

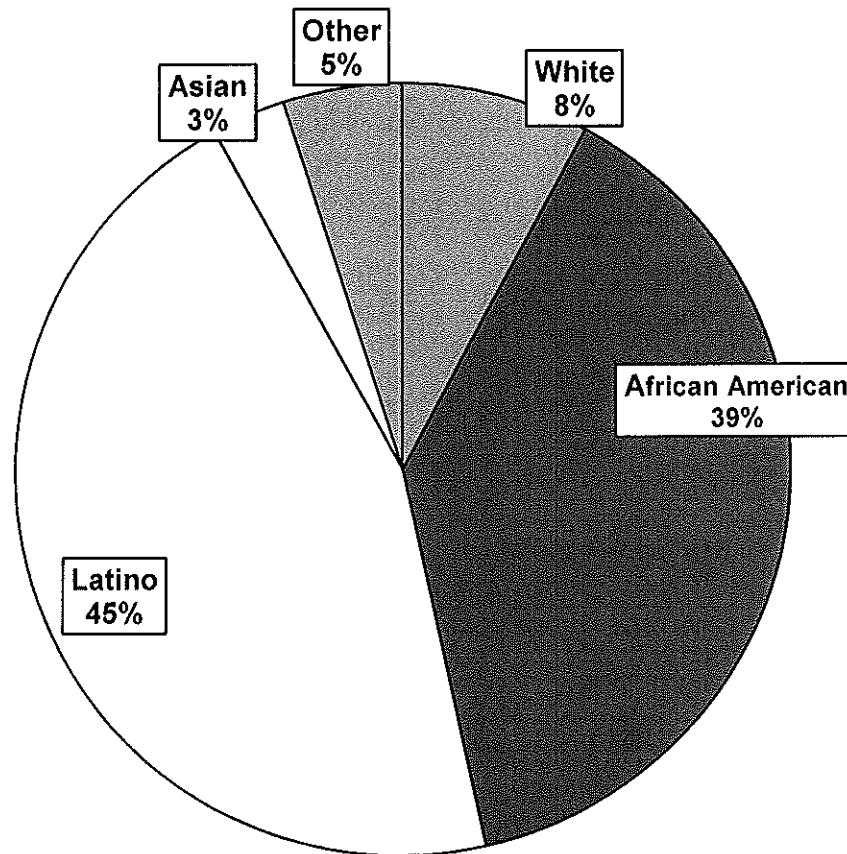
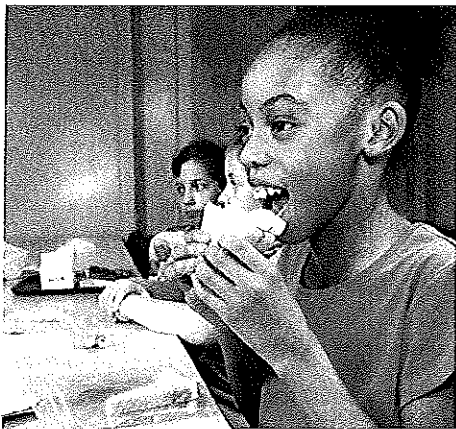
Presentation to the Education Cost Sharing Task Force Bridgeport Public Schools

