



Buffalo♦New York City♦Rochester♦Syracuse♦Yonkers♦Mount Vernon♦Utica

2018 Overview and Data

- ❖ **Our urban school districts enroll 45% of New York State's public school students. All of our seven districts are experiencing enrollment growth.**
- ❖ **68% of the State's English Language Learner pupils are educated in our member districts.**
- ❖ **53% of the State's special education students (ages 5-21) are educated in our city school districts.**
- ❖ **68% of New York State's prekindergarteners are educated in our school districts.**
- ❖ **The percentages of our pupils with extraordinary needs are: Buffalo 87%; NYC 75%; Rochester 89%; Syracuse 83%; Yonkers 74%; Mount Vernon 68%; and Utica 88%.**
- ❖ **The Conference's school districts have high rates of student mobility, homelessness and students living in temporary shelters.**
- ❖ **School buildings in our city school districts are older than others in the State and average over 69 years old.**
- ❖ **All of our school districts still utilize school buildings built between 1901 and 1920.**

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2017-2018 School District Profiles

Based on district provided estimates

BUFFALO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- 42,246 K-12 students including 8,755 charter school pupils
- 2,269 prekindergarten children
- 6,487 English Language Learner (ELL) students (does not include Pre-K)
- Services to students speaking 84 languages
- 4,535 professional employees (teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, psychologists and medical staff)
- 1,136 support staff (teacher aides, clerical, transportation, lunch and maintenance)
- 21,568 breakfasts and 28,923 lunches served daily
- 37,692 total public school students transported daily to 67 public schools plus 21 charter schools
- 2,487 total non-public students transported daily to 31 non-public schools

NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

- 1,071,031 K-12 students including 110,964 charter school pupils
- 70,445 prekindergarten children
- 160,624 English Language Learner (ELL) students (does not include Pre-K)
- Services to students speaking 151 languages
- 104,494 professional employees (teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, psychologists and medical staff)
- 40,247 support staff (teacher aides, clerical, transportation, lunch and maintenance)
- 275,660 breakfasts and 626,719 lunches served daily
- 639,178 total public school students transported daily to 2,579 public schools plus 331 charter schools
- 123,383 total non-public students transported daily to 1,216 non-public schools

ROCHESTER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

- 32,182 K-12 students including 5,698 charter school pupils
- 3,293 prekindergarten children
- 4,335 English Language Learner (ELL) students (does not include Pre-K)
- Services to students speaking 82 languages
- 3,980 professional employees (teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, psychologists and medical staff)
- 2,346 support staff (teacher aides, clerical, transportation, lunch and maintenance)
- 17,500 breakfasts and 21,400 lunches served daily
- 32,345* total public school students transported daily to 52 public schools plus 19 charter schools
- 948 total non-public students transported daily to 36 non-public schools

* Includes 776 Urban-Suburban Interdistrict Transfer Program Pupils.

SYRACUSE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

- 21,746 K-12 students including 1,836 charter school pupils
- 1,977 prekindergarten children
- 3,673 English Language Learner (ELL) students (does not include Pre-K)
- Services to students speaking 90 languages
- 2,242 professional employees (teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, psychologists and medical staff)
- 1,301 support staff (teacher aides, clerical, transportation, lunch and maintenance)
- 12,082 breakfasts and 15,474 lunches served daily
- 15,889 total public school students transported daily to 37 public schools plus 5 charter schools
- 968 total non-public students transported daily to 27 non-public schools

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YONKERS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- 25,843 K-12 students including 644 charter school pupils
- 1,393 prekindergarten children
- 3,236 English Language Learner (ELL) students (does not include Pre-K)
- Services to students speaking 71 languages
- 2,051 professional employees (teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, psychologists and medical staff)
- 1,534 support staff (teacher aides, clerical, transportation, lunch and maintenance)
- 3,284 breakfasts and 11,511 lunches served daily
- 19,178 total public school students transported daily to 39 public schools plus 1 charter school
- 422 total non-public students transported daily to 19 non-public schools

MOUNT VERNON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

- 8,344 K-12 students including 395 charter school pupils
 - 483 prekindergarten children
 - 866 English Language Learner (ELL) students (does not include Pre-K)
 - Services to students speaking 19 languages
 - 1,093 professional employees (teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, psychologists and medical staff)
 - 487 support staff (teacher aides, clerical, transportation, lunch and maintenance)
 - 8,000 breakfasts and 7,000 lunches served daily
 - 800* total public school students transported daily to 16 public schools plus 1 charter school
 - 4 total non-public students transported daily to 1 non-public school
- * Mount Vernon transports only special education pupils, pupils in federally designated schools requiring choice options and homeless pupils.

UTICA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

- 11,323 K-12 students including 423 charter school pupils
- 545 prekindergarten children
- 1,850 English Language Learner (ELL) students (does not include Pre-K)
- Services to students speaking 46 languages
- 822 professional employees (teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, psychologists and medical staff)
- 746 support staff (teacher aides, clerical, transportation, lunch and maintenance)
- 3,500 breakfasts and 7,700 lunches served daily
- 7,800 total public school students transported daily to 13 public schools plus 2 charter schools
- 370 total non-public students transported daily to 4 non-public schools



Big 5 Member Pupil Demographics

District	K-12 Enrollment	Extraordinary Needs %	ELL %	Pre-K Pupils	Ages 5-21 Spec. Ed. Pupils
Buffalo	42,246	87%	15%	2,269	6,783
New York City	1,071,031	75%	15%	70,445	235,621
Rochester	32,182	89%	13%	3,293	5,236
Syracuse	21,746	83%	17%	1,977	3,397
Yonkers	25,843	74%	13%	1,393	4,287
Mount Vernon	8,344	68%	10%	483	1,604
Utica	11,323	88%	16%	545	1,648

Based on district provided estimates for the 2017-2018 school year.
 K-12 enrollment includes charter school pupils.
 Extraordinary Needs Pupils as identified for 2017-2018 in the Executive Budget database.
 ELL% does not include Pre-K.

Big 5 Member School Buildings

School District	Average Age of School Buildings	Total Number of School Buildings	Number of School Buildings Constructed In:				
			Pre-1900	1901-1920	1921-1939	1940-1969	1970-Present
Buffalo	83	62	2	10	30	16	4
New York City	68	1,162	56	154	299	367	286
Rochester	71	48	0	11	12	15	10
Syracuse	78	35	0	5	16	9	5
Yonkers	77	42	4	8	8	13	9
Mount Vernon	80	16	1	2	6	5	2
Utica	62	13	0	1	4	6	2

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