

# District 27

# 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 27 Enrollment by Grade Level and Year (District Schools Only)

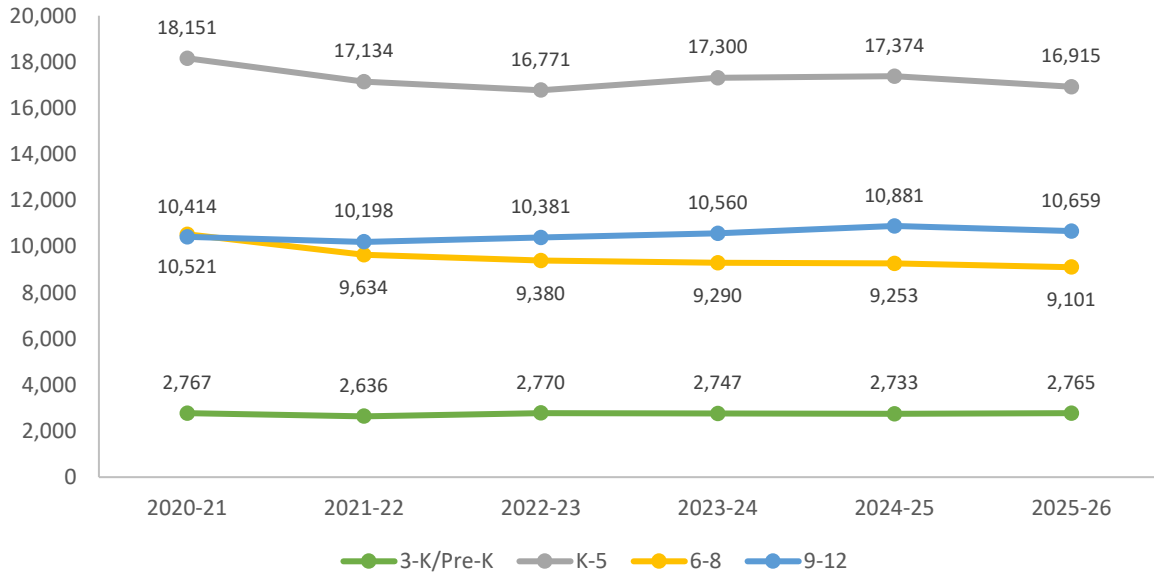


Table 1: District 27 Enrollment - 2020-21 to 2025-26

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	1yr Change	5yr Change
<b>3K</b>	1,041	925	991	992	1,018	1,042	2%	0%
<b>PK</b>	1,726	1,711	1,779	1,755	1,715	1,723	0%	0%
<b>K-5</b>	18,151	17,134	16,771	17,300	17,374	16,915	-3%	-7%
<b>6-8</b>	10,521	9,634	9,380	9,290	9,253	9,101	-2%	-13%
<b>9-12</b>	10,414	10,198	10,381	10,560	10,881	10,659	-2%	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>41,853</b>	<b>39,602</b>	<b>39,302</b>	<b>39,897</b>	<b>40,241</b>	<b>39,440</b>	<b>-2%</b>	<b>-6%</b>
<b>% Change YoY</b>		-5.4%	-0.8%	1.5%	0.9%	-2.0%		

Table 2: District 27 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>	2,787	2,790	2,717	2,831	2,795	2,672	-4.4%	-4%
<b>6</b>	3,408	3,057	3,015	2,986	2,988	3,019	1.0%	-11%
<b>9</b>	2,853	2,836	2,916	2,918	2,951	2,983	1.1%	5%

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 27 K-12 Enrollment vs. Residential Population

