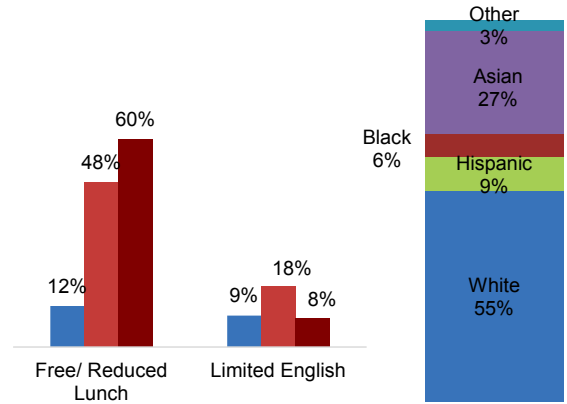
Letter Grades, Finance, ACT, & Graduation

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NWA	36%	34%	28%	2%	0%

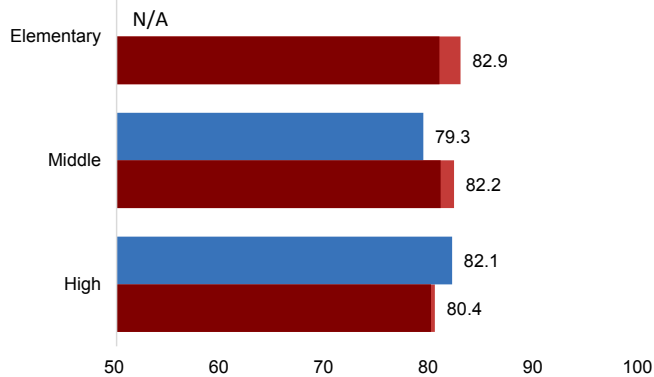
	NWA Classical	NWA
Per Pupil Expenditure	\$7,670	\$9,733
ACT Composite Score	24.1	21.1
Graduation Rate	87%	88%

Student: Teacher Ratio 12 to 1

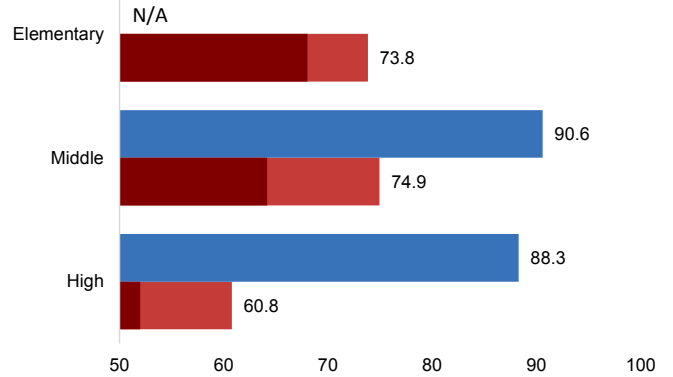
Student Characteristics



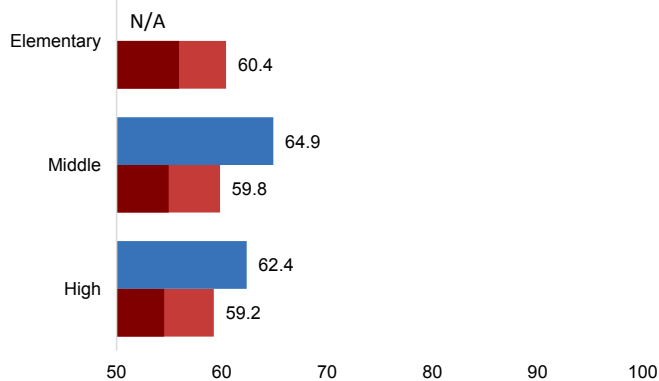
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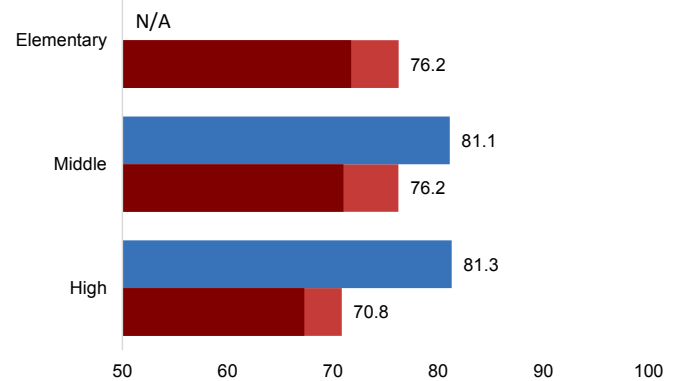
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School Quality/ Student Success Indicator



