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# **Marblehead Community Charter Public School**

# **Annual Report**

2019-2020

**Marblehead Community Charter Public School** 17 Lime Street Marblehead, MA 01945

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Marblehead Community	Charter Public School	l	
Type of Charter	Commonwealth	Location	Marblehead, MA
Regional or Non- Regional?	Non-Regional	Districts in Region	NA
Year Opened	1995	Year(s) Renewed	2000, 2005, 2010, 2015, 2020
Maximum Enrollment	230	Current Enrollment	220 as of June 30, 2020
Chartered Grade Span	4-8	Current Grade Span	4-8
# of Instructional Days per school year	180-185	Students on Waitlist	75 students are on the 2020-21 waitlist as of July 1, 2020
School Hours	Regular hours: 7:45-3:15 Before school care: 7:00-7:45 After school programming: 3:15- 5:30	Age of School	25 years

#### Introduction to the School

#### **Mission Statement**

MCCPS fosters a community that empowers children to become capable, self-determining, fully engaged individuals who are critical and creative thinkers committed to achieving their highest intellectual, artistic, social, emotional, and physical potential. We are dedicated to involving, learning from, participating in, and serving our school community and the community at large.

#### Letter from the MCCPS Board of Trustees

Marblehead Community Charter Public School (MCCPS) is in its 25<sup>th</sup> year of continuous operation and sets high standards for itself as an organization. This Academic Year is marked with change, adaptations and opportunism. Our dedication to our mission, core values, and the promises of our Charter remains active and strong. Our consistently meeting or exceeding all Accountability Plan Objectives over the course of this this year is evidence of MCCPS' continued success.

Our academic program has remained strong as measured by internal and external data. Both the Board and school are committed to academic excellence as its primary focus. During this academic year, Parent Satisfaction Surveys consistently rated the Education Program with high marks. The program satisfaction for this year are: Project Based Learning 89% satisfaction and integrated arts satisfaction rates were: Music 84%, Art - 91%, World Language - 79%.

A Sampling of comments from the Parent Satisfactions Surveys include:

- "We love Charter! The kids miss you all so much. Thank you all your hard work."
- "I love the project-based learning."
- "The first year of the school was exceptional for our child! She joined in December and had great transition to new school! All teachers and staff were very supportive!"
- "I was impressed with how MCCPS handled remote learning compared to other schools. It was flexible, agile, fast, and my child continued to learn. This was not the case in many other local and regional schools."
- "I was very impressed with how quickly and thoroughly MCCPS pivoted to on-line teaching/learning and how high the expectations were for our child's continued instruction/success/understanding of concepts."
- "We love MCCPS! We have nothing but positive memories and can't wait to be back in the fall"

MCCPS remains true to the tenets of our Charter. Teachers play a leadership role throughout the school, serving on the Board as well as numerous committees. They participate in a highly collaborative environment, with regular time scheduled weekly to assess, reflect, and continually improve upon the quality and effectiveness of the academic program. The result is authentic and meaningful integration across all grade levels and curriculum areas.

Organizationally, MCCPS is in a position of stability in the key areas of financial management, governance, school leadership, and parent/community involvement. Our annual audit results are evidence of a solid financial and operational infrastructure. Strong parent and community involvement are evidenced by the number of parents and community members serving on the Board and its committees, leading Enrichment programs, and participating in the PTO.

The Board of Trustees is committed and engaged, and composed of parents, community members, and teachers as required in our Charter. This year, the Board devoted a substantial amount of time to the Charter Renewal and By-Laws Updates and continued to focus on the development of key

policies and procedures, Student Retention, Academic Programming, and Financial Oversight. As a Board, we are always looking to improve our practice.

Among the major accomplishments for the current charter period are:

- Hired a New Head of School July 2019
- Completed the Charter Renewal Process
- Obtained a clean audit opinions
- Completed a new Strategic Plan

However, this year was not without its challenges. Chief among these was the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. In March, 2020, MCCPS transitioned to a Remote Learning Model. This was not without challenges that were met and exceeded by Faculty, Staff, Students and Parents. The school closure resulted in the cancellations of 2 Public Exhibitions of the Students Projects and Music Extravaganza.

As we embark into our 6<sup>th</sup> Charter Term, we look forward to the opportunities the academic year will bring. This next school year will see a continued focus at the Board and School level on strategic planning, with the goal of moving the school to even higher levels of achievement. The best legacy we can leave is to foster a community that empowers children to become capable, self-determining, fully engaged individuals who are critical and creative thinkers committed to achieving their highest intellectual, artistic, social, emotional, and physical potential.

Sincerely, Arthur F Sullivan, III Chair, MCCPS Board of Trustees It's a Great Day to be a Navigator!

#### **School Performance and Program Implementation**

There have been no programmatic or structural changes in the 2019-20 school year.

#### **Mission and Key Design Elements**

#### Mission, vision, educational philosophy and pedagogical approach:

MCCPS fosters a community that empowers students to reach their highest potential. The faculty, staff, and administration, the parent body, community members, and students are all committed to this ideal, and enormous energy and passion are invested regularly in pursuing our mission.

