

# District 2

# Data Summary

2027-2028 Strategic Planning Data Considerations

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## CITYWIDE ENROLLMENT (DISTRICT AND CHARTER), 2016-17 TO 2025-26

New York City Public Schools (NYCPS) is committed to thoughtful collaboration with districts and communities to collectively strengthen schools, support students and families, and respond to demographic and population changes in New York City.



Source: Audited Register and Charter Headcount; includes district and charter school enrollment only

- Enrollment in District 1-32 schools decreased by about 3% in 2025-2026. While enrollment has been relatively stable for the past three years, this year's decline is the largest since the steeper declines following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Citywide, K-12 enrollment in District 1-32 schools and charter schools has declined by about 14% since its peak in the 2016-2017 school year.

## DISTRICT ENROLLMENT

District 2 Enrollment by Grade Level and Year (District Schools Only)

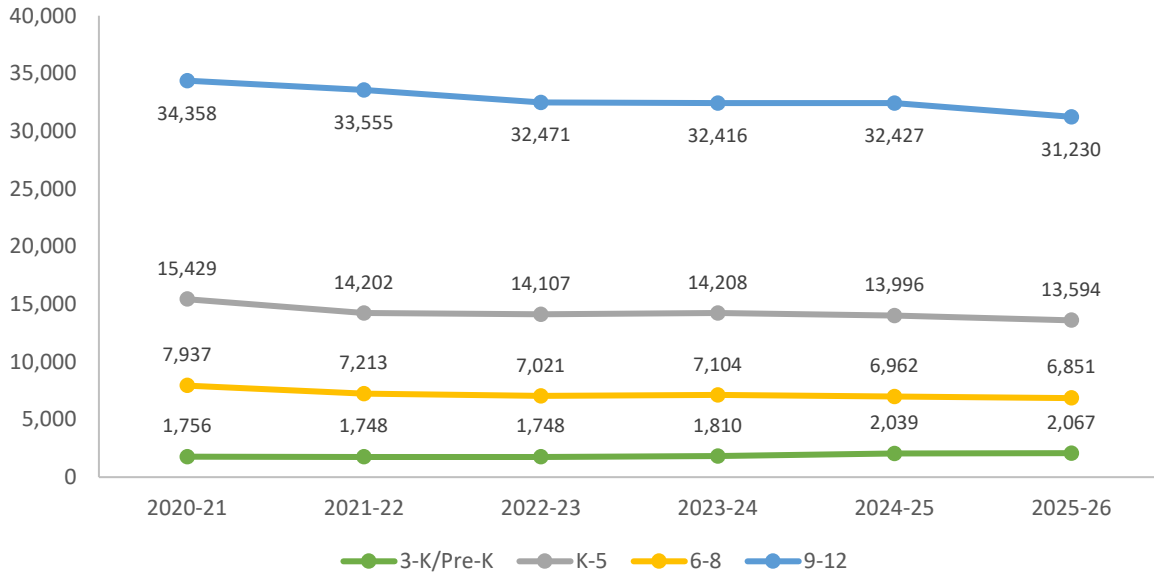


Table 1: District 2 Enrollment - 2020-21 to 2025-26

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	1yr Change	5yr Change
<b>3K</b>	35	189	245	338	543	588	8%	1580%
<b>PK</b>	1,721	1,559	1,503	1,472	1,496	1,479	-1%	-14%
<b>K-5</b>	15,429	14,202	14,107	14,208	13,996	13,594	-3%	-12%
<b>6-8</b>	7,937	7,213	7,021	7,104	6,962	6,851	-2%	-14%
<b>9-12</b>	34,358	33,555	32,471	32,416	32,427	31,230	-4%	-9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>59,480</b>	<b>56,718</b>	<b>55,347</b>	<b>55,538</b>	<b>55,424</b>	<b>53,742</b>	<b>-3%</b>	<b>-10%</b>
<b>% Change YoY</b>		-4.6%	-2.4%	0.3%	-0.2%	-3.0%		

Table 2: District 2 Entry Grade Enrollment - 2020-21 to 2025-26

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	1yr Change	5yr Change
<b>K</b>	2,695	2,518	2,450	2,527	2,460	2,345	-4.7%	-13%
<b>6</b>	2,625	2,325	2,280	2,388	2,286	2,318	1.4%	-12%
<b>9</b>	9,135	8,602	8,266	8,575	8,730	7,914	-9.3%	-13%

