



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

2016 Overview and Data

- Our urban school districts enroll 41% of New York State's public school students. Most of our districts are experiencing enrollment growth.
- The percentage of pupils with extraordinary needs in our school districts is: Buffalo 90%; NYC 76%; Rochester 89%; Syracuse 80%; Yonkers 71%; and Utica 87%.
- Almost 71% of all English Language Learner pupils are educated in our member districts.
- The Conference's school districts have high rates of student mobility, homelessness and students living in temporary shelters.
- Over 50% of the State's special education students (ages 5-21) are educated in our city school districts.
- School buildings in our city school districts are older than others in the State and average over 67 years old.
- Over 65% of New York State's prekindergarteners are educated in our school districts.
- All of our school districts still utilize school buildings built before 1920.

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2015-2016 School District Profiles

Based on district provided estimates

BUFFALO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- 39,747 K-12 students including 7,952 charter school pupils
- 5,186 English Language Learner (ELL) students (does not include Pre-K)
- Services to students speaking 77 languages
- 2,726 prekindergarten children
- 4,202 professional employees (teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, psychologists and medical staff)
- 979 support staff (teacher aides, clerical, transportation, lunch and maintenance)
- 23,011 breakfasts and 29,269 lunches served daily
- 36,612 total public school students transported daily to 57 public schools plus 16 charter schools
- 1,791 total non-public students transported daily to 56 non-public schools

NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

- 1,062,215 K-12 students including 93,566 charter school pupils
- 150,018 English Language Learner (ELL) students (does not include Pre-K)
- Services to students speaking 159 languages
- 67,864 prekindergarten children
- 102,897 professional employees (teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, psychologists and medical staff)
- 36,636 support staff (teacher aides, clerical, transportation, lunch and maintenance)
- 225,749 breakfasts and 621,277 lunches served daily
- 615,217 total public school students transported daily to 2,568 public schools plus 289 charter schools
- 129,660 total non-public students transported daily to 1,192 non-public schools

ROCHESTER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

- 32,214 K-12 students including 4,591 charter school pupils
- 3,673 English Language Learner (ELL) students (does not include Pre-K)
- Services to students speaking 82 languages
- 2,121 prekindergarten children
- 3,803 professional employees (teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, psychologists and medical staff)
- 1,911 support staff (teacher aides, clerical, transportation, lunch and maintenance)
- 17,000 breakfasts and 22,500 lunches served daily
- 28,419 total public school students transported daily to 53 public schools plus 15 charter schools
- 1,186 total non-public students transported daily to 38 non-public schools

SYRACUSE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

- 21,879 K-12 students including 1,494 charter school pupils
- 3,350 English Language Learner (ELL) students (does not include Pre-K)
- Services to students speaking 89 languages
- 1,458 prekindergarten children
- 2,293 professional employees (teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, psychologists and medical staff)
- 1,362 support staff (teacher aides, clerical, transportation, lunch and maintenance)
- 11,543 breakfasts and 15,132 lunches served daily
- 14,144 total public school students transported daily to 35 public schools plus 4 charter schools
- 1,077 total non-public students transported daily to 27 non-public schools

YONKERS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- 25,296 K-12 students including 597 charter school pupils
- 2,991 English Language Learner (ELL) students (does not include Pre-K)
- Services to students speaking 74 languages
- 1,279 prekindergarten children
- 2,004 professional employees (teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, psychologists and medical staff)
- 1,548 support staff (teacher aides, clerical, transportation, lunch and maintenance)
- 3,622 breakfasts and 11,990 lunches served daily
- 19,123 total public school students transported daily to 40 public schools plus 1 charter school
- 522 total non-public students transported daily to 19 non-public schools

UTICA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

- 10,933 K-12 students including 321 charter school pupils
- 1,669 English Language Learner (ELL) students (does not include Pre-K)
- Services to students speaking 42 languages
- 551 prekindergarten children
- 830 professional employees (teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, psychologists and medical staff)
- 717 support staff (teacher aides, clerical, transportation, lunch and maintenance)
- 3,100 breakfasts and 7,200 lunches served daily
- 7,343 total public school students transported daily to 13 public schools plus 2 charter schools
- 359 total non-public students transported daily to 5 non-public schools

Pupil Demographics

District	K-12 Enrollment	Extraordinary Needs %	ELL %	Pre-K Pupils	Ages 5-21 Spec. Ed. Pupils
Buffalo	39,747	90%	13%	2,726	8,407
New York City	1,062,215	76%	14%	67,864	213,016
Rochester	32,214	89%	11%	2,121	6,110
Syracuse	21,879	80%	15%	1,458	4,088
Yonkers	25,296	71%	12%	1,279	4,094
Utica	10,933	87%	15%	551	1,707

Based on district provided estimates for the 2015-2016 school year. K-12 enrollment includes charter school pupils. Extraordinary Needs Pupils as identified in the February 2016 database. ELL% does not include Pre-K.

School Buildings

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	81	62	2	10	30	16	4
New York City	66	1,160	55	154	297	357	297
Rochester	70	49	0	11	13	15	10
Syracuse	76	35	0	5	16	9	5
Yonkers	75	42	4	8	8	13	9
Utica	61	13	0	1	4	6	2

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