

QUALITY INDICATORS

The East Lyme Public Schools enjoy a regional and statewide reputation for providing high quality education and programs for all students. This reputation derives from many quality indicators, some of which are listed below.

1. High expectations for students and staff
2. Competitive college and university admissions and completion rate
3. Student test performance which meet or exceed regional and state averages
4. The daily attendance rate exceeds 96 percent districtwide
5. Involvement of parents/teachers in school-based decisions
6. Grants from state/federal sources fund programs
7. School-business partnerships
8. Collegiate relationships to enhance core and enrichment programs
9. Professional staff is highly trained and well respected
10. A nationally recognized professional development program
11. A blue ribbon elementary school (Flanders) and a middle school that is also a blue ribbon school and was named CAS middle school of the year
12. Regional, state and nationally recognized music program
13. Quality school age child-care program K-8

BOARD OF EDUCATION

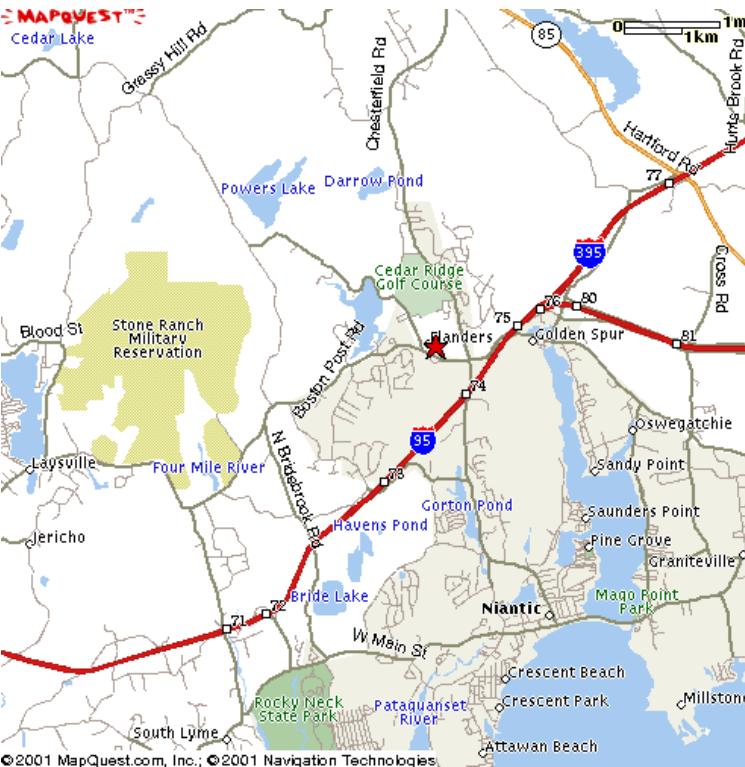
The East Lyme Board of Education consists of elected citizens who donate their time to the town. The term of office for each member is four years, with all of the members up for election every other year. Through close interaction with Central Office, the Board of Education guides philosophical and curriculum policy and approves the educational budget. Meetings are regularly scheduled on the second and fourth Mondays in the evening during the school year.

DIRECTORY

Superintendent of Schools	860-739-3966
Assistant Superintendent	860-739-3966
Director of Special Education	860-739-3966
Principal, Flanders School	860-739-8475
Principal, Lillie B Haynes School	860-739-2922
Principal, Niantic Center School	860-739-3961
Principal, Middle School	860-739-4491
Principal, High School	860-739-6946

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Timothy Hagen, Chairperson	William Derry
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WELCOME TO EAST LYME PUBLIC SCHOOLS



MISSION STATEMENT

East Lyme Public Schools will inspire, engage and educate each student to become a contributing citizen and a responsible, independent, and critical thinker.

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THE SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY

East Lyme is located in a residential community in the greater Groton/New London area. The Community enjoys the advantage of retaining the best of both rural and suburban living. Although the community is proud of its colonial heritage and much of its architecture is a constant reminder of the best to be found in a traditional New England, East Lyme is at the forefront of the nation's technological revolution.

Many residents of East Lyme are prominent in the marine, nuclear, and pharmaceutical industries that dominate the economics of the area. Civic activity, social consciousness, and community responsibility are hallmarks of the town.

New York City, Boston, Hartford and New Haven are easily accessible via the Connecticut turnpike (Route I-95). East Lyme offers a variety of recreational facilities. For those who enjoy water sports, there are numerous public and private beaches and docking areas as well as the Niantic Bay Overlook Boardwalk. Niantic Bay provides sheltered water for boating and fishing with several marinas available for boat owners. The waters between Niantic and Waterford are home to the famous Niantic Bay Scallop. Rocky Neck State Park is located on the outskirts of the town.

