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# Health Services Weymouth School District

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# **Goals**

## **for this presentation related to Health Services**

- Share the impact of health and wellness on student achievement
- To demonstrate the scope of school nursing practice
- Identify differences in the workload across the grade levels

# Health Services Mission Statement

Weymouth Public School Nurses are essential members of the educational team. Our mission is to foster the growth, development and educational achievement of Weymouth students by promoting their health and wellness in a safe and supportive environment. We are committed to meeting the health needs of individual students. Through collaboration with public and private agencies and primary care providers, we advocate for students, their families and the school community.

# Essential School Health Services Grant (ESHS Grant)

• There are 72 ESHS Districts with total funding of \$7,345,146. Thirty nine of the 72 ESHS Districts have funding for eighty Non-Public Schools for a total of \$460,020. The ESHS program also has 126 Partner Schools funded at \$3,000 each for a total of \$378,000.

- Competitive grant offered through the Department of Public Health(DPH)
- Purpose of the grant is to enhance health services to better serve the students in schools, through infrastructure development; establishing collaboration with other schools and school districts; collecting, maintaining and analyzing data; participating in continuous quality improvement (CQI) projects

Weymouth School District	Total Award	\$129,560
Weymouth Public Schools	101,560	
Non-Public Schools	\$22,000	
Partner Schools	\$6000	