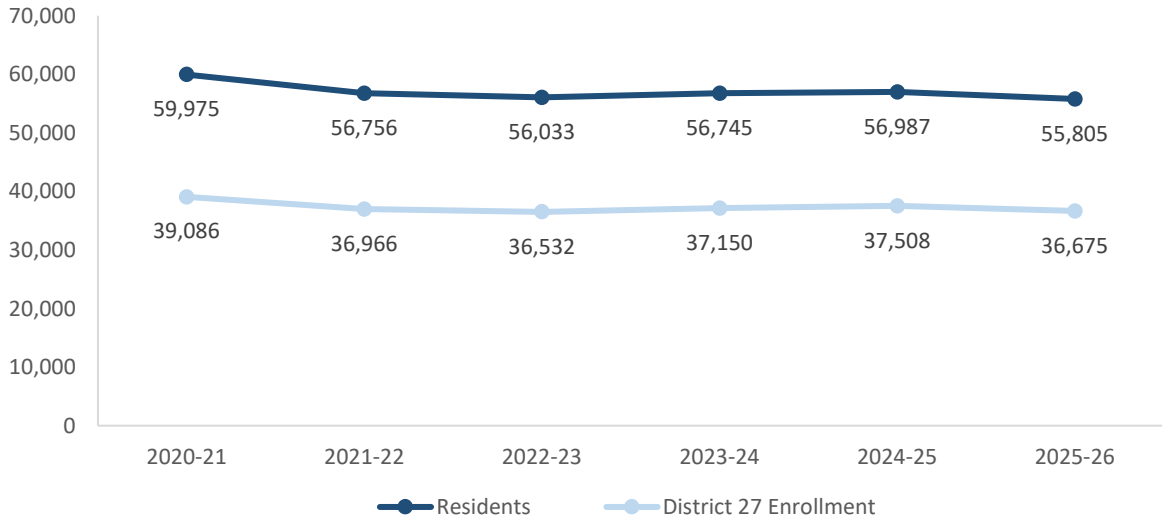


Table 3: District 27 Student Residential Population - 2020-21 to 2025-26

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	1yr Change	5yr Change
<b>K-5</b>	26,027	24,428	24,067	24,611	24,518	23,921	-2%	-8%
<b>6-8</b>	14,366	13,380	13,274	13,242	13,217	13,071	-1%	-9%
<b>9-12</b>	19,582	18,948	18,692	18,892	19,252	18,813	-2%	-4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>59,975</b>	<b>56,756</b>	<b>56,033</b>	<b>56,745</b>	<b>56,987</b>	<b>55,805</b>	<b>-2%</b>	<b>-7%</b>
<b>% Change YoY</b>		-5.4%	-1.3%	1.3%	0.4%	-2.1%		

- Between 2020-21 and 2025-26, the K-5 residential population in District 27 declined by 8%.
- During this time, the 6-8 residential population in District 27 declined by 9%.
- 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 27 Residents Enroll in School)

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	% of Residents	
							2020-21	2025-26
District 27 Schools	17,567	16,596	16,261	16,639	16,535	16,041	67%	67%
Other District Schools	1,437	1,265	1,278	1,354	1,540	1,503	6%	6%
Charter Schools	2,559	2,465	2,532	2,672	2,590	2,587	10%	11%
Non-Public Schools	3,819	3,488	3,368	3,236	3,080	2,957	15%	12%
Other	645	614	628	710	773	833	2%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>26,027</b>	<b>24,428</b>	<b>24,067</b>	<b>24,611</b>	<b>24,518</b>	<b>23,921</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>% Change YoY</b>		-6.1%	-1.5%	2.3%	-0.4%	-2.4%		

Table 5: Middle School District Retention (Where District 27 Residents Enroll in School)

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	% of Residents	
							2020-21	2025-26
District 27 Schools	10,111	9,241	9,047	8,949	8,907	8,643	70%	66%
Other District Schools	1,289	1,239	1,230	1,249	1,229	1,229	9%	9%
Charter Schools	578	668	733	874	967	1,062	4%	8%
Non-Public Schools	2,046	1,885	1,941	1,835	1,792	1,805	14%	14%
Other	342	347	323	335	322	332	2%	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,366</b>	<b>13,380</b>	<b>13,274</b>	<b>13,242</b>	<b>13,217</b>	<b>13,071</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>% Change YoY</b>		-6.9%	-0.8%	-0.2%	-0.2%	-1.1%		

Table 6: Where District 27 Students Live - Grades K-5

	K-5		% of Students	
	2020-21	2025-26	2020-21	2025-26
District 27	17,567	16,041	97%	95%
Other District	584	874	3%	5%
	18,151	16,915	100%	100%