#### Key design elements:

The key design elements of the school continued through this Charter Term: a studentcentered learning environment that included frequent opportunities to engage in projectbased learning, problem-solving, critical thinking, collaboration, creativity, and communication. All students presented to their parents and teachers, the wider community, and their peers during Public Exhibitions of Student Work in November and were set to do so in March and June prior to the COVID19 pandemic that forced the school to pivot to remote learning. Many students presented evidence of learning via video conferencing with teachers and classmates during the spring of 2020. The teachers exercised considerable autonomy regarding how and when the state frameworks were addressed. Their talents and expertise resulted in robust and highly effective learning experiences for the students. Parents were afforded opportunities to contribute substantively and meaningfully to the life of the school, including involvement in the curriculum, governance, enrichment, and PTO.

#### Notes on Impact of Coronavirus/COVID19

Our community was impacted by the COVID19 pandemic. On March 13, 2020 we closed the school and remained closed for the rest of the school year. On March 13, we were able to immediately share suggested learning activities for students. We navigated three phases of remote learning. We started with suggested learning activities during the first two weeks of the closure. We shifted to required assignments and remote learning activities for the next few weeks. For the months of May and June we introduced the power standards not yet addressed this year and increased our expectations on students.

We were able to hold 121 days of in-person learning prior to the COVID19 closure. We held 63 days of remote learning.

#### **Examples of the Mission in Action**

#### **Data Informed Decisions:**

During the 2019-2020 school year, MCCPS added universal use of the IXL program for math and literacy. Every student spent time in the program's diagnostic arena in the fall, winter, and spring. Additionally, IXL provided both targeted practice for students, as well as a supplement to learning when the school closed due to COVID19.

#### **Strategic Plan Completion:**

A new strategic plan was completed. The plan outlines goals for students, faculty & staff, the community, and operations. These goals and this plan outline the work ahead for the next three years.

#### **Continued Technology Integration:**

Access and equity of instruction and resources continues to be our top priority. During the in-person learning from August to March, all students had access to a Chromebook laptop as needed. Our teachers work hard to utilize the computer technology as a tool in the project-based classroom. When we were forced to shift to remote learning, we took steps to ensure that every student had access to a mobile device (chromebook) and reliable internet. We distributed Chromebooks to about 7% of our students who did not have a device at home. Throughout both in-person and remote learning, students and teachers utilized online tools such as Google Classroom, Google (docs, sheets, forms, slides), and IXL to enhance their delivery of instruction and assessment.

#### Service Learning:

While community service learning is a component at each grade level, it is a prioritized area of focus for our 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Our 8<sup>th</sup> graders worked with the One Bead organization to identify issues in the community of importance to them. Students were then matched with local non-profits that were aligned to their interests. While COVID19 impacted some of this work, many of our students completed and delivered a pitch to an online audience via Zoom.

#### Amendments to the Charter

Date	Amendment Requested	Pending or Approved?
July 30,	We request to regionalize and include the Towns of	Pending
2020	Swampscott and Nahant in our Charter. Proposed	
	Amendment is attached to this report and sent to DESE	
	under separate cover.	

#### Student Discipline Access and Equity 2018-2019 Discipline Data

Student Group	Students	Students Disciplined	% In- School Suspension	% Out-of- School Suspension	% Expulsion	% Alternate Setting	% Emergency Removal	% Students with a School- Based Arrest
All Students	236	13	3.4	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
English Learner	3							
Economically disadvantaged	34	3						
Students w/disabilities	68	7	8.8	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
High needs	93	9	8.6	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female	105	2						
Male	131	11	5.3	3.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Amer. Ind. or Alaska Nat.	2							
Asian	6	0						
Afr. Amer./Black	16	3						
Hispanic/Latino	9	1						
Multi-race, Non-	5							
Hisp./Lat.								
Nat. Haw. or Pacif. Isl.	0							
White	198	8	3.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

We have reviewed our school's discipline data. There were five suspensions issued during the 2019-2020 school year. These suspensions were a significant decrease from the 17 suspensions in the previous year. This decrease was due, in part, to the school closure starting on March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Even with school closure, there were six fewer suspensions at that point in the year compared to the previous year. The school made deliberate efforts to continue to support access and equity for our students. We incorporated PBIS elements into our classroom practices and our RTI process. We also partnered with ADL to run a professional development session for our educators on the topic of equity and bias related to discipline.

With six discipline offenses this year, the number of offenses was the same or fewer across all subgroups. The percentage of offenses across subgroups remained unchanged or was too small to

be reported. While the number of offenses is low, we are committed to an equitable discipline process for all students.

We use suspensions sparingly. Out of school suspension are appropriate for issues involving physicality or bullying. During in-school suspensions, the students work on the same materials as their classmates. We encourage students to reflect on their actions, learn from mistakes, and restore relationships. A vital step for all suspensions is a required reentry meeting that is attended by the members of the grade level team, a parent, and, most importantly, the student. This process is essential in helping students feel respected and supported as they return to class.