The schools are an integral part of the town. The school facilities, such as the tennis courts, swimming pool, playing fields, and auditorium are used by local organizations such as Parks and Recreation, The East Lyme Arts Council as well as individual residents.

EAST LYME HIGH SCHOOL

East Lyme High School (860-739-6946), serves approximately 1100 students in the ninth through twelfth grades from the towns of East Lyme and Salem. It is located on Chesterfield Rd. (Route 161) just north of Flanders Four Corners. It is a comprehensive high school that addresses the multiple needs of students who are preparing for futures in college, in the military or in the world of work. Over 89% of the students go on to two or four year colleges. Courses are offered at a variety of levels that include 20 A.P. courses, UCONN Early College Courses, and Tech Prep courses with Three Rivers Community College. Academic departments include English, art, business, global language, mathematics, science, social studies, music, health and physical education, family and consumer education, and technology education. Independent studies, virtual learning courses, cooperative work experiences and internships are also available. Five full computer

labs including a language lab are supplemented by mobile computer labs and a state-of-the-art distance learning center. The school is based on an alternating day block schedule and also features a Mentor/Mentee program and a Freshman Academy to assist in student's transition to high school. The vast majority of students participate in extra-curricular activities which include a wide array of varsity sports, numerous clubs as well as chorus, band, orchestra, drama, academic and community service organizations. The school annually performs very well on all standardized tests. The High School offers a Coastal Connections Program where students have the chance to be involved in a nontraditional high school experience. It provides students with a smaller, supportive learning atmosphere which individualizes the learning experience while focusing on interest based learning opportunities. Students are expected to participate in internship placements supervised by an on-site mentor within our local communities during school hours. The school is organized around an advisory model where students stay with the same advisor (teacher) for their entire high school experience.

EAST LYME MIDDLE SCHOOL

The East Lyme Middle School (860-739-4491) located on Society Rd. is a state-of- the-art facility that opened in September 2002. The school is a New England League of Middle Schools spotlight school, a CAS Middle School of the Year school, and a Blue Ribbon school. The East Lyme Community Center and the town library are conveniently situated nearby, and students can, if they wish, walk next door and visit the Youth Services Association before catching a late bus home.

The Middle School is designed to recognize and meet the needs of adolescent students in grades 5-8. To this end, faculty members work in two year looped teams to coordinate and focus their collective knowledge about their students to better serve their needs. The school is subdivided into three House Communities in which each student is well known by a core staff for a full four year experience. Instruction is integrated across subject areas and students are supported by an Advisory Program. At the Middle School, students begin to make some decisions about which courses they take. The students continue to learn basic content areas as in elementary school, but also make choices about Global Language study and about participation in musical offerings and performing groups. Middle School students are also encouraged to participate in extra-curricular activities and intramural sports including offerings such as Math Counts, Basketball, Volleyball, Cross Country, Digital Productions, Leaders Club, Science Club, Drama and many other clubs and social activities.

EAST LYME ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Three elementary schools serve the needs of East Lyme children from pre-kindergarten through grade four. Flanders School (860-739-8475), serves the north end of town and is located behind and adjacent to Central Office building on Boston Post Rd. near Flanders Four Corners and close to the high school. Lillie B. Haynes School (860-739-2922), centrally located in town on Society Road, is next to the town community center. Niantic Center School (860-739-3961), is located in the south end of East Lyme within the village of Niantic, and is within walking distance to McCook Point Park, the Childrens' Museum, town beaches, and the village itself.

All three schools emphasize instruction in reading, writing, math, science, and social studies and offer art, music, instrumental music, and physical education. In addition, the schools use computers in the classroom and in labs where students can explore and learn applications in current technology. The schools, individually and collectively, focus on enriching their students' lives in school and through extracurricular programs. After-school activities, sponsored by the P.T.A.'s, teach activities as diverse as computers, cooking, science exploration, kickball, aerobics, and origami. Assemblies provide exposure to scientific, artistic, and cultural events.

SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

Students with special needs in reading, speech, language, physical accommodations, cognitive, social, or emotional areas are identified and provided with appropriate assistance from specialists, classroom teachers, and support staff. Through the Special Services department (860-739-3966), East Lyme has developed an Integrated Preschool to serve the children ages three to five who have two or more areas of special need and a Transition Program that services the 18-21 year old population.

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT (as of December 2016)

Flanders School	367
Lillie B Haynes School	308
Niantic Center School	173
E.L. Middle School	836
E.L. High School	<u>1,062</u>
TOTAL	2,746

BUDGET

Total School Budget	2016-17	\$45,484.605
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