Table 7: Where District 27 Students Live - Grades 6-8

	6-8		% of Students	
	2020-21	2025-26	2020-21	2025-26
District 27	10,111	8,643	96%	95%
Other District	410	458	4%	5%
	10,521	9,101	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 27</b>	<b>26,027</b>	<b>23,921</b>	<b>-8%</b>	<b>14,366</b>	<b>13,071</b>	<b>-9%</b>
- OUT to other districts	-1,437	-1,503	5%	-1,289	-1,229	-5%
- OUT to D75/D79	-645	-833	29%	-342	-332	-3%
- OUT to charters	-2,559	-2,587	1%	-578	-1,062	84%
- OUT to Non-Public Schools	-3,819	-2,957	-23%	-2,046	-1,805	-12%
<b>Total OUT</b>	<b>-8,460</b>	<b>-7,880</b>	<b>-7%</b>	<b>-4,255</b>	<b>-4,428</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>+ IN from other districts</b>	<b>+584</b>	<b>+874</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>+410</b>	<b>+458</b>	<b>12%</b>
<b>D27 Enrollment</b>	<b>18,151</b>	<b>16,915</b>	<b>-7%</b>	<b>10,521</b>	<b>9,101</b>	<b>-13%</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 27 enroll in non-public schools. Since 2020-21, this number has decreased by 23%, as compared to the overall number of elementary school-aged residents, which has decreased by 8%.
- At the middle school level, the largest number of students leaving District 27 enroll in non-public schools. Since 2020-21, this number has decreased by 12%, as compared to the overall number of middle school-aged residents, which has decreased by 9%.

### Students Coming into the District:

- At the elementary school level, a smaller number of students living in other districts come into District 27 schools (874) than District 27 residents who leave for other district schools (1,503).
- At the middle school level, a smaller number of students living in other districts come into District 27 schools (458) than District 27 residents who leave for other district schools (1,229).

## ARTICULATION TRENDS

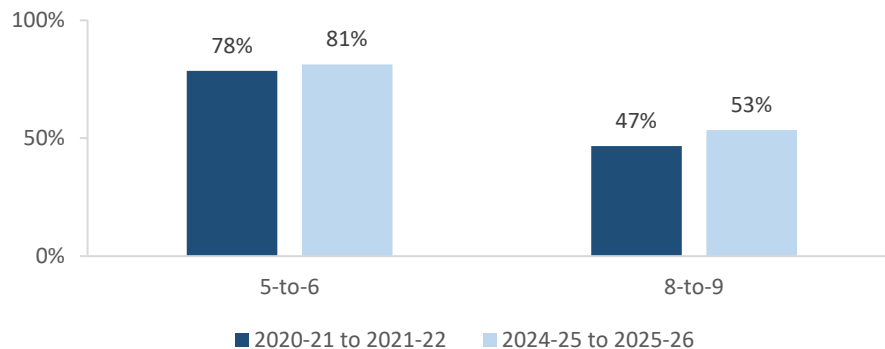
Table 9: 5-to-6 Articulation (Where District 27 5th Graders Enrolled the Following Year)

	2020-21 to 2021-22		2024-25 to 2025-26	
	#	%	#	%
District 27 Schools	2,488	78%	2,388	81%
Other District Schools	294	9%	292	10%
D75 Schools	2	0%	2	0%
D79 Schools	0	0%	1	0%
Charter Schools	38	1%	47	2%
Non-Public Schools	88	3%	53	2%
Out of NYC	231	7%	142	5%
Other	32	1%	19	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,173</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>2,944</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 10: 8-to-9 Articulation (Where District 27 8th Graders Enrolled the Following Year)

	2020-21 to 2021-22		2024-25 to 2025-26	
	#	%	#	%
District 27 Schools	1,707	47%	1,706	53%
Other District Schools	1,409	38%	1,122	35%
D75 Schools	1	0%	3	0%
D79 Schools	2	0%	3	0%
Charter Schools	90	2%	53	2%
Non-Public Schools	187	5%	163	5%
Out of NYC	246	7%	133	4%
Other	20	1%	17	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,662</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>3,200</b>	<b>100%</b>