Best Practice Shared	Vehicle for Dissemination	Who at the school was involved with the dissemination efforts?	Criteria that best aligns to the shared best practice	With whom did the school disseminate its best practices?	Result of dissemination
Curriculum programming and project- based learning	Visits to other schools to both share and learn effective practices from each other.	Head of School, teachers, parents, Board members	Shared with local schools about innovative school practices	Francis Parker Charter Essential School, Salem Academy, Hill View Montessori Charter Public School, Advanced Math & Science Academy	Sharing of best practices and informing improvement goals for the future at our school
Project- Based Learning and Integration	1 Public Exhibition of Student Work at MCCPS (November) Virtual showcases via Zoom in June	All faculty, staff, students, administrators and parents	Presenting a professional conference	Local district and private school educators and the community	Enhanced understanding of PBL, integration, and service learning
Integration of Community Service Learning	One Bead zoom panel	8 <sup>th</sup> grade students and humanities teacher	Presented at zoom panel	Non-profit leaders from area organizations	Real-world experience for students

#### **Dissemination Efforts**

## **Academic Program Success**

#### **Student Performance**

A. Marblehead Community Charter Public School's school report card (overview) http://reportcards.doe.mass.edu/2019/DistrictReportcard/04640000

B. Other performance data

Overall Classification	Accountability Percentile	Progress Toward Improvement Targets
2019	2019	2019
Not requiring assistance or intervention. Reason for Classification: Moderate progress toward targets	Found Here: <u>http://profiles.doe.mass.edu/g</u> <u>eneral/general.aspx?topNavI</u> <u>D=1&amp;leftNavId=100&amp;orgcod</u> <u>e=04640000&amp;orgtypecode=5</u>	Meeting 33 percent of improvement targets.

#### **Program Delivery**

While no substantial changes were made to the school's curriculum, or instructional model during the 2019-2020 school year, we did make the following adjustments to assessment tools and supports for students:

- Implementation of IXL as diagnostic tool and practice resource for students
- Expansion of English Learner services with hiring of ESL teacher/coordinator

Grade 4	7 students identified, based on ACCESS scores all will be FELs
Grade 5	5 students identified, based on ACCESS scores 4 of 5 will be FELs
Grade 6	4 students identified, based on ACCESS scores 2 of 4 will be FELs
Grade 7	1 student identified, based on ACCESS scores 1 will continue with
	EL services
Grade 8	1 student identified, based on ACCESS scores 1 will continue with
	EL services

#### **Organizational Structure of the School**

A new Head of School joined the organization. Our Assistant Head of School resigned in February. We have restructured the leadership team for 2020-2021 to include a principal position in place of the assistant head of school. A new Food Services/Nutrition Director was appointed in January 2020. All other positions remained the same during the 2019-2020 school year.

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	Board	of Trustees	
	Head of School,	Peter Cohen (7/2019)	)
Assistant Head of School, Resigned in February, not replaced in FY20	Business Manager, Jeff Barry	Director of Student Service, Michael Condon	Director of Curriculum, Instruction, & Technology, Matt Cronin
	Food Services & Nutrition Director, Danette Russo (1/2020)		Department Chairs: Ellen Lodgen, Meghan Hale

#### **Organizational Chart**

#### Network Structure or Multiple Campus Organizational Structure

- Not applicable

#### **Teacher Evaluation**

- No change has been made.

## **Budget and Finance**

A. Unaudited FY20 statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets (income statement)

Ordinary Income/Expense	
	7 050 00
VACATION PROGRAMMING	7,250.00
STATE ALLOCATION	3,025,960.00
FEDERAL & STATE GRANTS	74,237.00
	71,518.73
	31,923.35
	110.81
	49,481.28
STUDENT SUCCESS FUND	17,210.25
	28,000.00
PRIVATE GRANTS	1,585.00
REIMBURSEMENTS	1,708.75
MEDICARE REIMB.	2,346.74
FUNDRAISING	20,404.71
Total Income	3,331,736.62
Expense	
PERSONNEL	2,268,365.93
BENEFITS	342,923.13
STAFF DEVELOPMENT	10,839.67
SEARCH COSTS	1,687.81
SUBSTITUTE	2,071.25
DIRECT STUDENT SUPPORT	83,919.90
STUDENT ACTIVITY	22,544.62
SCHOOL LUNCH EXP	44,438.22
OCCUPANCY	96,741.70
OFFICE & ADMIN	220,942.07
DEPRECIATION	95,716.68
Total Expense	3,190,190.98
Net Income	141,545.64

B. Statement of net assets forFY20 (Balance Sheet) As of June 30, 2020

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C. Approved School Budget for FY21 FY21 Operating Budget

<b>Revenue</b> STATE ALLOCATION OTHER INCOME STUDENT SUCCESS FUND FUNDRAISING	3,086,095 40,850 18,000 45,000
Total revenue	3,189,945
Expenses PERSONNEL BENEFITS STAFF DEVELOPMENT SEARCH COSTS DIRECT STUDENT SUPPORT OCCUPANCY OFFICE & ADMIN DEPRECIATION	2,252,701 413,835 7,500 1,700 65,700 117,250 220,623 95,000
Total expenses	3,174,309
Net ordinary income	15,636

## D. Capital Plan for FY20 (6/30/20)

Description	Status	Est. Cost	Financing
Space needs analysis of newly acquired space w/architect incl. plans, schematics, conceptual drawings and estimates	FY22	\$10,000	Operating capital
Final prints of above; architectural, structural, mechanical & technical	FY23	\$10,000	Operating capital
Completion of build-out (7,321 sf @169.33/sf)	FY25	\$1,239,691	Capital campaign
Renovation of existing classrooms and offices $(30,000 \text{ sf } @ \$100/\text{sf})$	FY25	\$3,000,000	Capital campaign
Replacement of existing fire alarm panel	FY22	\$16,000	Capital campaign
Replacement of existing burglar alarm (completed FY20) incl. addition of exterior surveillance	FY22	\$5,000	Capital campaign
New roof/roof repairs	FY22	\$275,000+	Capital campaign
Replace 1 rooftop HVAC unit	FY22	\$10,000	Capital campaign
New telephone system	FY21	\$13,000	Capital campaign
Replacement of kitchen floor	FY22	\$25,000	Capital campaign

As of 6/30/20 the school did not have a separate Capital Campaign account.