Source: Audited Register, preliminary for 3-K and pre-K for 2025-26; includes enrollment in district schools only

## RESIDENTIAL POPULATION AND DISTRICT RETENTION

District 2 K-12 Enrollment vs. Residential Population

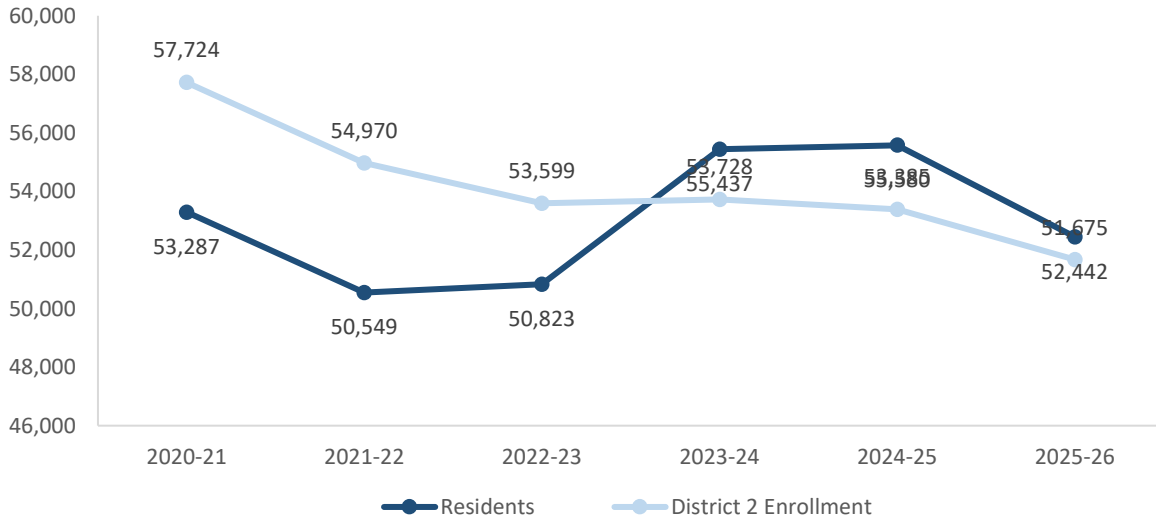


Table 3: District 2 Student Residential Population - 2020-21 to 2025-26

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	1yr Change	5yr Change
<b>K-5</b>	24,753	23,302	23,224	25,656	25,448	23,760	-7%	-4%
<b>6-8</b>	12,896	11,779	11,903	12,741	12,721	12,100	-5%	-6%
<b>9-12</b>	15,638	15,468	15,696	17,040	17,411	16,582	-5%	6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>53,287</b>	<b>50,549</b>	<b>50,823</b>	<b>55,437</b>	<b>55,580</b>	<b>52,442</b>	<b>-6%</b>	<b>-2%</b>
<b>% Change YoY</b>		-5.1%	0.5%	9.1%	0.3%	-5.6%		

- Between 2020-21 and 2025-26, the K-5 residential population in District 2 declined by 4%.
- During this time, the 6-8 residential population in District 2 declined by 6%.
- Citywide, the K-12 residential population declined by 7% since 2020-21.

Source: Residential population is the sum of students attending any NYCPS school, charter or non-public school; as such, this metric will not capture students who are home schooled, have dropped out, or are otherwise not enrolled in these school options.

Table 4: Elementary School District Retention (Where District 2 Residents Enroll in School)

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	% of Residents	
							2020-21	2025-26
District 2 Schools	13,709	12,630	12,575	12,724	12,451	11,956	55%	50%
Other District Schools	1,288	1,099	1,107	3,430	3,281	2,092	5%	9%
Charter Schools	1,148	1,033	996	1,204	1,164	1,106	5%	5%
Non-Public Schools	8,441	8,391	8,369	8,070	8,278	8,303	34%	35%
Other	167	149	177	228	274	303	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,753</b>	<b>23,302</b>	<b>23,224</b>	<b>25,656</b>	<b>25,448</b>	<b>23,760</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>% Change YoY</b>		-5.9%	-0.3%	10.5%	-0.8%	-6.6%		

Table 5: Middle School District Retention (Where District 2 Residents Enroll in School)

