

Westwood Public Schools

MCAS 2021 Results

Westwood School Committee
October 20, 2021

MCAS 2021

Changes to the Assessment

2020 Test Cancelled

2021 Changes

- Shorter format

- Longer, later testing window

- Remote testing option

- Changes to competency determination (CD) standard

- Waiver for accountability ratings

Competency Determination (CD) changes

Competency determination - requirement to issue a high school diploma [M.G.L. c. 69, § 1D](#)

	Class of 2022	Class of 2023
ELA & Math	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Passing MCAS score OR2) Successful completion of a relevant high school course	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Passing MCAS score OR2) Threshold score AND meet requirements of educational proficiency plan
STE	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Passing MCAS score OR2) Successful completion of a relevant high school course	

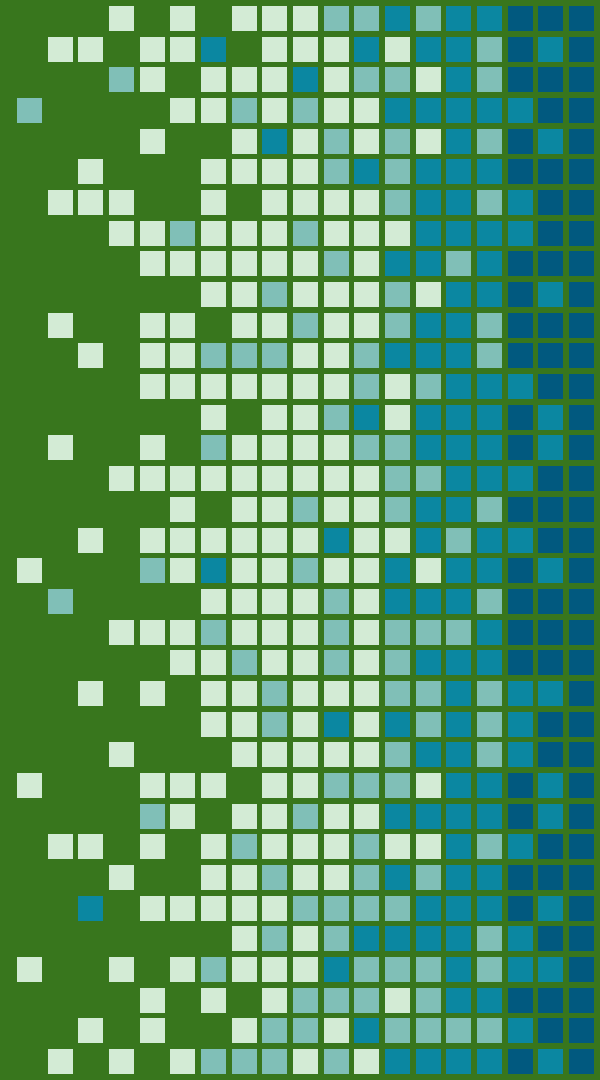
2021 Data Review

- ☒ WPS students meeting or exceeding (M + E) standards in 2021 v. 2019
- ☒ WPS M + E performance versus comparison districts
- ☐ Standards-based analysis - improve curriculum and instruction
- ☐ Sub group analysis - improve equity
- ☐ Student results + other data - support and intervention

2021 Comparison Districts

DART Districts (2019)	High Performing Districts	TEC Districts
Duxbury Groton-Dunstable Hamilton-Wenham Hanover Longmeadow Masconomet North Reading Norwell Reading Wayland Wilmington	Concord/Concord-Carlisle Dover/Dover-Sherborn* Lexington Lincoln/Lincoln-Sudbury Medfield* Needham* Wellesley Weston Winchester *also in TEC	Canton Dedham Holliston Hopkinton Medway Millis Natick Norwood Walpole

**% Meeting Expectations
+
% Exceeding Expectations**



Highlights

Minimal change in ELA between 2019 and 2021, improvement in some grades:

- 4th Grade +1%

- 10th Grade +5%

- 7th Grade +9%

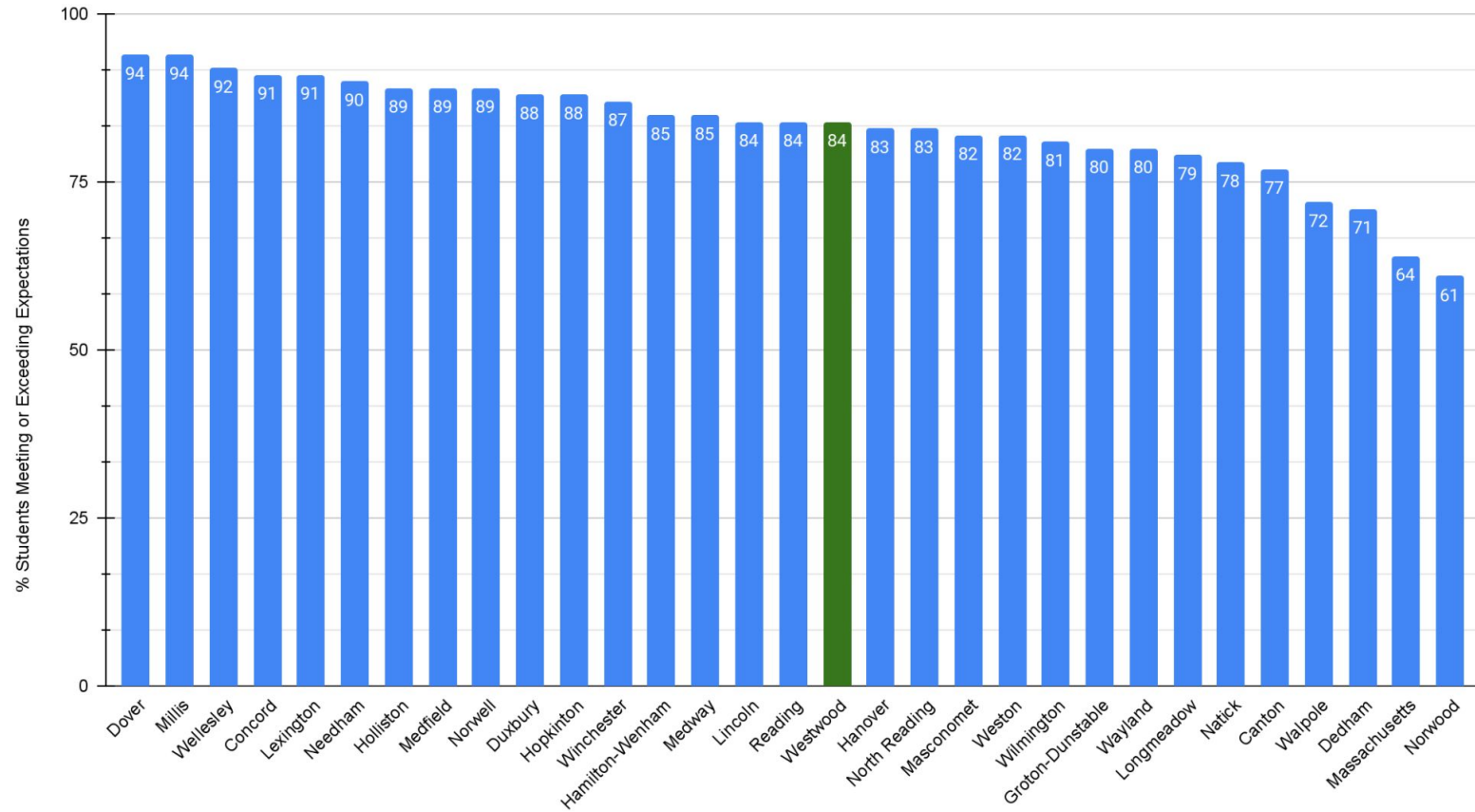
Grade 3 - 8 aggregate scores among top in state: 7th in ELA & 15th in math.

Grades 3, 4 & 5 ELA scores #1 among all comparison districts.