## Technology

Description	Status	Est. Cost	Financing
Student Devices	FY21	\$17,000	<b>Operating Capital</b>
Staff Devices	FY21	\$5,000	<b>Operating Capital</b>
Internal Network Connections	FY21	\$5,000	<b>Operating Capital</b>
(Switches, Router)			
External Network Connection ISP	FY22	\$18,000	<b>Operating Capital</b>

## APPENDIX A

#### Accountability 2019-2020

Accountability Plan Goals		
	2019-2020 Performance	Evidence
<b>Objective:</b> MCCPS will facilitate the develop curriculum, instruction, and assessment. KD		adership in the areas of
<b>Measure:</b> Each year at least 80% of MCCPS teachers who have been employed for at least 2 years will lead at least one professional development or mentoring activity.	MET	86% (25 out of 29) faculty, staff, and administration who have been employed at the school for at least 2 year led at least one PD or mentoring activity
<b>Measure:</b> Each year, at least 80% of MCCPS teachers who have been employed for at least 2 years will achieve proficient or above on the Element IV-D-1 of the Professional Culture Standard on the Educator Evaluation Rubric	MET	100% of the teachers who have been employed for at least 2 years achieved proficient or above on IV- D-1.
<b>Objective:</b> MCCPS will implement rigorous principal increasing levels of cognitive complexity. K	project-based learr DE 2	ing that incorporates
<b>Measure:</b> Each trimester at least 90% of teachers will collaborate with their colleagues to create project based learning experiences that include the development of higher order thinking skills.	COVID19 IMPACT	100% of teachers collaborated with their colleagues to create PBL experiences that included the development of higher order thinking skills during the first and second trimesters. The school closure on March 13 was one week prior to our second exhibition, so this event was cancelled.
<b>Measure:</b> Each trimester at least 80% of students will achieve proficient or higher on	COVID19 IMPACT	During the 1st trimester at least 80% of the students at

project-based assessments that are aligned to		each grade level achieved
grade level standards in the core subjects*.		proficient or higher on
grade level standards in the core subjects <sup>*</sup> .		project-based assessments
		1 5
		that were aligned to the
		grade level standards. The
		next two exhibitions were
		cancelled or held on a
		smaller scale, virtually.
<b>Objective:</b> MCCPS will employ a portfolio sy	ystem to documen	t student achievement and
growth. KDE 3	ſ	
Measure: Each trimester, at least 95%		We did not successfully
of students will document a project-based	Not Met	implement a portfolio system
learning assessment and reflection for each		this year.
of the core subjects*.		
Measure: Annually, at least 80% of		We did not successfully
students will achieve proficient or higher on	Not Met	implement a portfolio system
the MCCPS Portfolio Rubric		this year.
<b>Objective:</b> MCCPS will disseminate its pract	ices regarding cur	riculum, instruction, and
assessment to other schools in Massachusetts.		
		1. MASS CUE
		Conference, 10/15
		2. MASS Library
		Association, 8/16
		3. MASS CUE, 10/16
Measure: By the end of the 2019-20		4. DissemiNATION, 11/16
school year, MCCPS faculty will have	MET	5. MCPSA Principals'
executed at least 8 workshops for public	IVIE I	Convening, 9/16
school faculty in the areas of curriculum,		6. MASS CUE
instruction, and assessment.		Conference, 10/17
		7. Project-Based Learning
		Workshop at MCCPS,
		5/5/17
		8. MASS CUE
		Conference, 10/18

\*Core subjects: English language arts, math, science, global studies, foreign language, art, and music.

## **APPENDIX B**

### Recruitment Plan 2020-2021

#### **Marblehead Community Charter Public School**

#### 2019-2020 Implementation Summary:

The 2019-2020 Recruitment Plan strategies were successfully implemented. Enrollment was down in 2019-2020 with a high of 208 students enrolled in the school out of 230 seats. Our projections for 2020-2021 are to be north of 220 students. Our 7<sup>th</sup> grade class in 2019-2020 was comprised of 19 students. The district middle school in Marblehead serves students in grades 7 & 8, so this has been a year where trend data indicates the highest rates of attrition. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade class next year is projected to be at 48-50 students, a strong indicator that our recruitment efforts have been successful. The strategies we utilized throughout the year was to tell our story and spread the word about the strong teaching and learning at our school. The use of social media platforms increased significantly. Additionally, we communicated more effectively with local members of the press and with our current families. We continue to strive to utilize our parents and alumni as ambassadors for our school. Yard signs have also been part of our messaging plan. Our Open House events included student-led tours and these two events were well attended. This led to an increase in the total number of applications.

#### General Recruitment Activities for 2020-2021:

We have been and will continue to celebrate 2020, our 25<sup>th</sup> year as a Charter Public School. We will be upgrading our website with a complete redesign. The website will serve as the hub of information. As part of a larger communications initiative, we will also be rebranding the school with a new logo. We will be proposing an Amendment to our Charter to include the towns of Swampscott and Nahant in our region. If approved, we will be distributing marketing materials to these and all surrounding communities to publicize our Open House events and any other special events that we are able to schedule in this time of COVID. The school will continue to build our social media presence on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. We will also partner with local cable access to share videos curated by faculty and students that highlight what we do. A weekly newsletter will be distributed via email.