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	% of Residents	
							2020-21	2025-26
District 2 Schools	6,374	5,755	5,525	5,628	5,416	5,167	49%	43%
Other District Schools	602	486	500	1,311	1,371	937	5%	8%
Charter Schools	394	430	395	483	513	510	3%	4%
Non-Public Schools	5,422	5,010	5,383	5,224	5,320	5,387	42%	45%
Other	104	98	100	95	101	99	1%	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,896</b>	<b>11,779</b>	<b>11,903</b>	<b>12,741</b>	<b>12,721</b>	<b>12,100</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>% Change YoY</b>		-8.7%	1.1%	7.0%	-0.2%	-4.9%		

Table 6: Where District 2 Students Live - Grades K-5

	K-5		% of Students	
	2020-21	2025-26	2020-21	2025-26
District 2	13,709	11,956	89%	88%
Other District	1,720	1,638	11%	12%
	15,429	13,594	100%	100%

Table 7: Where District 2 Students Live - Grades 6-8

	6-8		% of Students	
	2020-21	2025-26	2020-21	2025-26
District 2	6,374	5,167	80%	75%
Other District	1,563	1,684	20%	25%
	7,937	6,851	100%	100%

Citywide Trends

- Citywide, the average **District Retention Rate** (the percent of students living in a district who enroll in a district school in that district) is 53% for ES and 48% for MS.
- Citywide, the average **District Enrollment Rate** (the percent of students enrolled in district schools who live in that district) is 83% for ES and 76% for MS.

Source: Audited Register for NYCPS and charter schools; NYCPS administrative data for non-public schools

## DISTRICT ENROLLMENT MODEL ("IN-OUT MODEL")

The table below depicts the prevailing trends for students coming into the district ("IN") and leaving the district ("OUT") to help identify the primary drivers of district school enrollment change.

Table 8: In-Out Model - ES and MS

	ES			MS		
	2020-21	2025-26	% Change	2020-21	2025-26	% Change
<b>Residents of District 2</b>	<b>24,753</b>	<b>23,760</b>	<b>-4%</b>	<b>12,896</b>	<b>12,100</b>	<b>-6%</b>
- OUT to other districts	-1,288	-2,092	62%	-602	-937	56%
- OUT to D75/D79	-167	-303	81%	-104	-99	-5%
- OUT to charters	-1,148	-1,106	-4%	-394	-510	29%
- OUT to Non-Public Schools	-8,441	-8,303	-2%	-5,422	-5,387	-1%
<b>Total OUT</b>	<b>-11,044</b>	<b>-11,804</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>-6,522</b>	<b>-6,933</b>	<b>6%</b>
<b>+ IN from other districts</b>	<b>+1,720</b>	<b>+1,638</b>	<b>-5%</b>	<b>+1,563</b>	<b>+1,684</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>D2 Enrollment</b>	<b>15,429</b>	<b>13,594</b>	<b>-12%</b>	<b>7,937</b>	<b>6,851</b>	<b>-14%</b>

Source: Audited Register for NYCPS and charter schools; NYCPS administrative data for non-public schools

### Students Leaving the District:

- At the elementary school level, the largest number of students leaving District 2 enroll in non-public schools. Since 2020-21, this number has remained about the same, as compared to the overall number of elementary school-aged residents, which has decreased by 4%.
- At the middle school level, the largest number of students leaving District 2 enroll in non-public schools. Since 2020-21, this number has remained about the same, as compared to the overall number of middle school-aged residents, which has decreased by 6%.

### Students Coming into the District:

- At the elementary school level, a smaller number of students living in other districts come into District 2 schools (1,638) than District 2 residents who leave for other district schools (2,092).
- At the middle school level, a greater number of students living in other districts come into District 2 schools (1,684) than District 2 residents who leave for other district schools (937).

