

Petersburg City Public Schools

Digging Deeper, Growing Higher



Mission

The mission of Petersburg City Public Schools is to develop 21st-century citizens able to effectively collaborate, communicate and innovate.

2019-20 priorities

Accredited schools

- Teach the Virginia Standards of Learning
- Know what students have learned and not learned
- Provide instructional interventions during the school day

Increased student attendance — 95%

- Communicate student attendance expectations
- Monitor attendance data
- Provide early interventions

Increased access and opportunity for students

- Diploma Plus — The Petersburg Way

Schools

8 schools

- 1 prekindergarten
- 4 elementary schools (grades K-5)
- 1 middle school (grades 6-8)
- 1 high school (grades 9-12)
- 1 alternative school

Accreditation (2019-20)

- 1 schools is accredited (Walnut Hill Elementary).
- 5 schools are accredited with conditions (Petersburg High, Vernon Johns Middle, Cool Spring Elementary, Lakemont Elementary and Pleasants Lane Elementary).

School profiles

Detailed information about Petersburg schools is available on the Virginia Department of Education website: <http://schoolquality.virginia.gov>.

Budget

The FY 2020 operating budget totals \$43.1 million.

Employees

- 322 teachers (including counselors and librarians)
- 621 employees total

On-time graduation rate (2017-18)

83 percent of Petersburg students graduated in four years.

Free meals

Free breakfasts and lunches are provided for every student each school day under the Community Eligibility Provision.

Graduates

The 211 graduates in the class of 2019 earned \$1.8 million in scholarships and grants:

- 77 planned to attend a four-year college.
- 25 planned to attend a two-year college.
- 18 planned to attend a two-year technical school.
- 17 planned to attend nursing school.
- 20 planned to enter the military.
- 54 planned to enter the work force.

Student demographics (2018-19)

4,196 students

- 90.23% Black
- 5.55% Hispanic
- 2.74% White
- 0.67% Two or more races
- 0.45% Asian
- 0.26% Native Hawaiian
- 0.09% American Indian
- 11.2% Students with disabilities
- 75.26% Economically disadvantaged students
- 5.15% English learners

Superintendent

Maria Pitre-Martin, Ph.D.

School Board

The School Board generally meets at 6 p.m. on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 255 E. South Blvd.

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