



# **Long Island Schools: Keeping our Eye on the Goal - Successes and Challenges**

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# Overview



- Long Island Education Results
- Long Island Schools' Successes
- Long Island Schools' Challenges
- Long Island School Funding
- Advocacy Priorities



# Long Island Education Results

# Percentage of Elementary and Middle Level Students Scoring at Levels 3 and 4 in 2014-15



N = number tested

Assessment	Long Island		Rest of State (excluding NYC and LI)		New York State (excluding NYC, but including LI)	
	N	% Scoring 3 or 4	N	% Scoring 3 or 4	N	% Scoring 3 or 4
Grade 4 English Language Arts	19,793	40.1%	67,499	31.9%	87,292	33.8%
Grade 4 Mathematics	19,156	50.7%	65,220	44.4%	84,376	45.9%
Grade 4 Science	23,281	91.7%	71,867	86.8%	95,148	88.0%
Grade 8 English Language Arts	17,377	41.8%	61,795	35.0%	79,172	36.5%
Grade 8 Mathematics	8,059	17.5%	42,868	20.7%	50,927	20.2%
Grade 8 Science	11,481	69.7%	52,824	69.5%	64,305	69.5%
K-12 NYSESLAT	N	% Scoring 3, 4, or 5	N	% Scoring 3, 4, or 5	N	% Scoring 3, 4, or 5
	31,241	69.3%	42,099	68.1%	73,340	68.6%

# Percentage of Secondary Students Scoring 65+ on Regents Exams in 2014-15



N =Number Tested

Regents	Long Island		Rest of State (excluding NYC and LI)		New York State (excluding NYC, but including LI)	
	N	% Scoring 65+	N	% Scoring 65+	N	% Scoring 65+
English	34,177	91.7%	78,018	86.0%	112,195	87.7%
Integrated Algebra	12,439	65.6%	36,594	61.3%	49,033	62.4%
Global History and Geography	41,335	80.6%	112,141	70.9%	153,476	73.5%
U.S. History and Government	37,551	92.1%	95,169	87.7%	132,720	88.9%
Living Environment	39,771	87.1%	101,852	82.1%	141,623	83.5%
Earth Science	33,598	82.7%	77,731	77.6%	111,329	79.1%
	N	% Scoring 3, 4, or 5	N	% Scoring 3, 4, or 5	N	% Scoring 3, 4, or 5
Common Core English	6,101	89.9%	36,950	84.4%	43,051	85.2%
Common Core Algebra I	37,352	72.5%	94,479	66.6%	131,831	68.3%
Common Core Geometry	28,153	68.3%	56,887	70.7%	85,040	69.9%

# Percentage of Students in Long Island's Least Wealthy and Wealthiest School Districts Passing the Elementary/Middle Level Assessments in 2014-15



Assessment	Least Wealthy Districts (9 Districts) Total Enrollment 61,612		Wealthiest Districts (9 Districts) Total Enrollment 23,171		Long Island		Rest of State (excluding NYC and LI)		New York State (excluding NYC, but including LI)	
	N	% Scoring 3 or 4	N	% Scoring 3 or 4	N	% Scoring 3 or 4	N	% Scoring 3 or 4	N	% Scoring 3 or 4
Grade 4 English Language Arts	3,344	16.0%	1,286	55.0%	19,793	40.1%	67,499	31.9%	87,292	33.8%
Grade 4 Mathematics	3,270	24.7%	1,282	65.0%	19,156	50.7%	65,220	44.4%	84,376	45.9%
Grade 4 Science	3,818	80.1%	1,372	93.8%	23,281	91.7%	71,867	86.8%	95,148	88.0%
Grade 8 English Language Arts	2,678	15.7%	1,302	60.2%	17,377	41.8%	61,795	35.0%	79,172	36.5%
Grade 8 Mathematics	1,863	5.2%	629	38.4%	8,059	17.5%	42,868	20.7%	50,927	20.2%
Grade 8 Science	2,069	44.0%	509	76.6%	11,481	69.7%	52,824	69.5%	64,305	69.5%
	N	% Scoring 3, 4, or 5	N	% Scoring 3, 4, or 5	N	% Scoring 3, 4, or 5	N	% Scoring 3, 4, or 5	N	% Scoring 3, 4, or 5
K-12 NYSESLAT	12,728	65.7%	1,467	72.3%	31,241	69.3%	42,099	68.1%	73,340	68.6%

Grade 8 Science - 6 of the 9 wealthiest districts reported data

Grade 8 Math - 8 of the 9 least wealthy districts and 7 of the 9 wealthiest districts reported data

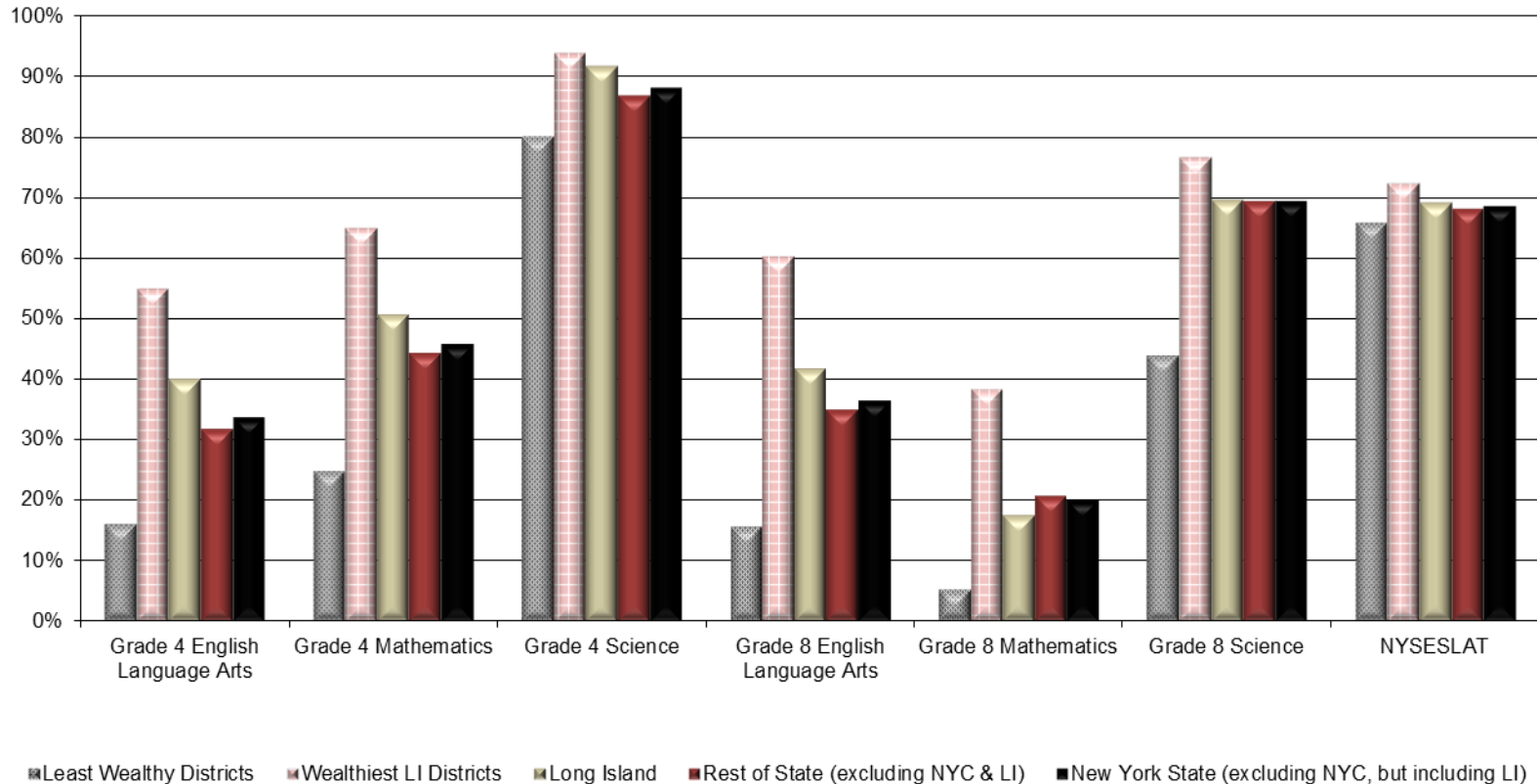
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# Long Island Education Facts and Outcomes



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	N	% Passing	N	% Passing	N	% Passing	N	% Passing	N	% Passing
English	4,451	80.7%	2,204	93.5%	34,177	91.7%	78,018	86.0%	112,195	87.7%
Integrated Algebra	3,279	57.6%	682	77.6%	12,439	65.6%	36,594	61.3%	49,033	62.4%
Global History and Geography	6,160	63.4%	2,320	84.1%	41,335	80.6%	112,141	70.9%	153,476	73.5%
US History and Government	5,077	80.0%	2,445	93.6%	37,551	92.1%	95,169	87.7%	132,720	88.9%
Living Environment	5,678	70.8%	2,619	89.1%	39,771	87.1%	101,852	82.1%	141,623	83.5%
Earth Science	3,853	61.7%	1,929	87.2%	33,598	82.7%	77,731	77.6%	111,329	79.1%
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Common Core English	634	62.8%	232	89.7%	6,101	89.9%	36,950	84.4%	43,051	85.2%
Common Core Algebra I	4,945	45.6%	2,161	83.1%	37,352	72.5%	94,479	66.6%	131,831	68.3%
Common Core Geometry	2,236	46.6%	1,860	79.4%	28,153	68.3%	56,887	70.7%	85,040	69.9%

Common Core English Regents - 4 of the 9 least wealthy districts and 5 of the 9 wealthiest districts reported data  
Common Core Geometry Regents – 8 of the 9 least wealthy districts reported data

