

Wareham Public Schools Annual Report

April 25, 2011

Mission Statement

The mission of the Wareham Public Schools is to educate all students for life's responsibilities, challenges, and opportunities.

East Elementary School(1910, closed 1991& opened
1997) Prekindergarten Enrollment = 114



Ethel E. Hammond School(1916 & 1953)

Grades K-1 Enrollment = 150 children



Minot Forest Elementary School(1966&1974)

Grades 1-5 Enrollment = 529 children



John W. Decas School
Grade K-5 Enrollment = 713
students(1969&1974)



Wareham High School

Gr.9-12 Enrollment = 771 young
adults(1991)



Wareham Cooperative Junior/Senior High School Gr.7-12 Opened 2001 Enrollment = 134 young adults



Wareham Middle School

Gr.6-8 Enrollment = 713 young adults
(1952,1958 &2005)



West Wareham Academy

Gr.7-12 Enrollment = 16 young adults(1914,
closed 1991 & reopened 1996)

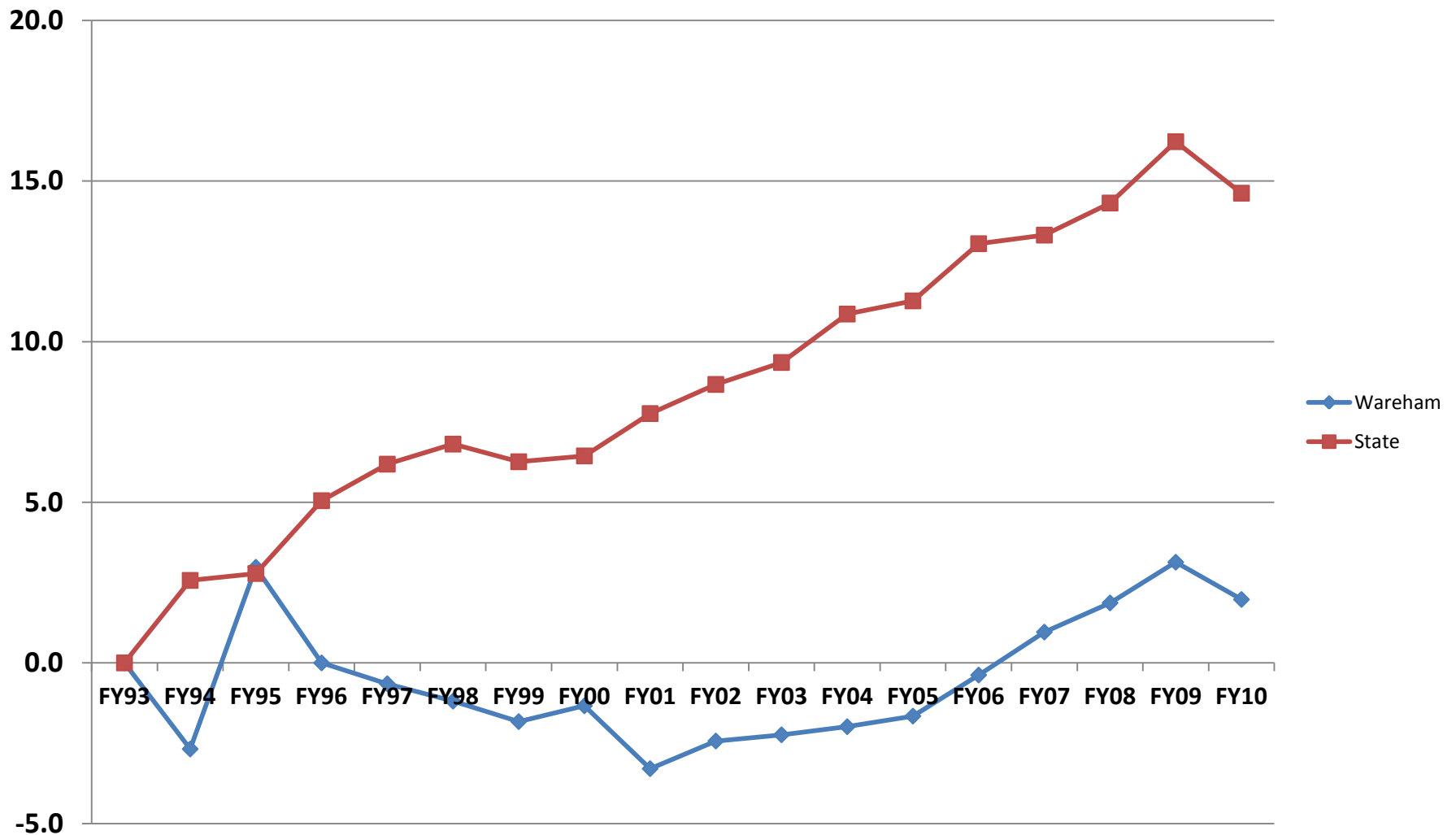


Finances

The school operating budget continues to be severely restricted. During the last five years our average annual NSS increase is **1.22%**

FY'08	FY'09	FY'10	FY'11	FY'12
0%	1.5%	1.0%	2.3%	1.3%

% Over or Under Minimum Net School Spending for Wareham as Compared to State Average



Comments

- **The comparison between 2011 and 2012 is made more difficult because of the additional Edujobs Money that created new positions and the loss of Federal Stimulus Money.**
- **To decrease the Achievement Gap we need to decrease the Spending Gap.**
- **Minimum Net School Spending is not Adequate Spending to close the Achievement Gap.**

Non Net School Spending

The average increase in our non-net school spending budget over the past five years has been **-2.4%**

FY'08	FY'09	FY'10	FY'11	FY'12
-3.2%	0.0%	0.0%	-1.6%	-7.2%

- There are many fine people working for our transportation department. The service that our professional drivers deliver daily helps children and families.
- A capital plan to replace at least five vehicles per year is needed now.