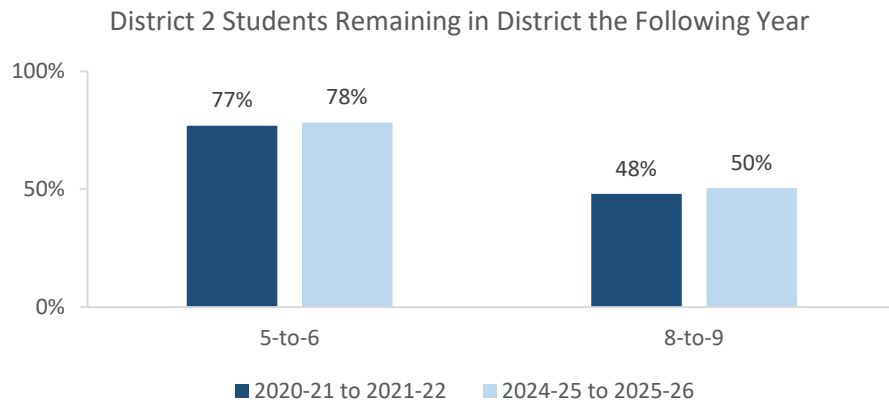
## ARTICULATION TRENDS

Table 9: 5-to-6 Articulation (Where District 2 5th Graders Enrolled the Following Year)

	2020-21 to 2021-22		2024-25 to 2025-26	
	#	%	#	%
District 2 Schools	1,906	77%	1,733	78%
Other District Schools	143	6%	112	5%
D75 Schools	0	0%	3	0%
D79 Schools	0	0%	0	0%
Charter Schools	19	1%	22	1%
Non-Public Schools	180	7%	169	8%
Out of NYC	198	8%	150	7%
Other	35	1%	26	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,481</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>2,215</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 10: 8-to-9 Articulation (Where District 2 8th Graders Enrolled the Following Year)

	2020-21 to 2021-22		2024-25 to 2025-26	
	#	%	#	%
District 2 Schools	1,280	48%	1,173	50%
Other District Schools	846	32%	739	32%
D75 Schools	3	0%	3	0%
D79 Schools	1	0%	2	0%
Charter Schools	6	0%	13	1%
Non-Public Schools	330	12%	269	12%
Out of NYC	169	6%	119	5%
Other	39	1%	12	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,674</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>2,330</b>	<b>100%</b>



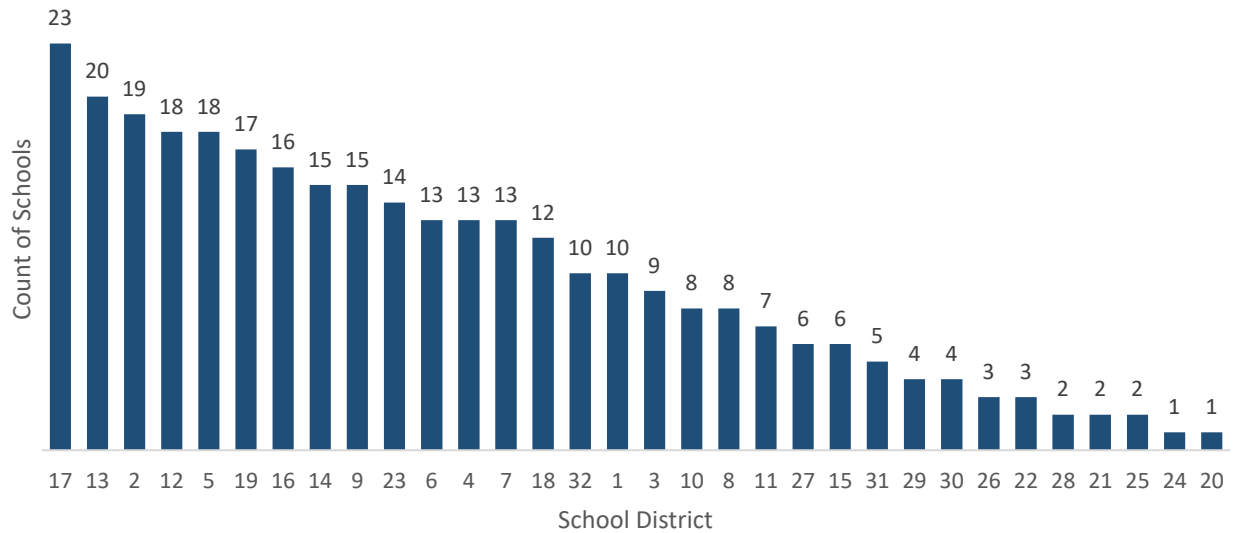
- Citywide, the average percent of graduating 5th graders who remain at a district school in the same district for 6th grade is 73%; for graduating 8th graders, the average percent of students who remain in the same district for 9th grade is 38%.

