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PORT TOWNSEND
 School District
 LEARNING THROUGH A SENSE OF PLACE

ANNUAL REPORT 2018-19

2018-19
 Celebrations

- Opened Salish Coast Elementary
- Began high school elevator construction
- New operations and capital levies passed
- Growing to over 80 community partnerships
- One of 81 National Board Accomplished Districts

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Educational Programs and Capital Levies



Superintendent,
 Dr. John Polm

What an amazing year we had in 2018-2019! With over 1,100 students, three campuses, and over 80 community partners, it is impossible to share a

comprehensive review in a brief annual report. Our Strategic Plan captures the heart of our work with various goals and objectives under the broad areas of Teaching & Learning, Technology, Community Engagement, Wellness, Operational Stewardship and Learning Spaces. Please see the Strategic Plan for more detail, however, I would like to share the following highlights:

- Working closely with our Port Townsend Education Association and SEIU partners, we negotiated significant pay increases for all members. I am proud of this commitment to a fair, living wage and keeping Port Townsend competitive with neighboring districts.
- We opened a new school after 18 months of construction - Salish Coast Elementary
- We began the elevator project at PTHS, which will be completed in the fall of 2019
- We passed operations and capital levies in February 2019
- We have begun projects as part of a 3-4 year work plan with projects on all three campuses.
- Began the transition to a new school funding model
- Finished a multi-year mathematics curriculum adoption

Bridges at K-5 and Carnegie in secondary

- We implemented new Human Growth and Development curriculum
- We grew our community partnerships (over 80)
- Our HS students were State Champions in Knowledge Bowl



- Our own Odin Smith becomes the youngest R2AK finisher at 16 years and a few months



Embedded in these highlights is our commitment to Place-Based Education (PBE). The goals are three-fold. There is certainly a focus on academic standards and processes resulting in higher levels of student achievement. PBE also enhances students' engagement, academic achievement, and sense of personal efficacy as conservators of their local environment and community. There is a connection in PBE that is designed to build strong ties between local social and environmental organizations within the schools and community.

The goal, which may not be part of the goals of many schools, is to help energize and develop the economy and social connections within the community. Finally, the idea of place-based, along with our maritime initiative, builds tangible connections to the land, culture, and history of Port Townsend. These goals are designed to strengthen the educational programs in the schools and help the schools be a vital partner in enhancing our quality community.

Enrollment in our schools maintained levels just above budget, which means we have developed a reserve that helps us avoid cuts in the 2019-2020 school year. Like many other school districts, we are experiencing a decrease in local funding due to legislated limits on local levy collection. We are eager to continue to provide quality programming that meets the needs of our students and community while keeping a keen eye on our revenues and expenditures in the years ahead.

I am pleased to be a partner with the staff, students, and community as we strive to deliver a world class education to our students. The work students are engaged in through the maritime and place-based learning is designed to develop effective thinking, effective action, and effective relationships to help prepare students for our changing world. May your winds be fair and your adventures rich. I look forward to more adventures throughout the 2019-2020 school year and beyond.

2018-19 Annual Report

About PT Schools

Students

2018-19 School Year

Enrollment

October 2018 Student Count	1231
May 2019 Student Count	1235

Gender (October 2018)

Male	50.4%
Female	49.3%
X	0.2%

Race/Ethnicity (October 2018)

Hispanic/Latino of any race(s)	7.6%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	1.3%
Asian	2.1%
Black/African American	1.1%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.2%
White	82.3%
Two or More Races	5.4%

Special Programs (October 2018)

Low Income	54.2%
Special Education	17.7%
Transitional Bilingual	3.0%
Migrant	0.2%
Section 504	4.5%




Other Information

Unexcused Absence Rate (2018-19)	1.51%
Adjusted 4-Year Cohort Graduation Rate (Class of 2018)	92.4%
Adjusted 5-Year Cohort Graduation Rate (Class of 2017)	82.3%

This report is a “snapshot” of Port Townsend School District for the 2018-19 school year. It captures information about student demographics and test scores. Additional detailed information, including Port Townsend School District’s performance on statewide assessments and Washington State’s performance on NAEP is available on the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) website: www.k12.wa.us. Select the Data & Reporting tab, Report Card and choose your district or school.

Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA)

Grade Level	English Language Arts		Mathematics		Science	
	State	PTSD	State	PTSD	State	PTSD
3rd Grade	55.4%	51.5% ▼	58.0%	53.6% ▼		
4th Grade	56.9%	59.8% ◀	54.0%	59.8% ▲		
5th Grade	60.4%	46.3% ▼	48.3%	36.8% ▼	53.2%	47.4% ▼
6th Grade	56.9%	68.5% ▲	46.8%	49.4% ◀		
7th Grade	60.6%	67.4% ▲	48.7%	52.2% ▲		
8th Grade	58.0%	59.4% ◀	45.8%	32.0% ▼	51.6%	53.1% ◀
10th Grade	69.7%	83.2% ▲	40.2%	39.6% ◀		
11th Grade					34.5%	72.1% ▲

 Higher than State Average
  Lower than State Average
  Neutral (<3% difference)

Maritime Discovery Schools

In 2018-19 the district supported the fifth year of the Maritime Discovery School’s Initiative for maritime and place-based learning.

Number of Place-Based Projects	71
Projects with students making a positive impact on our community needs	15
Interdisciplinary Projects	29
Projects Integrating Technology	23
Number of Community Partners	82

Port Townsend – A Place for Learning

School Board of Directors

Port Townsend School District voters elect five school board directors to:

- Hire and evaluate the superintendent
- Set policies that set standards and a framework for governing the district
- Review progress on district goals
- Adopt a budget every year
- Approve textbooks and other instructional materials
- Represent voters and advocate for the school district

School board members are elected to four-year terms. Three board members are elected based on geographic areas, and two are elected to at-large positions.