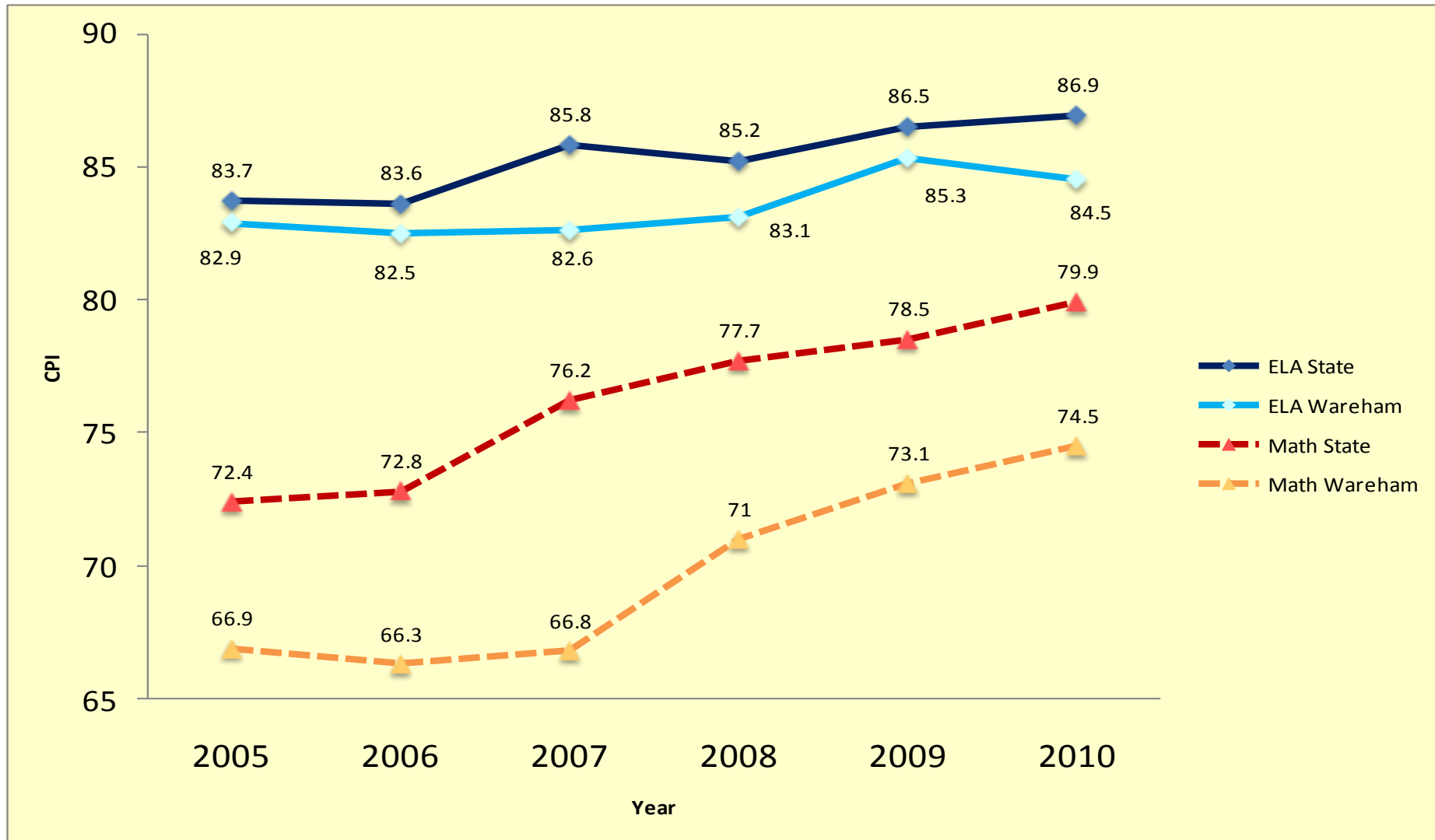
Academic Performance

73% of our graduating seniors are attending school this fall. The following chart shows what our graduates will be doing this fall.

4 year colleges	2 year colleges	Other Schooling	Military	Work
49%	22%	02%	04%	23%

Here are some of the colleges that are being attended by our graduates:
Johnson & Wales, Roger Williams, Stonehill College, Wheaton, Providence College, Saint Anselms, Northeastern University, Boston University, Worcester Poly-tech, Mass Maritime, Bridgewater State College, University of Mass-Dartmouth/Amherst, University of Hawaii, University of Tampa.

Wareham Public Schools and Massachusetts CPI: Aggregate Trends



AYP History for the District in ELA

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Aggregate	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
All Subgroups	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No

2010 Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Data Summary

	NCLB Status	Performance Rating	Improvement Rating
English Language Arts	No Status	High	No Change

AYP History for the District in Math

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Aggregate	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
All Subgroups	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No

2010 Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Data Summary

	NCLB Status	Performance Rating	Improvement Rating
Math	Corrective Action Subgroups	Moderate	Improved below target

Ongoing Improvement Efforts at Minot Forest & Decas Schools

- Increased teaching staff, reduced class size
- Teaming with subject specialization implemented in grades four and five, at both schools
- Common planning time – all teachers, all grades
