



LESTER C. NOECKER SCHOOL
ROSELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

Strategic Planning 2017

State of the District

Welcome!

Roseland's Strategic Planning
Meeting #1
February 13, 2017

Tonight's Meeting

- Opening Remarks

Anna Gordon, Board President

- State of the District

Deanne Somers, Superintendent

- The Process

Charlene Peterson, NJSBA

- Break-Out Discussions

Strengths & Challenges

Board of Education

Anna Gordon, *President*

Neal Goldstein, *Vice President*

Julie DiGiacomo

Scott Gorman

Jean Perrotti

**Jason Bohm, *Business Administrator/Board
Secretary***

School & Community Facts

Population: Last official estimated population of Roseland Borough was 5,826 in 2014. If population growth rate maintained 2010-2014 rates (+0.03%/yr), Roseland's population in 2017 would be 5,831.

New Jersey Monthly magazine ranked **Roseland as its 7th best place to live** in its 2015 rankings of the "Best Places To Live" in New Jersey!

The Roseland School District serves public school students in **pre-kindergarten through sixth grade** at Lester C. Noecker Elementary School.

Students in public school for seventh through twelfth grades attend the **West Essex Regional School District**, a regional school district serving students from Essex Fells, Fairfield, North Caldwell and Roseland.



Current Mission Statement

“We Care About What We Do.”

In an atmosphere reflecting a spirit of **cooperation and mutual respect**, we celebrate the uniqueness and diversity of the members of our school community.

Our goal is to cultivate a learning environment in which our children will develop **productive mind habits** and successful skills of learning which culminate in **academic achievement** and **positive self-esteem**. We invite and encourage the children to explore new horizons and support them in such endeavors. We provide the necessary guidance which encourages each child to develop **critical thinking skills** for personal goal setting, problem solving and decision making. To these ends, the Lester C. Noecker School community remains **dedicated**.



Our Goals

Board Goals

- Increase Attendance at Workshops
- Employ Strategies of Increased Economy and Efficiency

School Goals

- Improve Student ELA Performance
- Support the Use of Differentiated Instructional Strategies
- Increase Communication with the School Community