Overall ESSA Index



Northwest Arkansas Overall

		Growth Score (2018-19)	Achievement Score (2018-19)	School Quality Score (2018-19)	Overall ESSA Score (2018-19)	Graduation Rate (2018-19)	Enrollment (2019-20)	Percent of Students Eligible for Free/ Reduced Lunch (2019-20)	Student: Teacher Ratio (2018-19)	Per Pupil Net Current Expenditure (2018-19)
Big 5	Bentonville	82.5	82.9	65.0	80.1	93%	17,848	22%	15:1	\$9,931
	Fayetteville	81.2	75.2	60.8	75.7	88%	10,487	38%	15:1	\$11,568
	Rogers	82.5	69.4	58.0	74.6	87%	15,721	55%	16:1	\$9,092
	Siloam Springs	80.7	60.8	54.8	70.2	90%	4,371	53%	15:1	\$9,752
	Springdale	83.2	61.3	56.4	71.4	83%	22,164	71%	15:1	\$9,919
Small 10	Decatur	82.5	46.0	46.5	64.8	78%	532	79%	8:1	\$12,042
	Elkins	79.5	63.9	60.7	72.3	96%	1,250	47%	14:1	\$8,163
	Farmington	81.2	72.5	61.1	76.2	96%	2,556	34%	13:1	\$8,474
	Gentry	80.9	63.7	54.6	70.7	88%	1,466	60%	11:1	\$10,308
	Gravette	80.7	70.1	59.3	74.0	84%	1,897	48%	14:1	\$9,653
	Greenland	78.5	52.4	53.7	66.7	94%	753	66%	10:1	\$10,250
	Lincoln	79.5	55.0	58.6	68.9	85%	1,049	71%	8:1	\$9,391
	Pea Ridge	78.6	61.0	59.9	70.6	90%	2,231	38%	15:1	\$9,068
	Prairie Grove	79.9	66.8	58.6	72.6	91%	2,019	41%	13:1	\$8,461
	West Fork	79.7	56.2	55.0	67.6	95%	977	50%	9:1	\$9,282
	5 Charter	Arkansas Arts Academy	80.1	72.6	65.0	75.7	90%	1,113	28%	12:1
Arkansas Connections Academy		75.7	44.1	64.2	62.9	N/A	1,597	44%	31:1	\$7,449
Haas Hall Academy		84.5	109.3	80.6	93.7	95%	1,001	12%	16:1	\$7,759
Haas Hall Bentonville		84.9	114.2	82.1	96.2	77%	356	4%	19:1	\$6,434
NWA Classical Academy		80.0	54.8	63.2	68.7	87%	1,064	12%	12:1	\$7,670
	Big 5	82.4	70.3	59.4	74.8	87%	70,591	49%	15:1	\$9,969
	Small 10	80.0	63.8	58.2	71.7	90%	14,730	48%	12:1	\$9,205
	5 Charter	80.7	83.0	70.3	77.4	88%	5,131	25%	16:1	\$7,708
	NWA	81.9	69.7	59.7	74.4	88%	90,452	48%	15:1	\$9,733
	Arkansas Overall	80.7	61.2	55.1	70.1	88%	479,432	60%	11:1	\$10,191

* Ozark Montessori was transferred over to LISA Academy and has taken on the new name "LISA Academy Springdale" in March 2019. Due to the change in leadership, scores are not reported for Ozark Montessori/ LISA Springdale in this report.

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