October 2011



Bridgeport Public School Students

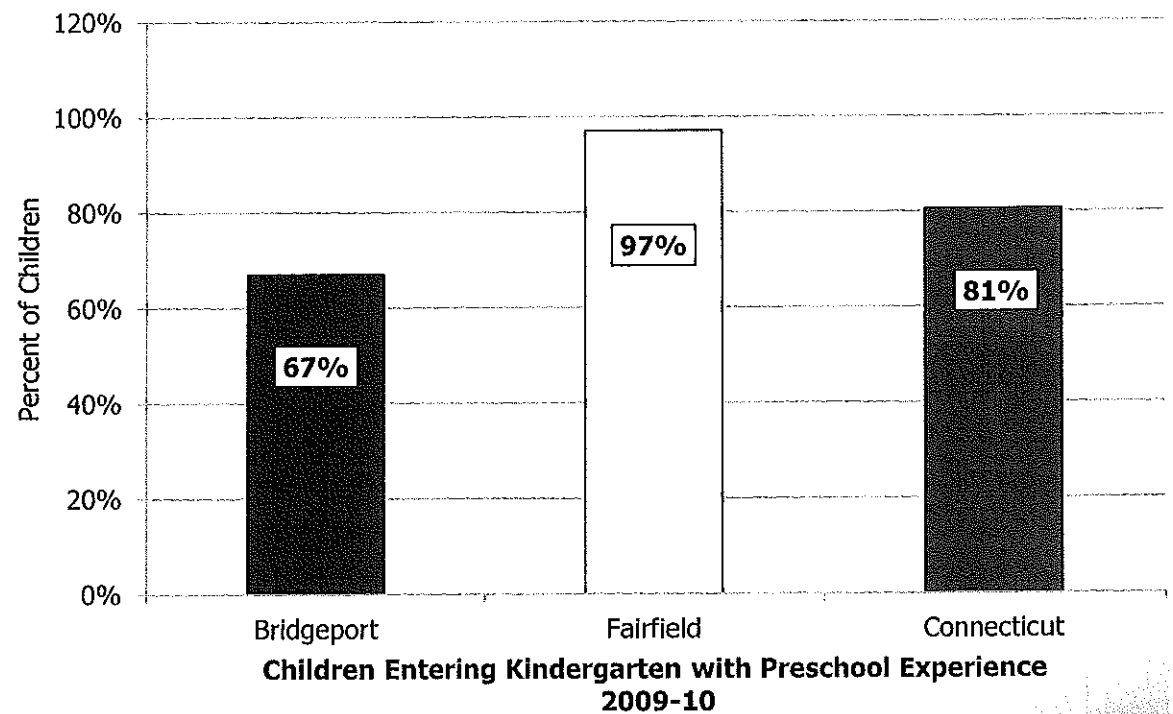
98.6% of Bridgeport
Students Qualify for
Free or Reduced
Lunch Program



Racial and Ethnic Composition
Bridgeport Schools
2010-11

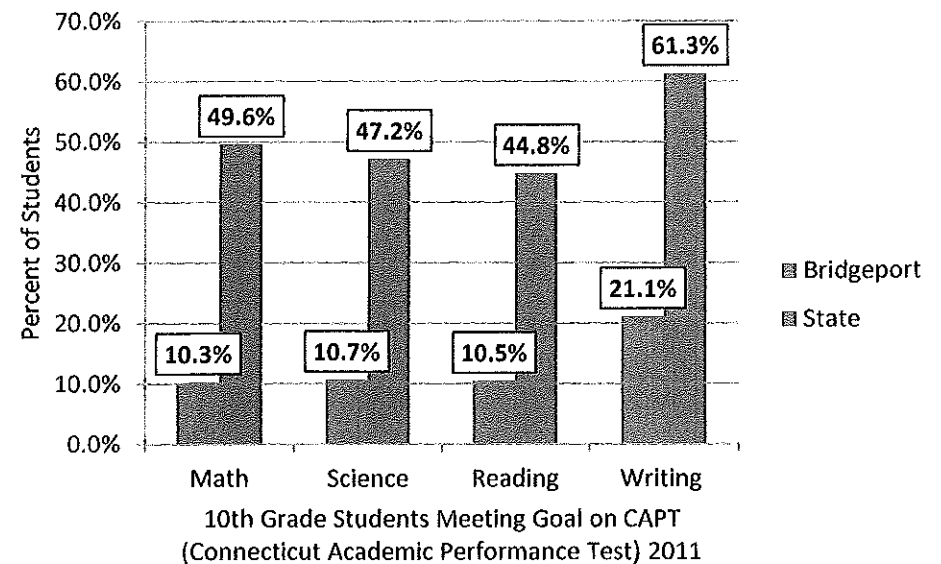
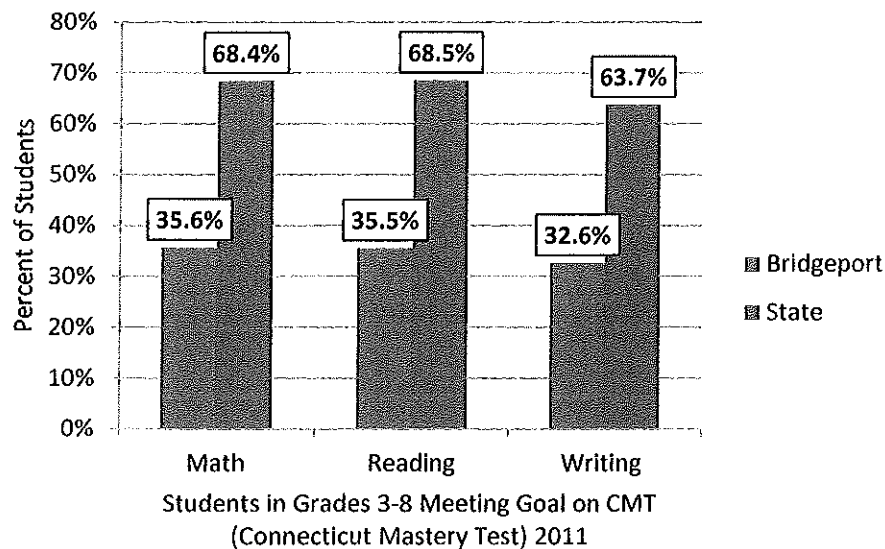
Early Education

