

## **FOLLOW UP BUDGET QUESTIONS FROM 1/24/23**

**Question:** What is the percentage of English Language Learners (ELL) students at NMHS and SMS?

**Response:** 2.6% of our students are at NMHS and SMS are identified as ELL students. Of the 814 students at SMS,

55 (6.75%) are ELL. Out of the 1317 students at NMHS 41 (3.19%) are ELL.

**Question:** What is the length of classes at NMHS and SMS?

<u>Response:</u> New Milford High School's classes utilize a block schedule. Classes rotate on a two day (A/B) schedule and each class is 80 minutes in length. Schaghticoke has an 8 period day and each subject is 45 minutes in length.

**Question:** What are the pathways for non-college bound?

**Response:** We are committed to our students' success after graduation whether it be work or post-secondary education. School counselors work with students to develop a Student Success Plan which allows students to set goals, explore postsecondary education, the military and career interests as well as build structures to ensure success. New Milford High School has an array of course offerings to help students meet their goals. For those who choose to enter the workforce upon graduation, students may select courses such as Personal Finance, Marketing, Business Computer Applications as well as foundational skills offered in our core subjects. Students may also participate in internships that provide students with real-world experiences.



**Question:** What is the update to the Net Current Expenditures per Pupil (NCEP) data presented last year?

**Response:** See the below chart:

COMPARISON GROUP	20/21 NCEP	21/22 NCEP	\$ CHANGE	% CHANGE
NEW MILFORD	\$16,952	\$16,975	\$23	0.14%
NEARBY DISTRICTS AVERAGE (BETHEL, NEW FAIRFIELD, SHERMAN, REGIONS: 1,12 & 14)	\$26,171	\$25,962	-\$209	-0.80%
STATE AVERAGE	\$20,707	\$21,355	\$648	3.13%
DRG AVERAGE	\$19,190	\$19,902	\$712	3.71%

Source Data: <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Grants-Management/Report1/basiccon\_PDF.pdf">https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Grants-Management/Report1/basiccon\_PDF.pdf</a>



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**Question:** How does New Milford's Net Current Expenditures per Pupil (NCEP) rank within the State over the last 10 years and what were the corresponding locally approved final budget increases in each of those years?

## **Response:** See the below chart:

	YEAR	FINAL BUDGET INCREASE	PER PUPIL RANK IN STATE
	2013-2014	2.89%	149
	2014-2015	2.23%	144
	2015-2016	0.36%	150
	2016-2017	0.83%	155
	2017-2018	1.68%	153
	2018-2019	0.32%	156
	2019-2020	1.63%	152
	2020-2021	0.66%	155
	2021-2022	2.14%	156
	2022-2023	2.92%	TBD
AVERAGE		1.57%	