

June 23, 2026

Susan Brower, State Demographer
Administration Department
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Dear Ms. Brower,

I am submitting a revised population estimate for Osseo Area Schools for the 2026 reporting year.

Our updated estimate is 156,574. Attached is the extract of minutes from the School Board meeting held on June 26, 2026, documenting the Board's review and approval of this estimate. Below is the rationale used to develop the updated figure.

Osseo Area Schools encompasses seven municipalities, with the largest portions of our student population residing in Maple Grove and Brooklyn Park. The district includes nearly all of Maple Grove and a substantial portion of Brooklyn Park. To develop the 2026 estimate, we used the Metropolitan Council's 2024 evaluation data for both cities. We calculated projected 2026 population counts based on those data points and applied the resulting percentage changes to the 2020 population figures within our district boundaries.

Below are the resulting estimates:

Maple Grove	2020	70,253	Brooklyn Park	2020	86,478
	2026	<u>74,450</u>		2026	<u>81,231</u>
Growth		4,197	Growth		- 5,247
Percent Growth		6.0%	Percent Growth		- 6.1%

$6.0 + -6.1 = -0.5 \div 2 = 0.1\%$ average percentage growth

Osseo Area Schools 2020 census	156,731
	<u>$\times 99.9\%$</u>
	156,574

If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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