Per <u>M.G.L. c. 71 § 89 (1)</u>, MCCPS will not make statements in writing, in meetings, on tours, or during open houses that are intended to discourage, or that have the effect of discouraging, students with disabilities, students with limited English proficiency, or any other protected group of students from submitting an application to the School.

Recruitment Plan – 2020-21 Strategies		
Sr	pecial education students/students with disabilities	
(a) CHART data School percentage: 24.4% GNT percentage: N/A CI percentage: 12.7% The school above CI percentages	<ul> <li>(b) 2019-2020 Strategies</li> <li>Met GNT/CI: no enhanced/additional strategies needed <ul> <li>a. The Director of Special Education or a special educator will be present at each open house to answer questions and describe the program.</li> <li>b. The Director of Special Education will be available to meet with parents when requested - before, during, or after school. Email questions will be answered in a timely manner.</li> <li>c. All enrollment/recruitment information that is sent to parents/posted on the school's website will be non-discriminatory, will communicate that children with disabilities are welcome, and that all will be supported at MCCPS.</li> <li>d. Members of the Special Education Parent Advisory Council will be encouraged to attend the open houses in order to answer questions and describe their experiences with the teachers and program.</li> <li>e. The SEPAC will meet monthly in order to support parent needs, and it will schedule parent learning activities at least two times per year.</li> <li>f. Opportunities to highlight the successes of students with disabilities will be explored.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

	(c) 2020-2022 Additional Strategy(ies), if needed □ Did not meet GNT/CI: additional and/or enhanced strategies needed. Include the time allotted for each strategy for data change (i.e. 2-3 years, 1 year) and/or if the school collaborated with a local community organization on these strategies.
	Limited English-proficient students/English learners
	(b) 2019-2020 Strategies
	Met GNT/CI: no enhanced/additional strategies needed
	<ol> <li>Application materials will be available on the school's website and in print in English, Spanish, French, and Russian. Translations in other languages will be made available upon request.</li> <li>All admissions/recruitment information that is sent to parents/posted on the school's website will be non- discriminatory, will communicate that LEP/ELL students are welcome, and that all will be supported to reach their highest potential.</li> <li>Print ads will include text that welcomes LEP/ELL students.</li> </ol>
	4. Flyers in English, Spanish, French, and Russian advertising the
(a) CHART data	school and the application process will be distributed in the
School percentage: 1.5% GNT percentage: 0.9%	<ul> <li>neighboring cities of Salem &amp; Lynn.</li> <li>5. Events and activities that honor various cultures and cultural identities will be included in the school's calendar.</li> </ul>
CI percentage: 1.3%	6. The school will create connections with local churches and
The school is at GNT	community groups that serve LEP/ELL students.
percentages and above	<ol> <li>Translators will be available at open houses.</li> <li>The school will leave translated copies of flyers and applications</li> </ol>
CI percentages	at adult ESL programs in Salem and Lynn.
	(c) 2020-2022 Additional Strategy(ies), if needed
	<ul> <li>Did not meet GNT/CI: additional and/or enhanced strategies below:</li> <li>Include the time allotted for each strategy for data change (i.e. 2-3 years, 1 year) and/or if the school collaborated with a local community organization on these strategies.</li> </ul>
	All additional strategies will be implemented during the 2018-19 school year. It is anticipated that 2-3 years may be needed to effectuate GNC/CI improvements.
	Of note is that we will now have a EL coordinator and teacher full time on staff from the start of the year. We have developed effective systems for identifying English Learners and providing required services.

Students eligible	for free or reduced lunch (Low Income/Economically Disadvantaged)
(a) CHART data School percentage: 14.1% GNT percentage: 5.4% CI percentage: 5.7% The school is above CI percentages	<ul> <li>(b) 2019-2020 Strategies</li> <li>Met GNT/CI: no enhanced/additional strategies needed</li> <li>All enrollment/recruitment information that is sent to parents/posted on the school's website will be non-discriminatory, will communicate that MCCPS does not discriminate for any reason, and will encourage students who are eligible for free or reduced lunch to apply.</li> <li>Access to the application for free/reduced lunch will be sent to all families in the summer mailing, and it will be posted on the school's website at https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yLmZSKMbWeCC7G3rbwal1a9FXMwYFw7C //view</li> <li>The availability of scholarships for field trips and other school activities will be included in promotional information about the school.</li> <li>The guidance counselor will serve as a liaison for low-income families to ensure that they are aware of the resources that are available to them.</li> <li>No child will be excluded from a class trip or field trip due to an inability to pay.</li> <li>Each fall, the eligibility of all new students for free/reduced lunch will be checked by the Director of Food Services.</li> <li>Reminders for parents regarding the ability to apply for free/reduced lunch will be included in the school's newsletters monthly.</li> <li>(c) 2020-2022 Additional Strategy(ies), if needed</li> <li>Did not meet GNT/CI: additional and/or enhanced strategies below: Include the time allotted for each strategy for data change (i.e. 2-3 years, 1 year) and/or if the school collaborated with a local community organization on these strategies. With COVID19 situation we will more frequently reach out to families to raise awareness of this program so that all who may now qualify are able to</li> </ul>
	access the benefits of the program. (d) 2020-2021 Strategies
Students who are sub-proficient	<ol> <li>All enrollment/recruitment information will be non- discriminatory, will communicate that sub-proficient students are encouraged to apply, and that programs are in place to support them.</li> <li>Enrollment info will include descriptions of staffing (including</li> </ol>
	inclusion specialists at each grade level), class size, student to teacher ratio, and the availability of additional instruction in math