District 27 Students Remaining in District the Following Year



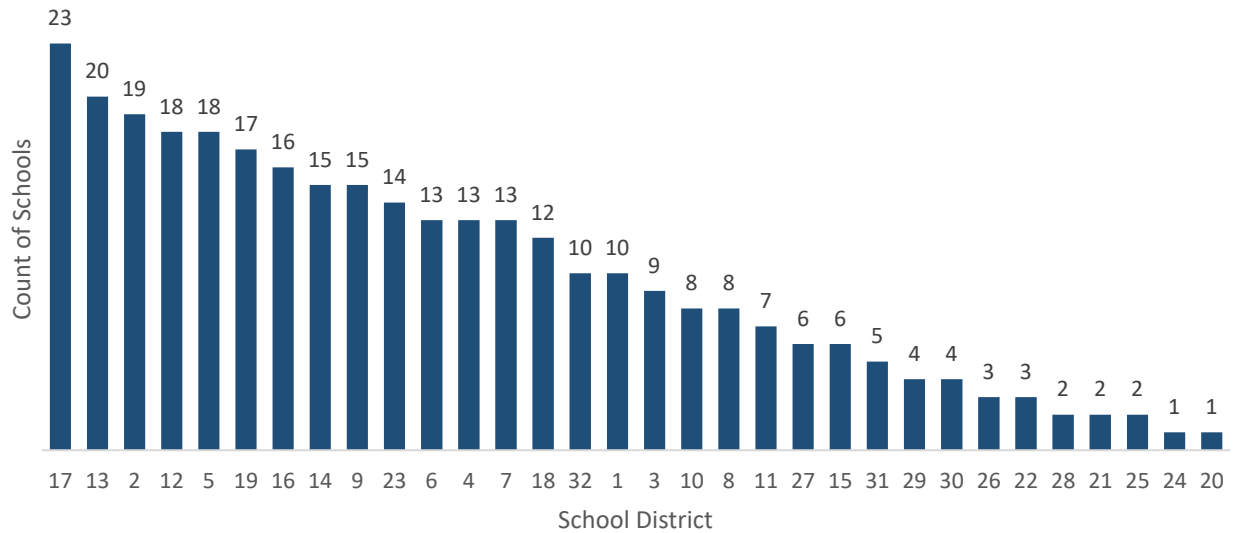
- Citywide, the average percent of graduating 5th graders who remain at a district school in the same district for 6th grade is 73%; for graduating 8th graders, the average percent of students who remain in the same district for 9th grade is 38%.

## SCHOOL COUNTS BY ENROLLMENT RANGE

Table 11: District 27 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	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	3
150-249	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	4
250-349	0	6	1	3	1	0	0	11
350-449	0	8	2	1	1	0	0	12
450-549	0	7	0	1	2	0	0	10
550+	0	5	4	5	6	3	0	23
<i>Total</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>63</i>

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 27 Enrollment vs. Capacity - Grades K-5

	Neighborhood	Enrollment	Capacity	Seat Excess / Deficit
<b>District 27</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>16,915</b>	<b>16,852</b>	<b>-63</b>
Sub-District 1	Far Rockaway	3,506	3,990	484
Sub-District 2	Seaside, Belle Hbr, Breezy Pt	1,093	1,027	-66
Sub-District 3	S. Ozone Pk, Springfield Gdns	2,643	2,734	91
Sub-District 4	Howard Beach, Lindenwood	2,920	2,741	-179
Sub-District 5	Ozone Pk, Richmond Hill	6,753	6,360	-393

Table 13: District 27 Enrollment vs. Capacity - Grades 6-8

	Neighborhood	Enrollment	Capacity	Seat Excess / Deficit
<b>District 27</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>9,101</b>	<b>10,440</b>	<b>1,339</b>
Sub-District 1	Far Rockaway	1,724	2,394	670
Sub-District 2	Seaside, Belle Hbr, Breezy Pt	1,205	1,306	101
Sub-District 3	S. Ozone Pk, Springfield Gdns	1,645	1,720	75
Sub-District 4	Howard Beach, Lindenwood	3,015	3,163	148
Sub-District 5	Ozone Pk, Richmond Hill	1,512	1,857	345

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 27	Queens
<b>Count of Buildings</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>366</b>
<b>Under-Utilized (UU) Buildings</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>99</b>
150-299 Excess Seats	7	54
300+ Excess Seats	5	45
<b>Over-Utilized Buildings</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>127</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.