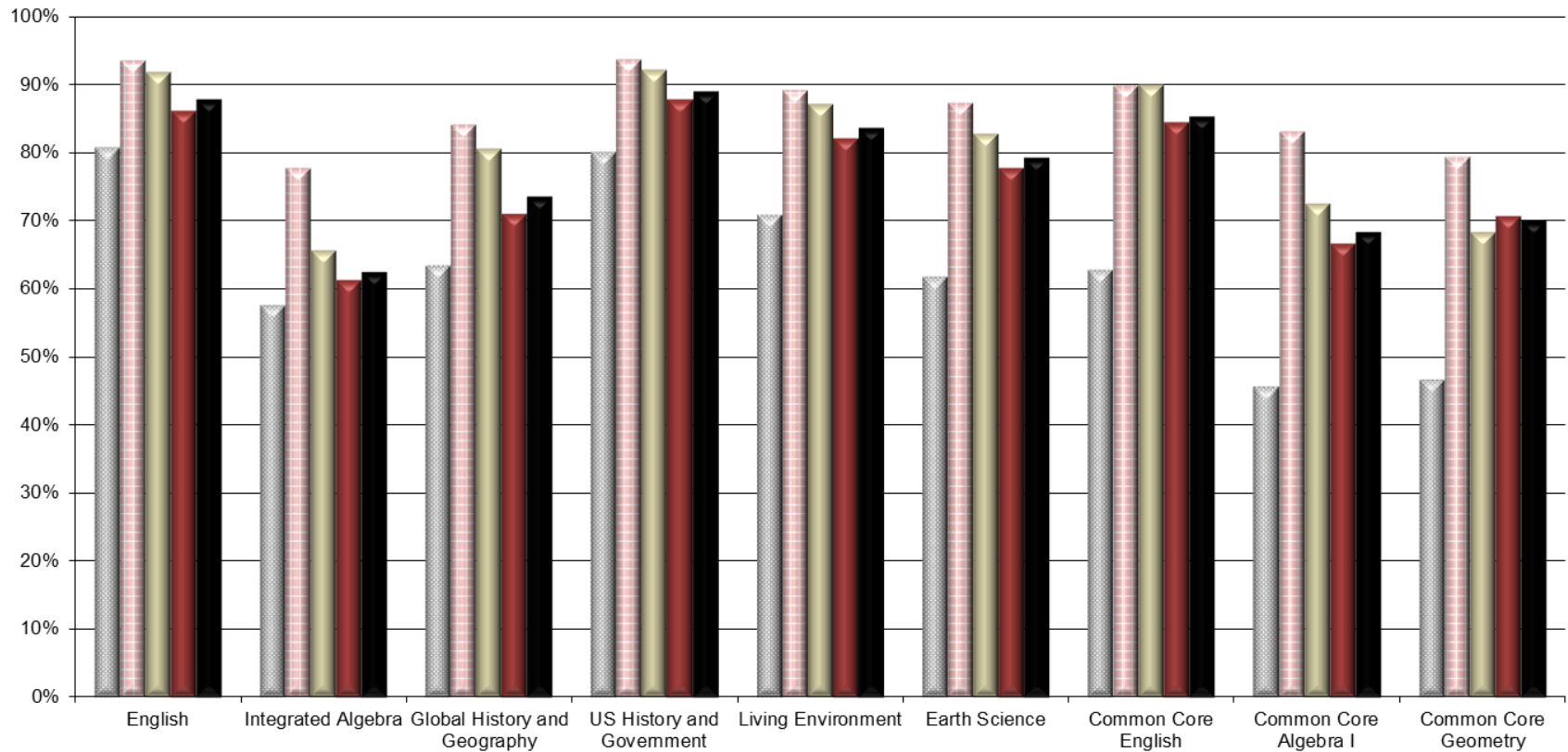




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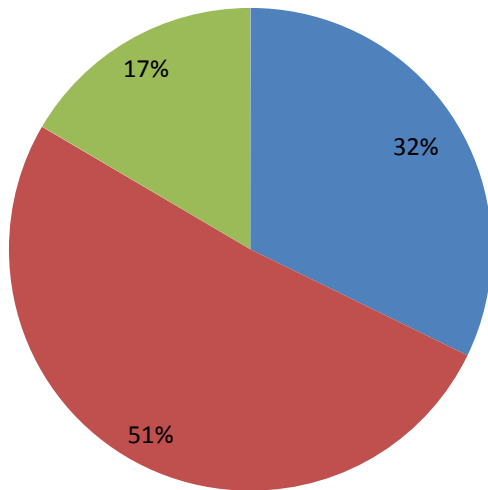


■ Least Wealthy LI Districts ■ Wealthiest LI Districts ■ Long Island (% of all students tested) ■ Rest of State (excluding NYC & LI) ■ New York State (excluding NYC, but including LI)

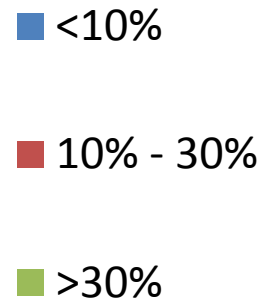
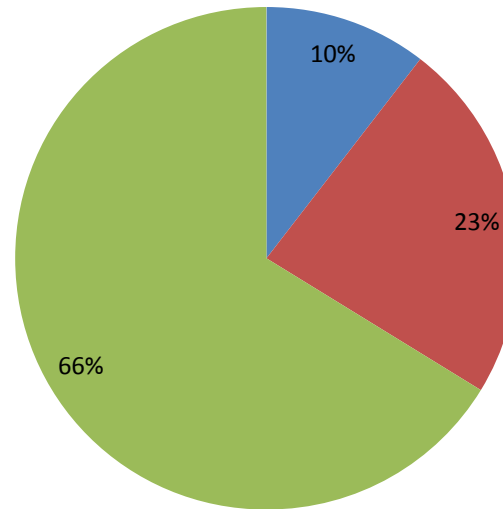
# Key Fact:

## Percent of Revenue from State Aid 2015-16

### Long Island

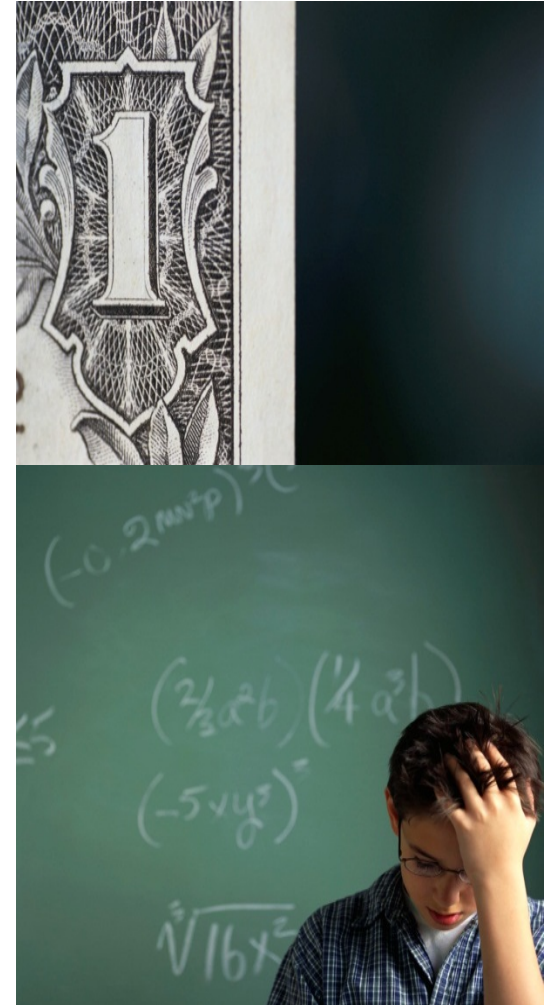


### New York State



# Key Fact:

- When New York City is included, the share of state aid directed to Long Island (12.3%) is less than the percentage (16.2%) of the state's children being educated on Long Island.



# Key Fact:



There is a wide gap between perception and reality when it comes to the wealth of Long Island schools. The percentage of students in districts of below average wealth (CWR<1.00) by BOCES region on Long Island is as follows:

Region	Number of Students (2015-16)	Percentage of Students in Below Average Wealth Districts
Suffolk County	244,901	59.9
Eastern Suffolk BOCES	161,940	72.0
Western Suffolk BOCES	82,961	36.1
Nassau County (Nassau BOCES)	202,371	35.9
<b>Long Island</b>	<b>447,272</b>	<b>49.03</b>



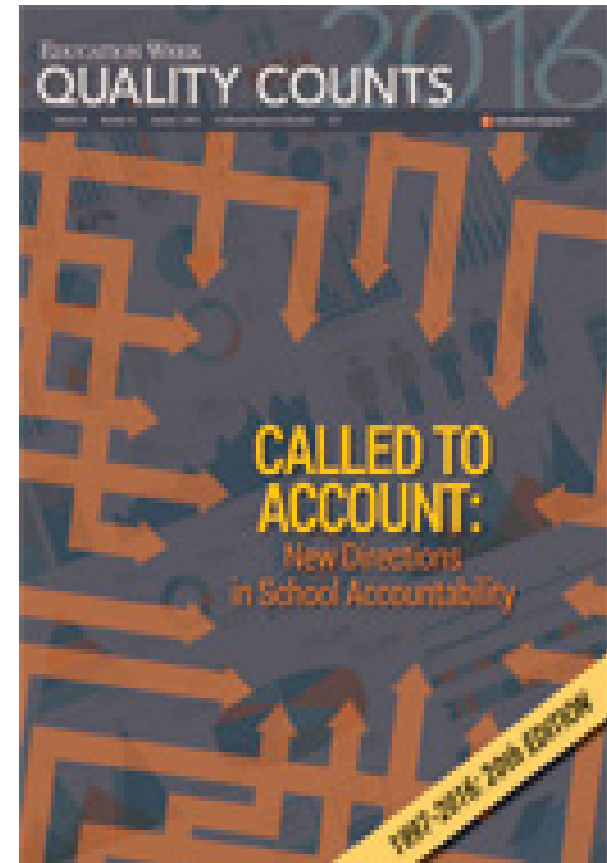
# Long Island Schools' Successes



# 2016 Education Week Quality Counts NY and Long Island Ranking



Rank	State	HS Students Graduating With a Diploma (%)
1	VT, NE	93
2	WI <b>Long Island</b>	92
3	ND	91
4	IA, KS	89
5	MN, PA	88
6	NH, NJ, ME	87
7	MA, CT, MO, MT	86
8	MD, VA, OH, ID	84
9	SD, TN	83
10	IL, KY, TX, CA, CO	82
<b>13</b>	<b>NY</b>	<b>78</b>





# Newsweek

## America's Top High Schools



Annually, *Newsweek* magazine identifies America's top public high schools. In 2015, the top 500 public schools were identified based upon how well students were prepared for college.



- 21 of the top 500 public high schools are from Long Island.
- **If Long Island was a state, it would rank #1** in the percentage (18.0 %) of public high schools identified as "America's Top" by *Newsweek*.





# U.S. News & World Report's "2015 Best High Schools"



Annually, *U.S. News & World Report* identifies the best public high schools and awards Gold and Silver Medals to those “most successfully preparing students for college...” In 2015,



- ... One of every 4 Long Island public high schools was awarded a Gold or Silver Medal.
- ... If Long Island was a state, it would have ranked 4<sup>th</sup> (25.2%) behind Maryland, California, and Connecticut in the percentage of eligible public schools receiving Gold or Silver Medals.





# Siemens Science Competition



- Long Island ranks 2nd in the number of Siemens Science Competition Semifinalists and Finalists, behind California.
- However, a comparison of the number of high school students puts the rankings in perspective:

## 2015 Siemens Science Competition Semifinalists

State	Semifinalists - Finalists		9-12 Enrollment
California	73	17	1,965,168
Long Island	63	15	145,850
Texas	52	11	1,387,513



# 2015 Long Island's Winning Team



Siemen's Competition  
for Science, Math, and Technology 2015  
Congratulations!

## Kimberly Te & Christine Yoo

- Manhasset High School
- Will share \$100,000 college scholarship





# Intel Science Talent Search



3 of the 40 high school seniors named Intel Science Talent Search Finalists for 2016 were from Long Island:

- Jessica Li Huang                      Jericho High School
- Rachel Mashal                         JFK HS - Bellmore
- Augusta Uwamanzu-Nna             Elmont High School



# If Long Island Was a State...



- If Long Island was a state, it would rank 3rd in the number of 2016 Intel Semifinalists (44), just behind the rest of New York State (53) and California (47).
- Just over 14% of 2016 Intel Semifinalists identified from across the country were from Long Island (44 of 300).



# Blue Ribbon Schools



40 Blue Ribbon schools have been identified on Long Island in the past 15 years.



But...

Long Island also has  
its challenges.

