150,000

145,000



PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC 2021 SCHOOL YEAR (SY) ENROLLMENT TRENDS

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PUBLIC SCHOOL **ENROLLMENT**

Elementary vs. High School vs. K-12 Schools Student Enrollment Counts for 2019-2021 SY



The 2021 school year brings new enrollment records for Montana.

The combined public, private, and homeschool enrollment was the highest it has been in twenty years. Enrollment of all Montana was 165,336.



Montana has seen a 2.5% increase in public school enrollment, with 149,334 students enrolled. This reflects the highest public school enrollment in 19 years.

The growth of private schools in Montana parallels the public trend. **Private school enrollment** increased by 13.6% which is the highest private school enrollment in 14 years.

6.000

4,000

While the 2020 school year highlighted enrollment growth for homeschools, the 2021 enrollment numbers reveal a decrease.

Montana's homeschool registered enrollment declined from 9,668 to 7,368 students, which is a decline of 25.3%.

ENROLLMENT TRENDS FOR PUBLIC & NONPUBLIC

Change in Enrollment Counts by Public and Nonpublic School Type Since the 2015 SY 12,000 170,000 165,000 10,000 All Schools 160,000 8,000 Private Schools 155,000

Public Schools 2,000 140,000 135,000 2015 SY 2016 SY 2017 SY 2021 SY 2018 SY 2019 SY 2020 SY - Private - Homeschool - All Schools

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