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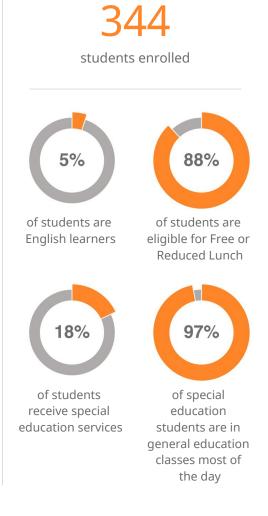
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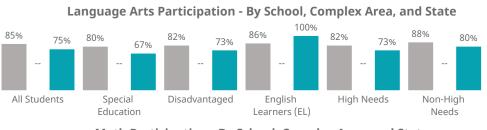
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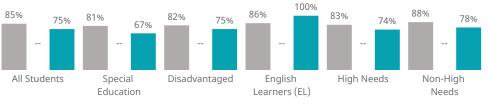
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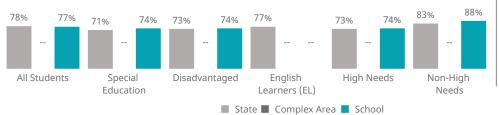
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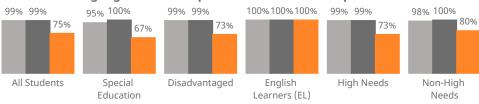
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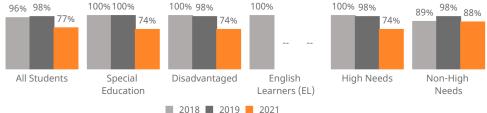


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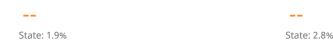
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How many students did not have adequate digital devices or internet access?

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| Language A | irts N | lath | Science | 5666 | Smarter Balanced | | HSA-Alt | | |
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| Non-High Needs High No | eeds Non-High Needs | High Needs | English are on-track | Но | w do stude | ents feel a | bout thei | r school? | |
| | | | to English language | Meas | ures percent of | students report | ting positive sc | hool climate as meas | ured by the |
| | Achievement gap: Achievement gap: | | proficiency | Pano Pano | rama Student Su | | level. School | S | tate |
| 22 points | <mark>8</mark> poi | nus | | | Upper Eler (For grad | 5 | 73% | - | 75% |
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SY 2020-2021



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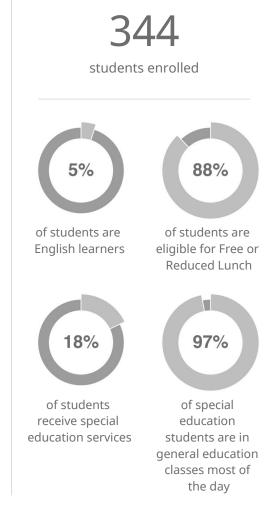
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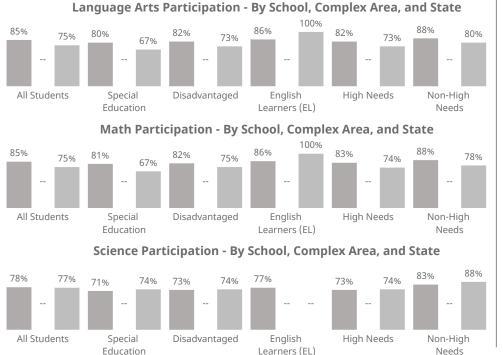
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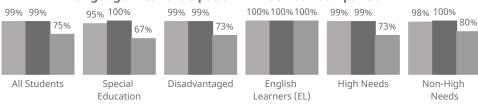
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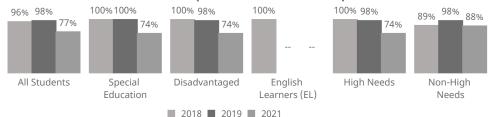
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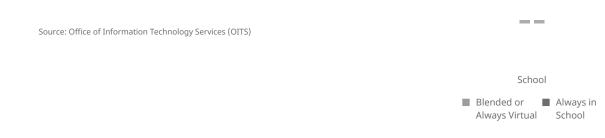
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| How are students performing in each subject? Measures the percent of students meeting the standard/who are proficient on state assessments. No participation penalty was applied to 2021 proficiency results. | | | | | How are students' academic progress measured? Schools' Smarter Balanced growth is represented by a Median Growth Percentile (MGP) which ranges from 1 - 99. HSA-Alt & KAEO growth shows the percent of students making one year of growth. | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|-----------------------------|------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|
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