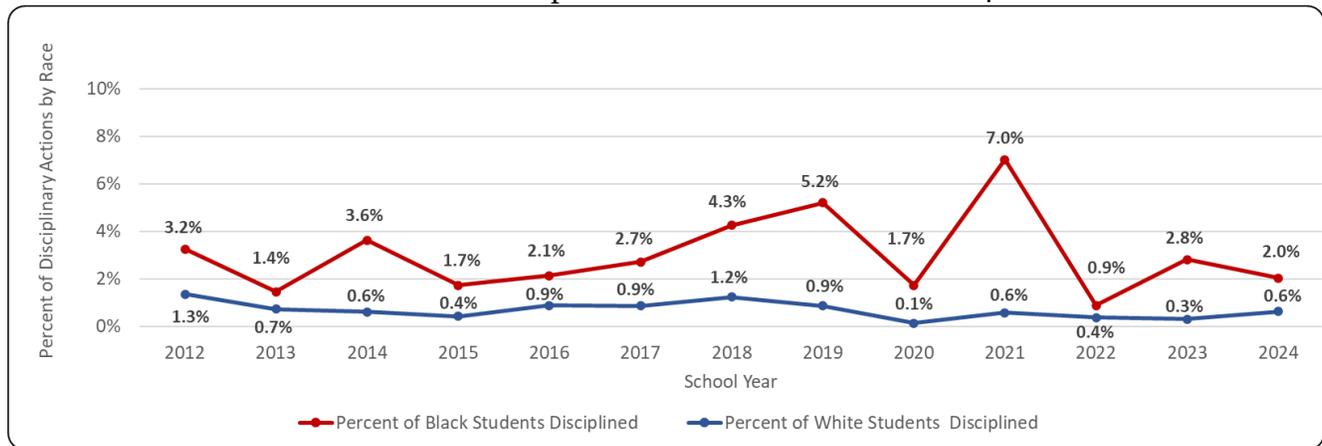


Inequities in School Discipline in Melrose Public Schools

Update with Data from the 2024-2025 School Year*

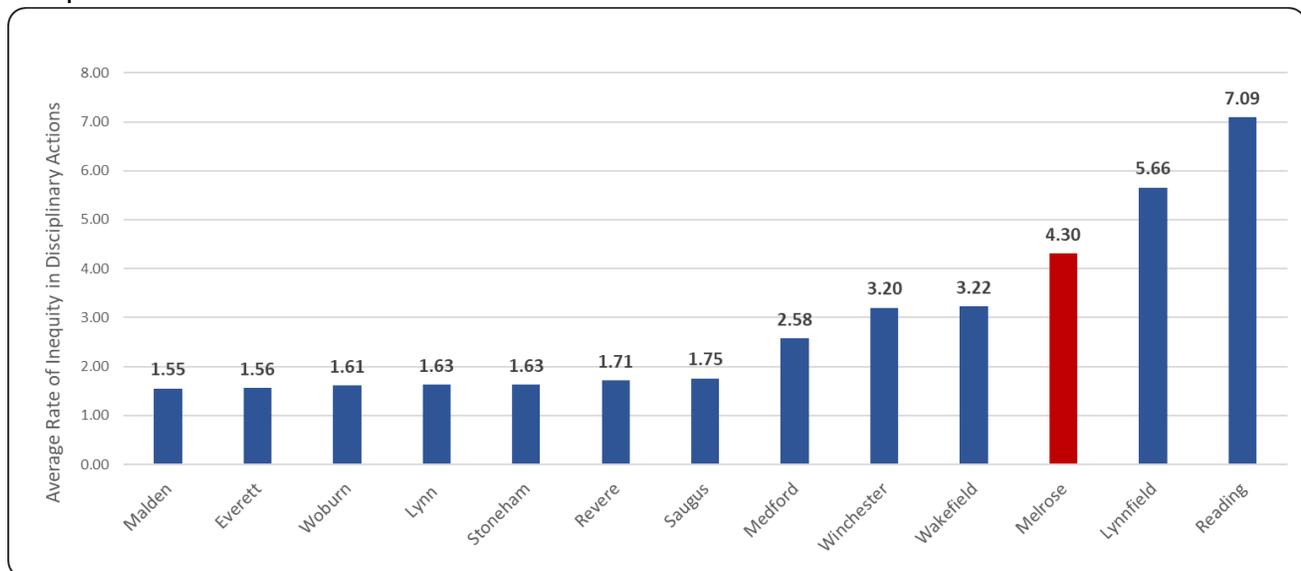
In each of the past 13 years, Melrose Public Schools have disciplined Black students at a higher rate than white students. The pandemic interrupted a four-year increase in the rate at which Black students were disciplined, only for the upward trend to resume the following year. A sharp decline in the 2022-2023 school year was not sustained. The discipline race gap grew somewhat smaller in the 2024-2025 school year, but Black students were still disciplined at 3 times the rate of white students.

Percent of Black and White Students Disciplined in Melrose from 2012-2024



Over the past 13 years, the Melrose Public Schools have disciplined Black students at more than four times the rate of white students. Melrose has one of the highest rates of racial inequity in school discipline compared with neighboring communities. Specifically, we have greater inequity than Malden, Everett, Woburn, Lynn, Stoneham, Revere, Saugus, Medford, Winchester, and Wakefield.

Average Rate at Which Area Public Schools Disciplined Black Students Relative to White Students, 2012-2024



*Data labels are based on the start of the school year; data from the 2024-2025 school year are labeled “2024.”
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