Administration

Deanne Somers, *Superintendent*

Robyn Greenwald, *Principal*

Jennifer Zeoli, *Supervisor of Special Services*

Jennifer Mulvaney, *Supervisor of Instruction and
STEAM Integration*

About Noecker School

Staff

Principal

1 School Nurse

1 School Counselor

23 Classroom Teachers (preK-6)

6 Special Education Teachers (preK-6)

2.5 Basic Skills Teachers

.5 Gifted & Talented Teacher

2 Physical Education Teachers

1.6 Vocal/Instrumental Music Teachers

1 Media Specialist

1 Art Teacher

1 World Language Teacher

2 Speech Therapists

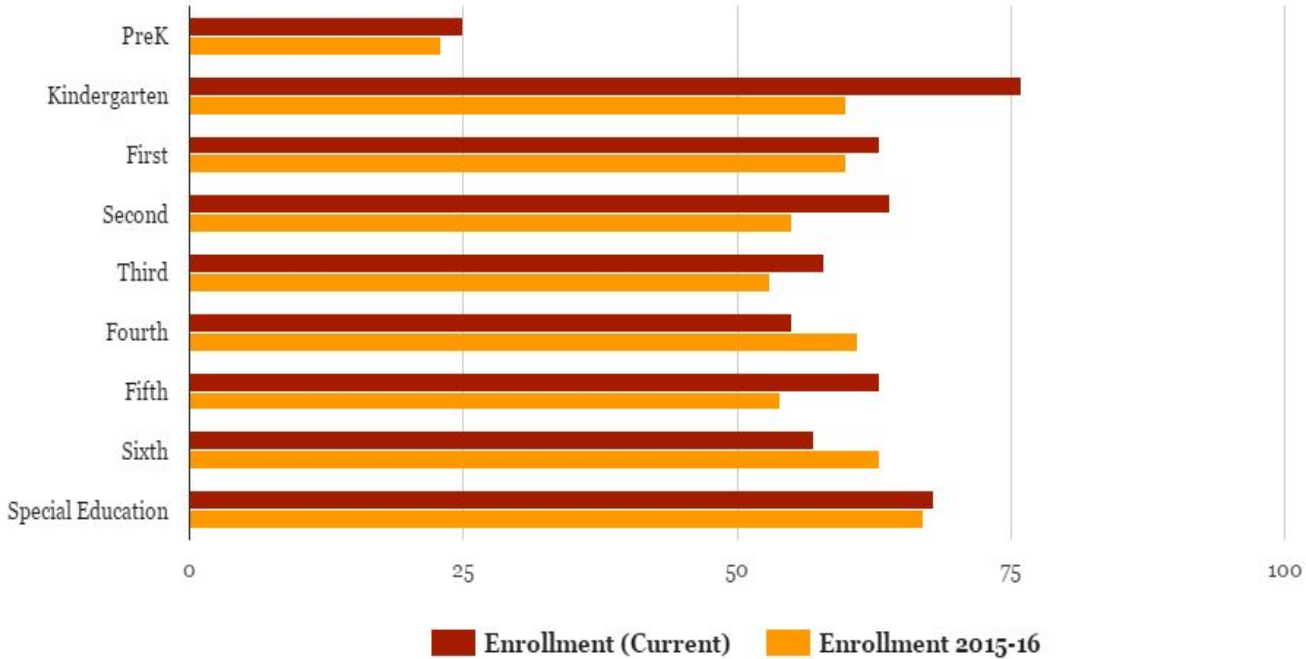
1 School Psychologist

1 School Social Worker

1 Behaviorist

15 Instructional Aides

Noecker School Enrollment



Noecker grew from 429 students (2015-16) to 461 students (current) resulting in a fourth Kindergarten section.

About Noecker School

Programs & Services

Integrated Preschool AM/PM

Full-day Kindergarten

LLD/ABA Programs

Autistic Program

Gifted and Talented Enrichment

Basic Skills Instruction

Resource Center for Special Education

Summer Enrichment

Extended School Year

Early Morning Program

YMCA After School Program

District-wide Busing

OT, PT, and LDTC Services (Outsourced)

Full Service Cafeteria

After School Enrichment offered by HSA

Technology & STEAM

Updated Website!

Makerspace

1:1 Chromebooks 5th & 6th grade

Two computer labs (one in media center)

iPads, Chromebooks, Smartboards in
multiple classrooms

Grade 3 - mobile laptop cart

Grade 4 - 5 chromebooks per class + cart

Green Screen Technology

Software for Students includes:

- Google Classroom & Apps for Education
- Achieve 3000
- Raz-Kids

Software for Parents/Teachers includes:

- Genesis
- OnCourse
- Blackboard Connect
- My Learning Plan

Student Achievement

A mix of district and state
assessments

Use of Data:

MAP Testing, Running Records,
Early Literacy Assessments, Insight,
NJASK Science, and PARCC

Analysis of PARCC 2016:

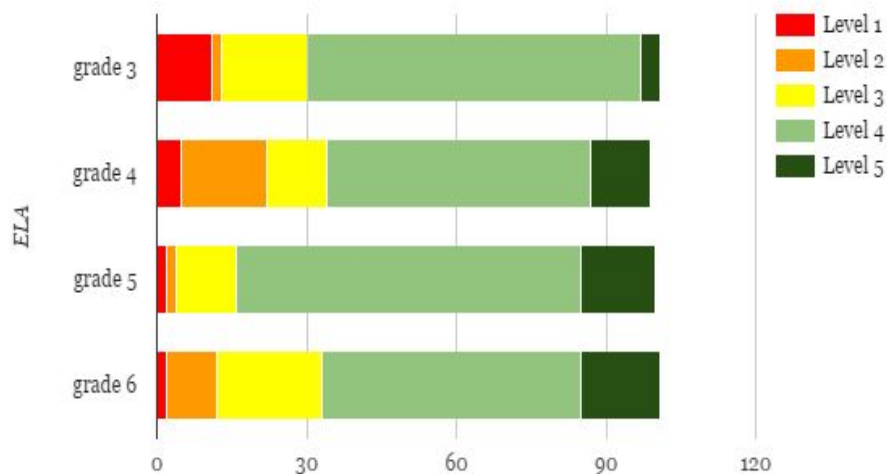
- The majority of students have continued to make progress from one grade to the next, particularly our 4th & 5th graders who increased in levels 4 & 5 in both English Language Arts and Mathematics.