	<ul> <li>and writing, Homework Club, and summer school.</li> <li>3. School-wide student growth as demonstrated by the MCAS tests will be communicated via the school's website.</li> <li>4. Efforts to support all learners will be communicated to parents and the community and posted on the school's website.</li> <li>5. Parents will be notified as soon as possible when concern arises about academic performance.</li> <li>6. An Academic Probation Plan will be created to address the needs of individual students who are in danger of not passing.</li> <li>7. Professional development for teachers will address strategies for optimizing student growth and achievement.</li> <li>8. Collaboration with successful colleagues at other schools will be pursued in order to share best practices.</li> <li>9. Of note is that this will be based on internal data, as there was no MCAS administration in 2019-20.</li> </ul>	
<u>Students at risk of</u> <u>dropping out of</u> <u>school</u>	<ul> <li>(d) 2020-2021 Strategies</li> <li>1. Faculty, staff, and/or administrators will be available to meet with parents and students as needed to identify and implement appropriate supports, including academic, social/emotional, and/or health.</li> <li>2. The Student Support Team will monitor students of concern and will work with parents and grade level teams to address student needs.</li> <li>3. An engaging and student centered learning environment will emphasize that all students are welcome and valued.</li> <li>4. Non-academic offerings will foster feelings of success in students' areas of strength/interest.</li> </ul>	
<u>Students who have</u> dropped out of <u>school</u>	<ul> <li>(d) 2020-2021 Strategies</li> <li>1. Faculty, staff, and/or administrators will be available to meet with parents and students as needed to identify and implement appropriate supports, including academic, social/emotional, and/or health.</li> <li>2. The Student Support Team will meet with the student and his/her parents to develop a plan that will support the child in returning to school.</li> <li>3. Area health and counseling organizations will be involved when appropriate.</li> </ul>	
OPTIONAL Other subgroups of students who should be targeted to	(d) 2020-2021 Strategies 1. Faculty, staff, and/or administrators will work together continually, using data, observations, anecdotal reports, and other relevant information to identify and support students who need additional assistance, instruction, or other supports in order to eliminate	

eliminate the	the achievement gap.
<u>achievement gap</u>	2. Remediation will be provided to identified students via RTI
	supports.
	3. Homework help will be available when requested or when
	required by a teacher.
	4. The cross-grade mentoring program will continue to support
	social, emotional, and academic needs.
	5. Training will be provided for teachers and students regarding
	transgender, gender identity, and other civil rights topics.

	Overall Student Retention Goal
Annual goal for student retention (percentage): 90%	Goal: Student attrition will be no greater than 10% for reasons other than family displacement or geographical concerns.

## Retention Plan 2020-2021

#### 2019-2020 Implementation Summary:

The district of Marblehead has a middle school that serves students in grades 7 and 8. This has led to the attrition rate being highest for our students following the 6<sup>th</sup> grade. We are working to differentiate our upper school (grades 6, 7, 8) from our lower school (grades 4 and 5) in order to provide our students with the middle school experience they are seeking and to avoid the upper grades feeling "too elementary" for our students and families. This new direction is based on surveys from families who have left. Additionally, the new Head of School met with parents of families who decided to transfer their students to gain more insight into areas for improvement at our school. The primary reasons given for student departures were: 1) social - the child wanted to be with friends; 2) the parent or child felt that moving to the district's large 7th/8th grade middle school would be good preparation for high school; and 3) dissatisfaction with some aspect of the school or the child's experience. Every effort is made to understand the reasons for attrition, so that adjustments can be made where appropriate.

Retention Plan – 2020-21 Strategies	
	Special education students/students with disabilities
<u>(a) CHART data</u>	(b) Continued 2019-2020 Strategies
	<ul> <li>The school will employ a full time Director of Student Services and a full time Guidance Counselor.</li> </ul>

School percentage: 24.3% Third Quartile: 5.3% The school's attrition rate is above third quartile percentages.	<ul> <li>There will be at least one full time Inclusion Teacher at each grade level.</li> <li>A full time Speech &amp; Language Pathologist, a part time Physical Therapist, and a part time Occupational Therapist will be employed to meet the needs of students.</li> <li>Student needs will be communicated to the Director of Student Services and/or Guidance Counselor as soon as a need/concern arises.</li> <li>Teaching teams will meet weekly with the Director of Student Services and the Guidance Counselor.</li> <li>The Director of Student Services and the Inclusion Teachers will be available to meet with parents as needed.</li> <li>A strong special education program staffed by qualified professionals will be provided for all special education students.</li> <li>Summer sessions will be offered to qualifying students.</li> <li>All calls/emails will be responded to within 2 business days.</li> <li>The Special Education Parent Advisory Council will seek additional parental participation, and will provide at least 2 learning opportunities for parents that will be opport the parents with diverse learning needs.</li> <li>The Student Success Team has been revamped to improve classroom teachers' ability to support students with diverse learning needs.</li> <li>The SEPAC, Special Education Advisory Council, will present monthly meetings in the AM to support the parents of students with disabilities.</li> <li>The school's administration will reach out to the parents of students with disabilities to determine additional supports for students and parents.</li> <li>(c) 2020-2021 Additional Strategies</li> <li>Above third quartile.</li> <li>The School will hire a student adjustment counselor/ behavior specialist to help those students, and the teachers create an environment that best meets their needs</li> <li>All additional strategies will be implemented during the 2020-201school year. It is anticipated tha 2-3 years may be needed to effectuate GNC/Cl improvements.</li></ul>
	Limited English-proficient students/English learners
	(b) Continued 2010 2020 Strategies
(a) CHART data School percentage: 0% Third Quartile: x.x%	<ul> <li>(b) Continued 2019-2020 Strategies</li> <li>➢ Below third quartile: no enhanced/additional strategies needed</li> <li>The school will cultivate an environment that values all languages.</li> <li>Students will be encouraged to converse with their peers and teachers in languages other than English.</li> <li>Teachers will be trained in SEI methods.</li> <li>Materials will be provided in the home language as communicated via the Home Language Survey.</li> </ul>

