BLAND COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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

STUDENTS

Enrollment since 2008-2009:

- 15% of all school-aged children lived in poverty in 2015-2016 compared to 13% statewide
- 48% of all students got free or reduced lunch in 2017-2018 compared to 44% statewide
- 0% of all student were English learners in 2017-2018 compared to 12% statewide
- 100% of slots with state funding for the Virginia Preschool Initiative were filled in 2017-2018

Bland had 930 students in 2008-2009.
Bland is projected to have 663 students in 2018-2019.

1.8% of the class of 2017 dropped out

2 Four-year olds have state funding for the Virginia Preschool Initiative in 2018-2019

FUNDING

State direct aid has fallen sharply for Bland County Public Schools, adjusting for inflation.

The local, state, and federal shares of school operations funding has shifted since 2008-2009.
Bland 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 Bland's property tax rate can raise about $44,100?

...that Bland invested 82.9% above the required local effort for SOQ programs in 2016-2017?

Overall, the number of staff per student has increased for Bland from 2008-2009 to 2016-2017. There are now:

10 Fewer teachers and instructors
1 Fewer principals and assistant principals
1 Fewer school counselors and librarians
4 Fewer teacher aides
4 Fewer support staff

20 Fewer staff
172 Fewer students

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