WESTMORELAND COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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

STUDENTS

Enrollment since 2008-2009:

Westmoreland had 1,715 students in 2008-2009. Westmoreland is projected to have 1,453 students in 2018-2019.

- 28% of all school-aged children lived in poverty in 2015-2016 compared to 13% statewide.
- 74% of all students got free or reduced lunch in 2013-2014 compared to 41% statewide.
- 8% 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.

4.6% of the class of 2017 dropped out.

STAFFING

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

- 4 Fewer teachers and instructors
- 0 Fewer principals and assistant principals
- 0 Fewer school counselors and librarians
- 9 More teacher aides
- 5 More support staff

10 More staff
107 Fewer students

FUNDING

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

The local, state, and federal shares of school operations funding has shifted since 2008-2009. Westmoreland’s contribution has fallen.

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.

Did you know....

...that a one-cent increase in Westmoreland’s property tax rate can raise about $245,600?

...that Westmoreland invested 1.1% 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, September 2018