The school's attrition rate is below the third quartile percentages.	<ul> <li>Systems of orientation, assessment, advising, registration, etc. will be kept simple/accessible to parents.</li> <li>Translators will be made available when needed.</li> <li>The Student Success Team will address needs and will communicate concerns to the appropriate adults. Remediation will be determined on an individual basis, progress will be monitored, and parents will be informed.</li> <li>The Student Success Team at each grade level will meet weekly to identify, address, and communicate needs</li> <li>Additional instruction in Reading, Writing, Listening, and Speaking will be provided as needed.</li> <li>Content support will be provided as needed.</li> <li>Student mentors and peer leaders will provide social and academic support.</li> <li>Current families will be made aware that MCCPS offers EL services.</li> <li>At least one member of the administrative team will hold SEI endorsement (Currently 3 are endorsed.).</li> <li>Language differences will be celebrated during Community Meetings.</li> <li>Presentations during Exhibitions will include the use of French and Spanish.</li> <li>Extra services will be provided to students who are not qualified ESL learners but whose backgrounds suggests that they are struggling due to English language learning.</li> <li>All core teachers will earn SEI endorsement.</li> <li>The school's administration will reach out to the parents of ELs in order to better understand and address the parents' and students' needs.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(c) 2020-2021 Additional Strategy(ies), if needed</li> <li>Above third quartile: additional and/or enhanced strategies described below. Include the time allotted for each strategy for data change (i.e. 2-3 years, 1 year) and/or if the school collaborated with a local community organization on these strategies.</li> <li>All additional strategies will be implemented during the 2020-21 school year. It is anticipated that 2-3 years may be needed to effectuate GNC/CI improvements.</li> </ul>
Students e	ligible for free or reduced lunch (low income/economically disadvantaged)
(a) CHART data School percentage: 0% Third Quartile: x%	<ul> <li>(b) Continued 2019-2020 Strategies</li> <li>Below median and third quartile: no enhanced/additional strategies needed</li> <li>Applications for free/reduced meals will be made available to all students as part of the summer mailing and on the school's website at https:/marbleheadcharter.org/about-us/food-service/.</li> <li>Student and parent privacy will be protected.</li> <li>Food choices will be monitored to ensure a healthy diet that supports</li> </ul>

The school's attrition rate is below the third quartile percentages.	<ul> <li>learning.</li> <li>The school will provide access to a counselor in order to identify additional services that are available in the area.</li> <li>The school will provide reduced cost/free after school and Enrichment programming to qualifying students.</li> <li>The Nutrition Director will ensure that as many students as possible are certified to receive free/reduced price meals through the direct certification method. She will perform the direct certification at least two more times throughout the school year to ensure that any students receiving benefits (ie. TANF or SNAP) are receiving free meals at school.</li> <li>The Nutrition Director will contact families of those students who are not directly certified to ensure that they accurately complete a meal application as soon as possible at the beginning of the school year.</li> <li>The Incident Management Team (comprised of the Assistant Head of School, Guidance Counselor, &amp; Nurse) will contact and/or involve outside services as needed including DCF, rent assistance, food bank, etc.</li> <li>A "Little Free Pantry" is stocked regularly by school and community members in order to provide economically disadvantaged families with access to food 24/7.</li> <li>The guidance counselor facilitates the collection and distribution of warm clothing and holiday gifts.</li> <li>Parents will be reminded throughout the year via newsletters of the option to apply for free/reduced lunch. The application materials will be available to assist parents and families with the completion of paperwork relative to free/reduced lunch.</li> <li>During the COVID19 closure, the school provided food boxes for families who qualified or were in need.</li> <li>(c) 2020-2021 Additional Strategy(ies), if needed</li> </ul>
	Above the third quartile.
<u>Students who</u> <u>are sub-</u> proficient	<ul> <li>(d)2019-2020 Strategies</li> <li>All educators (administrators, faculty, and staff) will make a concerted effort to know all of the children, so that any student can go to any adult in the building for help.</li> <li>Additional instruction and/or support will be provided as needed.</li> <li>Offer summer sessions to qualifying students.</li> <li>A Response to Intervention/Student Support Team will meet weekly.</li> </ul>
	(d) 2019-2020 Strategies
Students at risk	• The counselor will meet with students and parents as needed.
of dropping out	An Academic Probation Plan will be created when needed.
<u>of school</u>	<ul> <li>Drop-in summer sessions will be provided for students.</li> <li>A Bestions to Intervention (Student Support Team will most weakly)</li> </ul>
Ctudoreto whe	A Response to Intervention /Student Support Team will meet weekly.
Students who	(d) 2019-2020 Strategies
have dropped	<ul> <li>The counselor will meet with students and parents as needed.</li> <li>Outside convises will be activated as needed.</li> </ul>
out of school	Outside services will be activated as needed.
OPTIONAL	(d)2019-2020 Strategies

•	A mentoring program will provide support for incoming 4 <sup>th</sup> graders and
	new students.