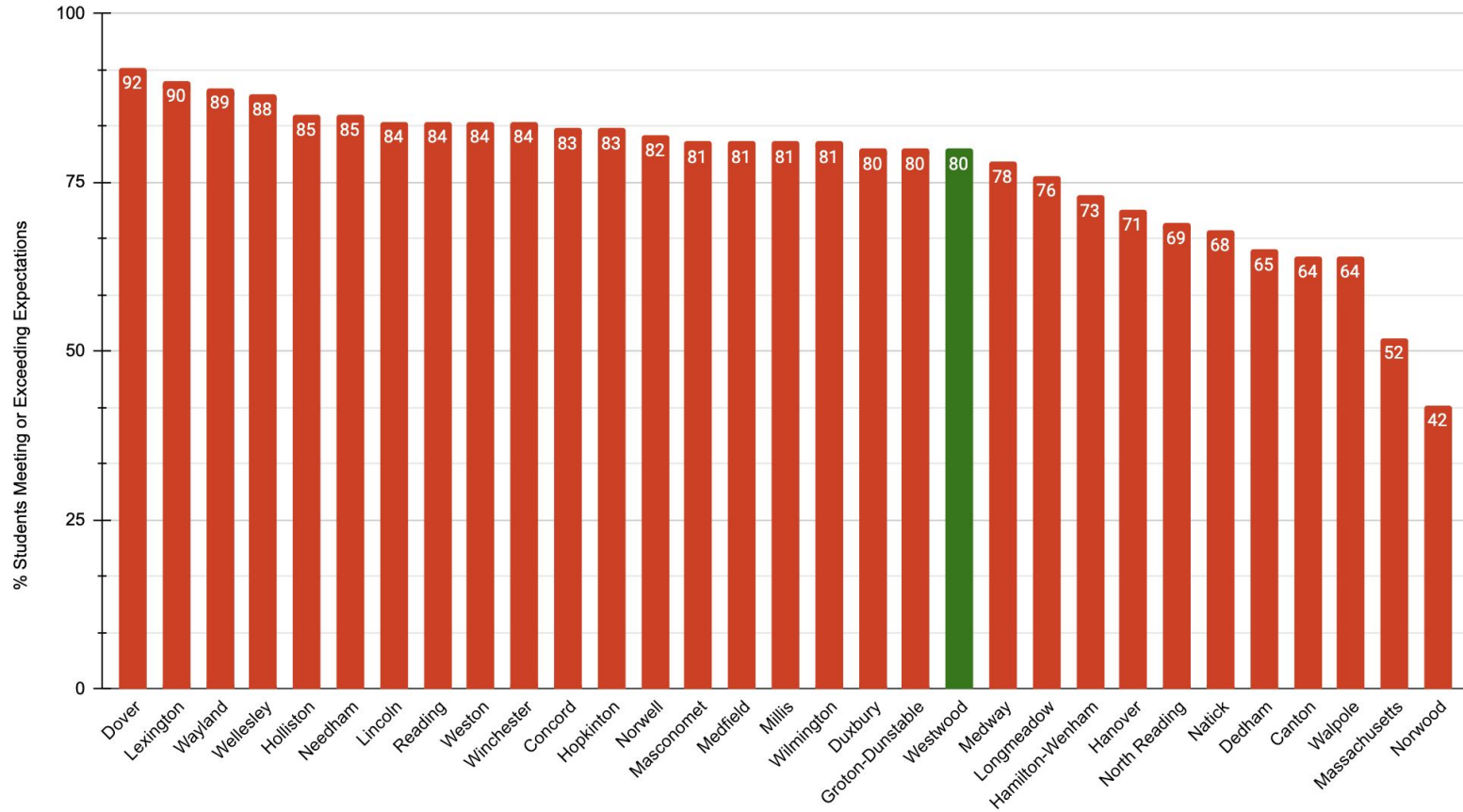
Grades 3, 4 & 7 Math scores top six among comps

Grade 5 STE scores 3rd among comps & 6th in the state.

