COVINGTON 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 Covington City Public Schools.

STUDENTS

Enrollment since 2008-2009 is projected to be up.

- Covington had 831 students in 2008-2009.
- Covington City is projected to have 995 students in 2019-2020.
- 20% of all school-age children lived in poverty in 2017 compared to 13% statewide.
- 54% of all students were provided free or reduced-price lunch in 2013-2014 compared to 41% statewide.
- 18% of all students had a disability eligible to receive IDEA services in 2018-2019 compared to 13% statewide.

STAFFING

Overall, staffing levels for Covington have decreased compared to enrollment since 2008-2009.

- In 2017-2018, there were:
  - 14 Fewer teachers and instructors
  - 18 Fewer support staff
  - 1 Fewer school counselors and librarians
  - 6 Fewer teacher aides
  - 1 Fewer principals and assistant principals

  - **40 Fewer staff** compared to
  - **155 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 Covington City Public Schools, adjusting for inflation.

- Compared to 2008-2009, the state’s share of total funding has increased.
- Total funding for operations*:
  - 2008-2009: $12.5 million (FY19 dollars)
    - State Share = 38.7%
    - Federal Share = 9.1%
    - Local Share = 52.2%
  - 2017-2018: $11.9 million (FY19 dollars)
    - State Share = 34.4%
    - Federal Share = 7.8%
    - Local Share = 57.8%

Did you know ....

- ...that a one-cent increase in Covington's property tax rate can raise about $28,600?
- ...21% of Virginia Preschool Initiative slots with state funding in Covington went unfilled in 2018-2019, which means 9 eligible kids missed out on preschool?
- ...that, in 2017-2018, Covington invested 97.9% 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.

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