## **APPENDIX C**

#### School and Student Data

Marblehead Community Charter Public School's student demographic enrollment data link: <u>http://profiles.doe.mass.edu/profiles/student.aspx?orgcode=04640305&orgtypecode=6&</u>

Student Demographic and Subgroup Information				
Race/Ethnicity	# of students	% of entire student body		
African-American	12	5.9		
Asian	6	2.9		
Hispanic	13	6.3		
Native American	0	0.0		
White	169	82.4		
Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander	0	0.0		
Multi-race, non-Hispanic	5	2.4		
Special education	50	24.4		
Limited English proficient	3	1.5		
Economically Disadvantaged	29	14.1		

ADMINISTRATIVE ROSTER FOR THE 2019-20 SCHOOL YEAR			
Name	Brief Job Description	Start date	End date
Peter Cohen	Head of School	7/2019	
Bill Sullivan	Assistant Head of School	4/2015	2/2020
Jeff Barry	Business Manager	8/1995	
Michael Condon	Director of Student Services	7/2012	6/2020
Matt Cronin	Latt CroninDirector of Curriculum, Instruction, & Technology; Integrated Arts Department Chair		
Meghan Hale	Humanities Department Chair (& 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Humanities Teacher)	8/2009	

Ellen Lodgen	Math, Science, & Technology Department Chair (& 8th Grade Math/Science Teacher)	8/2013	
Katherine (Boles) Koch	Office Manager	8/2016	
Susan Hauck	Enrichment Coordinator	1/2017	
Laura Wood	Food Services &Nutrition Director	5/2008	1/2020
Danette Russo	Food Services &Nutrition Director	1/2020	
Bob Erbetta	Facilities Coordinator	8/1995	

TEACHERS AND STAFF ATTRITION FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR					
	Number as of the last day of the 2019- 2020 school year	Departures during the 2019-2020 school year	Departures at the end of the school year	Reason(s) for Departure	
Teachers	26	0	2	Relocated to accept position in another district, resigned	
Other Staff	21	2	3	Resigned, Non-renewed, retired	

BOARD MEMBERS FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR				
Name	Position on the Board	Committee affiliation(s)	Number of terms served	Length of each term
Paul Baker	Trustee	Governance	1	June 2016 - June 2019
		Committee	_	
Peter Cheney	Trustee	Personnel	1	May 2019 - May 2022
		Committee	_	
Peter Cohen	Head of School	Academic	Ex-Officio	NA
		Excellence, Strategic		
		Plan,		
		Communications		
		and Community		
		, Relations, Finance,		
		Development		
Richard Doron	Trustee	Finance Committee	1	May 2019 - May 2022
Fred Ferris	Trustee	Strategic Plan	1	May 2017 - May 2020
		Committee		
Rodolphe Herve	Treasurer	Finance Committee	1	May 2019 - May 2022
lan Hunt	Vice Chair	Communications and Community Relations Committee	1	May 2017 - May 2020
Ellen Lodgen	Trustee	Development	2	September 2017 -
		Committee,		September 2020
		Academic Excellence		
Karl Smith	Clerk	Governance	1	August 2019 - August
		Committee		2022
Arthur Sullivan		Personnel	1	January 2018 -
	Chair	Committee		January 2021
Rebecca Whidden	Trustee	Strategic Plan	1	, May 2019 - May 2022
		Committee		
Stephen Veiga	Trustee	Development	1	February 2019-
		Committee		Resigned June 2020
Jessica Xiarhos	Trustee	Academic Excellence	1	May 2019 - May 2022
		Committee	_	-,,

#### Key Leadership Changes

Position	Name	No Change/ New/Open Position
Board of Trustees Chairperson	Arthur Sullivan	No Change
Charter School Leader (Head of School)	Peter Cohen (as of July 1, 2019)	New
Assistant Charter School Leader	Bill Sullivan	No Change
Director of Student Services	Michael Condon	No Change
MCAS Test Coordinator	N/A	No Change
SIMS Coordinator	Matt Cronin	No Change
ELL Director	Peter Michaud (as of October, 2019)	New
School Business Official	Jeff Barry	No Change
SIMS Contact	Matt Cronin	No Change
Nutrition Director	Danette Russo (as of January 2020)	New

#### Facilities

The school continues to be located at its original address.

Location	Dates of Occupancy
17 Lime St, Marblehead, MA 01945	July 1995

#### Enrollment

Action	2019-2020 School Year Date(s)
Student Application Deadline	February 15, 2020
Lottery	February 26, 2020

#### **Conditions** -

Condition: By August 1, 2020, Marblehead Community Charter Public School will submit for Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (Department) approval a plan that ensures that enrollment from outside of Marblehead does not exceed 20 percent of the school's total population by June 30, 2025, and a corresponding charter amendment request for the school's maximum enrollment, enrollment policy, and any other relevant material terms. Alternatively, the school may submit an amendment request that reflects the school's actual enrollment pattern.

#### **Complaints**

No complaints were received.