SALEM CITY SCHOOLS

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

STUDENTS

Enrollment since 2008-2009 is projected to hold steady.

Salem had 3,900 students in 2008-2009.

Salem is projected to have 3,897 students in 2019-2020.

- 14% of all school-age children lived in poverty in 2017 compared to 13% statewide.
- 38% of all students were provided free or reduced-price lunch in 2018-2019 compared to 45% statewide.
- 3% 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.

STAFFING

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

16 Fewer teachers and instructors
14 Fewer support staff
2 Fewer school counselors and librarians
4 Fewer teacher aides
0 More principals and assistant principals

In 2017-2018, there were 36 fewer staff compared to 3 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 Salem City Schools, adjusting for inflation.

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

Total funding for operations*

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Did you know ....

- That a one-cent increase in Salem's property tax rate can raise about $214,700?
- ...8% of Virginia Preschool Initiative slots with state funding in Salem went unfilled in 2018-2019, which means 3 eligible kids missed out on preschool?
- ...that, in 2017-2018, Salem invested 112.3% 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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