ALEXANDRIA CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

This profile shows the most recent data available going into the 2019-2020 school year and highlights demographics, staffing, and funding for Alexandria City Public Schools.

STUDENTS

Enrollment since 2008-2009 is projected to be up.

Alexandria had 11,103 students in 2008-2009.

Alexandria is projected to have 15,606 students in 2019-2020.

- 18% of all school-age children lived in poverty in 2017 compared to 13% statewide.
- 61% of all students were provided free or reduced-price lunch in 2018-2019 compared to 45% statewide.
- 30% of all students were English learners in 2018-2019 compared to 8% statewide.
- 11% of all students had a disability eligible to receive IDEA services in 2018-2019 compared to 13% statewide.

STAFFING

Overall, staffing levels for Alexandria have decreased compared to enrollment since 2008-2009. In 2017-2018, there were:

- 131 More teachers and instructors
- 211 More support staff
- 26 More school counselors and librarians
- 1 More teacher aides
- 24 More principals and assistant principals

394 More staff compared to 4,200 More students

May not sum due to rounding

Sources: Virginia Department of Education, U.S. Census Bureau

FUNDING

State direct aid has fallen per student for Alexandria City Public Schools, adjusting for inflation.

Compared to 2008-2009, the state’s share of total funding has increased.

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Did you know ....

- that a one-cent increase in Alexandria’s property tax rate can raise about $3,765,300?
- 39% of Virginia Preschool Initiative slots with state funding in Alexandria went unfilled in 2018-2019, which means 238 eligible kids missed out on preschool?
- that, in 2017-2018, Alexandria invested 149.4% above what is required by localities in the state’s primary funding formula?

*Operations does not include debt service, capital outlay, and expenses for programs that are not locality specific. Pre-K is included in 2017-2018, but not in 2008-2009.

Sources: Virginia Department of Education