**Only two in three
Bridgeport children
have preschool
experience**



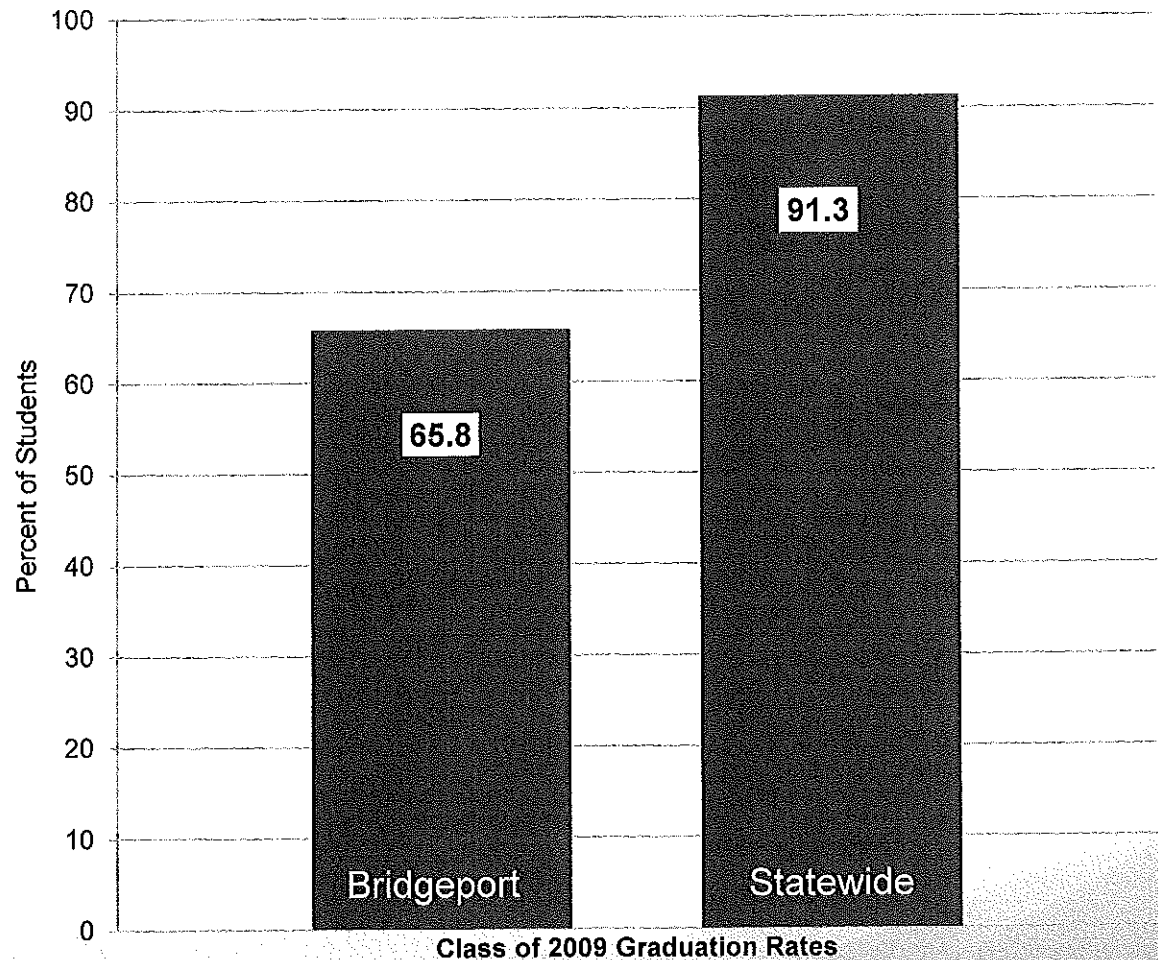
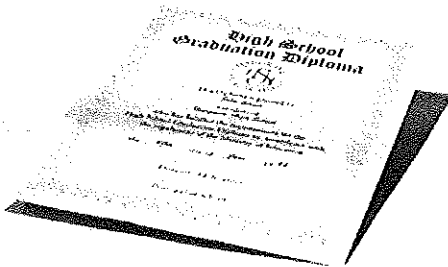
Education

