



**2026-2027  
Pupil-Teacher Ratio Report**



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## Background

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 22.1-253.13:2(M), school boards must report annual pupil–teacher ratios. This report fulfills that mandate using data effective September 30, 2026.

## Alignment to Charlottesville City Schools Strategic Plan

Maintaining quality standards related to pupil–teacher ratios is a key priority for Charlottesville City Schools (CCS) and aligns directly with the division’s Strategic Plan—Priority 3: Support Our Staff. These efforts reflect CCS’s ongoing commitment to recruiting and retaining licensed, properly endorsed educators.

## Elementary Class Size

The Standards of Quality require school boards to report actual pupil–teacher ratios for elementary classrooms by school.

The table below summarizes Charlottesville City Schools’ (CCS) K–3 staffing based on enrollment data as of September 30, comparing the VDOE K-3 Maximum Class Size guidelines with the CCS Actual Classroom Average K-3 ratio for each elementary school. All six elementary schools operate with average class sizes well below the state maximums. Summit Elementary has the most restrictive VDOE guideline at 18.00 yet maintains the lowest actual average class size at 14.73, followed by Tall Oaks Elementary at 16.07 and Greenbrier Elementary at 16.27. CCS maintains such low class-size averages by employing additional licensed teachers in other capacities, including reading specialists, math specialists, librarians, ESL teachers, and fine and performing arts teachers. All schools demonstrate a strong commitment to keeping pupil-teacher ratios low.

### *Comparing VDOE Guidelines to CCS Enrollment*

| School                        | VDOE K-3<br>Maximum Class<br>Size | CCS Actual<br>Classroom<br>Average K-3 |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Greenbrier Elementary School  | 24.00                             | 16.27                                  |
| Jackson-Via Elementary School | 22.00                             | 17.63                                  |
| Summit Elementary School      | 18.00                             | 14.73                                  |
| Sunrise Elementary School     | 24.00                             | 18.07                                  |
| Tall Oaks Elementary School   | 22.00                             | 16.07                                  |
| Trailblazer Elementary School | 24.00                             | 16.93                                  |

## Enrolment Data

The data below count full-time classroom teachers serving as a student's primary/homeroom teacher. The 2025–2026 data reflect enrollment variation from projections, particularly across elementary schools. All six elementary schools enrolled fewer students than projected, ranging from -33 to -3 students below estimates, with Trailblazer Elementary experiencing the largest change and Sunrise Elementary experiencing the least amount of change. (The Charlottesville Early Learning Center affects elementary enrollment.) Secondary enrollment fell slightly below projections at Charlottesville Middle School and Charlottesville High School/Lugo-McGinness Academy, with a variance of -2 and -8, respectively.

CCS enrollment projections reflect the trends outlined in the Woolpert analysis, noting that CCS projected student enrollment will decrease from 4,415 to 4,167. Annual student enrollment exceeded Woolpert's projection; however, the division's overall enrollment is down 167 students.

### *Projected vs. Actual Enrollment*

| Elementary School                             | Projected Enrollment | Actual Enrollment | Difference |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------|
| Charlottesville Early Learning Center         |                      | 172               |            |
| Greenbrier Elementary School                  | 317                  | 300               | -17        |
| Jackson-Via Elementary School                 | 375                  | 356               | -19        |
| Summit Elementary School                      | 301                  | 273               | -28        |
| Sunrise Elementary School                     | 342                  | 339               | -3         |
| Tall Oaks Elementary School                   | 302                  | 288               | -14        |
| Trailblazer Elementary School                 | 317                  | 284               | -33        |
| Charlottesville Middle School                 | 828                  | 826               | -2         |
| Charlottesville High & Lugo-McGinness Academy | 1400                 | 1,392             | -8         |
|                                               | 4,182                | 4,230             |            |

*\* Projection data reflects CCS 7/21/2026 calculations and actual enrollment data effective*