

MISSION: *The mission of Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools is to maximize academic achievement by every student in every school.*

Our Budget

Operating budget (2009-2010)	\$1.15 billion
Per-pupil expenditure	\$8,523
Beginning teacher salary	\$34,386
Average budgeted classroom teacher salary	\$45,435

Our Schools

Total number of schools	178
Elementary schools	100
Middle schools	36
High schools	33
Alternative schools	4
Pre-K sites	5
New schools opened in 2010-2011	2
Mobile/modular classrooms	612

Magnet Schools

Number of magnet-school programs	11
Number of magnet schools	40

Graduates

Total number of 2010 graduates	7,681
Percentage of graduating seniors who took the SAT	65.7%
Top 10% of CMS students – average SAT score	1757
Top 10% of students in nation	1759
Top 10% of students in state	1734

Scholarships Received by CMS Students (09-10)

Academic/Athletic	\$66.7 million
Scholarships earned by students	more than 2,100

Our Employees

CMS is one of the largest employers in Mecklenburg County.

Total number of employees	16,017
Total number of full-time teachers	8,565
Total number of student support staff	6,415
Total number of administrative/office staff	1,037
Total number of certified teachers	8,540
Total number of teachers with advanced degrees	3,235
National Board-certified teachers	1,092
Average years of teaching experience	11.2 years

Our Students

Total number of students enrolled (excludes Pre-K)	135,638
Pre-kindergarten	3,169
Kindergarten-grade 5	67,286
Grades 6-8	30,228
Grades 9-12	38,124
Self-contained Exceptional Children*	2,514
Limited English Proficient*	14,204

* Exceptional Children and Limited English Proficient are included in each grade level as indicated above.



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Student Ethnic Distribution

American Indian/multiracial	4.6%
Asian	5%
African-American	41.2%
Hispanic	16.4%
White	32.8%

Diversity in CMS

Native languages spoken by students in CMS	162
Countries represented in	159
Students learning English as a Second Language (ESL)	10,339

Other Information

Child Nutrition

Breakfasts served daily	29,000
Lunches served daily	97,000
After-school snacks	8,400
Percentage of economically disadvantaged students	53.4%

Meal Cost

Pre-kindergarten	breakfast-\$1.00 lunch-\$1.75
Elementary, middle, high school	breakfast-\$1.25 lunch-\$2.00
Adult	breakfast and lunch / a la carte

Transportation

Total number of buses	1,155
Total number of daily routes	1,155
Assigned daily miles	129,000
Total number of students assigned to buses	111,000
Total number of daily bus stops	26,000

Advanced Courses

Students taking AP exams	6,222
Total number of AP exams taken by students	13,362
IB diplomas conferred	95
Total IB candidates	184

State ABCs Program

Honor Schools of Excellence	26
Schools of Distinction	42
Schools of Excellence	2
High Growth Schools	108

Volunteers

Number of volunteers	55,047
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