Wide disparities in student performance
between Bridgeport and the State



Education

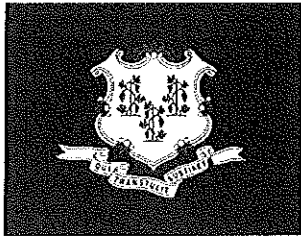
Far fewer Bridgeport students graduate than students statewide



Our Children's Rights

Constitution of the State of Connecticut

**"There shall always be free public elementary
and secondary schools in the
state."**



"No person shall be denied the equal protection of the law nor be subject to segregation or discrimination in the exercise or enjoyment of his civil or political rights because of religion, race, color, ancestry or national origin."

"the School Fund,..., which shall be inviolably appropriated to the support and encouragement of the public schools throughout the state, and for the equal benefit of all the people thereof ... among the several school societies, as justice and equity shall require."

Brown v. Board of Education, 347 U.S. 483 (1954)

**"Such opportunity (education),..., is a right which must be
made available to all on equal terms."**

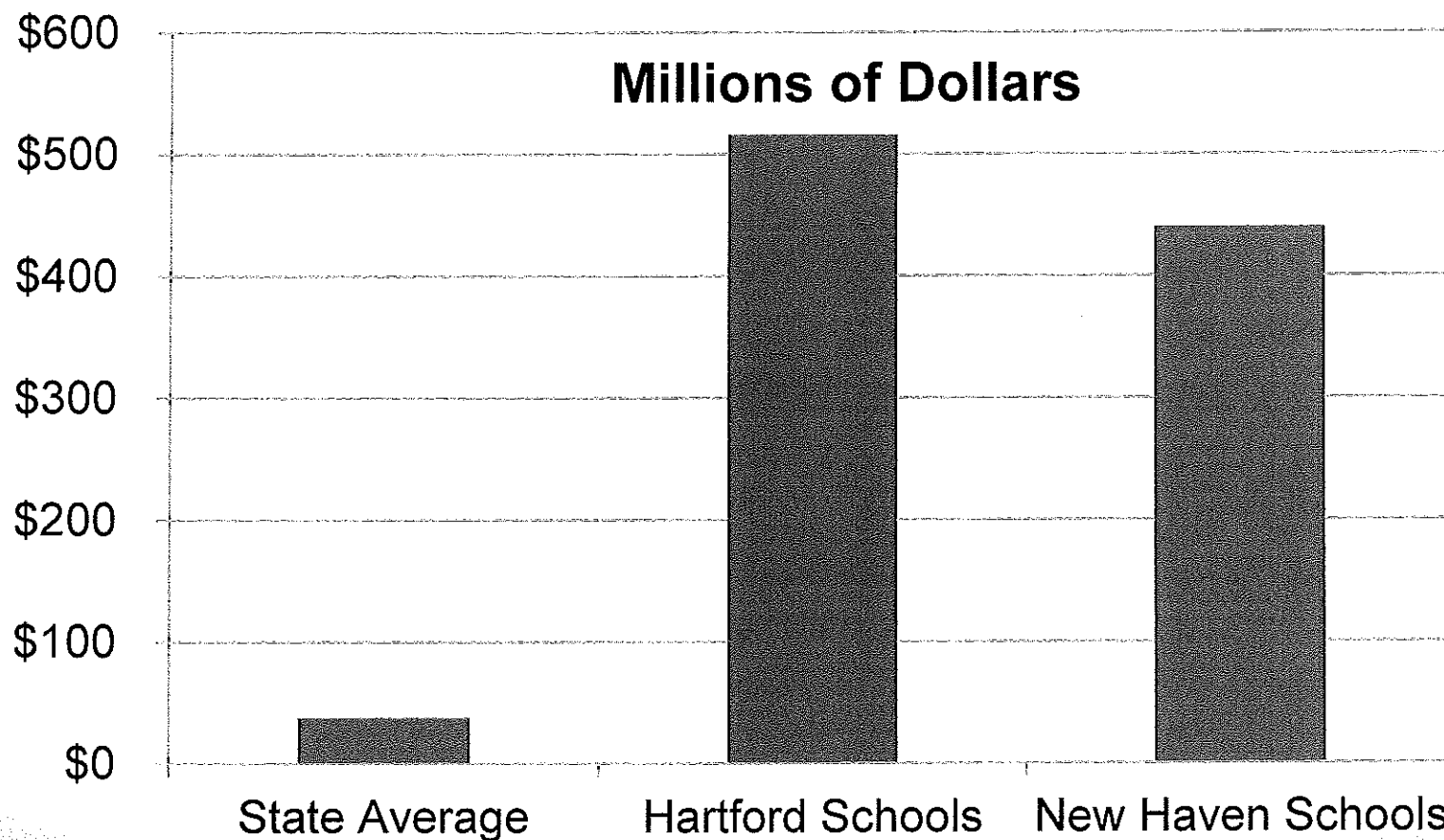
The Difference in Expenditures Between Others and the Bridgeport Public Schools Adjusted for Enrollment 2008-9 School Year

Source: Connecticut State Department of Education

