ARLINGTON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

This profile shows key information and trends about the demographics, staffing, and funding for Arlington County Public Schools.

STUDENTS

Enrollment has grown rapidly from 18,557 students in 2009 to 26,028 projected students in 2018.

- 40% growth
- 5.5% of high-schoolers dropped out in 2015-2016

532 four-year olds have state funding for the Virginia Preschool Initiative in 2017-2018.

FUNDING

State direct aid, per student, has fallen sharply for Arlington County Public Schools after adjusting for inflation.

The shares of local, state, and federal funding for school operations has shifted since 2008-2009. Arlington's share has remained steady.

STAFFING

Relative to student enrollment in 2008-2009, there are fewer staff in Arlington County Public Schools. This includes:

- 9% of all school-age children lived in poverty in 2015-2016 compared to 14% statewide
- 30% of all students got free or reduced lunch in 2016-2017 compared to 42% statewide
- 29% of all students were English-language learners in 2016-2017 compared to 12% statewide
- Arlington filled 100% of slots with state funding for the Virginia Preschool Initiative

These numbers show how many more or fewer staff schools have from not maintaining their 2008-2009 staffing ratio.

- 317 Fewer teachers and instructors
- 0 Fewer principals and assistant principals
- 26 Fewer guidance counselors and librarians
- 10 More teacher aides
+ 341 Fewer support staff

674 Fewer staff in schools relative to student enrollment in 2008-2009

Did you know ....

- that a one-cent increase in Arlington's property tax rate can raise about $6,926,900?
- that Arlington invested 187.0% above the required local effort for SOQ programs in 2016?