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

**STUDENTS**

Enrollment since 2008-2009:

- 16% of all school-aged children lived in poverty in 2015-2016 compared to 13% statewide
- 43% of all students got free or reduced lunch in 2017-2018 compared to 44% statewide
- 1% of all students were English learners in 2017-2018 compared to 12% statewide
- Not Eligible for Virginia Preschool Initiative in 2017-2018

Mathews had 1,248 students in 2008-2009.

Mathews is projected to have 1,059 students in 2018-2019.

-15%

4.7% of the class of 2017 dropped out

**STAFFING**

Overall staffing levels for Mathews have decreased compared to enrollment from 2008-2009 to 2016-2017. There are now:

- 13 Fewer teachers and instructors
- 0 Fewer principals and assistant principals
- 1 Fewer school counselors and librarians
- 26 Fewer teacher aides
- 10 Fewer support staff
- 50 Fewer staff
- 170 Fewer students

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**FUNDING**

State direct aid has risen for Mathews County Public Schools, adjusting for inflation.

The local, state, and federal shares of school operations funding has shifted since 2008-2009. Mathews 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 Mathew’s property tax rate can raise about $168,600?
- that Mathews invested 60.7% above the required local effort for SOQ programs in 2016-2017?

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Sources: Virginia Department of Education, U.S. Census Bureau, The Commonwealth Institute for Fiscal Analysis, September 2018