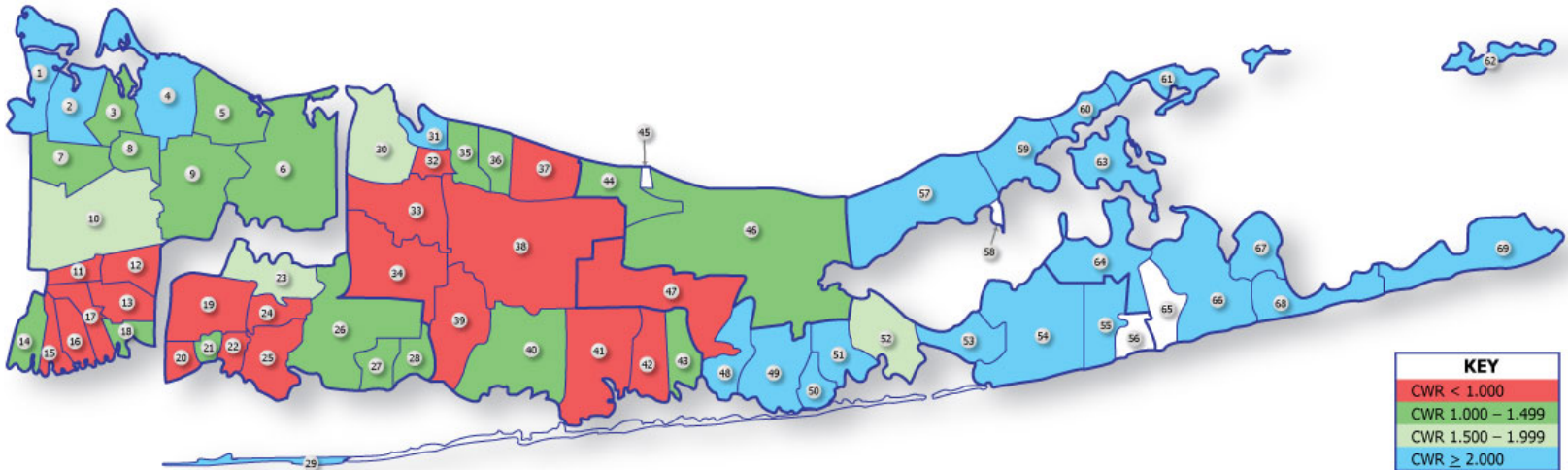




# Changes in Wealth



## Suffolk County School Districts and Combined Wealth Ratios (CWR) 2007-2008



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CWR ≥ 2.000	

Western Suffolk/CWR	
Huntington/Babylon/Smithtown/CWR	
1	Cold Spring Harbor CSD 3.612
2	Huntington UFSD 2.054
3	Harborfields CSD 1.414
4	Northport-East Northport UFSD 2.024
5	Kings Park CSD 1.352
6	Smithtown CSD 1.362
7	South Huntington UFSD 1.388
8	Elwood UFSD 1.320
9	Commack UFSD 1.263
10	Half Hollow Hills CSD 1.780
11	Wyandanch UFSD 0.433
12	Deer Park UFSD 0.993
13	North Babylon UFSD 0.830
14	Amityville UFSD 1.100
15	Copiague UFSD 0.757
16	Lindenhurst UFSD 0.777
17	West Babylon UFSD 0.898
18	Babylon UFSD 1.372

Eastern Suffolk/CWR	
Islip/CWR	
19	Brentwood UFSD 0.495
20	West Islip UFSD 0.968
21	Bay Shore UFSD 1.019
22	Islip UFSD 0.962
23	Hauppauge UFSD 1.797
24	Central Islip UFSD 0.641
25	East Islip UFSD 0.872
26	Connetquot CSD 1.081
27	Sayville UFSD 1.021
28	Bayport-Blue Point UFSD 1.115
29	Fire Island UFSD 29.713

Brookhaven/CWR	
30	Three Village CSD 1.517
31	Port Jefferson UFSD 3.011
32	Comsewogue UFSD 0.917
33	Middle Country CSD 0.815
34	Sachem CSD 0.942
35	Mount Sinai UFSD 1.153
36	Miller Place UFSD 1.043
37	Rocky Point UFSD 0.772
38	Longwood CSD 0.860
39	Patchogue-Medford UFSD 0.864
40	South Country CSD 1.007
41	William Floyd UFSD 0.612
42	Center Moriches UFSD 0.970
43	East Moriches UFSD 1.123

Riverhead/CWR	
44	Shoreham-Wading River CSD 1.231
45	Little Flower UFSD*
46	Riverhead CSD 1.449

Southold/CWR	
57	Mattituck-Cutchogue UFSD 2.544
58	New Suffolk Common SD*
59	Southold UFSD 2.870
60	Greenport UFSD 2.547
61	Oysterponds UFSD 5.770
62	Fishers Island UFSD 20.123

Shelter Island/CWR	
63	Shelter Island UFSD 8.802

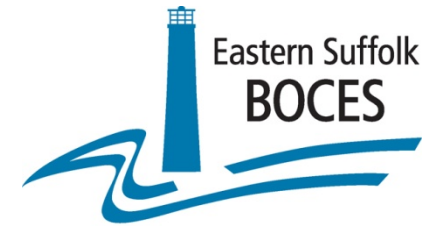
  

Southampton/CWR	
47	Eastport/South Manor CSD 0.791
48	Rensselaer-Speonk UFSD 4.990
49	Westhampton Beach UFSD 3.806
50	Quogue UFSD 15.973
51	East Quogue UFSD 2.077
52	Hampton Bays UFSD 1.773
53	Tuckahoe Common SD 4.023
54	Southampton UFSD 10.107
55	Bridgeton UFSD 27.676
56	Sagaponack Common SD*

East Hampton/CWR	
64	Sag Harbor UFSD 4.877
65	Wainscott Common SD*
66	East Hampton UFSD 7.464
67	Springs UFSD 3.302
68	Amagansett UFSD 21.675
69	Montauk UFSD 6.495



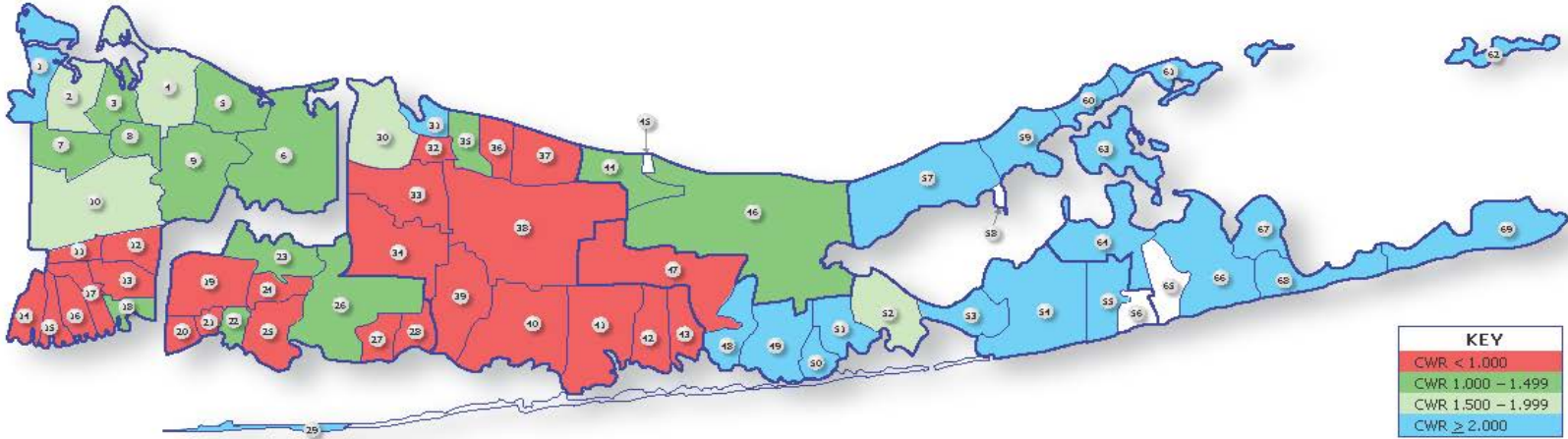
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1	Cold Spring Harbor CSD 3.214
2	Huntington UFSD 1.648
3	Harborfields CSD 1.266
4	Northport-East Northport UFSD 1.775
5	Kings Park CSD 1.222
6	Smithtown CSD 1.295
7	South Huntington UFSD 1.045
8	Elwood UFSD 1.059
9	Commack UFSD 1.107
10	Half Hollow Hills CSD 1.523
11	Wyandanch UFSD 0.388
12	Deer Park UFSD 0.813
13	North Babylon UFSD 0.765
14	Amityville UFSD 0.980
15	Copiague UFSD 0.612
16	Lindenhurst UFSD 0.776
17	West Babylon UFSD 0.864
18	Babylon UFSD 1.351

**Eastern Suffolk/CWR**  
Islip/CWR

19	Brentwood UFSD 0.349
20	West Islip UFSD 0.962
21	Bay Shore UFSD 0.849
22	Islip UFSD 1.159
23	Hauppauge UFSD 1.451
24	Central Islip UFSD 0.472
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27	Sayville UFSD 0.994
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29	Fire Island UFSD 49.963

**Brookhaven/CWR**

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39	Patchogue-Medford UFSD 0.804
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**Riverhead/CWR**

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\* Information for Little Flower, New Suffolk, Sagaponack, and Montauk was not reported by NYSED.





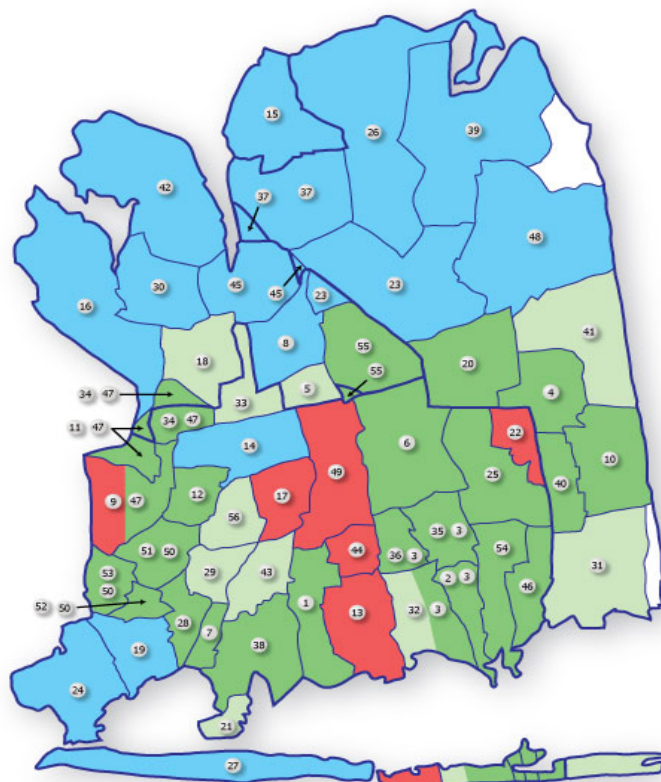
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### Hempstead/CWR

