SUFFOLK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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

STUDENTS

Enrollment since 2008-2009 is projected to hold steady.

- 16% of all school-age children lived in poverty in 2017 compared to 13% statewide.
- 47% of all students were provided free or reduced-price lunch in 2013-2014 compared to 41% statewide.
- 0% of all students were English learners in 2018-2019 compared to 8% statewide.
- 13% of all students had a disability eligible to receive IDEA services in 2018-2019 compared to 13% statewide.

Suffolk had 13,568 students in 2008-2009.

Suffolk is projected to have 13,616 students in 2019-2020.

FUNDING

State direct aid has fallen sharply per student for Suffolk Public Schools, adjusting for inflation.

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

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<td>54.4%</td>
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Sources: Virginia Department of Education, U.S. Census Bureau

STAFFING

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

In 2017-2018, there were

- 84 Fewer teachers and instructors
- 67 Fewer support staff
- 4 Fewer school counselors and librarians
- 54 Fewer teacher aides
- 0 More principals and assistant principals

209 Fewer staff compared to 305 More students

May not sum due to rounding

Did you know....

...that a one-cent increase in Suffolk's property tax rate can raise about $949,000?

...0% of Virginia Preschool Initiative slots with state funding in Suffolk went unfilled in 2018-2019, which means 0 eligible kids missed out on preschool?

...that, in 2017-2018, Suffolk invested 82.1% above what is required by localities in the state's primary funding formula?