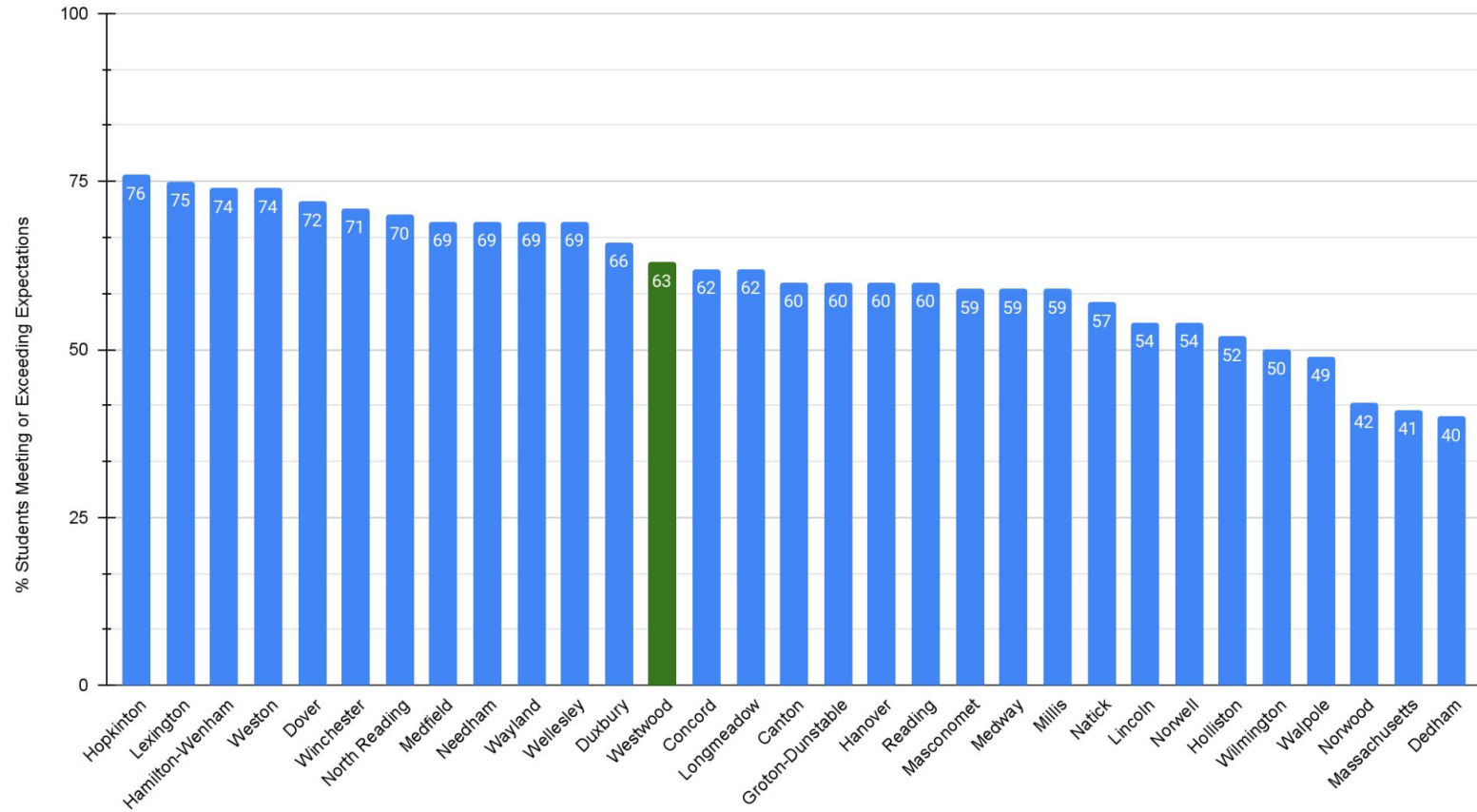
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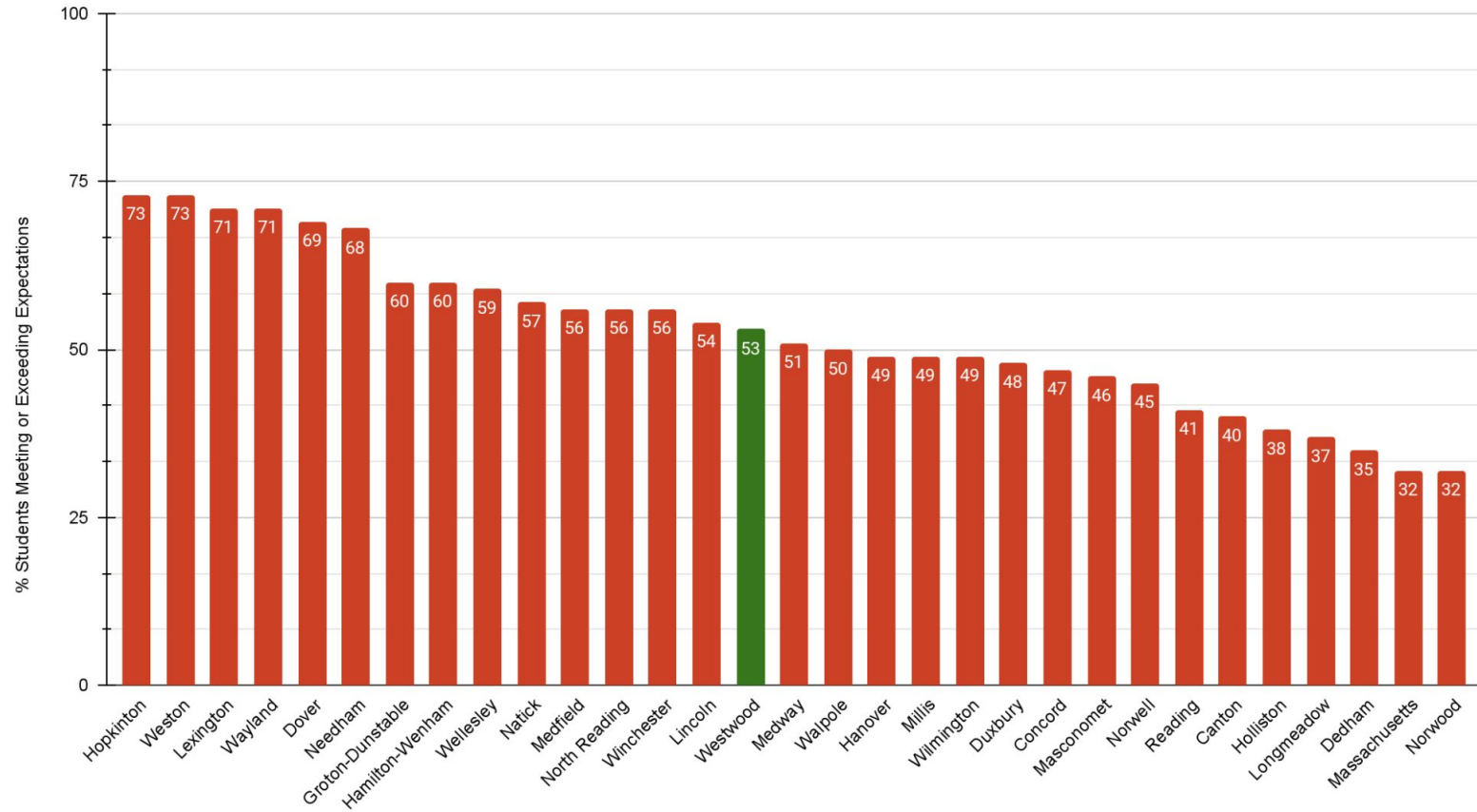
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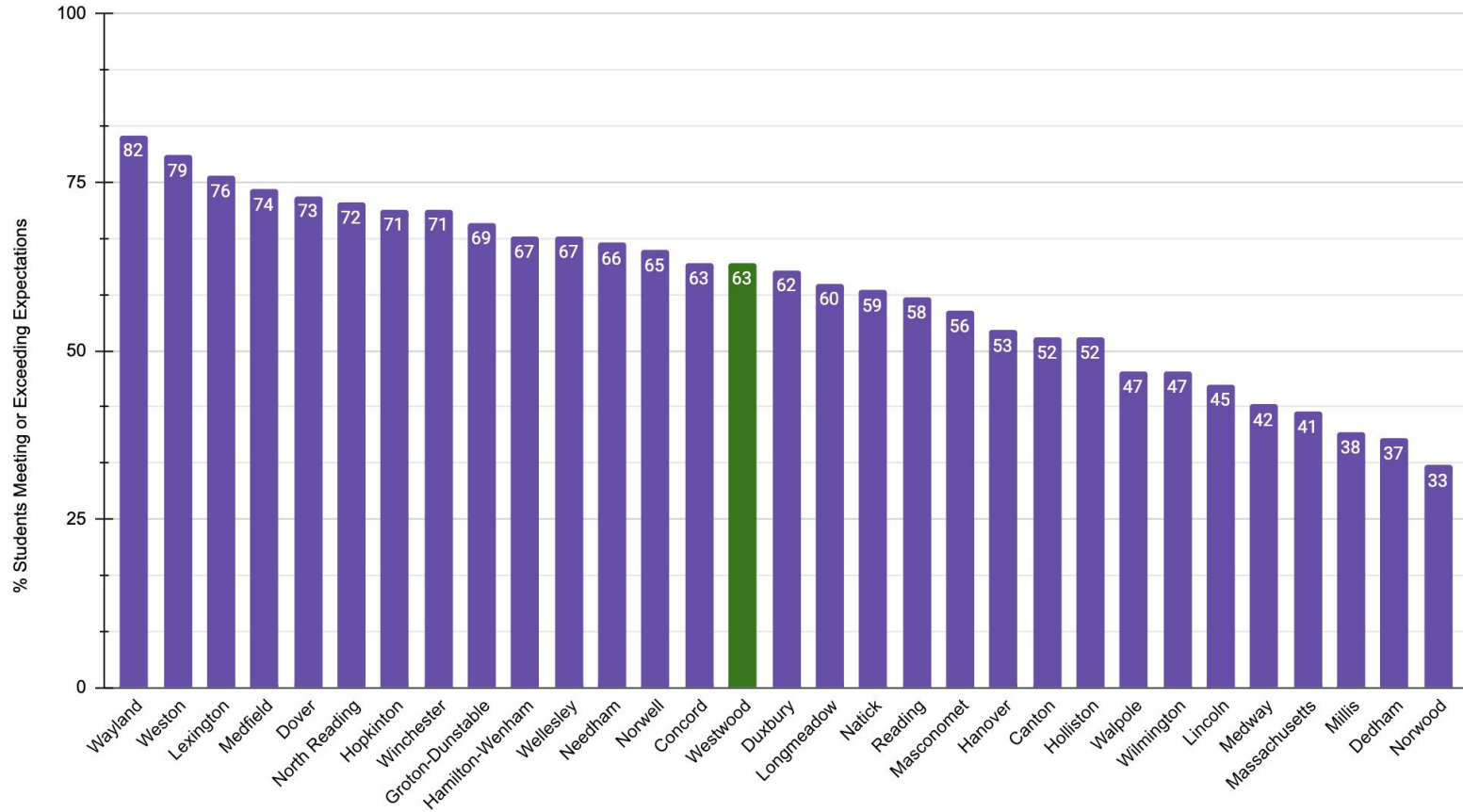