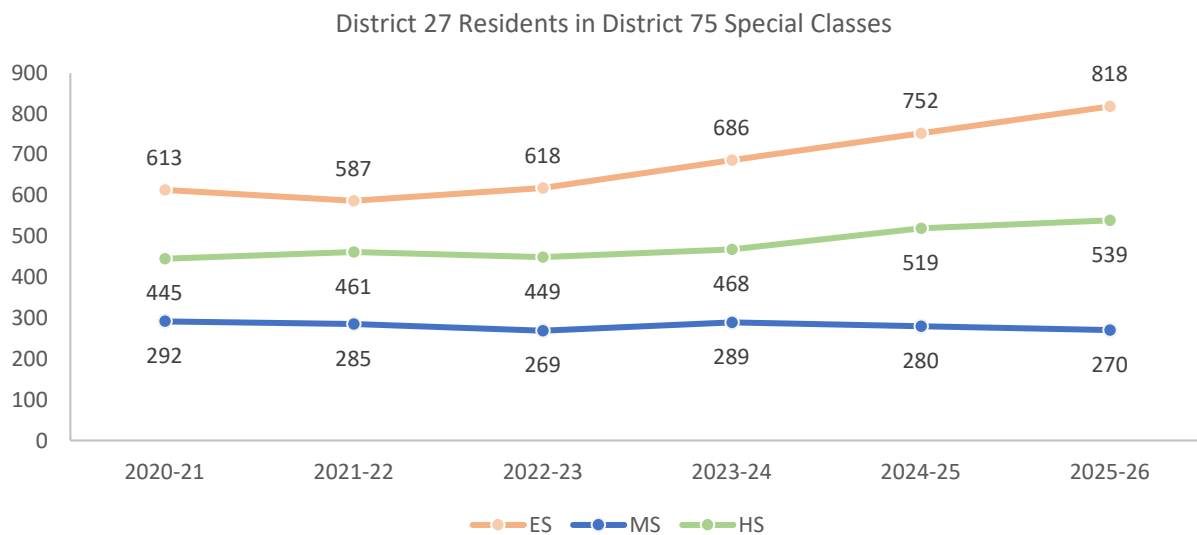
- Most District 75 students attend Special Class programs, which operate as distinct schools and may be located in standalone sites or co-located with district schools.
- A smaller number of students attend Inclusion Programs, in which students receive District 75 services within general education classes 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>	554	4,392	15,098	206	1,486	5,370	236	2,552	9,948
<b>Residents</b>	818	3,967	13,934	270	1,346	4,678	539	2,402	8,874
<b>Deficit</b>	-264	No Deficit	No Deficit	-64	No Deficit	No Deficit	-303	No Deficit	No Deficit

Table 16: District 75 Residential Change in District 27

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	1yr Change	5yr Change
<b>ES</b>	613	587	618	686	752	818	9%	33%
<b>MS</b>	292	285	269	289	280	270	-4%	-8%
<b>HS</b>	445	461	449	468	519	539	4%	21%
<b>All Grades</b>	1,350	1,333	1,336	1,443	1,551	1,627	5%	21%



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>	20%	28%	17%	21%	29%	17%	20%	26%	17%
<b>% Hispanic</b>	42%	41%	42%	42%	42%	43%	42%	44%	44%
<b>% Black</b>	23%	15%	22%	21%	15%	23%	30%	17%	24%
<b>% White</b>	8%	11%	15%	8%	10%	13%	5%	8%	12%
<b>% Multi-Racial</b>	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%
<b>% Native American</b>	5%	2%	1%	6%	2%	1%	3%	2%	1%
<b>% Other</b>	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	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>	23%	20%	23%	21%	18%	22%	19%	16%	19%
<b>English Language Learners</b>	17%	24%	20%	12%	15%	13%	12%	16%	13%
<b>Economically Disadvantaged</b>	78%	71%	73%	74%	70%	74%	78%	73%	75%
<b>Students in Temporary Housing</b>	9%	11%	11%	8%	11%	12%	8%	11%	11%