# Health Services



CPR and First Aid  
Instruction



Flu Clinic Collaboration



Health Office Activities

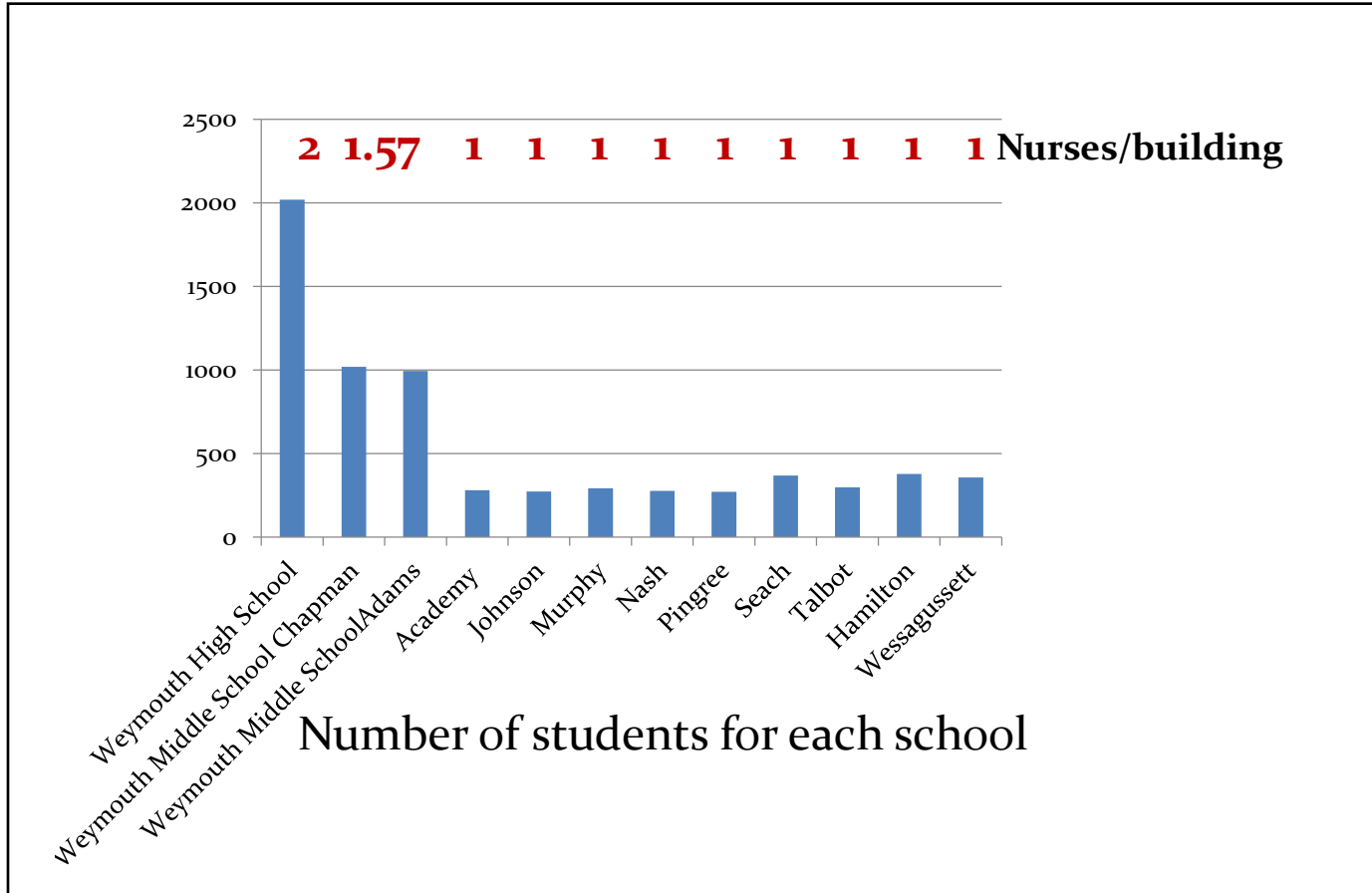


Screenings



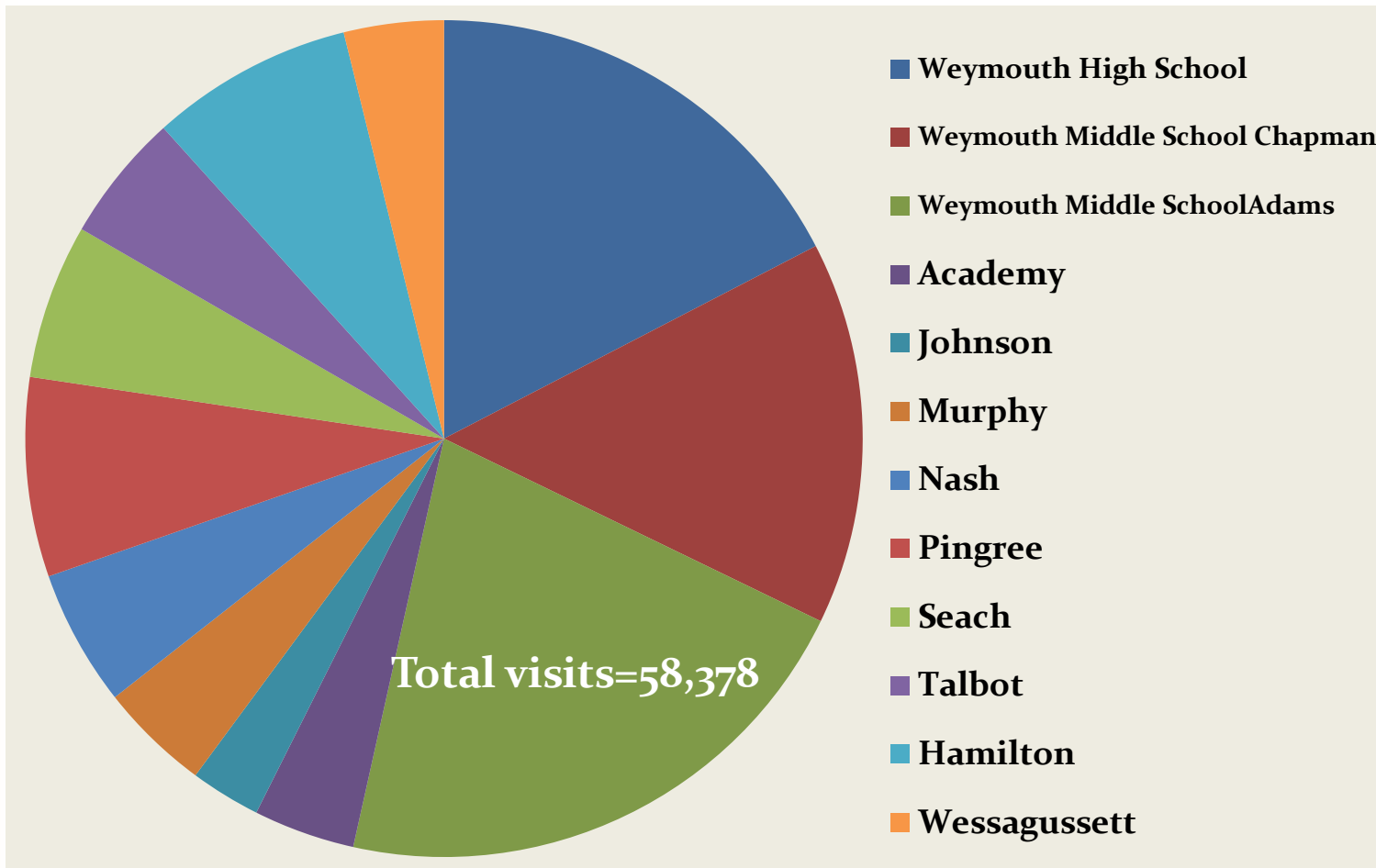
Dental Care Collaboration

# Student to Nurse Ratio



The 1998 legislative report, Options for Developing School Health Services in Massachusetts, states the recommended school nurse to student ratio is 1.0 fulltime equivalent (FTE) certified nurse in each building with 250 to 500 students. In buildings with more than 500 students, there should be 0.1 FTE for each additional 50 students. For buildings with fewer than 250 students, the ratio is calculated at 0.1 FTE: 25 students.

# Health Office Visits by Schools 2011-2012



These office visits include health assessments, administration of medications, injury assessments.

They do not include mandated screenings.

# Return to Class Rate

- Collectively the return to class rate for the district is 91% for 2011-2012
- After a nursing intervention 53,139 students were able to return to class to access the curriculum.





# Looking at the caseload

## Total Number of Visits 2011-2012

- 58,378

## Grades Pre-k-4 Visits

- 27,157
- 8 nurses

## Grades 5-12 Visits

- 31,221
- 4 full-time nurses and 2-part-time nurses

Mandated Screenings,  
Immunizations and Physicals

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Concussion Regulations, Fieldtrips and  
Follow up



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