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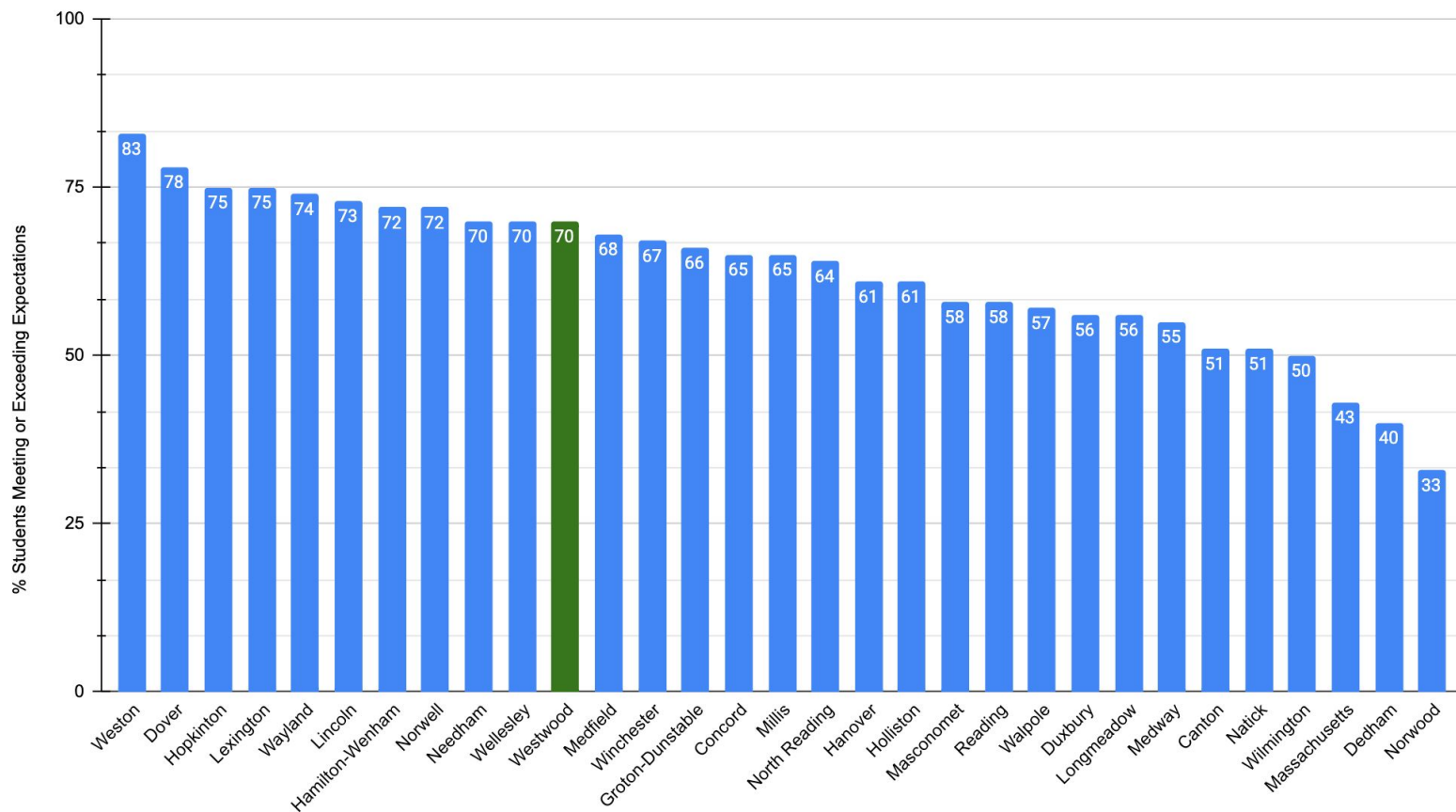
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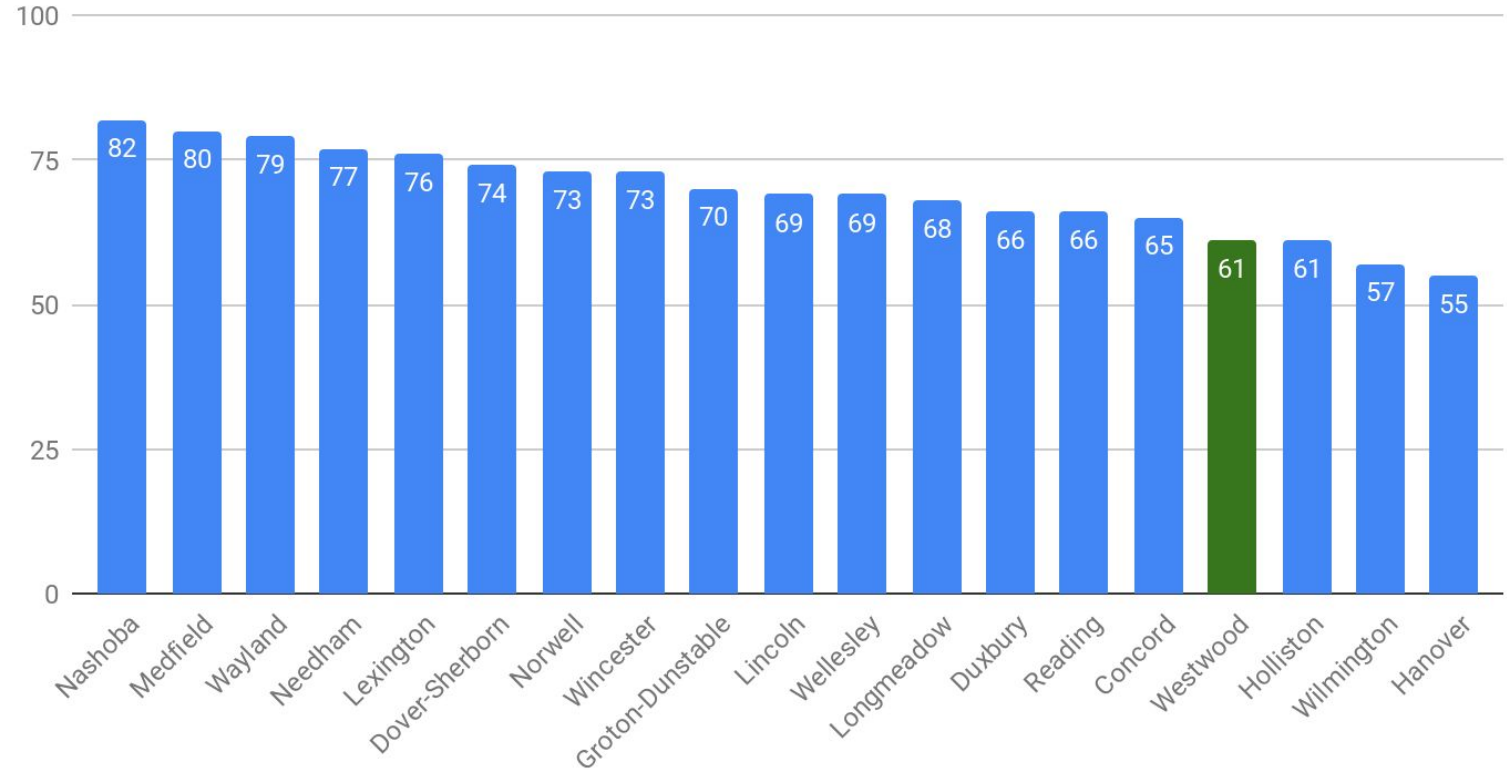