## SCHOOL COUNTS BY ENROLLMENT RANGE

Table 11: District 2 School Counts by Enrollment Range (Grades K-12, Excludes 3-K and Pre-K)

Enrollment Range	School Level							Total
	ECC	ES	MS	HS	K-8	6-12	K-12	
Less than 150	0	0	0	7	2	0	0	9
150-249	0	2	2	12	0	0	0	16
250-349	0	7	3	10	1	2	0	23
350-449	0	11	2	16	1	0	0	30
450-549	0	7	1	13	1	2	0	24
550+	0	3	2	7	2	2	0	16
<i>Total</i>	0	30	10	65	7	6	0	118

Number of Schools with Enrollment in Bottom 25% by School District - 2025-26



Source: Audited Register; includes district schools only; excludes pre-K centers, transfer schools, and schools phasing in.

## ENROLLMENT VS. CAPACITY

Table 12: District 2 Enrollment vs. Capacity - Grades K-5

	Neighborhood	Enrollment	Capacity	Seat Excess / Deficit
<b>District 2</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>13,594</b>	<b>15,620</b>	<b>2,026</b>
Sub-District 1	Chinatown, Lower Manhattan East	2,455	4,107	1,652
Sub-District 2	Tribeca, Village	2,363	2,517	154
Sub-District 3	Chelsea, Midtown W.	2,341	2,759	418
Sub-District 4	Flatiron, Gramercy, Murray Hill	1,899	2,012	113
Sub-District 5	Upper East Side	4,536	4,225	-311

Table 13: District 2 Enrollment vs. Capacity - Grades 6-8

	Neighborhood	Enrollment	Capacity	Seat Excess / Deficit
<b>District 2</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>6,851</b>	<b>8,886</b>	<b>2,035</b>
Sub-District 1	Chinatown, Lower Manhattan East	1,025	1,434	409
Sub-District 2	Tribeca, Village	779	1,385	606
Sub-District 3	Chelsea, Midtown W.	1,200	1,432	232
Sub-District 4	Flatiron, Gramercy, Murray Hill	2,013	2,226	213
Sub-District 5	Upper East Side	1,834	2,409	575

Source: Enrollment from 2025-26 Audited Register and grade-level capacity estimated for 2025-26.

## BUILDING UTILIZATION

Each year, the SCA publishes the Blue Book, a report analyzing the capacity and enrollment for every NYCPS building across the city. "Under-Utilized Buildings" reflects the projected count of buildings that have at least 150 excess seats.

Table 14: Count of NYCPS Buildings by Utilization Status

	District 2	Manhattan
<b>Count of Buildings</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>227</b>
<b>Under-Utilized (UU) Buildings</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>116</b>
150-299 Excess Seats	18	62
300+ Excess Seats	17	54
<b>Over-Utilized Buildings</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>33</b>

Source: 2025-26 enrollment and 2024-25 capacity; UU status is based on a preliminary 2025-26 Under-Utilized space analysis, and accounts for building enrollment in 2025-26 and changes planned for 2026-27.

## DISTRICT 75

NYCPS's District 75 provides specialized instructional support for students with significant challenges, such as Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), significant cognitive delays, emotional disability, sensory impairment, and multiple disabilities. District 75 serves students through a number of different program models.

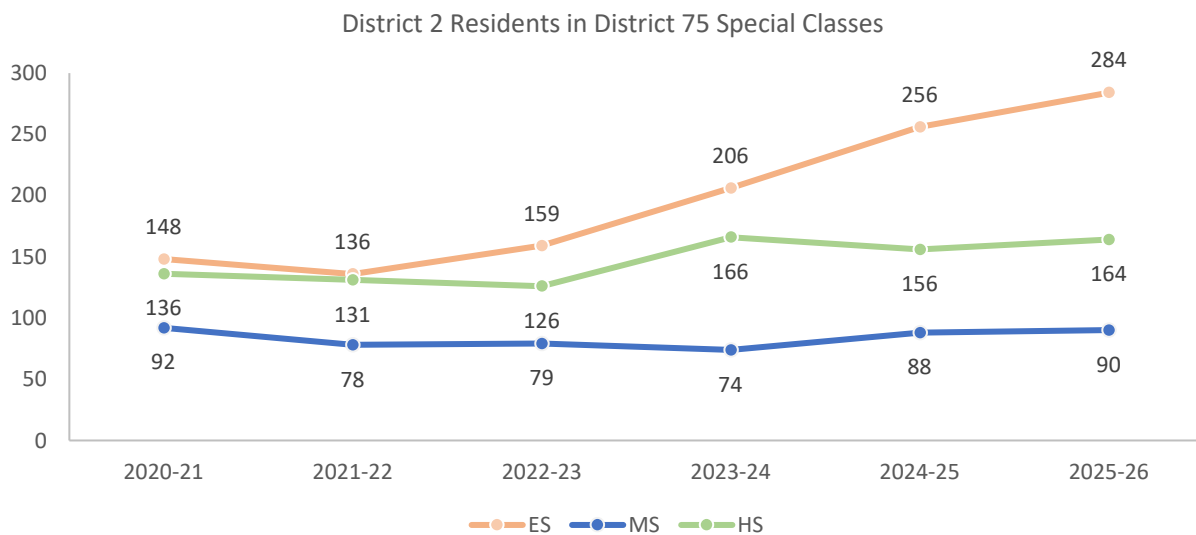
- Most District 75 students attend Special Class programs, which operate as distinct schools and may be located in standalone sites or co-located with district schools.
- A smaller number of students attend Inclusion Programs, in which students receive District 75 services within general education classes at a district school partner.

