BRIDGEPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION
AGENDA OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE INSTRUCTION & SUPPORT SERVICES COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2026 - 5:30 PM
CITY HALL ROOM 305
45 LYON TERRACE
BRIDGEPORT, CT 06604

1. **Referral to the Full Board for Approval of the Pre-K Curricular**
2. **Accountability Index Overview**
3. **SPED Compensatory Hours**
4. **Update on Classroom Consolidation**
5. **Adjourn**

Footsteps2Brilliance, Inc.
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QUOTE

Quote Date:10/20/2026
Quote Number: Q-111010
Due Date: 11/6/2026

F2B Contact Name: Gina Hagen
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CLIENT INFORMATION

Account: CT-Bridgeport Public Schools - renewal PreK Only_2026	Client: Lindsay Davis
District: Bridgeport School District	Title: Director of Early Childhood
Contract Start Date: 10-26-26	Email: ldavis@bridgeportedu.net
Contract End Date: 10-25-27	Work Phone: (203)275-1001
Time Zone: Eastern	Grade Levels Expected to Access the License: PreK
Address: 45 Lyon Ter Bridgeport, CT 06604	Participating Schools: TBD - Preschools
Phone: (203)275-1001	

ORDER INFORMATION

License Term	Product Code	Unit Number	Deliverables	Unit Price
1 year	F2B2026	1 Bundle with 1000 Student licenses + Teachers + Administrators	Early Learning Bundle: Footsteps2Brilliance Enterprise, Bilingual Ed. - Pre-Reader - Beginning Reader - My Library - Summer Climb 24/7 Virtual Support Client Success Instructional Support 2 Virtual Professional Development Sessions	$45,770
1 year	F2B2026	300 student licenses	F2B Research Grant - 1 year only	**$12,000**
			TOTAL	**$33,770**

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Accountability Index Comparative Analysis

	24-25
Interdistrict Discovery Magnet School	66.48
Edison School	48.79
Wilbur Cross School	34.73
Geraldine Johnson School	54.26
Jettie S. Tisdale School	55.03
Bassick High School	44.78
Luis Munoz Marin School	50.26
Thomas Hooker School	51.41
Geraldine Claytor Magnet Academy	52.93
Aerospace/Hydrospace, Engineering and Physical Sciences Magn	67.92
Park City Magnet School	64.05
Biotechnology, Research & Zoological Studies Magnet High Schoo	64.94
Madison School	52.19
Information Technology & Software Engineering Magnet High Sch	68.82
Central High School	58.5
Warren Harding High School	50.04
James J. Curiale School	50.63
Read School	50.76
Multicultural Magnet School	70.72
Columbus School	46.64
Bridgeport Military Academy	59.93
Paul Laurence Dunbar School	45.08
Black Rock School	64
High Horizons Magnet School	61.52
Classical Studies Academy	59.64
Bryant School	50.79
Blackham School	57.25
Waltersville School	49.98
Cesar Batalla School	50.29
Beardsley School	55.03
Roosevelt School	50.01
Barnum School	51.69
John Winthrop School	67.59
Hallen School	65.01
Hall School	56.14

25-26	
72.97	6.49
54.96	6.17
40.15	5.42
58.36	4.1
59.02	3.99
48.38	3.6
53.1	2.84
53.68	2.27
55.07	2.14
70.04	2.12
65.31	1.26
66.17	1.23
53.32	1.13
69.88	1.06
59.17	0.67
50.71	0.67
51.21	0.58
51.27	0.51
71.21	0.49
46.57	-0.07
59.81	-0.12
44.44	-0.64
62.97	-1.03
60.17	-1.35
57.59	-2.05
48.31	-2.48
54.62	-2.63
47.17	-2.81
47.11	-3.18
51.72	-3.31
46.63	-3.38
47.49	-4.2
63.1	-4.49
60.28	-4.73
50.78	-5.36

BRIDGEPORT
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

October 2026
Special Education Update
ISS Committee

Presented by: Dr. Jennifer Hoffman and Ms. Michele McKinley

Date: October 6, 2026

Agenda

- **Topic 1:** Special Education Staffing Trends
- **Topic 2:** Special Education Program Enrollment Trends
- **Topic 3**: Related Service Staff
- **Topic 4**: Compensatory Services

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Special Education Staffing-Elementary

YEAR	RISE	Intensive Resource Room (IRR)	SOAR	LEAP	LEAP Medically Fragile	LEAP Medically Complex	BLC	Total Special Education Teachers
2023-2024	36	0	10	11	4	0	8	69
2024-2025	36	4	9	12	1	2	6	70
2025-2026	37	4	9	11	2	1	6	70
2026-2027	39	4	9	12	2	1	5	72