Expense Category	Bridgeport Expenditures	State Average	Hartford	New Haven
Instruction	\$162,781,398	\$5.8M less	\$5.2M more	\$28.6M more
Transportation	\$12,294,178	\$0.3M more	\$14.9M more	\$8.5M more
Student Support	\$16,324,724	\$1.4M more	\$8.9M more	\$6.7M less
Supplies & Equipment	\$6,076,200	\$ 0.6M more	\$2.7M more	\$1.1M less
Plant & Maint.	\$27,950,520	\$1.6M more	\$8.9M more	\$7.2M more
Administration & Support	\$22,806,004	\$10.1M more	\$18.8M more	\$14.9M more
Media Services	\$5,124,262	\$2.7M more	\$3.2M more	\$6.3M more
Other	\$1,762,098	\$1.7M more	\$1.7M less	\$2.9M more
Total	\$265,347,654	\$10.2M more	\$57.7M more	\$59.0M more

Cumulative Difference in Expenditures Between Others and the Bridgeport Public Schools Adjusted for Enrollment 2001 - 2009

Source: Connecticut State Department of Education



Education Cost Sharing Formula

- Fully Funded Grant \$195,274,878
- Actual 2011 Grant \$164,195,344
- Annual Difference \$ 31,079,534

Connecticut Coalition for Justice in Education Funding

**Net Current Annual Expenditures Below
Adequacy**

\$132, 813,100

Rhode Island Model

Increase in Annual ECS Funding

\$16,812,079

The Children of Bridgeport Deserve Educational Equality