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- 2 Bellmore UFSD 1.474
- 3 Bellmore-Merrick CHSD 1.386
- 6 East Meadow UFSD 1.191
- 7 East Rockaway UFSD 1.266
- 9 Elmont UFSD 0.927
- 11 Floral Park-Bellerose UFSD 1.462
- 12 Franklin Square UFSD 1.245
- 13 Freeport UFSD 0.774
- 14 Garden City UFSD 2.573
- 17 Hempstead UFSD 0.576
- 19 Hewlett-Woodmere UFSD 2.203
- 21 Island Park UFSD 1.801
- 22 Island Trees UFSD 0.958
- 24 Lawrence UFSD 3.268
- 25 Levittown UFSD 1.024
- 28 Lynbrook UFSD 1.380
- 29 Malverne UFSD 1.501
- 32 Merrick UFSD 1.582
- 33 Mineola UFSD 1.947
- 34 New Hyde Pk.-Garden City Pk. UFSD 1.400
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- 38 Oceanside UFSD 1.336
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- 46 Seaford UFSD 1.372
- 47 Sewanhaka CHSD 1.173
- 49 Uniondale UFSD 0.997
- 50 Valley Stream CHSD 1.142
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- 52 Valley Stream UFSD Twenty-Four 1.120
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### North Hempstead/CWR

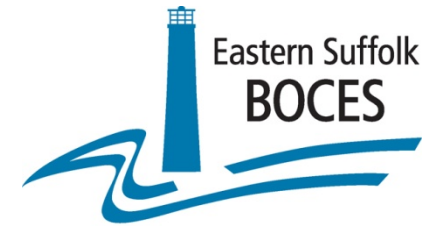
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- 16 Great Neck UFSD 3.637
- 18 Herricks UFSD 1.996
- 30 Manhasset UFSD 4.071
- 42 Port Washington UFSD 3.009
- 45 Roslyn UFSD 2.492
- 55 Westbury UFSD 1.013

### Oyster Bay/CWR

- 4 Bethpage UFSD 1.349
- 10 Farmingdale UFSD 1.280
- 20 Hicksville UFSD 1.452
- 23 Jericho UFSD 2.907
- 26 Locust Valley CSD 4.277
- 31 Massapequa UFSD 1.507
- 37 North Shore CSD 2.461
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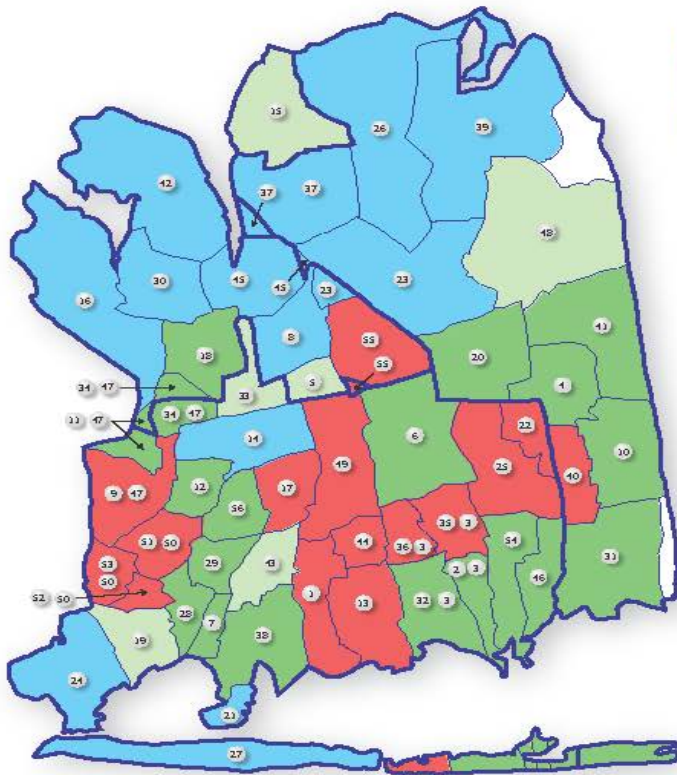


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- 6 East Meadow UFSD 1.065
- 7 East Rockaway UFSD 1.230
- 9 Elmont UFSD 0.791
- 11 Floral Park-Bellerose UFSD 1.217
- 12 Franklin Square UFSD 1.019
- 13 Freeport UFSD 0.602
- 14 Garden City UFSD 2.409
- 17 Hempstead UFSD 0.342
- 19 Hewlett-Woodmere UFSD 1.733
- 21 Island Park UFSD 2.178
- 22 Island Trees UFSD 0.928
- 24 Lawrence UFSD 3.573
- 25 Levittown UFSD 0.818
- 28 Lynbrook UFSD 1.263
- 29 Malverne UFSD 1.095
- 32 Merrick UFSD 1.391
- 33 Mineola UFSD 1.732
- 34 New Hyde Pk.-Garden City Pk. UFSD 1.223
- 35 North Bellmore UFSD 0.954
- 36 North Merrick UFSD 0.971
- 38 Oceanside UFSD 1.267
- 43 Rockville Centre UFSD 1.723
- 44 Roosevelt UFSD 0.413
- 46 Seaford UFSD 1.136
- 47 Sewanhaka CHSD 0.996
- 49 Uniondale UFSD 0.774
- 50 Valley Stream CHSD 0.920
- 51 Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen 0.965
- 52 Valley Stream UFSD Twenty-Four 0.882
- 53 Valley Stream UFSD Thirty 0.886
- 54 Wantagh UFSD 1.034
- 56 West Hempstead UFSD 1.292

### North Hempstead/CWR

- 5 Carle Place UFSD 1.517
- 8 East Williston UFSD 2.269
- 16 Great Neck UFSD 2.927
- 18 Herricks UFSD 1.471
- 30 Manhasset UFSD 3.039
- 42 Port Washington UFSD 2.284
- 45 Roslyn UFSD 2.227
- 55 Westbury UFSD 0.691

### Oyster Bay/CWR

- 4 Bethpage UFSD 1.187
- 10 Farmingdale UFSD 1.120
- 20 Hicksville UFSD 1.354
- 23 Jericho UFSD 2.667
- 26 Locust Valley CSD 3.503
- 31 Massapequa UFSD 1.322
- 37 North Shore CSD 2.216
- 39 Oyster Bay-East Norwich CSD 5.025
- 40 Plainedge UFSD 0.968
- 41 Plainview-Old Bethpage CSD 1.422
- 48 Syosset CSD 1.974



# Long Island School Funding



In the 2015-16 school year, there are

**43** Long Island school districts

enrolling **nearly one-half** of the region's students

that fall below the state's average

in terms of income and property wealth (CWR <1.0).



# Long Island School Funding



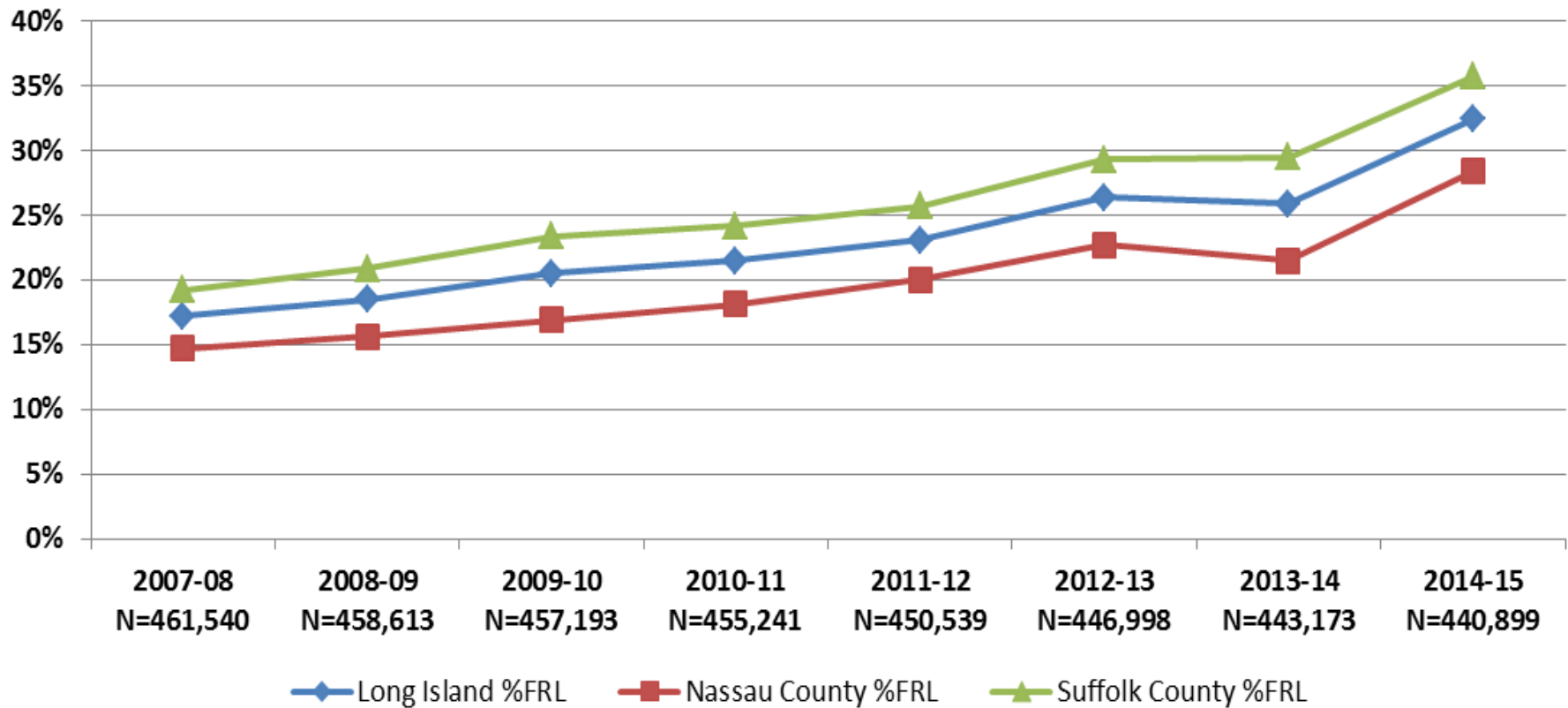
Over **32%** of the students  
enrolled in Long Island school districts  
qualify for free or reduced-price lunch  
according to federal guidelines.



