

First Day of School Enrollment Update

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First Day Enrollment Report Context

- Projections are based on multi-year averages of the student capture rate from grade to grade at each school in each grade level.
- Kindergarten is harder to predict because we don't have capture rate data.
 We typically use the average of the last five years at each school.
- First day enrollment counts all students with an active enrollment. It is not an attendance count.
- October 1 is the date MDE uses for many of its official counts. It is also after the volatility of enrollment has subsided.

K-12 Enrollment Overall

Year	Proj.	First Day	First Day +/- Proj.	Oct. 1	Oct. 1 +/- Proj.
21-22*	4981	4888	-93	4872	-109
22-23	4894	5011	+117	4904	+10
23-24	4967	5102	+135	5107	+140
24-25	5196	5256	+60	5202	+6
25-26	5190	5203	+13	?	?

K-12 Enrollment by Level

Grades	25-26 First Day +/- Proj.	24-25 First Day +/- Proj.	23-24 First Day +/- Proj.	22-23 First Day +/- Proj.	21-22* First Day +/- Proj.
Kinder- garten	-49	-57	-33	-15	-9
Elemen- tary	-42	2	-5	42	-71
Middle School	31	40	39	23	-11
High School	24	18	101	53	-11

How We Are Managing

- Additional social media and direct mail reminders to residents about Kindergarten enrollment
- School Board closed 5th and 6th grades to open enrollment
- May return with other open enrollment closure recommendations as the data solidifies

Questions?