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

## SPECIAL PROGRAMS

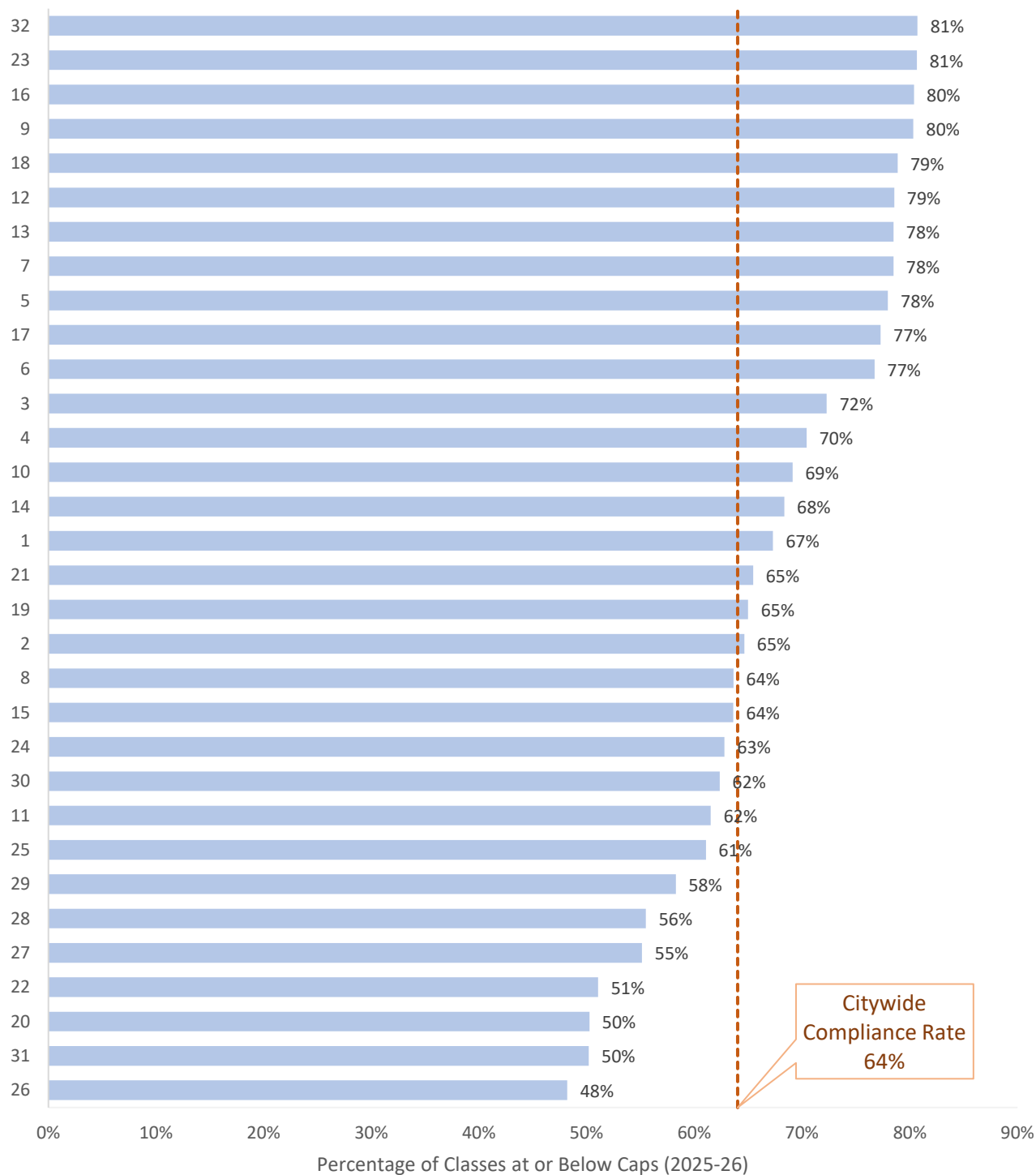
Table 19: District 27 Special Program Summary

	District 27	Queens
<b>Schools with ASD Programs</b>	6	33
<i>Horizon</i>	3	18
<i>Nest</i>	4	18
<b>Schools with G&amp;T Programs</b>	4	39
<b>Schools with Bilingual Ed Programs</b>	8	87
<i>Dual Language (DL)</i>	3	36
<i>Transitional Bilingual Education (TBE)</i>	0	0
<i>DL/TBE</i>	5	51

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>