Table 15: District 75 Seat Need

	ES			MS			HS		
	District	Borough	City	District	Borough	City	District	Borough	City
<b>Capacity</b>	410	1,566	15,098	314	616	5,370	672	1,320	9,948
<b>Residents</b>	284	1,354	13,934	90	458	4,678	164	913	8,874
<b>Deficit</b>	No Deficit	No Deficit	No Deficit	No Deficit	No Deficit	No Deficit	No Deficit	No Deficit	No Deficit

Table 16: District 75 Residential Change in District 2

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	1yr Change	5yr Change
<b>ES</b>	148	136	159	206	256	284	11%	92%
<b>MS</b>	92	78	79	74	88	90	2%	-2%
<b>HS</b>	136	131	126	166	156	164	5%	21%
<b>All Grades</b>	376	345	364	446	500	538	8%	43%



Source: Audited Register

## DISTRICT DEMOGRAPHICS

Table 17: Ethnicity

	K-5			6-8			9-12		
	District	Borough	City	District	Borough	City	District	Borough	City
<b>% Asian and Pacific Islander</b>	23%	11%	17%	23%	10%	17%	17%	13%	17%
<b>% Hispanic</b>	23%	44%	42%	26%	47%	43%	45%	48%	44%
<b>% Black</b>	8%	19%	22%	11%	21%	23%	19%	22%	24%
<b>% White</b>	37%	20%	15%	32%	17%	13%	14%	13%	12%
<b>% Multi-Racial</b>	7%	5%	2%	7%	4%	2%	3%	3%	1%
<b>% Native American</b>	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
<b>% Other</b>	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%

Table 18: Special Populations

	K-5			6-8			9-12		
	District	Borough	City	District	Borough	City	District	Borough	City
<b>Students with Disabilities</b>	20%	24%	23%	22%	26%	22%	19%	20%	19%
<b>English Language Learners</b>	11%	15%	20%	7%	11%	13%	10%	11%	13%
<b>Economically Disadvantaged</b>	34%	60%	73%	41%	65%	74%	67%	69%	75%
<b>Students in Temporary Housing</b>	9%	12%	11%	8%	13%	12%	13%	13%	11%

Source: 2025-26 Audited Register; includes charter schools located in the district and may differ slightly from the NYCPS Demographic Snapshot.

## SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Table 19: District 2 Special Program Summary

	District 2	Manhattan
<b>Schools with ASD Programs</b>	5	25
<i>Horizon</i>	2	10
<i>Nest</i>	3	16
<b>Schools with G&amp;T Programs</b>	9	25
<b>Schools with Bilingual Ed Programs</b>	10	71
<i>Dual Language (DL)</i>	3	38
<i>Transitional Bilingual Education (TBE)</i>	0	0
<i>DL/TBE</i>	7	33

Note: Schools with both Horizon and Nest programs are counted once in the top row but separately in the Horizon and Nest rows beneath.

# NEW YORK STATE CLASS SIZE LAW

## Class Size Compliance by District (2025-26)



Source: November 15, 2025 Annual Report on Implementation of New York State’s Class Size Caps, available at <https://infohub.nyced.org/docs/default-source/default-document-library/summary-report-11-15-25-final.pdf>