What we have seen is growth in levels 4 (met) & 5 (exceeded) in reading literacy, character analysis, and writing.

Areas of continued focus:

- **Vocabulary** (prefixes, suffixes, how words work)
- **Informational Reading** (particularly Social Studies and Science & Complex Texts)
- **NonFiction Text Features**
- **Sequencing & Summarizing** in NonFiction - Informational Texts
- **Analysis across multiple “texts”**

What we're doing - professional development!, differentiation through workshop instruction, Words Their Way (vocabulary), examining text complexity, exploring expansion of resources, and curriculum unit writing.



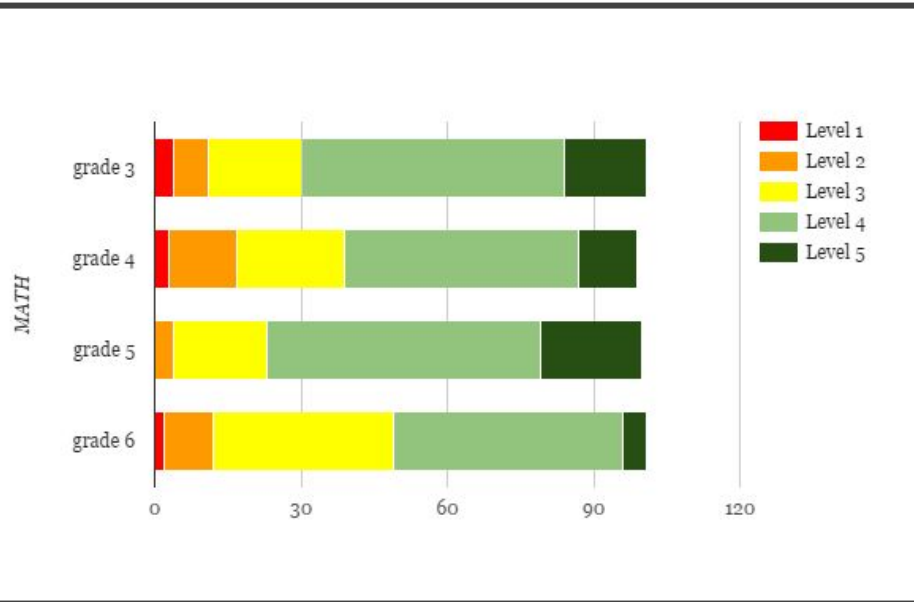
2016 ELA PARCC

What we've seen is growth in levels 4 (met) & 5 (exceeded) in Math Modeling and Mathematical Practices.

Areas of continued focus:

- Insuring **Supporting Content** is integrated into the major work of the grade levels
- Focus on **Mathematical Reasoning** - understanding and explaining WHY = true conceptual understanding
- Major content of **Fractions** across grades 4 & 5 in preparation for Number Systems **application** in 6th

What we're doing - analysis of Evidence Statements to address pacing, professional development in Common Core teaching, differentiation and the use of formative assessments, a certified Math Teacher (grade 6), expanded math challenge offerings (5th & 6th grade)



2016 MATH PARCC

Facilities

School Safety

Staff:

- **Tom August**, *Supervisor of Building & Grounds*
 - 3 Custodians
 - School Security Officer
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2005 – 2006 Building Addition/Gymnasium Construction