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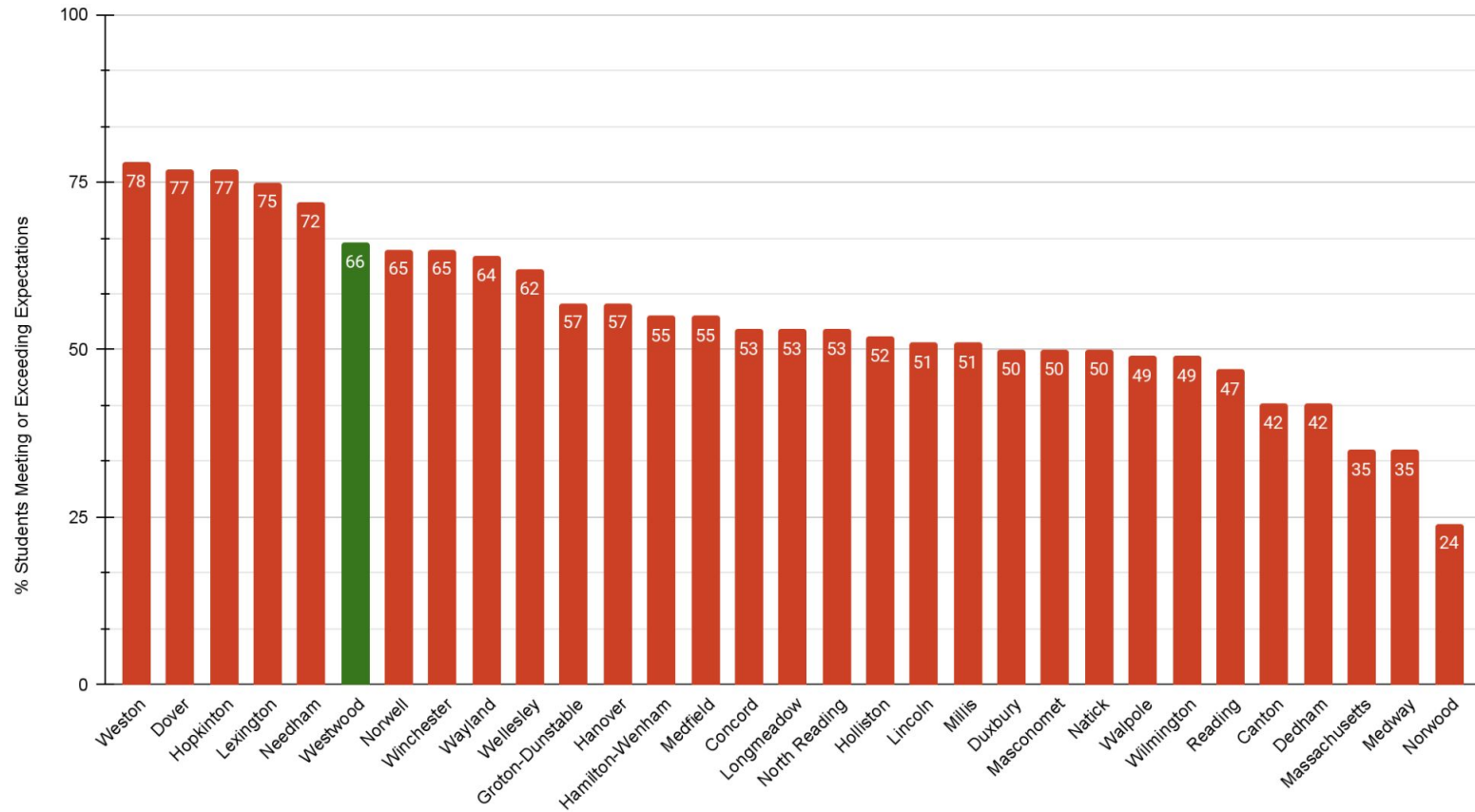
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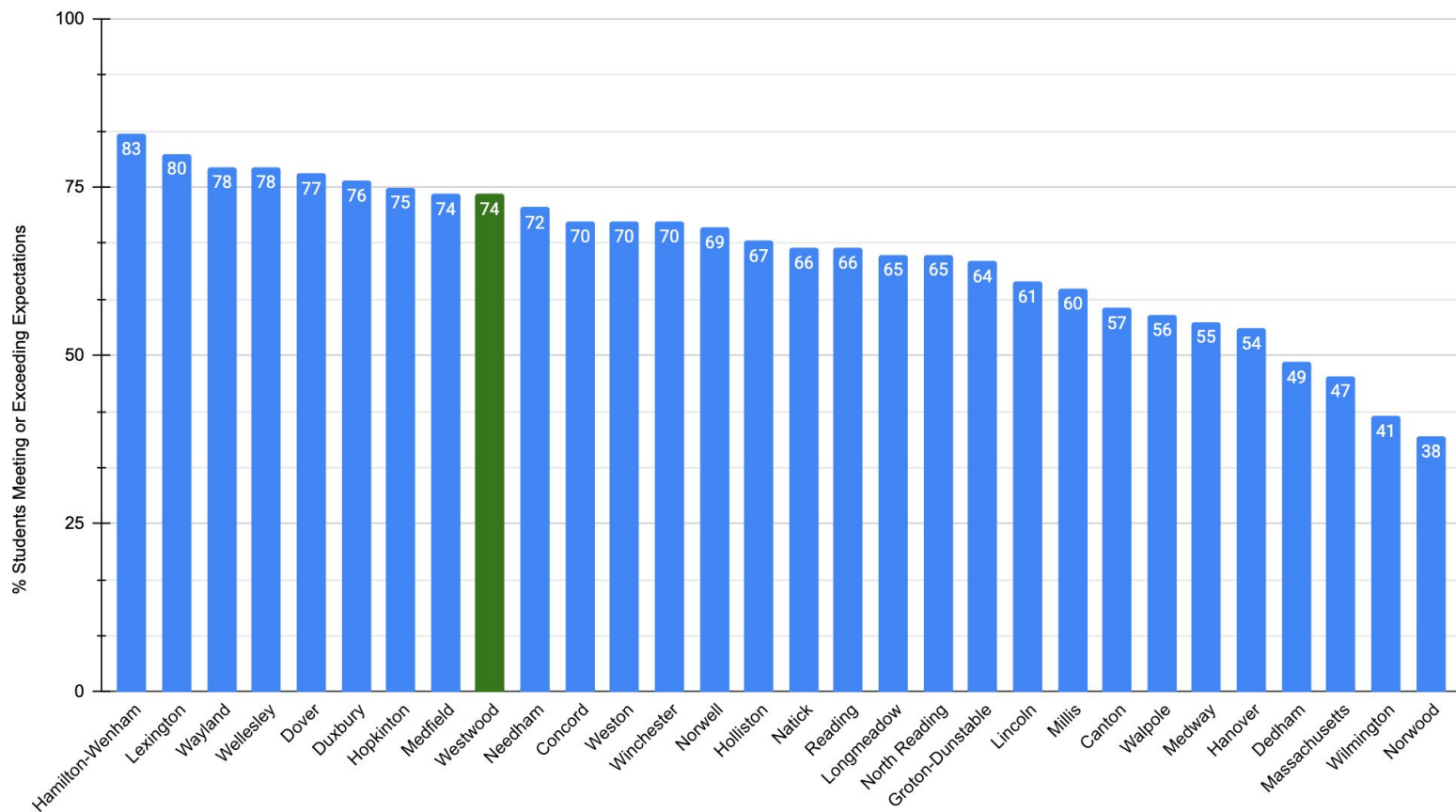


