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

**STUDENTS**
Enrollment since 2008-2009:

- 6% fewer students

Roanoke City had 12,282 students in 2008-2009.
Roanoke City is projected to have 13,008 students in 2018-2019.

- 31% of all school-aged children lived in poverty in 2015-2016 compared to 13% statewide.
- 73% of all students got free or reduced lunch in 2013-2014 compared to 41% statewide.
- 12% 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.

**STAFFING**
Overall staffing levels for Roanoke City have decreased compared to enrollment from 2008-2009 to 2016-2017.

- 38 fewer teachers and instructors
- 1 fewer principals and assistant principals
- 11 fewer school counselors and librarians
- 191 more teacher aides
- 296 fewer support staff

There are now:

- 155 fewer staff
- 428 more students

- 9.8% of the class of 2017 dropped out

**FUNDING**
Total funding for operations*

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<td>$165.2 million</td>
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<td>$181.5 million</td>
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*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.

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

Roanoke City's share has fallen.

Did you know....

- that a one-cent increase in Roanoke City's property tax rate can raise about $694,300?
- that Roanoke City invested 110.7% above the required local effort for SOQ programs in 2016-2017?

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