NELSON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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

STUDENTS

Enrollment since 2008-2009 is projected to be down.

- 19% of all school-age children lived in poverty in 2017 compared to 13% statewide.
- 52% of all students were provided free or reduced-price lunch in 2018-2019 compared to 45% statewide.
- 2% of all students were English learners in 2018-2019 compared to 8% statewide.
- 15% of all students had a disability eligible to receive IDEA services in 2018-2019 compared to 13% statewide.

NELSON HAD 1,908 STUDENTS IN 2008-2009.
Nelson is projected to have 1,676 students in 2019-2020.

STAFFING

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

In 2017-2018, there were:

- 21 Fewer teachers and instructors
- 14 Fewer support staff
- 4 More school counselors and librarians
- 1 More teacher aides
- 2 More principals and assistant principals
- 28 Fewer staff compared to
- 68 Fewer students

FUNDING

State direct aid has fallen per student for Nelson County Public Schools, adjusting for inflation.

Compared to 2008-2009, the state's share of total funding has decreased.

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Did you know....

- That a one-cent increase in Nelson's property tax rate can raise about $247,800?
- 0% of Virginia Preschool Initiative slots with state funding in Nelson went unfilled in 2018-2019, which means 0 eligible kids missed out on preschool?
- That, in 2017-2018, Nelson invested 113.3% above what is required by localities in the state's primary funding formula?

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

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