

Pennsylvania School FACTS & FIGURES 2022



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What is PSBA?

The Pennsylvania School Boards Association is a nonprofit statewide association of public school boards, pledged to the highest ideals of local lay leadership for the public schools of the commonwealth.

Formed on the fundamental concept of local control of public education, PSBA is a strong advocate of the proposition that the local school board – where elected citizens make decisions that affect, influence and direct the education of the community's youth – is the cornerstone of a free society.

PSBA, founded in 1895, was the first school boards association established in the United States.

Membership in the association is voluntary and open to public school districts, intermediate units, career and technical schools, community colleges and other eligible local education agencies.

PSBA's membership services, designed to assist school directors as a board and as individuals, are delivered through the staff departments of government affairs, member services, legal services, insurance services and communications.

Teachers 2020-21

Number of Teachers.....	122,272
Gender: Male	26%
Female.....	74%

Profile of the Typical Teacher:

Salary.....	\$71,479
Average Increase in Salary from 2019-20 to 2020-21.....	1.61%
Average Years of Service	14.5
Average Level of Education	4.6

Support Employees 2020-21

Number of Support Staff:	
(full and part-time)	98,104
School Administrative Support Staff.....	9,809
<i>(Includes clerical and secretarial support of principals and department chairpersons)</i>	
Instructional Aides	32,432
All Other Support Services Staff	46,972
LEA Administrative Support Staff.....	7,573
Library/Media Support Staff	1,318

Enrollment

Public Elementary School

Enrollment (PreK-6).....	873,413
PreK to K	125,843
Grade 1	118,443
Grade 2	123,433
Grade 3	124,175
Grade 4	125,224
Grade 5	127,625
Grade 6	128,670

Public Secondary School

Enrollment (7-12)	816,119
Grade 7	133,021
Grade 8	136,707
Grade 9	146,735
Grade 10	136,247
Grade 11	130,808
Grade 12	132,601
Total Enrollment.....	1,689,532
Projected Total by the Year 2024-25	1,641,741

Pupils

Class of 2021:

Number of 2021 Pennsylvania Public High School Graduates.....	123,407
Activities of High School Graduates:	
Attending College	60.92% 75,185
Attending Non-degree Postsecondary School	2.24% 2,766

NOTE: All figures are for the 2020-21 school year, unless otherwise indicated.

School Directors

School Directors' Average	
Length of Service	7 years
Years of Service:	
4 years or less	48%
5-10 years	30%
11-20 years	17%
21 years or more	5%
Gender:	
Male	57%
Female.....	43%

School Districts

Number of School Districts	500
<i>Urban (28); Suburban (226); Rural (246)</i>	
Number of PSBA-Member Districts	497
Number of School Directors	
in Pennsylvania.....	4,500
School Director Method of Election 2021	
At large.....	62%
Three-region plan	31%
Nine-region plan	4%
Combined at-large/regional plan	3%
Size of Districts by Number of Pupils:	
Largest (Philadelphia)	204,490 pupils
2nd Largest (Pittsburgh).....	25,744 pupils
10,000-22,000 pupils	15 districts
5,000-9,999 pupils	59 districts
2,000-4,999 pupils	181 districts
1,000-1,999 pupils	160 districts
1-999 pupils	83 districts
School District Class:	
Class 1-Population of 250,000 or more	2
Class 2-Population of 30,000-249,999	108
Class 3-Population of 5,000-29,999	367
Class 4-Population of less than 5,000	23

Buildings 2020-21

Public Elementary and	
Secondary Schools.....	2,958
Pre-Kindergarten Schools	5
Elementary Schools	1,645
Middle Schools	528
Secondary and High Schools.....	721
Other	59

Sources

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Education; Digest of Education Statistics, US Department of Education and the Pennsylvania School Boards Association.

Finances

Total Expenditure per Pupil (ADM) 2020-21	\$19,666.86
Local Revenue per Pupil (ADM) 2020-21	\$8,854.12
State Revenue Per Pupil (ADM) 2020-21	\$5,300.93

Average Salaries in Pennsylvania 2020-21

Elementary Principal	\$117,340
Assistant Elementary Principal	\$94,932
Secondary Principal	\$119,926
Assistant Secondary Principal	\$103,438
Middle School Principal	\$117,394
Assistant Middle School Principal	\$103,672
Director of Career & Technical Education.....	\$128,122
Intermediate Unit Executive Director	\$173,054
Superintendent.....	\$160,039
Assistant Superintendent	\$151,210
Business Manager	\$116,759
Guidance, Secondary.....	\$78,604
Guidance, Elementary	\$75,824
Classroom Teacher	\$71,479
School Nurse	\$71,645
School Psychologist	\$83,134

Career and Technical Education Programs 2020-21

Number of Career and Technical Schools	86
Comprehensive Schools	17
Occupational Schools	69
Enrollment in Career and Technical Education School Programs	
and participating school district programs	63,034
Career and technical education school enrollment.....	55,820
Participating school district enrollment	7,214
Number of Approved Secondary Career and	
Technical Education Programs.....	1,439

Intermediate Units

Number of Intermediate Units	29	
Special Education Enrollment (2020-21)	338,713	
By Eligible School Age Exceptionality:		
Specific Learning Disability	35.63%	120,676
Other Health Impairment	15.84%	53,646
Speech or Language Impairment	12.87%	43,602
Autism	10.96%	37,121
Preschool	8.97%	30,371
Emotional Disturbance	7.70%	26,079
Intellectual Disability	5.64%	19,090
Multiple Disabilities	0.90%	3,057
Hearing Impairment or Deafness	0.79%	2,661
Visual Impairment or Blind	0.31%	1,059
Orthopedic Impairment.....	0.20%	691
Traumatic Brain Injury	0.18%	603
Deaf-Blind	0.01%	57