2007 – HVAC Upgrades

2008 – School Driveway Paving/Reconstruction

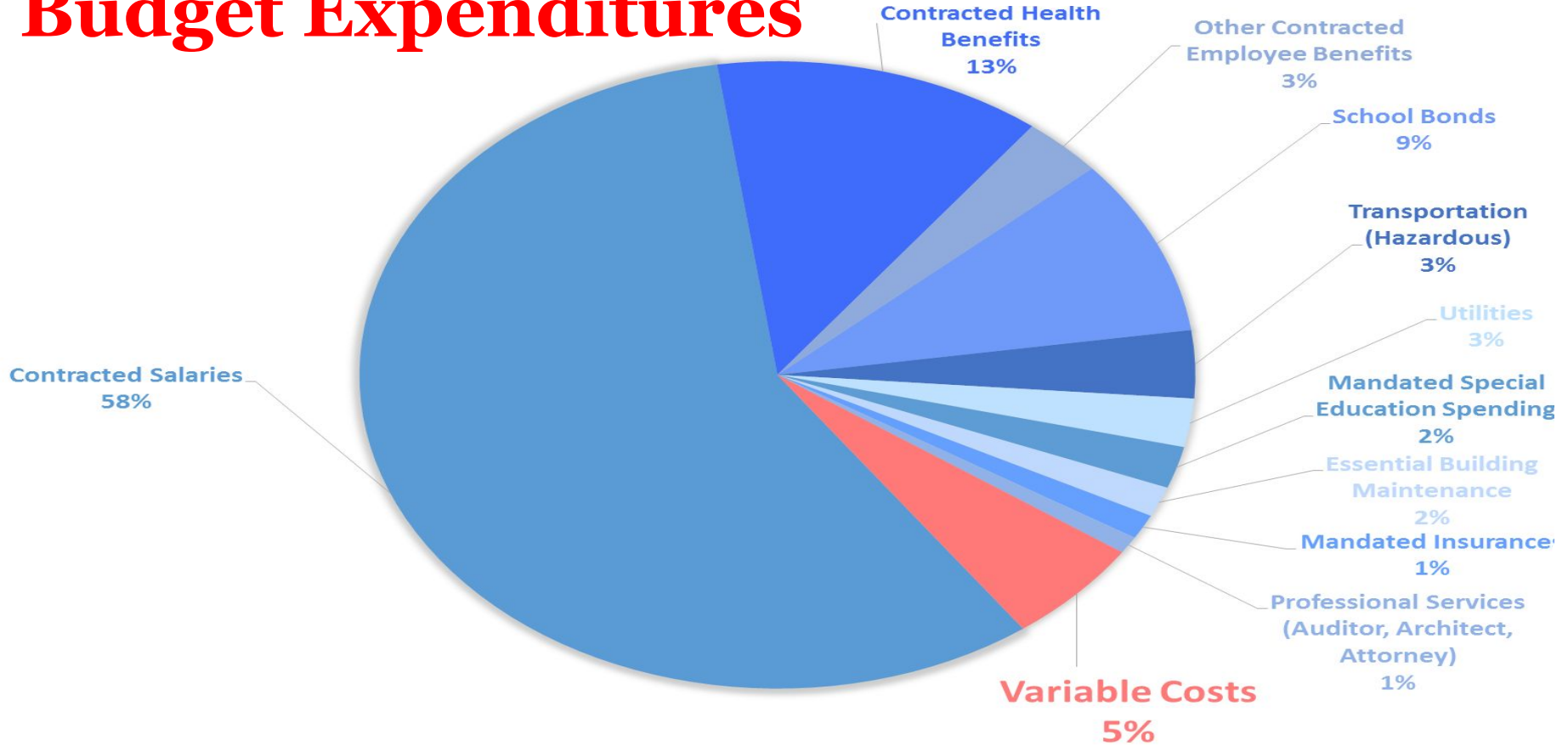
2009 – Sewage Ejector Pump Installation

2011/2012 – Roof Replacement

2015 – Information Technology/Internet Upgrades, Security Cameras, Security Vestibule

2016 – Front-lot Paving, Communication Systems Upgrade

2% 2016-2017 Budget Expenditures



Budget

Shared Services/ Savings

- Professional Development (West Essex Consortium)
- Transportation (Sussex County Regional Coop)
- Ed Data Supply Services (Purchasing Group)
- Middlesex Regional Educational Services (Purchasing Group)
- Snow Plowing - Sewer - Water - Waste Disposal - Field Maintenance (Borough of Roseland)
- Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES)
- Insurance Fund for Property and Liability (NJSIG)
- Insurance Fund for Worker's Compensation (MEIG)

2017 Audit Findings - Roseland is “*a very well run District and a really well run business office*”.

~John Mooney, Nisivoccia, LLP



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*We cannot accomplish all that we need to
do without working together.*

~Bill Richardson

**Thank you for your part in the future of
OUR school district!**