RICHMOND COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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

STUDENTS

Enrollment has increased from 1,200 students in 2009 to 1,307 projected students in 2018.

- 29 four-year olds have state funding for the Virginia Preschool Initiative in 2017-2018.
- 9% enrollment increase.
- 4.5% of high-schoolers dropped out in 2015-2016.

- 20% of all school-age children lived in poverty in 2015-2016 compared to 14% statewide.
- 55% of all students got free or reduced lunch in 2016-2017 compared to 42% statewide.
- 7% of all students were English-language learners in 2016-2017 compared to 12% statewide.
- Richmond filled 100% of slots with state funding for the Virginia Preschool Initiative.

STAFFING

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

These numbers show how many more or fewer staff schools have from not maintaining their 2008-2000 staffing ratio.

- 0 Fewer teachers and instructors
- 0 Fewer principals and assistant principals
- 0 Fewer guidance counselors and librarians
- 1 Fewer teacher aides
- 10 Fewer support staff
- 11 Fewer staff in schools relative to student enrollment in 2008-2009

FUNDING

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

- Per student funding (FY17 dollars)
  - 2009: $7,152
  - 2010: $7,529
  - 2011: $7,577
  - 2012: $7,568
  - 2013: $7,584
  - 2014: $7,612
  - 2015: $6,559
  - 2016: $6,559
  - 2017: $6,559
  - 2018: $6,559

The shares of local, state, and federal funding for school operations has shifted since 2008-2009. Richmond has taken on a larger share of funding.

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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Did you know....

- ...that a one-cent increase in Richmond’s property tax rate can raise about $79,100?
- ...that Richmond invested 73.5% 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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