Suffolk Public Schools

This profile shows the most recent data available from the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 school years and highlights demographics, staffing, and funding for Suffolk Public Schools.

### Students

Enrollment growth between 2008-2009 to 2021-2022 has gone up by 0.4%.

Here are additional characteristics of students that go to Suffolk Public Schools, compared to the state overall.

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<th>Locality</th>
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<td>School-age children living in poverty</td>
<td>12.5%</td>
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<td>English learners</td>
<td>0.6%</td>
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<td>Eligible for IDEA services</td>
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<td>Eligible for free or reduced-price lunch</td>
<td>CEP</td>
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### Staffing

Compared to 2008-2009, staff per student has decreased in Suffolk Public Schools.

- 71 fewer teachers and instructors
- 57 fewer support staff
- 6 fewer school counselors and librarians
- 80 fewer teacher aides
- 1 more principals and assistant principals

That’s 213 fewer staff overall, compared to 264 fewer students.

### Funding

In Suffolk Public Schools, state direct aid per student has decreased by 12.6%, adjusted for inflation, since 2008-2009.

From 2008-09 to 2020-21, the state’s share of total funding has decreased.

Did you know…

- that a one-cent increase in Suffolk’s property tax rate can raise about $1,005,500?
- that, in 2020-2021, Suffolk invested 88.6% above what is required by localities in the state’s primary funding formula?

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

NA = data not available for given locality.

CEP = One or more schools participates in the community eligibility provision.