# Long Island Shifting Demographics



## % of Free/Reduced Lunch Students on Long Island



Note: Y-axis only ranges from 0% - 40% to better magnify the data points & trends

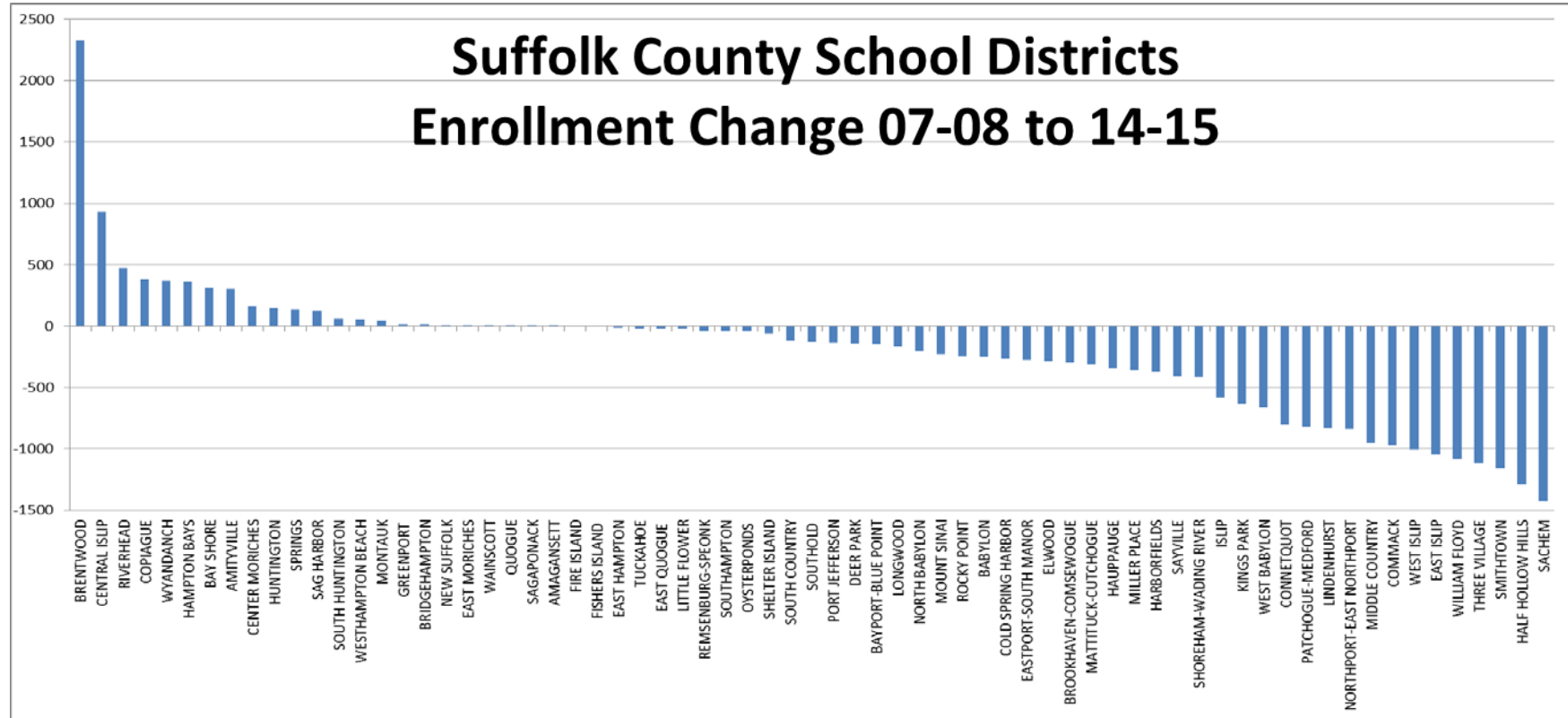




# Long Island Shifting Demographics



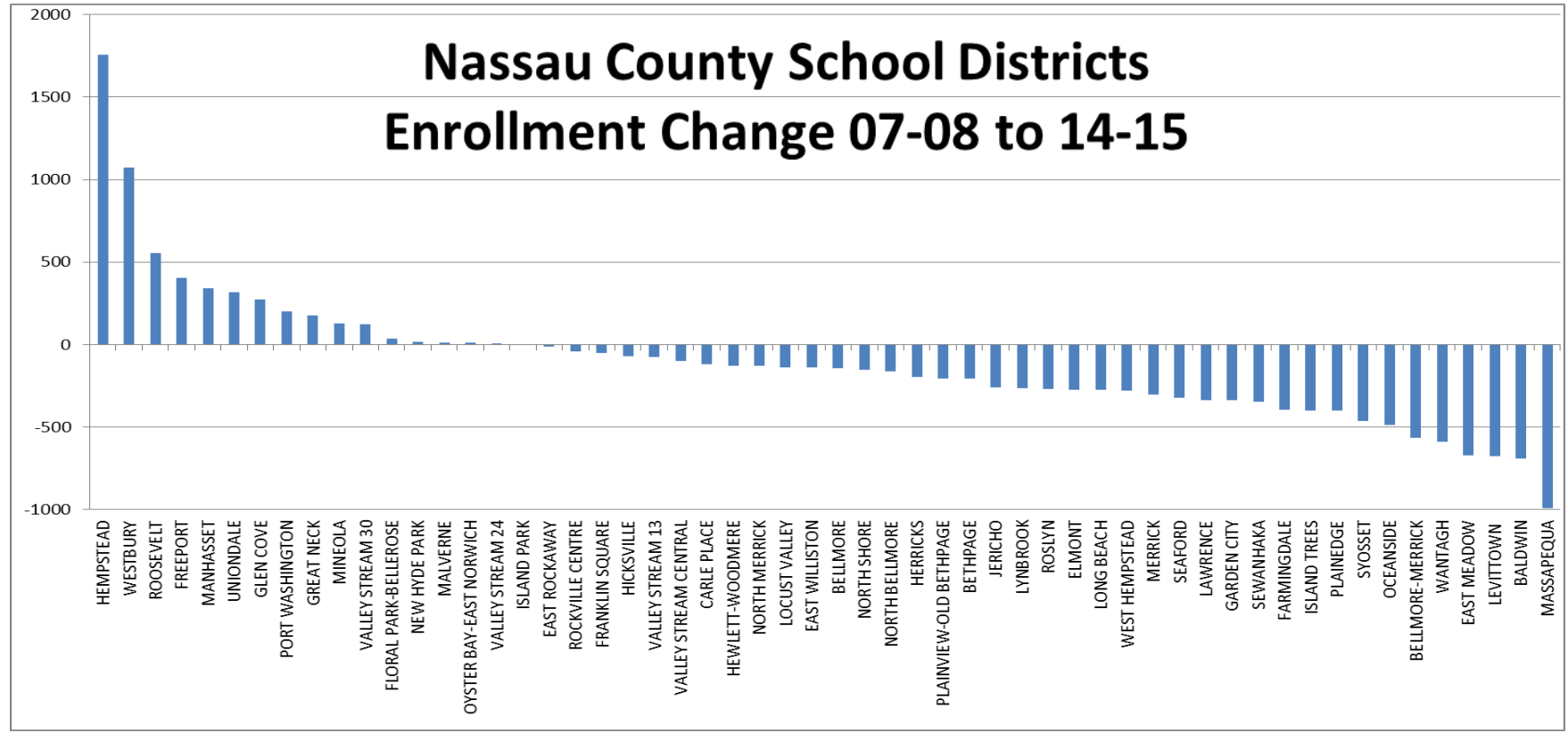
## Suffolk County School Districts Enrollment Change 07-08 to 14-15



Total K-12 Enrollment	07-08	14-15	Total Change	% change
Suffolk County	256,138	241,747	-14,391	-5.6%
Long Island	461,540	440,899	-20,641	-4.5%



# Long Island Shifting Demographics



Total K-12 Enrollment	07-08	14-15	Total Change	% change
Nassau County	205,402	199,152	-6,250	-3.0%
Long Island	461,540	440,899	-20,641	-4.5%



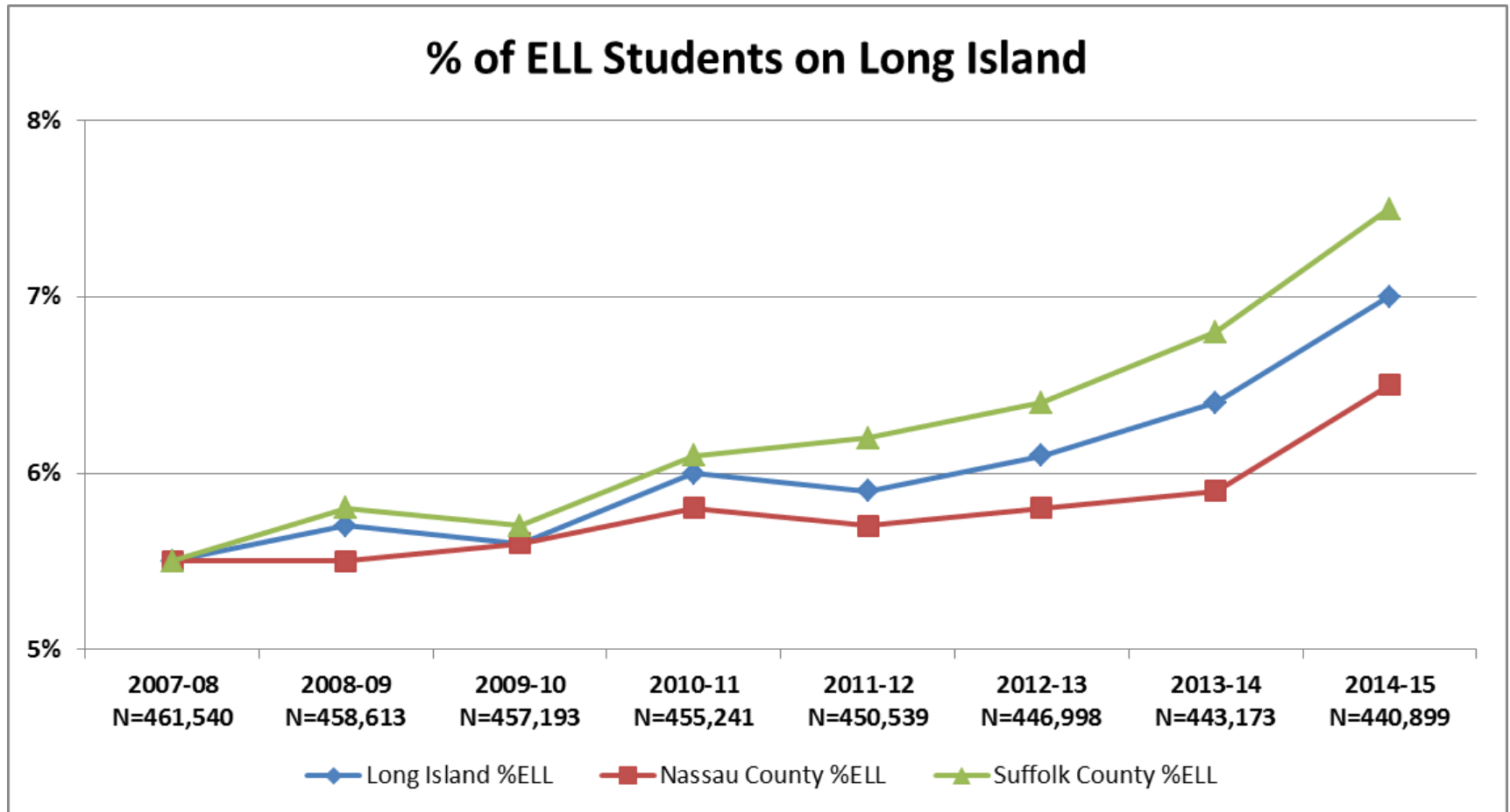
Long Island has  
**35,198** ELLs,  
which is **14.2%**  
of the  
state's total  
ELL population

**Source:** *engage<sup>NY</sup> presentation on September 2015: Ensuring Equal Educational Opportunities for English Language Learners*





# Long Island Shifting Demographics



Note: Y-axis only ranges from 5% - 8% to better magnify the data points & trends  
 2014-15 NYS School Report Cards