Grade 7 ELA Meeting or Exceeding Expectations

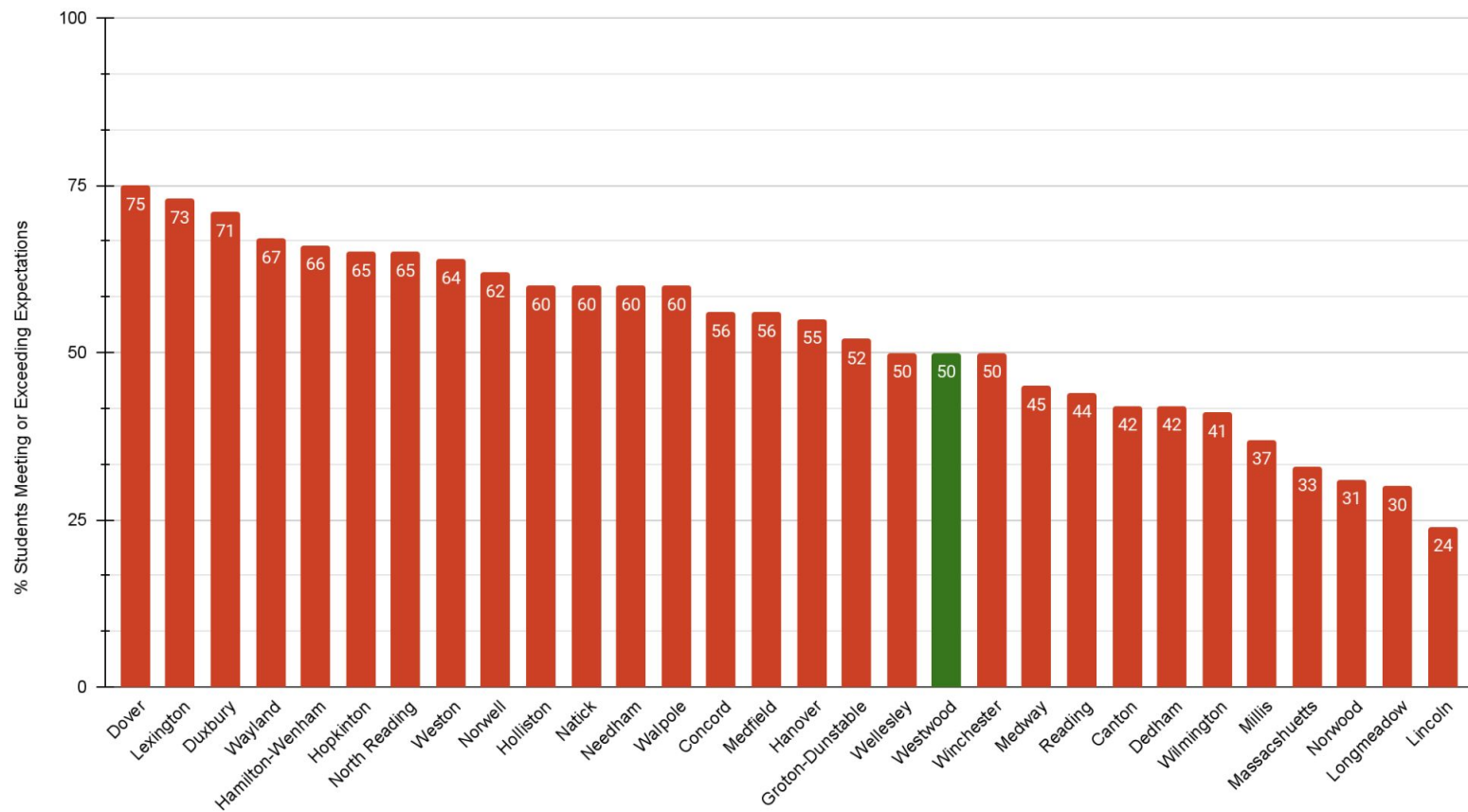
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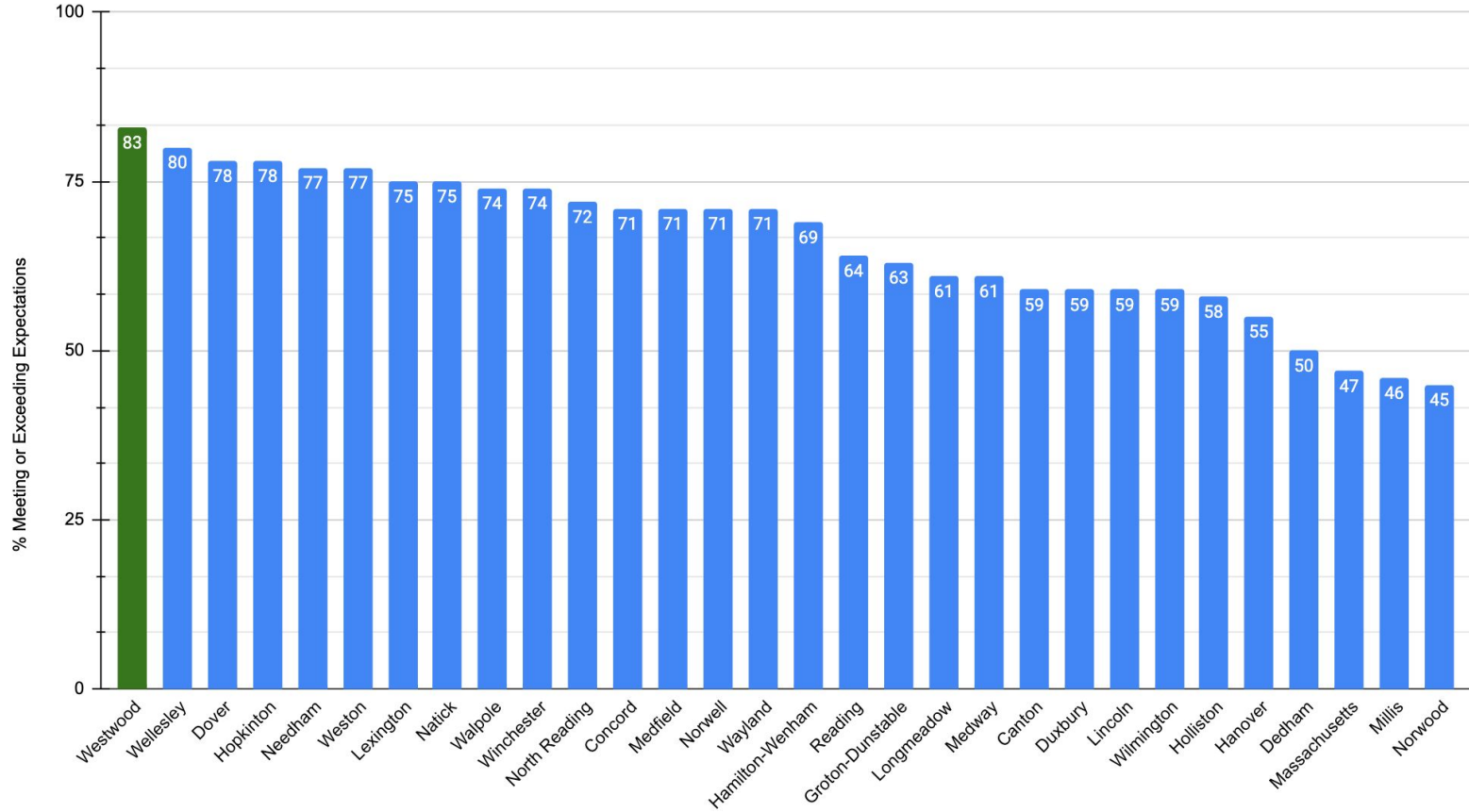
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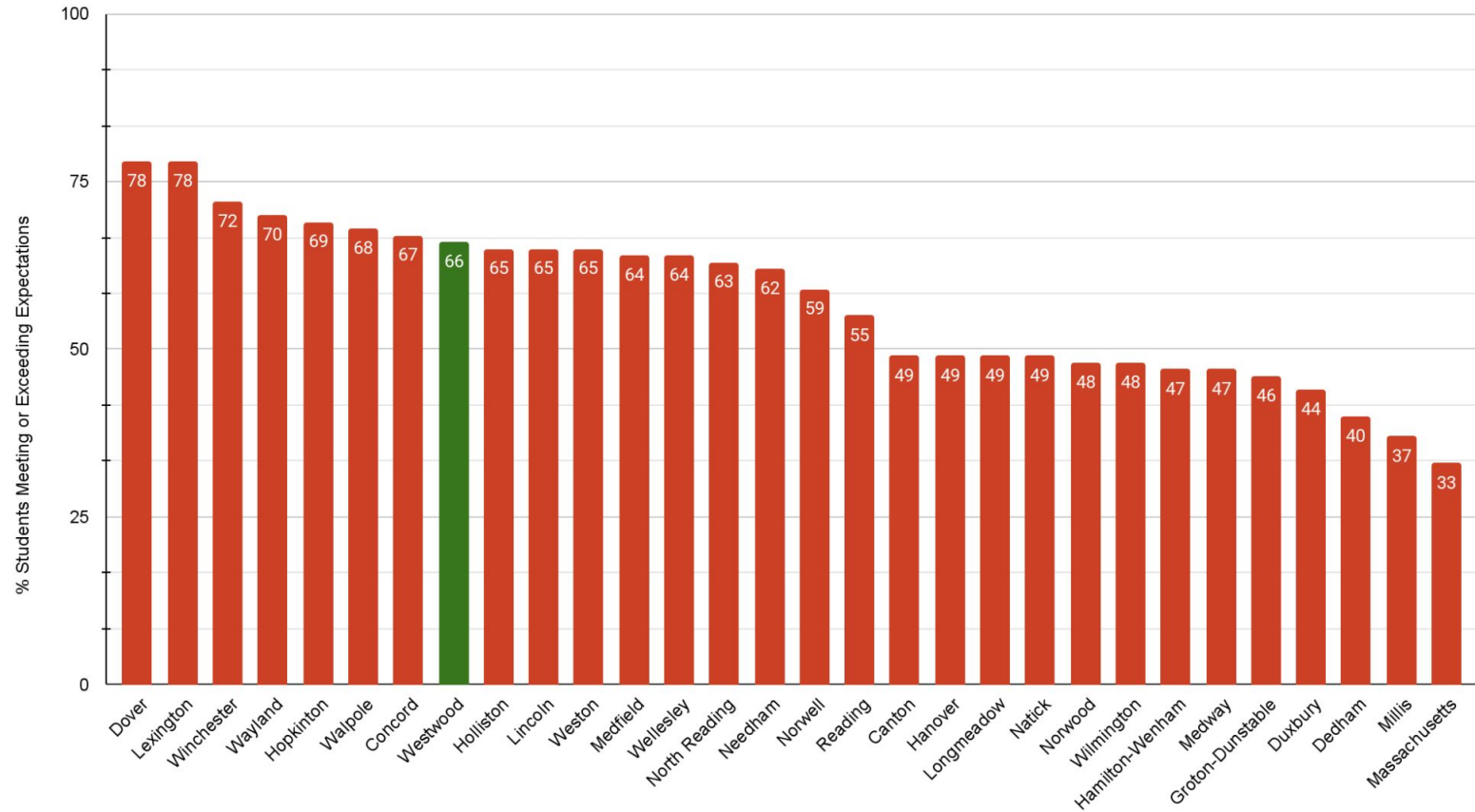
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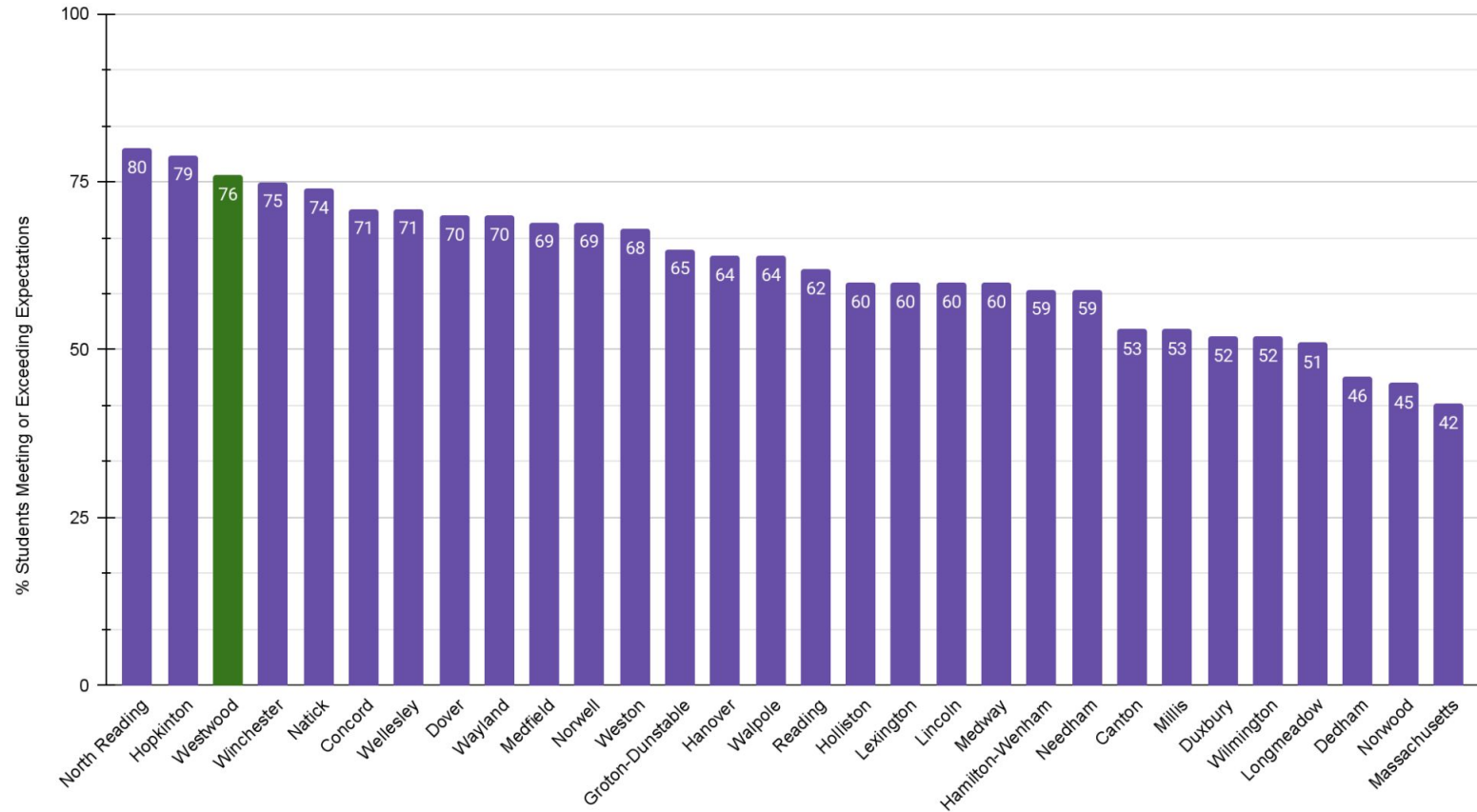
ELA Gr 5: Comp Districts Meeting or Exceeding



