Virginia Beach City Public Schools

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

**Students**

Enrollment since 2008-2009:

- 11% of all school-aged children lived in poverty in 2015-2016 compared to 13% statewide.
- 36% of all students got free or reduced lunch in 2013-2014 compared to 41% statewide.
- 2% of all student were English learners in 2017-2018 compared to 12% statewide.
- 66% of slots with state funding for the Virginia Preschool Initiative were filled in 2017-2018.

Virginia Beach had 69,335 students in 2008-2009.
Virginia Beach is projected to have 66,591 students in 2018-2019.

Four-year olds have state funding for the Virginia Preschool Initiative in 2018-2019. 4.4% of the class of 2017 dropped out.

**Staffing**

Overall staffing levels for Virginia Beach have held steady compared to enrollment from 2008-2009 to 2016-2017. There are now:

- 337 Fewer teachers and instructors
- 12 Fewer principals and assistant principals
- 0 Fewer school counselors and librarians
- 106 Fewer teacher aides
- 217 More support staff
- 239 Fewer staff
- 1,749 Fewer students

**Funding**

State direct aid has fallen sharply for Virginia Beach City Public Schools, adjusting for inflation.

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

Total funding for operations:

- 2008-2009: $887.3 million (FY18 dollars)
  - Local Share: 43.5%
  - State Share: 49.5%
  - Federal Share: 7.1%

- 2016-2017: $808.8 million (FY18 dollars)
  - Local Share: 48.3%
  - State Share: 43.9%
  - Federal Share: 7.8%

- State average: 109.3%
- Virginia Beach: 129.9%

Did you know ....

...that a one-cent increase in Virginia Beach's property tax rate can raise about $5,380,700?

...that Virginia Beach invested 129.9% above the required local effort for SOQ programs in 2016-2017?