

District Profile

HATTIESBURG PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Grades

PK-12

Students

3,667

Title I

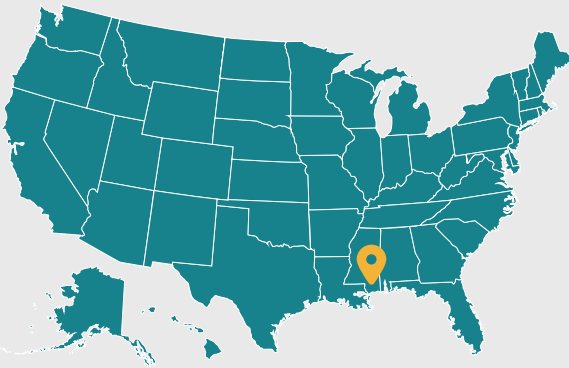
92.76%

Teachers

315.28

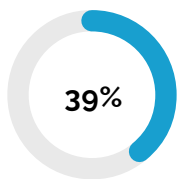
Student/
Teacher Ratio

11.63



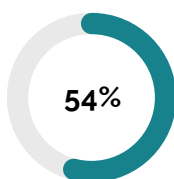
Our Districts of Distinction initiative recognizes U.S. school districts that have made the most progress in student performance from 2019 (Pre-COVID) to 2024. **The series identifies ten districts that demonstrated the highest improvements in English Language Arts, math, and science scores—showing just how powerful innovation and responsive approaches for learning recovery can be.** Through a comprehensive analysis of federal and state-reported data, district strategic plans, and interviews with educational leadership, we uncovered a range of diverse strategies driving these impressive gains.

STUDENTS



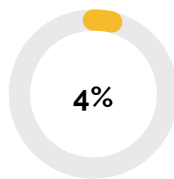
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White



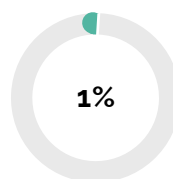
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Afro-American



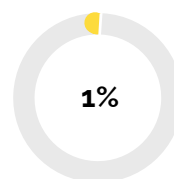
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Hispanic



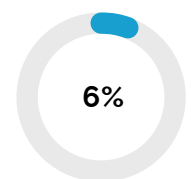
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Pacific Islander



1%

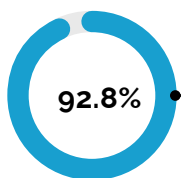
Asian



6%

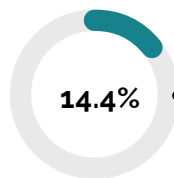
Multi-racial

FEDERAL PROGRAMS



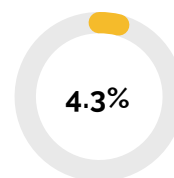
92.8%

Title I
3667



14.4%

IEP
567

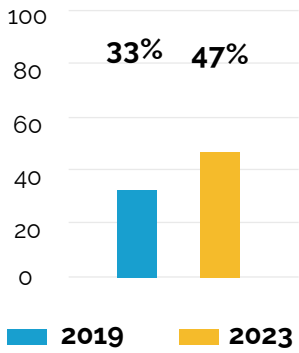


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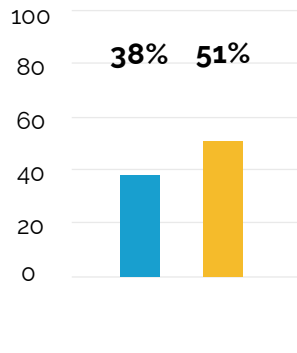
ELL
168

STUDENT PROFICIENCY

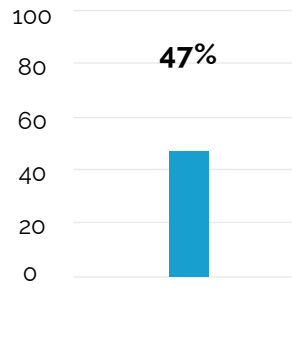
ELA 2019-2023



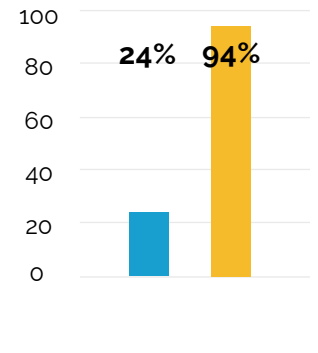
Math 2019-2023



Science 2019-2023



Social Studies 2019-2023



FISCAL

Revenue by Source	Amount
Total Revenue:	\$57,072,000
Revenue by Source	
Federal:	\$12,634,000
Local:	\$23,912,000
State:	\$20,526,000
Total Expenditures:	\$62,042,000
Total Current Expenditures:	\$43,389,000
Instructional Expenditures:	\$24,094,000
Student and Staff Support:	\$5,730,000
Administration:	\$5,380,000
Operations, Food Service, other:	\$8,185,000
Total Capital Outlay:	\$17,556,000
Construction:	\$14,161,000
Other:	\$48,000
Interest on Debt:	\$1,049,000

KEY PERSONNEL



Superintendent:

Robert Williams

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Assistant Superintendent of Instruction/
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Director of Special Needs:

Lashonda Short

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HATTIESBURG PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT'S 2021-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN

VISION FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

Hattiesburg Public Schools' 2021-2025 strategic plan, "Built for Greatness," aims to ensure all students graduate ready for life, college, and the workforce. Focusing on academic excellence, supportive environments, and strong community partnerships, the district is committed to equipping students for success.



STRATEGIC PRIORITIES



1. Academic Success



2. Effective and Committed Staff



3. Positive School Climate and Culture



4. Family and Community Engagement



5. Fiscal Responsibility and Sustainable Resources

PLAN IMPLEMENTATION PHILOSOPHY

The strategic plan emphasizes flexibility, accountability, and community engagement. Continuous feedback from advisory councils, surveys, and meetings will help the district adapt to evolving needs. By maintaining transparency and aligning resources with goals, Hattiesburg Public Schools aims to drive long-term student success.

READ THE FULL STRATEGIC PLAN.

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