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Special Education Student Enrollment-Elementary

YEAR	RISE	Intensive Resource Room (IRR)	SOAR	LEAP	LEAP Medically Fragile	LEAP Medically Complex	BLC	Total
2023-2024	413	0	71	118	34	0	35	671 students
2024-2025	408	43	81	141	6	21	36	736 students
2025-2026	482	48	86	129	26	7	35	813 students
2026-2027	558	44	73	127	24	7	30	863 students

2023-2024 Special Education Teacher and Student Enrollment- Elementary Schools

School	RISE	Intensive Resource Room (IRR)	SOAR	LEAP	LEAP Medically Fragile	LEAP Medically Complex	Total Special Education Teachers	Teacher Retention
Barnum	58	0	0	0	0	0	5 Teachers in RISE	4 stayed, 1 left the district
Beardsley	9	0	0	0	0	0	1 teacher in RISE	1 teacher stayed
Black Rock	21	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers in RISE	1 teacher stayed, 1 left district
Blackham	25		15	9			1 LEAP, 2 RISE, 2 SOAR	5 teachers stayed
BLC	0	0	35	0	0	0	8 teachers	8 teachers stayed
Bryant	25	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers	1 teacher stayed, 1 left district
Batalla	37	0	0	0	0	0	3 teachers	2 teachers stayed, 1 left district
Columbus	12	0	0	0	0	0	1 teacher	Teacher stayed
Cross	12	0	0	0	0	0	1 teacher	Teacher stayed
Dunbar	0	0	27	0	0	0	4 teachers	4 teachers stayed
Edison	0	0	5	0	0	0	1 teacher	Teacher stayed
Johnson	71	0	0	0	0	0	6 teachers	6 teachers stayed
Hallen	25	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers	2 left the district
High Horizons	11	0	0	0	0	0	1 teacher	Teacher stayed
Hooker	0	0	5	0	0	0	1 teacher	Teacher stayed
Madison	30	0	0	0	0	0	3 teachers	2 teachers stayed, 1 left
Multicultural	0	0	0	22	0	0	2 teachers	Teachers stayed
Read	22	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers	Teachers stayed
Tisdale	32	0	19	32	0	0	3 LEAP, 3 RISE, 2 SOAR	1 RISE left, 7 stayed
Waltersville	0	0	0	12	34	0	5 teachers	Teachers stayed
Winthrop	23	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers	Teachers stayed

2023-2024 Special Education Teacher and Programs - Secondary Schools

School	RISE	AIM	LEAP	Total Special Education Teachers	Teacher Retention
Bassick	3 classrooms	1 classroom	5 classrooms	9 teachers total	9 teachers stayed
Central	1 classroom	2 classrooms	2 classrooms	5 teachers total	3 teachers stayed, 2 left the district
Harding	0	2 classrooms	2 classrooms	4 teachers total	4 teachers stayed
Transition Academy	2 classrooms focused on transition programming for students age 18-22			2 teachers total	2 teachers stayed

2024-2025 Special Education Teacher and Student Enrollment

School	RISE	Intensive Resource Room (IRR)	SOAR	LEAP	LEAP Medically Fragile	LEAP Medically Complex	Total Special Education Teachers	Teacher Retention
Barnum	61	0	0	0	0	0	5 Teachers in RISE	5 teachers stayed
Beardsley	16	0	0	0	0	0	2 teacher in RISE	1 teacher stayed, 1 left district
Black Rock	21	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers in RISE	2 teachers stayed
Blackham	24		22	11			1 LEAP, 2 RISE, 2 SOAR	5 teachers stayed
BLC	0	0	36	0	0	0	6 teachers	6 teachers stayed
Bryant	25	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers	2 teachers stayed
Batalla	34	0	0	0	0	0	3 teachers	3 teachers stayed
Columbus	25	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers	2 teachers stayed
Cross	22	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers	1 teacher stayed, 1 left district
Dunbar	0	0	23	0	0	0	3 teachers	3 teachers stayed
Edison	0	0	8	0	0	0	1 teacher	Teacher stayed
Johnson	71	0	0	0	0	0	6 teachers	5teachers stayed, 1 left district
Hallen	23	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers	1 left the district, 1 stayed
High Horizons	0	11	0	0	0	0	1 teacher	Teacher stayed
Hooker	8	0	9	0	0	0	2 teacher	2 Teachers stayed
Madison	0	33	0	0	0	0	3 teachers	3 teachers stayed
Multicultural	0	0	0	24	0	0	2 teachers	2 teachers stayed
Read	22	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers	2 teachers stayed
Tisdale	34	0	19	34	0	0	3 LEAP, 3 RISE, 2 SOAR	8 teachers stayed
Waltersville	0	0	0	22	6	21	5 teachers	5 Teachers stayed
Winthrop	22	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers	2 Teachers stayed