# New York State Demographics



Educational Services That Transform Lives

**3 top ELL Districts are from Long Island**

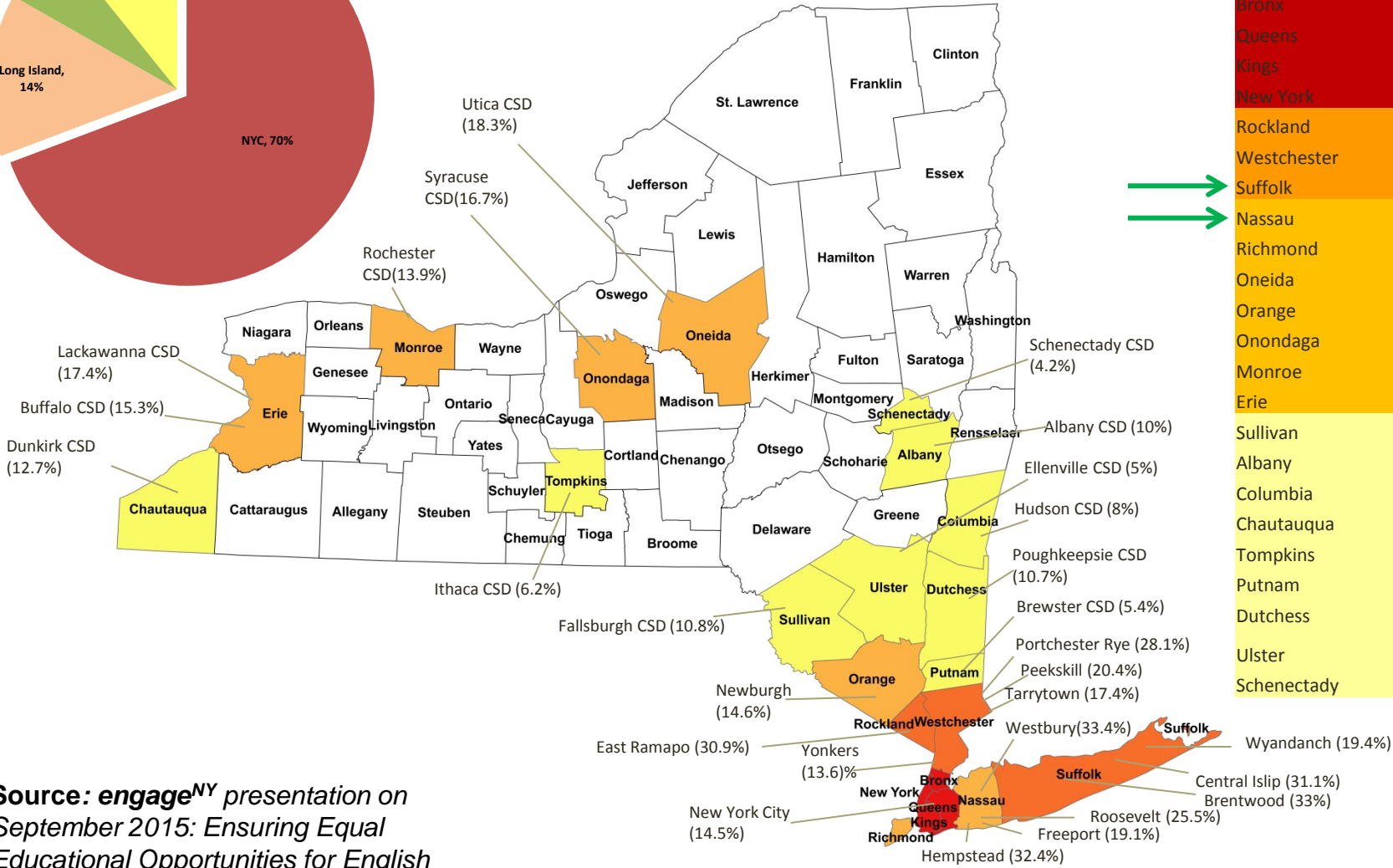
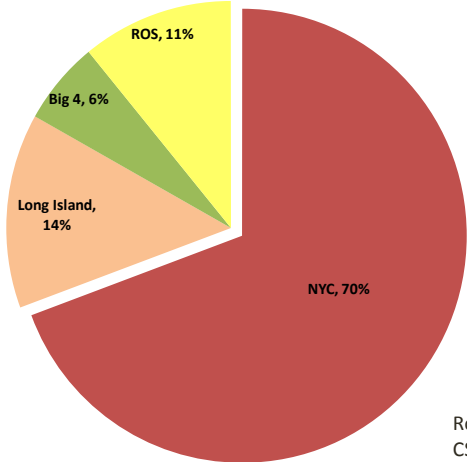
Of the approximately **2.7 million** public school students in New York State, **8%** are English Language Learners.



Top ELL Districts	# of ELLs
New York City	158,904
Brentwood	5,742
Buffalo	4,799
Rochester	3,981
Yonkers	3,362
Syracuse	3,339
East Ramapo	2,503
Hempstead	2,147
Central Islip	2,025
Utica	1,736
Newburgh	1,463
Port Chester-Rye	1,231
Albany	804
Poughkeepsie	451

Source: *engage<sup>NY</sup>* presentation on September 2015: *Ensuring Equal Educational Opportunities for English Language Learners*

# Percentage of ELLs as a Share of Total Student Population by County and District 2014-2015



County	% ELL of Total County Population
Bronx	20.5%
Queens	17.2%
Kings	15.1%
New York	14.5%
Rockland	10.9%
Westchester	8.2%
Suffolk	7.7%
Nassau	6.8%
Richmond	6.3%
Oneida	5.9%
Orange	5.7%
Onondaga	5.6%
Monroe	5.2%
Erie	5.1%
Sullivan	4.2%
Albany	3.8%
Columbia	3.4%
Chautauqua	3.3%
Tompkins	3.2%
Putnam	2.7%
Dutchess	2.7%
Ulster	2.5%
Schenectady	2.4%

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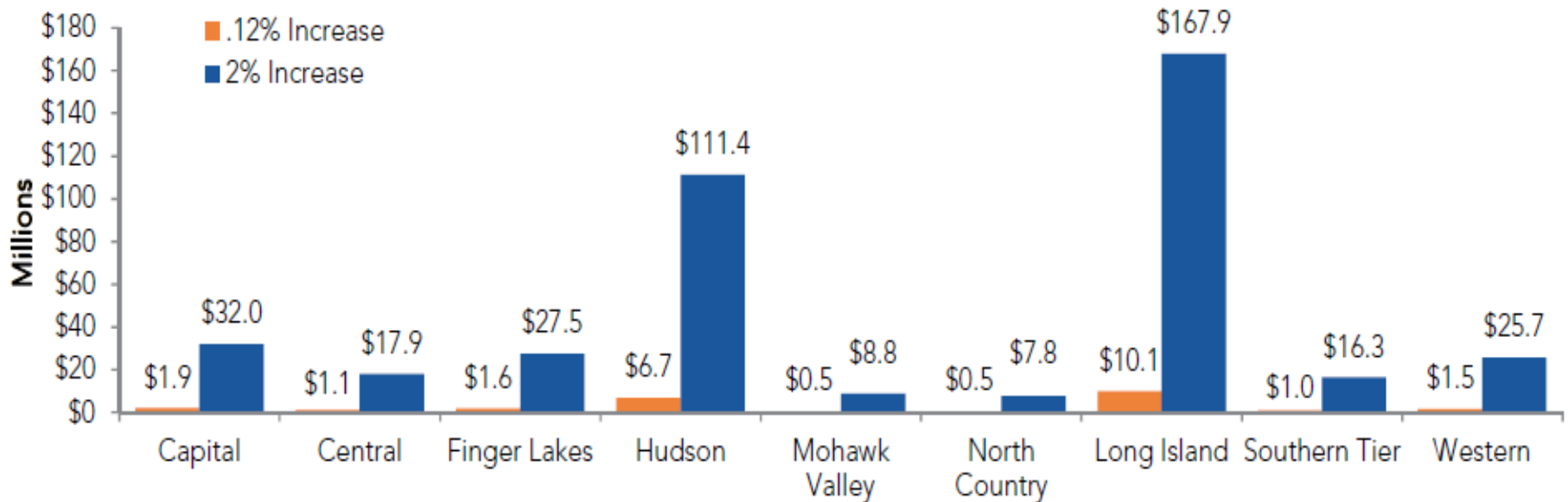


# The Reality of Long Island School Funding



# Comparison of Local Revenue Raised

## .12% vs. 2% Tax Cap





# State Aid to Long Island Public Schools



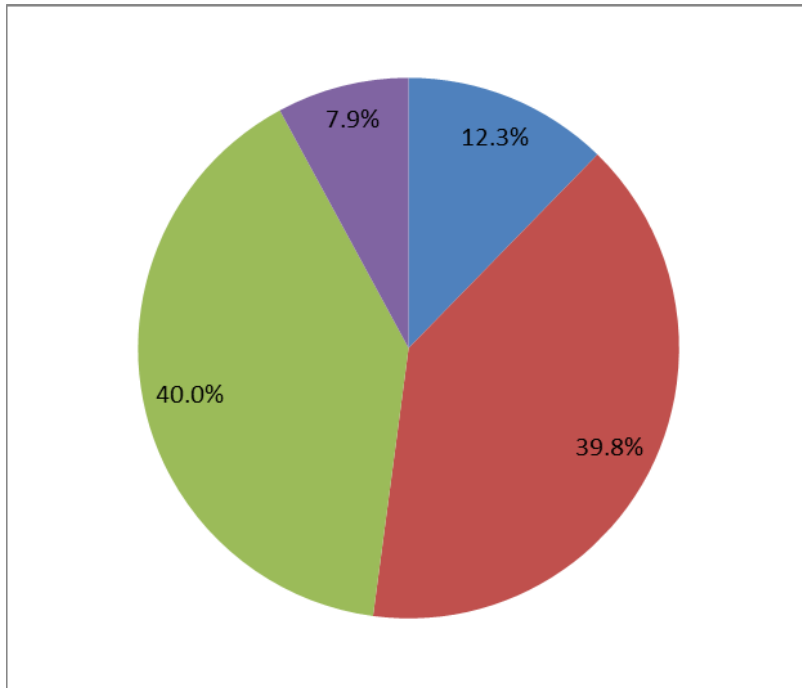
Long Island schools have lost  
a total of **\$1.4 BILLION** in state aid  
over the last six years  
due to a Gap Elimination Adjustment  
instituted to close a state budget gap  
which no longer exists!



