

Nashville Education Facts

Data notes, definitions and calculations

DATA TIMEFRAME

All data, including enrollment and academic data, is from the 2020-2021 academic year, unless otherwise noted.

DATA DEFINITIONS

1) The Tennessee and Nashville webpages include data for traditional schools as well as magnet schools, Alternative Learning Centers (ALCs), Adult Learning Centers, non-traditional schools, and district-run charter schools.

2) The “MNPS Traditional Schools” aggregation includes schools managed by Metro Nashville Public Schools (MNPS) excluding charter schools, academic magnet schools, Alternative Learning Centers (ALCs), Adult Learning Centers, and non-traditional schools. Academic magnet schools include:

- Carter-Lawrence Elementary
- East Nashville Magnet High School
- Early College High
- East Nashville Middle
- Head Middle
- Hume-Fogg High
- Martin Luther King Jr. School
- Meigs Middle
- Rose Park Middle

3) The “Charter Schools” aggregation includes all charter schools run by MNPS. LEAD Brick Church and LEAD Neely’s Bend are operated by the state-run Achievement School District and are excluded from the overall Charter Schools calculations. KIPP Antioch College Prep is run by the Tennessee State Board of Education and is also excluded.

4) Achievement rates— Achievement rates represent the percent of students meeting state academic standards in a given course as measured by TNReady assessments.

5) Ready Graduate— The state of Tennessee identifies a Ready Graduate as a student who graduated on time in 2020 and met criteria related to college and career readiness, such as a score of 21+ on the ACT or success on military placement tests or industry certification exams coupled with college-level courses. These rates also include students who participate in four college-level courses while in high school.

6) Chronic Absenteeism— Chronic absenteeism rates represent the percent of students missing 10 percent or more of the days they were enrolled in a school during the school year.

7) Student Suspension Rates— Suspension rates represent the percent of students receiving an out of school suspension. Suspension rates for individual schools were last updated in 2018-19.

8) Economically Disadvantaged — As defined by the State of Tennessee, includes all students who are directly certified to receive free lunch without the need to complete the household application.

9) Retention Data: The two-year teacher retention rate is an average of the one-year retention rates from the 17-18 and 18-19 school years. This is the most recent data for this metric.

Teacher retention data was provided by MNPS for all MNPS-managed schools. Charter data was **self-reported**.