Connecticut's Racial Imbalance Law, 10-226(e)

Sec. 10-226e-2. School reports

Each board of education shall annually submit, in such manner and at such time as specified by the Commissioner of Education, information on the racial composition of each school by grade, the racial composition of the teaching staff of each school, and the number of pupils in each elementary school who are eligible to receive free or reduced price lunches pursuant to federal law and regulation.

(Effective April 1, 1980; amended November 29, 1999)

Sec. 10-226e-3. Determination of racial imbalance

(a) Reports submitted pursuant to Section 10-226e-2 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies will be reviewed annually by the State Department of Education. The proportion of pupils of racial minorities in each school will be compared to the proportion of pupils of racial minorities in comparable grades in the school district as a whole, as follows:

(1) Proportion for the school. The total number of pupils of racial minorities in the school, as reported pursuant to Section 10-226e-2 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, shall be divided by the total number of pupils in the school. The resulting percentage shall be the Proportion for the School.

(2) Comparable proportion for the school district. For all grades of a given school, the total number of pupils of racial minorities enrolled in the same grades throughout the school district shall be divided by the district-wide total pupil enrollment in such grades. The resulting percentage shall be the Comparable Proportion for the School District for such school.

(b) Any school in which the Proportion of the School falls outside of a range from 25 percentage points less to 25 percentage points more than the Comparable Proportion for the School District, shall be determined to be racially imbalanced.

(c) If the State Board of Education determines that one or more school in a school district is racially imbalanced, said board shall promptly notify the board of education having jurisdiction of such school or schools.

(Effective April 1, 1980; amended November 29, 1999)

Sec. 10-226e-4. Determination of impending racial imbalance

(a) Any school not previously cited for racial imbalance, in which the Proportion for the School falls outside a range of from 15 percentage points less to 15 percentage points more than the Comparable Proportion for the School District, shall be deemed to have impending racial imbalance.

(b) The State Board of Education shall notify, in writing, a board of education having jurisdiction of a school district which includes one or more schools with impending racial imbalance.

(c) Any board of education notified pursuant to subsection (b) of this section may be required to provide the Commissioner of Education with information concerning student building assignments, interdistrict educational activities and other evidence of addressing issues of racial, ethnic and economic isolation.

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Elementary Racial Imbalance Data

	October 1, 2021 (CSDE certified)		October 1, 2022 (pending CSDE certification)	
School	**Percentage**	**Imbalance**	**Percentage**	**Imbalance**
Burr Elementary School	28.61%	2.42%	28.69%	2.00%
Dwight Elementary School	18.04%	8.15%	17.96%	8.74%
Holland Hill Elementary School	39.44%	13.25%	39.30%	12.61%
Jennings Elementary School	23.17%	3.03%	27.48%	0.78%
McKinley Elementary School	55.56%	29.36%	54.97%	28.27%
Mill Hill Elementary School	18.75%	7.44%	19.80%	6.89%
North Stratfield Elementary School	24.46%	1.74%	23.60%	3.10%
Osborn Hill Elementary School	22.25%	3.94%	22.00%	4.70%
Riverfield Elementary School	18.40%	7.79%	17.18%	9.52%
Roger Sherman Elementary School	12.44%	13.75%	14.73%	11.97%
Stratfield Elementary School (ECC excluded)	19.88%	6.31%	23.01%	3.69%
Fairfield Public Schools (K-5 only)	26.19%	—-	26.70%	—-

Elementary Enrollment & Utilization (2022-23)

School	K-5 Operational Capacity	October 1, 2022 K-5 Enrollment	Utilization (Enrollment/Capacity)
Burr	482	352	73.0%
Dwight	378	245	64.8%
Holland Hill	504	374	74.2%
Jennings	367	262	71.4%
McKinley	519	433	83.4%
Mill Hill	419	404	96.4%
North Stratfield	504	411	81.5%
Osborn Hill	482	441	91.5%
Riverfield	491	391	79.6%
Roger Sherman	462	389	84.2%
Stratfield	420	340	81.0%
Total All Schools	**5,028**	**4,042**	**80.4%**

1 Does not inculde portable classrooms at Jennings and Roger Sherman

2. Pre-K classrooms were deducted from the K-5 operational capacity