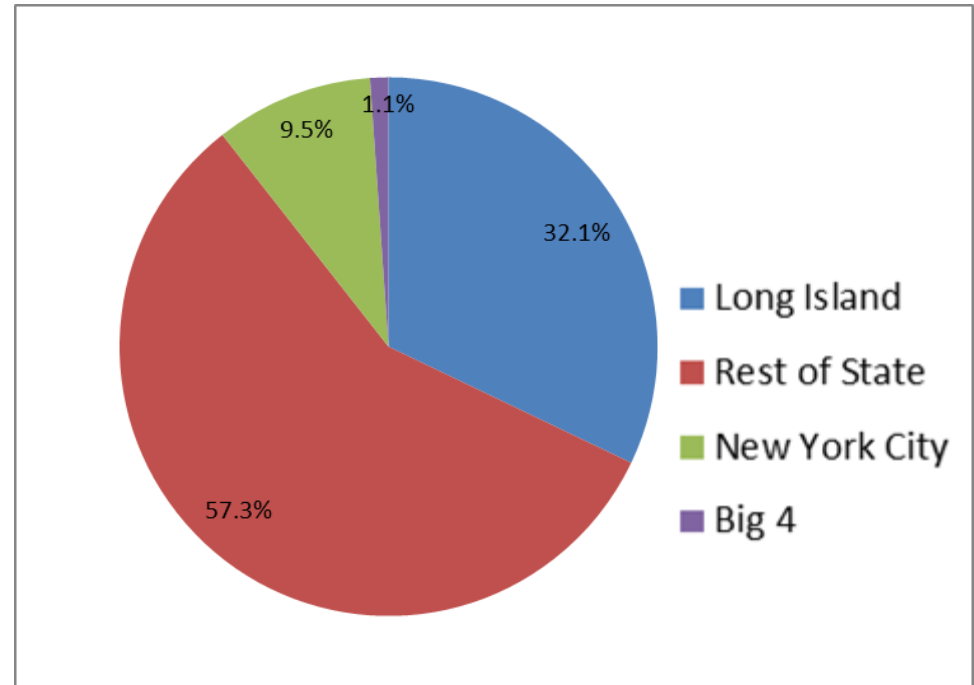
# School Funding The GEA by Region 2016-17 (Proposed)



Total State Aid  
\$23,760,312,875



GEA Net  
\$244,193,811

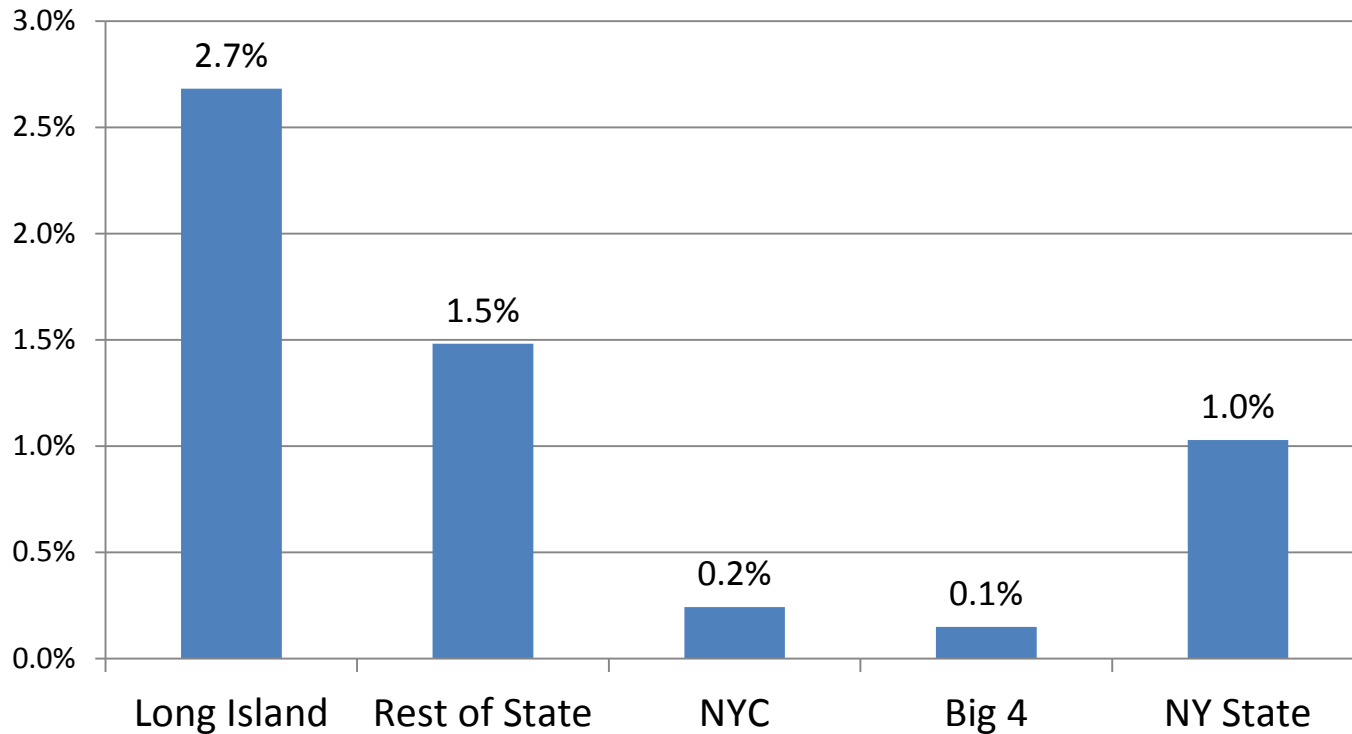




# School Funding The GEA - 2016-17 (Proposed)



## % Aid Loss Due to GEA







# School Funding Foundation Aid



- Had the Foundation Aid formula been fully funded in 2015-16, Long Island's current school tax levy would be over **\$724 million**, or **8.5%** lower.
- Long Island's Foundation Aid in 2016-17 as a percent of total Long Island Aid is **3.2%** lower than that of the state as a whole.



# School Funding Foundation Aid



If the Foundation Aid formula had been fully funded by 2016-17:

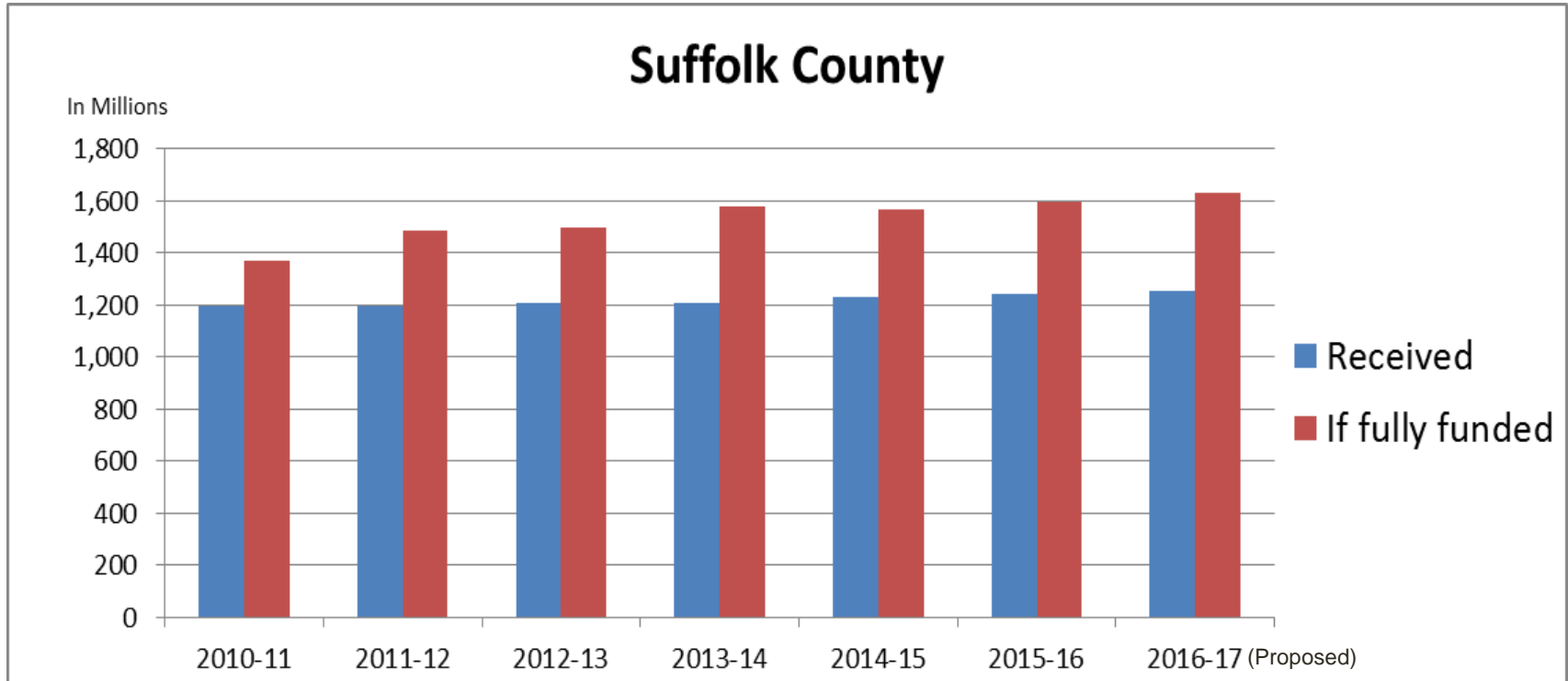
- Long Island Schools would have received an additional **\$5.2 billion** in Foundation Aid over the past 7 years.
- Our lowest-wealth districts, who educate nearly one-half of Long Island's students, would have received an additional **\$4 billion**.



# School Funding Foundation Aid



## Amount Owed



(Proposed)

	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Received	\$1,197,825,014	\$1,198,355,314	\$1,207,089,864	\$1,210,693,134	\$1,230,841,025	\$1,244,269,295	\$1,253,721,654
If fully funded	\$1,372,540,296	\$1,488,809,464	\$1,495,310,087	\$1,578,449,433	\$1,566,422,565	\$1,594,088,493	\$1,633,305,873
Difference	-\$174,715,282	-\$290,454,150	-\$288,220,223	-\$367,756,299	-\$335,581,540	-\$349,819,198	-\$379,584,219

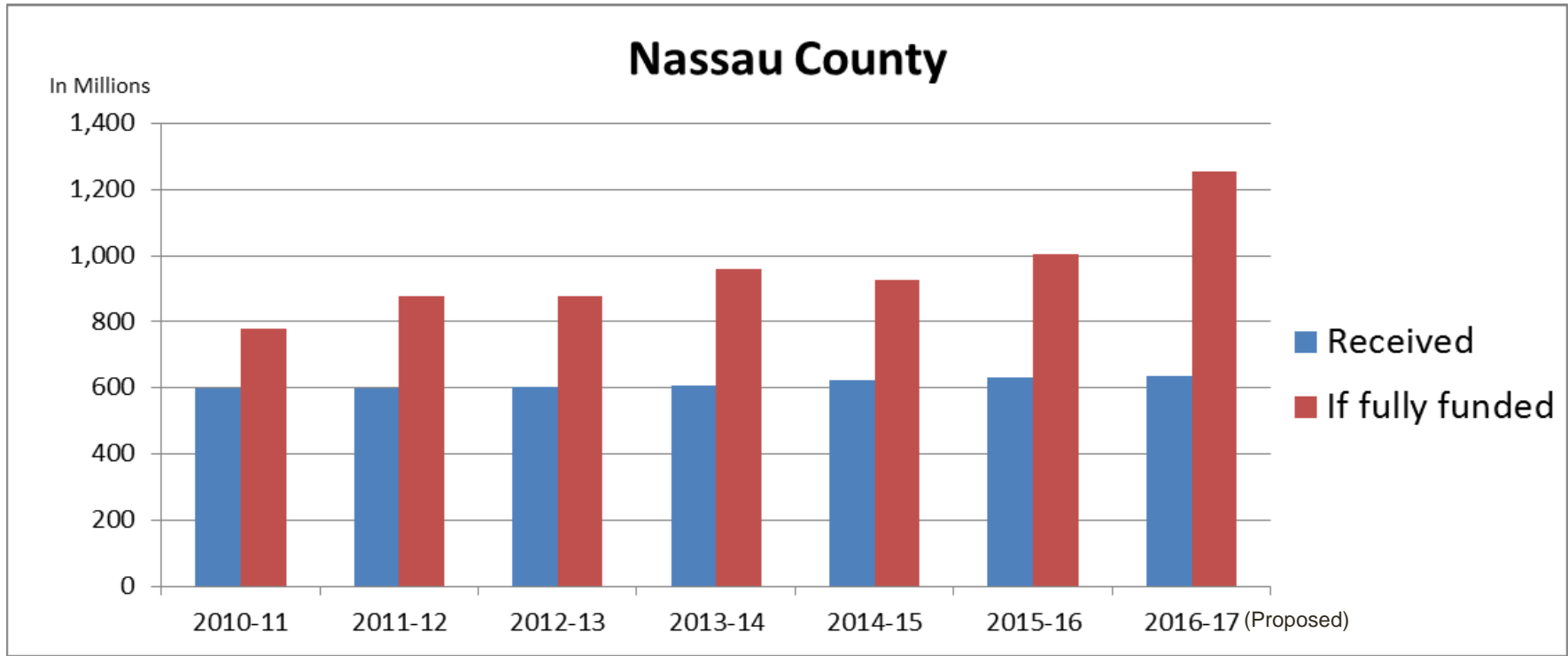


# School Funding Foundation Aid



## Amount Owed

### Nassau County



(Proposed)