2024-2025 Special Education Teacher and Programs - Secondary Schools

School	RISE	AIM	LEAP	Total Special Education Teachers	Teacher Retention
Bassick	3 classrooms	1 classroom	5 classrooms	9 teachers total	9 teachers stayed
Central	1 classroom	3 classrooms	3 classrooms	7 teachers total	6 teachers stayed, 1 changed to a different program in district
Harding	0	2 classrooms	4 classrooms	6 teachers total	5 teachers stayed, 1 left
Transition Academy	2 classrooms focused on transition programming for students age 18-22			2 teachers total	2 teachers stayed

2025-2026 Special Education Teacher and Programs - Secondary Schools

School	RISE	AIM	LEAP	Total Special Education Teachers	Teacher Retention
Bassick	2 classrooms	1 classroom	4 classrooms	8 teachers total	8 teachers stayed
Central	1 classroom	2 classrooms	3 classrooms	6 teachers total	3 teachers stayed, 1 on leave and 1 left the district
Harding	0	2 classrooms	3 classrooms	5teachers total	5 teachers stayed
Transition Academy	2 classrooms focused on transition programming for students age 18-22			2 teachers total	2 teachers stayed

2026-2027 Special Education Teacher and Student Enrollment

School	RISE	Intensive Resource Room (IRR)	SOAR	LEAP	LEAP Medically Fragile	LEAP Medically Complex	Total Special Education Teachers	Teacher Retention
Barnum	89	0	0	0	0	0	7 Teachers in RISE	7 teachers
Beardsley	11	0	0	0	0	0	1 teacher in RISE	1 teacher
Black Rock	31	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers in RISE	2 teachers
Blackham	28	0	20	9	0	0	1 LEAP, 2 RISE, 2 SOAR	5 teachers
BLC	0	0	35	0	0	0	5 teachers	5 teachers
Bryant	45	0	0	0	0	0	3 teachers	3 teachers
Batalla	54	0	0	0	0	0	4 teachers	4 teachers
Columbus	31	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers	2 teachers
Cross	29	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers	2 teachers
Dunbar	0	0	32	0	0	0	4 teachers	4 teachers
Johnson	87	0	0	0	0	0	6 teachers	6 teachers
Hallen	31	0	0	0	0	0	2 teachers	2 teachers
High Horizons	0	15	0	0	0	0	1 teacher	1 teacher
Hooker	15	0	6	0	0	0	2 teachers	2 Teachers
Madison	15	29	0	0	0	0	4 teachers	3 teachers, 1 vacancy
Multicultural	0	0	0	18	0	0	2 teachers	2 teachers
Read	39	0	0	0	0	0	3 teachers	3 teachers
Tisdale	40	0	15	29	0	0	3 LEAP, 3 RISE, 2 SOAR	8 teachers
Waltersville	0	0	0	18	24	7	2LEAP, 2MedFRag, 1cmpx	5 Teachers

2026-2027 Special Education Teacher and Programs - Secondary Schools

School	RISE	AIM	LEAP	Total Special Education Teachers
Bassick	2 classrooms	2 classrooms	4 classrooms	8 teachers total
Central	1 classroom	1 classroom	3 classrooms	5 teachers total
Harding	1 classroom	2 classrooms	3 classrooms	6 teachers total
Transition Academy	2 classrooms focused on transition programming for students age 18-22			2 teachers total

Special Education Related Service Staff

Related Service Staff	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	2026-2027
Speech and Language Pathologist	40.6 (15.8 Contract)	42.1 (14.8 Contract)	41.8 (14.8 Contract)	42.6 (13.6 Contract)
Speech and Language Assistant	2.8 (2.8 Contract)	1.4 (1.4 Contract)	1.7 (1.7 Contract)	0.9 (0.9 Contract)
OT	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
COTA	9.0 (2.0 Contract)	9.0 (2.0 Contract)	9.0 (4.0 Contract)	9.0 (7.0 Contract)
Teachers of the Deaf	3.0	3.0	2.0	2.0
Language Facilitator	6.0 (5.0 Contract)	6.0 (5.0 Contract)	6.0 (5.0 Contract)	6.0 (5.0 Contract)
SSW	45	40	44	45
School Psychologist	32.8 (vacancies 2.6 FTE) BOE Positions 26.9	32.8 (vacancies 2 FTE) BOE Positions 21.4	32.8 (vacancies 2.6 FTE) BOE Positions 22.4	32.8 (vacancies 2.0 FTE) BOE Positions-22
BCBA	0	3	3	3
RBT	0	13	24	27
Paraprofessionals 1:1 only	Finance controlled the oversight and maintained the allocations	Total- 302 240 elementary 62- secondary	BOE Delta-T Kelly Finance provided the oversight	18 BOE 83 Delta-T 41 Kelly Total= 142