School Board Meetings
Normally Start at 5:30 PM
on 1st and 3rd
Thursdays Monthly



Connie Welch
Chair



Jennifer
James-Wilson
Vice Chair



Keith White



Laura Tucker



Nathanael
O'Hara

Evaluation of Staff in Port Townsend

The Teacher and Principal Evaluation and Growth Program is based on these core principles:

- High quality teaching and leading are key to student success.
- Growth in practice is developmental in nature.
- Growth occurs best when there are clear standards of practice supported by quality professional learning and learning-focused feedback.
- Evaluation systems should reflect and address the career continuum.

- The focus for teacher and principal growth should be driven by student learning needs.

Port Townsend School District adopted the Center for Educational Leadership (CEL) as the instructional framework for the evaluation of certificated staff and the AWSP Leadership framework for principals. Both are aligned to the state evaluation criterion. All staff are evaluated annually.

An instructional or leadership framework is a common language and vision of what quality teaching

and leading looks like. It is shared by everyone in the district and aligns to the eight state criteria created by E2SSB 6696.

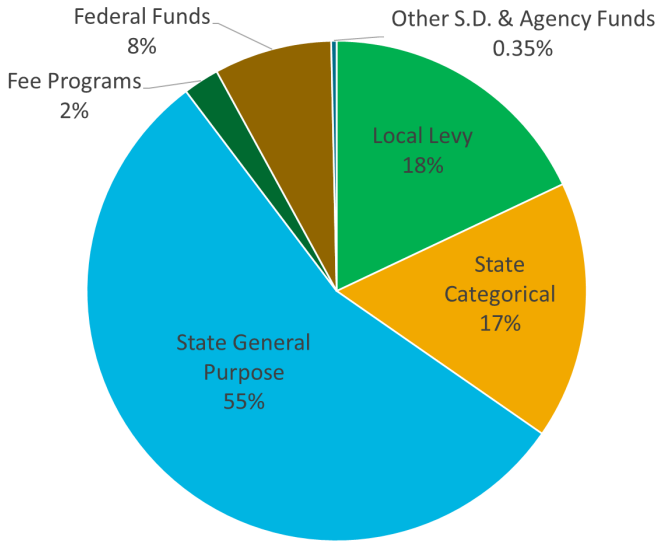
Other staff are annually evaluated through criterion and goals related to their job responsibilities.

The hiring, assigning and termination of staff are guided by state laws and policies found in the 5000 series under Personnel. The web link for these policies is: https://www.ptschools.org/board_supt/board_policies_and_procedures/series_5000_personnel.

Proud to be Port Townsend

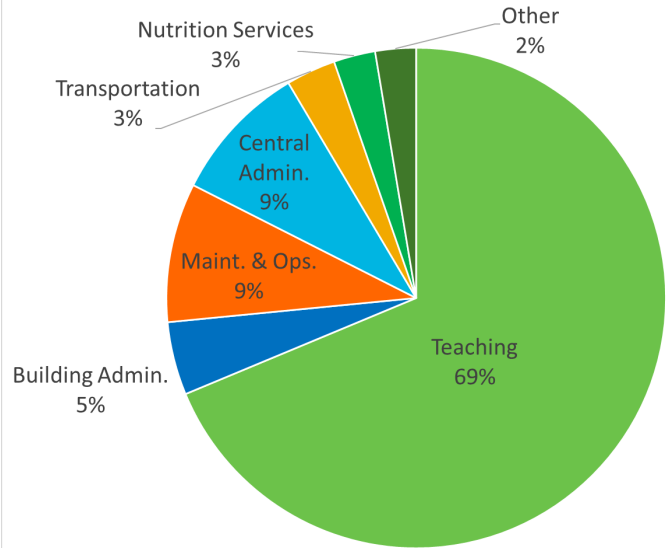
Revenues 2018-19

(Where the money comes from)



Expenditures 2018-19

(Where the money goes)



Student and Staff FTE	
Enrollment	1,183.64
Instructional Staff	80.42
Administrative Staff	6.80
Classified Staff	69.79

	All Funds 2018-19	Beginning Fund Balance	Revenues	Expenditures	Ending Fund Balance
General		\$1,343,025	\$ 18,174,417	\$ 17,487,753	\$ 2,029,689
ASB		\$ 315,597	\$ 167,654	\$ 216,456	\$ 266,795
Debt Service		\$ 1,237,925	\$ 2,700,623	\$ 2,541,545	\$ 1,397,003
Capital Projects		\$ 9,683,887	\$ 485,234	\$ 7,511,034	\$ 2,658,087
Transportation Vehicle		\$ 213,425	\$ 112,923	\$ 140,672	\$ 185,676

PT Schools Non-Discrimination Statement

Port Townsend School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of race, creed, religion, color, immigration status, national origin, age, honorably-discharged veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, marital status, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability. The district provides equal access to school facilities to the Boys Scouts of America and all other designated youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

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Laurie McGinnis
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Port Townsend School District will also take steps to assure that persons who lack English language skills can participate in all education programs, services, and activities. For information regarding translation services or transitional bilingual education programs, contact the District Office at 360-379-4501. All employees are required to furnish proof of identity and employment authorization status. The Port Townsend School District is committed to providing a drug-free, tobacco-free environment for all persons, students, community and staff.