	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Received	\$598,939,067	\$598,941,483	\$604,652,585	\$606,398,175	\$621,545,010	\$632,232,810	\$637,885,219
If fully funded	\$778,789,543	\$879,035,201	\$879,618,541	\$960,887,919	\$928,042,421	\$1,006,762,925	\$1,253,721,654
Difference	-\$179,850,476	-\$280,093,718	-\$274,965,956	-\$354,489,744	-\$306,497,411	-\$374,530,115	-\$615,836,435



# School Funding Foundation Aid

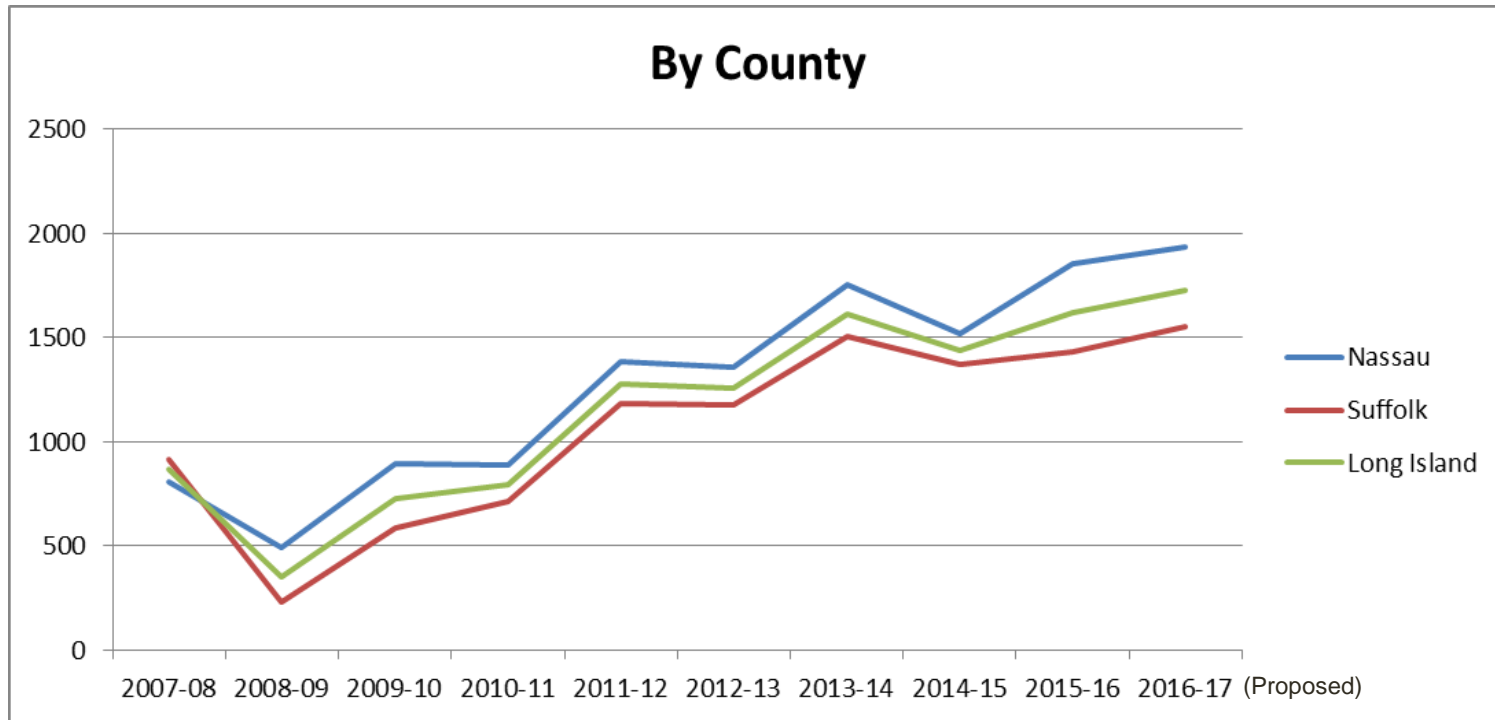


- The amount of Foundation Aid owed per pupil is over **4 times greater** in low-wealth districts than in high-wealth districts.
- Long Island's low-wealth districts received **31%** less Foundation Aid than if they had been fully funded. Statewide, the reduction was only **21%**. Our poorest districts would have received an additional **\$198 million** had they received the same reduction as the rest of the state.



# School Funding Foundation Aid

## Amount Owed Per Pupil



(Proposed)

	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Nassau	\$809	\$490	\$897	\$889	\$1,384	\$1,359	\$1,752	\$1,515	\$1,851	\$1,933
Suffolk	\$913	\$231	\$588	\$713	\$1,186	\$1,177	\$1,502	\$1,370	\$1,429	\$1,550
Long Island	\$866	\$348	\$728	\$793	\$1,276	\$1,259	\$1,615	\$1,436	\$1,620	\$1,723

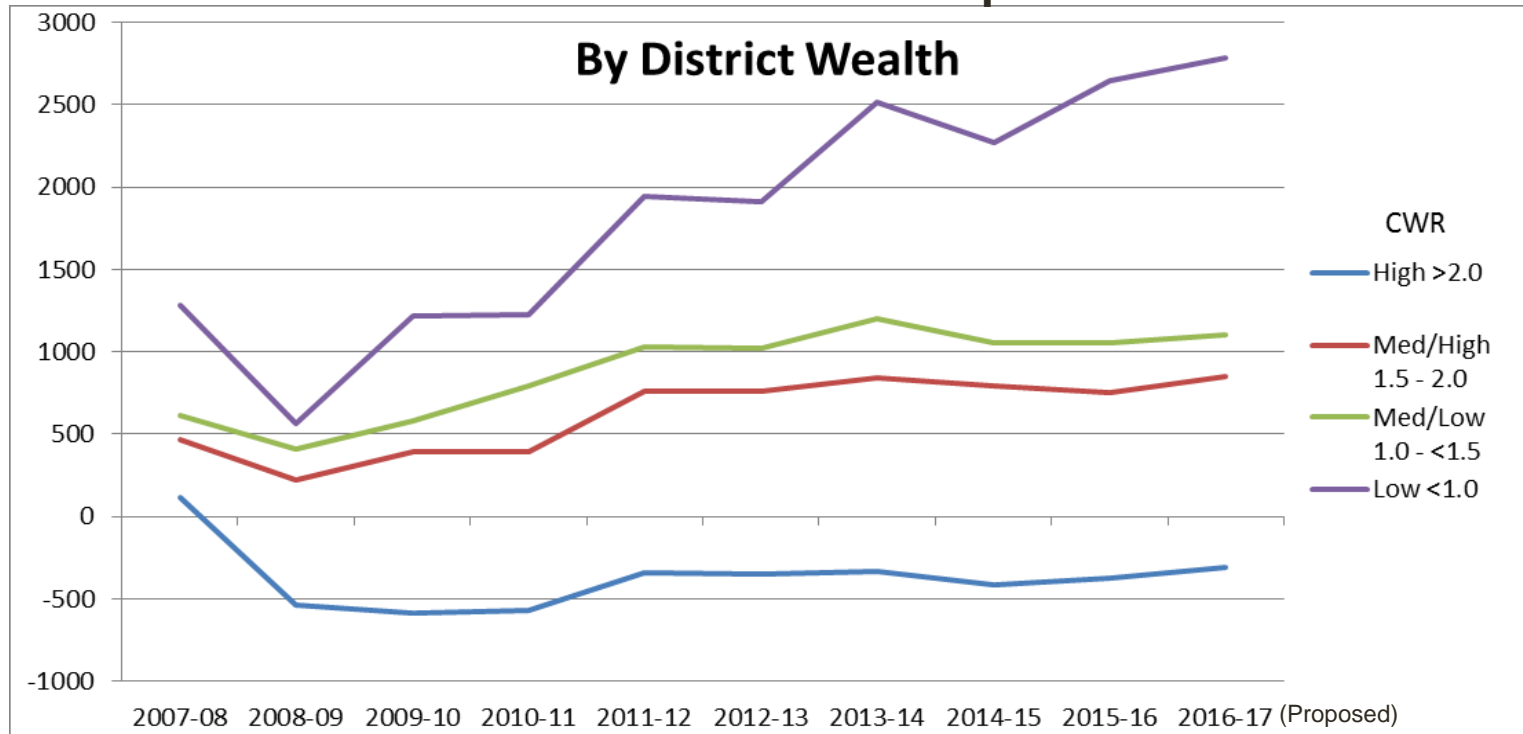




# School Funding Foundation Aid



## Amount Owed Per Pupil



Wealth	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17 (Proposed)
High >2.0	\$118	-\$534	-\$586	-\$570	-\$344	-\$348	-\$333	-\$418	-\$377	-\$309
Med/High 1.5 - 2.0	\$470	\$222	\$393	\$397	\$758	\$764	\$843	\$794	\$751	\$850
Med/Low 1.0 - <1.5	\$614	\$409	\$584	\$797	\$1,033	\$1,024	\$1,205	\$1,051	\$1,053	\$1,100
Low <1.0	\$1,287	\$568	\$1,220	\$1,226	\$1,941	\$1,912	\$2,515	\$2,268	\$2,643	\$2,788



# Advocacy Priorities



# What Must We Do?



Given this outlook, it is important  
*to work together*

Public education is one of the  
strengths of this country.



# Advocacy Priorities

## Eliminate The GEA



**Completely  
eliminate the GEA in  
2016-17**



# Advocacy Priorities



## **Restructure the Foundation Formula in 2016-17**

Reconfigure the Foundation Formula in a way that recognizes the needs of our region and generates a fair share of aid for our schools.



# What Issues Must Drive The Dialogue Moving Forward?



- Sustainability of expenses and revenues in the era of a tax levy cap tied to CPI when CPI is essentially 0%
- Changing demographics on Long Island
- Reform of APPR





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