HIGHLAND COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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

STUDENTS

Enrollment has dropped from 258 students in 2009 to 222 projected students in 2018

-14%

22% of all school-age children lived in poverty in 2015-2016 compared to 14% statewide

67% of all students got free or reduced lunch in 2016-2017 compared to 42% statewide

Highland filled 33% of slots with state funding for the Virginia Preschool Initiative

FUNDING

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

The shares of local, state, and federal funding for school operations has shifted since 2008-2009.

Highland has taken on a larger share of funding.

2008-2009

$4.80 million (FY17 dollars)

50.1%
42.6%
7.3%

Local Share  State Share  Federal Share

2015-2016

$4.00 million (FY17 dollars)

52.1%
38.7%
9.2%

STAFFING

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

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

3 More teachers and instructors
0 Fewer principals and assistant principals
0 Fewer guidance counselors and librarians
1 Fewer teacher aides
+ 1 More support staff

3 More staff in schools relative to student enrollment in 2008-2009

Did you know ....

...that a one-cent increase in Highland's property tax rate can raise about $68,500?

...that Highland invested 11.7% above the required local effort for SOQ programs in 2016?

Sources: Virginia Department of Education, U.S. Census Bureau
The Commonwealth Institute for Fiscal Analysis
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