

USD 479 Enrollment Projection & Nonresident Enrollment Report

Per K.S.A [72-3123](#), [72-3124](#), and [72-3126](#), before May 1st of each year, the superintendent of schools or designee will develop and submit a recommendation to the board of education declaring the projected enrollment and number of open seats available to nonresident students. By June 1 of each year, the district will publish on its website, at a minimum, the number of students expected to attend the district in the next school year and the number of open seats available to nonresident students. Included in this report are recommended actions the board of education is asked to take to fulfill such statutory requirement.

Enrollment Projection Determination

Outlined in this report is a collection of data and considerations used to prepare a recommendation to the board of education to approve enrollment projections and the number of seats available to nonresident students.

Table 1.2 - Current Student Enrollment (As of 9/30)

		Grade Level												
School	TTL Cnt	KG	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Pre-K	22													
Elem	163	18	16	25	19	15	17	11	20	22				
High School	77										19	14	24	20
	TOTAL	18	16	25	19	15	17	11	20	22	19	14	24	20

Table 1.2 - Historical Student Enrollment

	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
PreK	17	12	13	23	16	25	22
Kindergarten	13	18	10	17	22	18	18
1st Grade	14	12	19	13	17	23	16
2nd	18	18	13	19	12	19	25
3rd	12	17	14	12	15	13	19
4th	14	15	18	15	12	17	15
5th	21	15	18	22	16	14	17
6th	17	23	16	21	20	19	11
7th	23	18	24	15	22	19	20
8th	21	23	18	26	14	20	22
9th	12	22	22	21	26	15	19
10th	16	15	24	23	18	24	14
11th	15	14	15	21	21	19	24
12th	13	15	15	14	21	19	20
Total Student Bldg Head Counts	226	237	239	262	252	264	262

Total Student Bldg Difference		+11	+2	+23	-10	+12	-2
% difference from prior year		4.9%	.8%	9.6%	-3.8%	4.8%	.8%

Student Enrollment Projections and Capacity

Enrollment projections incorporate all of the data identified in this report to the best of our ability and in order to operate at maximum effectiveness and efficiency.

Table 1.7 - 2025-2026 Enrollment Projections

		Grade Level												
School	TTL Cnt	KG	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Pre-K	20													
Elem	105	12	18	16	25	19	15							
Mid School	48							17	11	20				
High School	79										22	19	14	24
	TOTAL	12	18	16	25	19	15	17	11	20	22	19	14	24

Table 1.8 - 2025-2026 Nonresident Student Enrollment Capacity

		Grade Level												
School	TTL Cnt	KG	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Pre-K	0													
Elem 1	0	6	2	4	0	1	5							
Elem 2	0													
Elem 3	0													
Int School	0													
Mid School	0							3	9	0				
High School	0										0	1	6	0
	TOTAL	6	2	4	0	1	5	3	9	0	0	1	6	0

Recommendation

The superintendent of schools recommends the USD 479 board of education adopt the student enrollment projection in Table 1.7 and the nonresident enrollment seats in the grades and schools identified in Table 1.8 in this report.

Nonresident Enrollment Process & Timeline

The district will accept nonresident student enrollment applications between June 1, 2025 and June 30, 2025.

All eligible nonresident students who completed the application process following the district's guidelines will be accepted as students if capacity exists and if they are not currently suspended or expelled from their current school district.

When the number of nonresident enrollment applications exceeds the school building, program, or grade level capacity, the district will randomly select students through a confidential lottery process conducted by the superintendent or designee between July 1 and July 15.

Districts may contact students and their families during the lottery process to confirm enrollment location and confirm acceptance. The nonresident student's current district may be required to confirm good standing prior to acceptance.

All eligible nonresident students who completed the application process following the district's guidelines but were not selected will be notified and informed of the reason they were not accepted for enrollment.

A nonresident student may not be accepted when enrollment requires the acquisition of additional district resources, including but not limited to personnel, technology hardware or software, square footage, physical equipment, transportation services, or contracted services.