With 10 elementary, 4 middle, 4 high schools, and a career and technical center, enrollment in Pittsylvania County schools has decreased. This profile shows key information and trends about the division’s demographics and funding.

Students from families that struggle financially face challenges that can make success in the classroom more difficult.

- 18% of all school-age children lived in poverty in 2014.
- 56% of all students got free or reduced lunch in 2016.
- 6% of high schoolers who should have graduated in 2015 dropped out instead.
- 91% of high schoolers graduated on time in 2015, equal to the statewide 91% rate.

Did you know....

- That a one-cent increase in Pittsylvania’s property tax rate can raise about $390,600?
- That Pittsylvania invested 15.6% above the required local effort for SOQ programs in 2015?

The state’s share of operations funding for Pittsylvania County schools has fallen, while the local government’s share has risen.

Total funding for operations*
*Operations include regular day school, school food services, summer adult, adult education, and other education, but not non-LEA, non-regular day school, debt service, or capital outlay. Pre-K is included in 2015, but not in 2009.

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Between 2009 and 2017, state direct aid per student has fallen sharply (FY16 dollars)

-13.4%

Enrollment has decreased.

- 231 number of 4-year olds with state Virginia Pre-School Initiative funding in 2016-2017
- 12.85 pupil-teacher ratio in 2015
- 23% of 3rd graders did not pass SOL reading in 2015

FUNDING
As the state has cut education funding statewide, per student direct aid has fallen sharply for Pittsylvania County Public Schools, after adjusting for inflation.

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Sources: Virginia Department of Education, U.S. Census Bureau