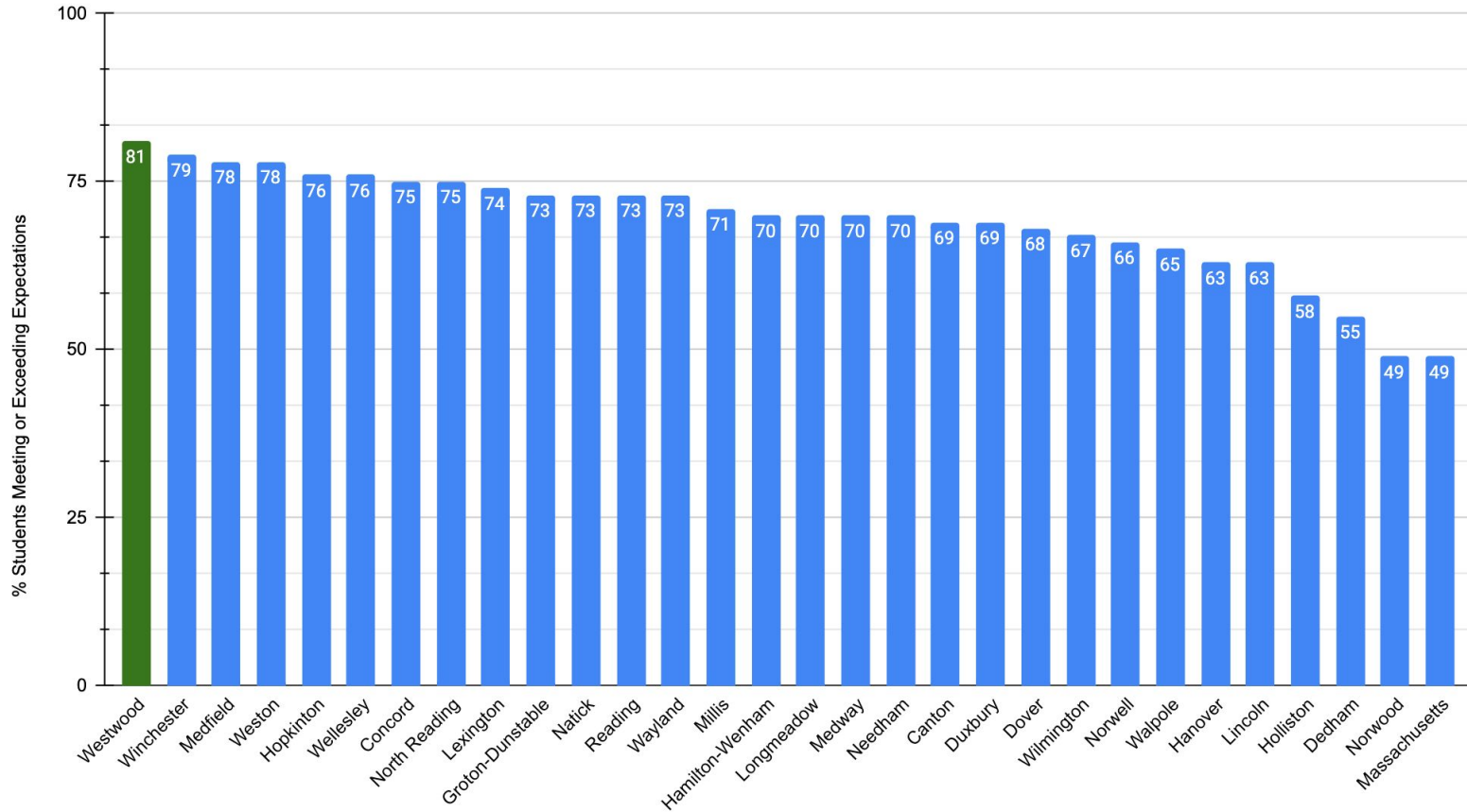
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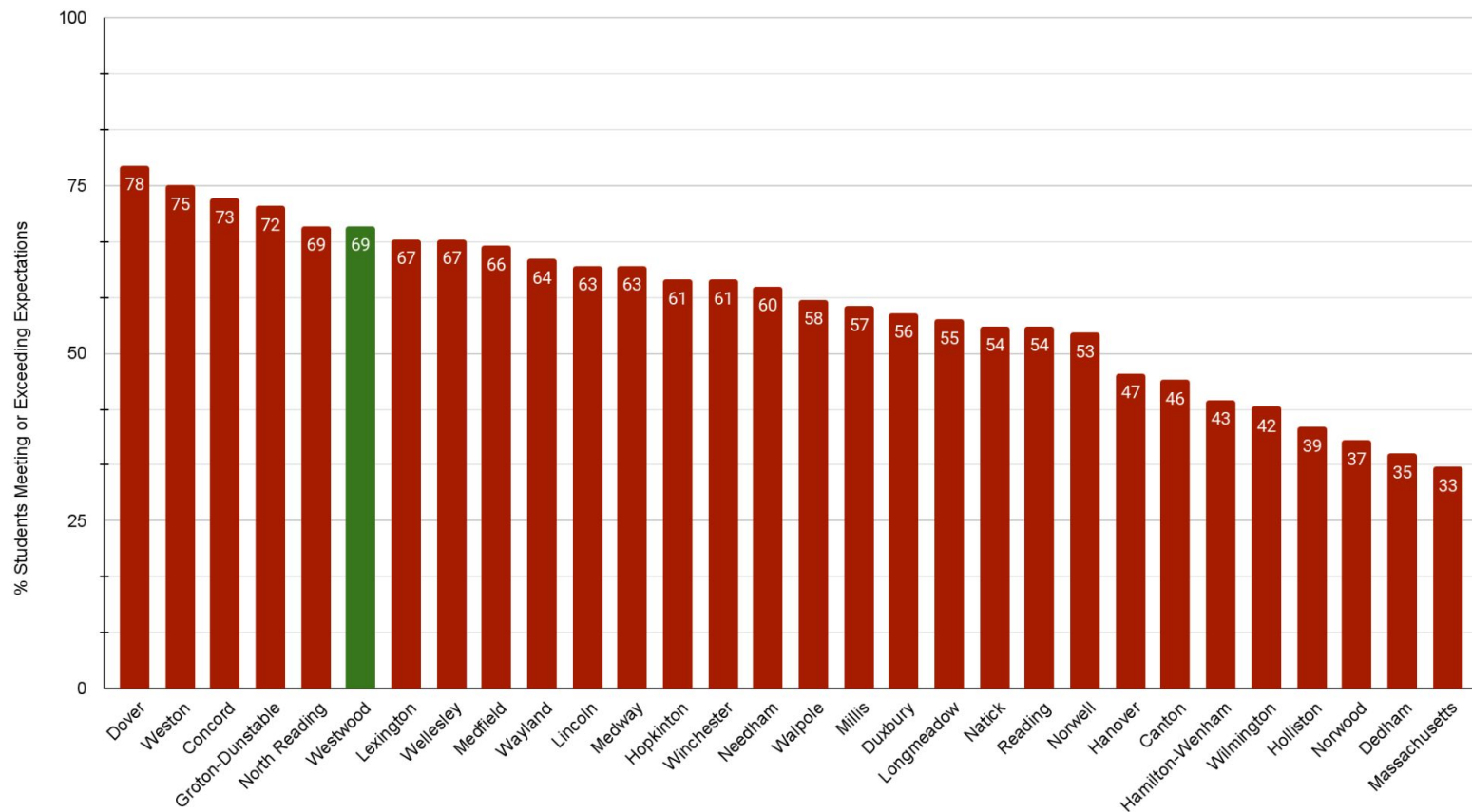
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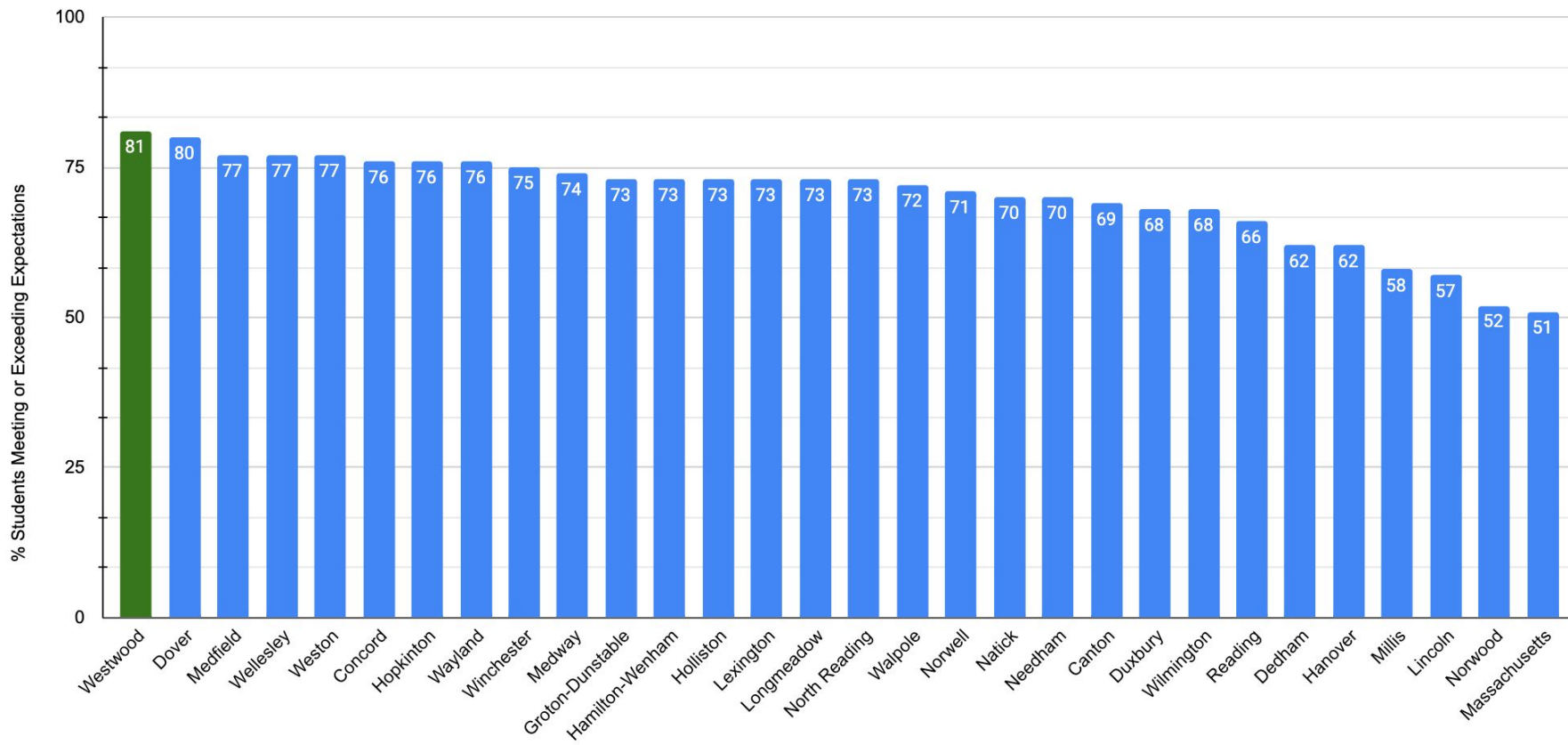
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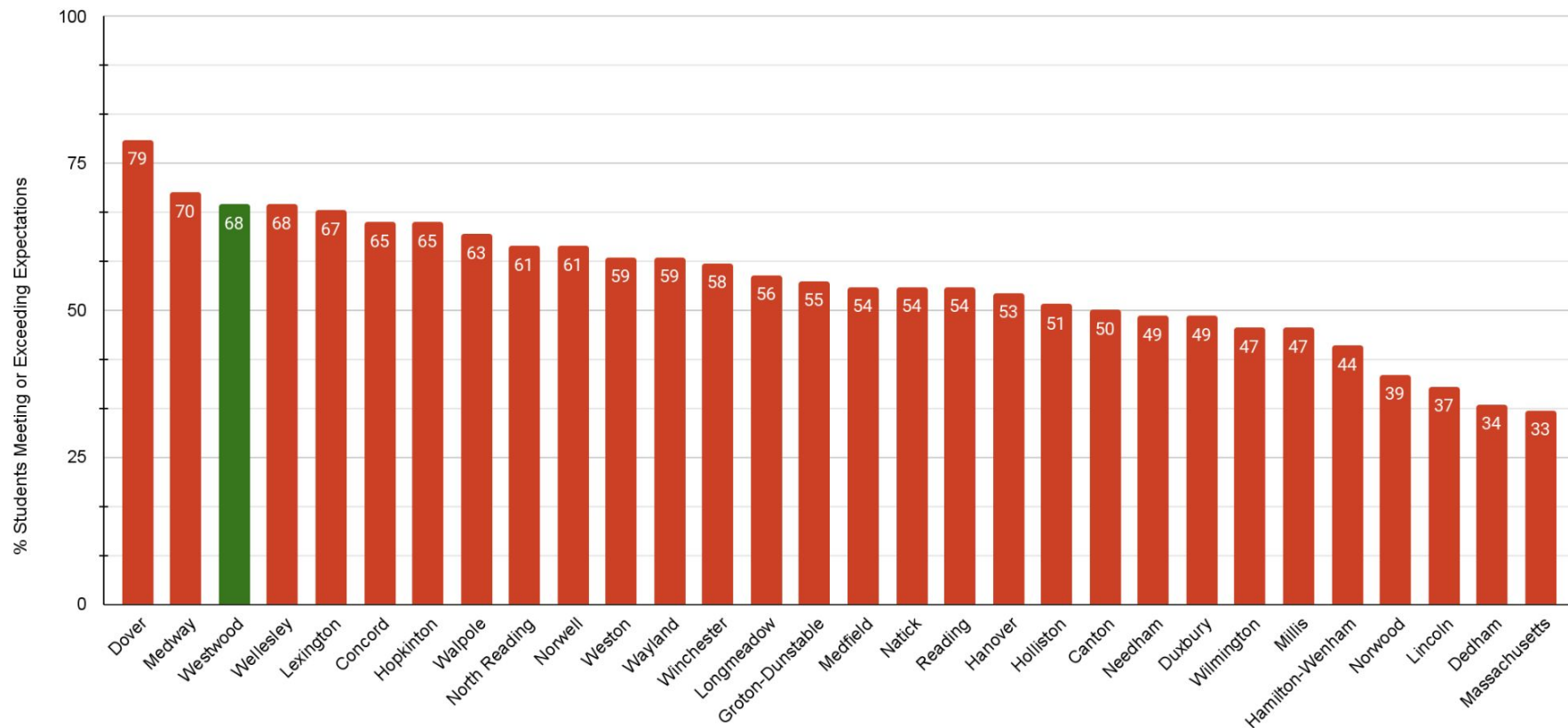
Grade 4 Math: Comp Districts Meeting or Exceeding



Grade 3 ELA: Comp Districts Meeting or Exceeding



Grade 3 Math: Comp Districts Meeting or Exceeding



What's Next?

- Continue analysis at district/school/curriculum level
 - Small team review of subgroup performance
 - Coordinators/department heads leading standards-based data review
 - Teachers, building leaders, specialists review individual student performance, along with other data (e.g., STAR, classroom assessments)
- Provide student support
- Make adjustments as needed to curriculum & instruction

Thank you!