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Statewide K-12 Funding Trends At-a-Glance

New analysis reveals key trends statewide and in select divisions

RICHMOND, VA – State per-pupil funding for K-12 education has declined 11.5 percent since the 2008-2009 school year, adjusting for inflation, and the student population is projected to grow by more than 50,000 students over that same time period.

Those are just two of a dozen key facts highlighted in The Commonwealth Institute’s latest compilation of data around state funding for K-12 education published today in an easy-to-read format. In addition, the Institute’s researchers analyzed and compiled at-a-glance funding facts and trends for 36 select school divisions around the state.

The analysis comes at a critical time as lawmakers seek to preserve some modest increases in education funding adopted in the last budget while also resolving a $1.5 billion revenue shortfall. “These numbers show that we’re still down in supporting Virginia students, and that’s why it’s so vital that lawmakers preserve the progress made last legislative session and don’t make further cuts,” says Commonwealth Institute analyst Chris Duncombe.

Links to the statewide and individual division fact sheets can be found on the Institute’s Web site, and at the links below.

Statewide

Select Divisions

Accomack
Alexandria
Augusta
Bedford
Bristol
Brunswick
Charlottesville
Chesapeake
Chesterfield
Danville
Fairfax
Frederick
Fredericksburg
Giles
Hampton
Harrisonburg
Henrico
Lee
Loudoun
Manassas
Manassas Park
Martinsville
Newport News
Norfolk
Petersburg
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Roanoke County
Rockingham
Stafford
Staunton
Sussex
Virginia Beach
Westmoreland
Williamsburg/James City

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