**STAUNTON CITY SCHOOLS**

With 3 elementary schools, a middle school, a high school, and a preschool program, enrollment in Staunton City public schools has decreased. This profile shows key information and trends about the division’s demographics and funding.

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**Enrollment has decreased.**

- 23% of all school-age children lived in poverty in 2014.
- 53% of all students got free or reduced lunch in 2016.
- 4% of high schoolers who should have graduated in 2015 dropped out instead.
- 91% of high schoolers graduated on time in 2015, equalling the statewide 91% rate.

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

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**Did you know....?**

- ... that Staunton invested 81.2% above the required local effort for SOQ programs in 2015?
- ... that a one-cent increase in Staunton’s property tax rate can raise about $179,000?

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**FUNDING**

As the state has cut education funding statewide, per student direct aid has fallen for Staunton City Schools, after adjusting for inflation.

- The state government’s share of operations funding for Staunton schools has fallen, while the local’s and federal government’s shares have risen.

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**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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