CUMBERLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

With 1 elementary, 1 middle, and 1 high school, enrollment in Cumberland County schools has dropped. This profile shows key information and trends about the division’s demographics and funding.

Enrollment has dropped.

27% of all school-age children lived in poverty in 2014.

68% of all students got free or reduced lunch in 2016.

8% 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.

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

$8,135

$7,591

20.4% 65.3% 14.3%

29.0% 58.8% 12.2%

FUNDING

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

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

Did you know ....

... that Cumberland invested 50.8% above the required local effort for SOQ programs in 2015?

... that a one-cent increase in Cumberland’s property tax rate can raise about $75,000?

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

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