- Embedded professional development for teachers in new programs and specific strategies
- Vocabulary focus & writing program implemented in all grades, K through 5
- Scope and sequence ELA curriculum implemented and aligned with writing sequence

Improvement Efforts at Minot Forest & Decas Schools

(continued)

- New *Every Day Math program* implemented, with in-service consultants, grades K – 5
- New *Science* program implemented, with math applications, for grades 3 through 5
- Two intervention blocks – DAILY – for all students
 - 30 minutes, English language arts & reading
 - 30 minutes, mathematics

Ongoing Improvement Efforts at Wareham Middle School

- Vocabulary focus & writing program implemented at all three grades
- Scope and sequence ELA curriculum based on genre studies aligned with writing sequence
- Grade level benchmarks established
- Common formative assessments of the benchmarks, designed and implemented in math and English language arts
- Teachers collaboratively assess student work and plan instruction based on their evaluation
- New science program implemented in grades 6 through 8, embedded professional development

How to eliminate the achievement gap?

- Fully implement Wareham's Response to Intervention (RTI)
- Implement enhanced supervision and instructional leadership.
- Implement MA Core Curriculum at Wareham High School.
- Spending alone doesn't increase achievement but when the gap in spending mirrors the gap in achievement we can't do the same things and expect different results.

Wareham Public Schools

- We are the largest employer in Town.
- We feed more people than any restaurant in Town.
- We transport more people than any other service in Town.
- Working together we can find the resources to fulfill our mission.
- Our children deserve the best education possible.