Special Education Compensatory Hours

Year	Students	Reason	Hours Completed	Hours Owed	Plan
2022-2023 Systemic complaint #1	92	Vacancy in multiple schools	5094.18 total completed	400.75 owed	1 student is still owed 400.75. The special education supervisor is working with the parent to determine a plan.
2023-2024 and 2024-2025 Systemic complaint #2	49	Vacancy in multiple schools	15019.617 Speech were completed 108.75 Instruction 14910.867	27 students still owed 11,000	• Contacting Parent • Determining plan for comp time- after school or Comp Camp 2027
2025-2026	6	Vacancy	TBD	TBD	Parents contacted and plans being developed.
2026-2027	368	Vacancy	0	8670	Sent notification letters, and parent outreach occurring. Platform to track has been built.

Bridgeport Public Schools
Next Generation Accountability Index

Indicator	24-25
1a. ELA Performance Index - All Students	49.4
1b. ELA Performance Index - High Needs Students	48.2
1c. Math Performance Index - All Students	44.9
1d. Math Performance Index - High Needs Students	44
1e. Science Performance Index - All Students	46.7
1f. Science Performance Index - High Needs Students	45.7
2a. ELA Academic Growth - All Students	52.0%
2b. ELA Academic Growth - High Needs Students	51.4%
2c. Math Academic Growth - All Students	56.7%
2d. Math Academic Growth - High Needs Students	56.1%
2e. Progress Toward English Proficiency - Literacy	53.3%
2f. Progress Toward English Proficiency - Oral	48.8%
4a. Chronic Absenteeism - All Students	33.1%
4b. Chronic Absenteeism - High Needs Students	34.3%
5. Postsecondary Readiness - Percent Taking Courses	84.2%
6. Postsecondary Readiness - Percent Meeting Benchmark	28.8%
7. On-track to High School Graduation	72.4%
8. 4-year Graduation: All Students (2025 Cohort)	75.1%
9. 6-year Graduation: High Needs Students (2023 Cohort)	78.6%
10. Postsecondary Entrance (Graduating Class 2025)	49.7%
11. Physical Fitness (estimated participation rate = 95.3%)	42.1%
12. Arts Access	44.8%
Accountability Index	**59.0%**

25-26	Change
49.2	-0.2
48.2	0
45.5	0.6
44.6	0.6
46.6	-0.1
45.2	-0.5
52.6%	0.6%
52.4%	1.0%
52.4%	-4.3%
52.2%	-3.9%
53.4%	0.1%
47.6%	-1.2%
31.3%	-1.8%
32.4%	-1.9%
89.0%	4.8%
30.0%	1.2%
72.1%	-0.3%
79.5%	4.4%
77.5%	-1.1%
51.7%	2.0%
44.3%	2.2%
42.7%	-2.1%
59.0%	**0.0%**

Revised Summary of Consolidated Classrooms

12-Nov-26

School	Grade	Original # Classroom	Avg Class Size	New # Classrooms	New Class Sizes	
Batalla	Bilingual G2	2	13	1	26	Teacher moved to Gr 7/8 bilingual vacancy.
Blackham	K	3	14	2	21	Teacher moved to SPED to a new classroom.
Colubus	K	2	7	1	15	Teacher moved to RISE k-1 non-cert vacancy
Curiale	K	3	9	2	14	
Hall	G3	2	12	1	24	Teacher moved to gr 6 non-cert vacancy.
Hallen	K	2	9	1	18	
Hooker	K	2	3	1	7	Teqacher moved to non cert vacancy at Blackham.
Hooker	1	2	11	1	22	
Johnson	K	3	13	2	19	
Johnson	1	3	16	2	24	Consolidated class non-cert teacher.
Marin	K	2	7	1	14	
Read	K	4	11	3	15	
Winthrop	K	3	9	2	14	

Estimated Savings for 8 months $363,246 Dec.-June.

Revisions - to retain original class sizes

School	Grade	Original # Classroom	Avg Class Size	New # Classrooms	New Class Sizes
Beardsley	G3	2	13		
Blackham	G2	4	19		
Dunbar	K	2	10		
Read	G3	4	18		
Winthrop	G4	3	18		