2021 School Statistics Analysis Report

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod
Office of National Mission
School Ministry Department
Statistics and Demographics

Data Sets and Disclaimers

• The following statistical analysis comes from data reported on the 2020-2021 Early Childhood and School Statistical Report and from official school data submitted to the LCMS Office of Rosters and Statistics.

• Data from the Early Childhood and School Statistical Report represents a 70% submission rate from Lutheran schools and does not include the 30% which chose not to submit their data.
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Data Sets and Disclaimers

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• Data related to “Schools by Size” contain all current schools and their most recently reported enrollment numbers.
## Statistics and Demographics

### Current Numbers (Schools by Type)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Total Number of Schools</th>
<th>Early Childhood</th>
<th>Elementary Schools (K-8)</th>
<th>High Schools (9-12)</th>
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<td>1,885</td>
<td>1,741</td>
<td>828</td>
<td>97</td>
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Current Numbers (Schools by Size)

Reporting: 1,312

- 0-100 (63%)
- 101-200 (23%)
- 201-300 (8%)
- 301-400 (3%)
- 401-500 (2%)
- 501-600 (1%)
- 601-700 (<1%)
- 701-800 (<1%)
- 801-900 (<1%)
- 901-1000 (<1%)
- 1000+ (<1%)
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Current Numbers (Schools by Size)
Reporting: 1,312

- 0-100 (63%)
- 101+ (37%)

482; 37%
830; 63%
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Current Numbers (Students by Type)

- Early Childhood Students (45%)
- K-8 Students (44%)
- 9-12 Students (11%)

Reporting: 142,469

- 63,483; 45%
- 62,989; 44%
- 16,124; 11%
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### Current Numbers (Students by Ethnicity)

**Reporting: 134,035**

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<tr>
<th>Ethnicity</th>
<th>Count</th>
<th>Percentage</th>
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<tr>
<td>American Indian</td>
<td>602</td>
<td>&lt;1%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Asian</td>
<td>4,948</td>
<td>4%</td>
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<td>Black or African American</td>
<td>9,412</td>
<td>7%</td>
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<td>Hispanic or Latino</td>
<td>7,450</td>
<td>6%</td>
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<td>White</td>
<td>101,947</td>
<td>76%</td>
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<td>Two or More Races</td>
<td>6,991</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<td>Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander</td>
<td>515</td>
<td>&lt;1%</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>2,170</td>
<td>2%</td>
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Current Numbers (Educators)
Total Educators: 21,222

- 10,724; 51%
- 5,446; 26%
- 1,459; 7%
- 3,593; 17%

- Rostered - Active (26%)
- Rostered - Candidate (7%)
- Rostered - Emeritus (17%)
- Non-Rostered (51%)
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Current Numbers (Educators cont.)
Total Educators: 21,222

10,498; 49%
- Rostered (49%)

10,724; 51%
- Non-Rostered (51%)
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Current Numbers (Educators cont.)

Total Educators: 21,222

- **Rostered - Active**: 5,446; 26%
- **Other Rostered and Non-Rostered**: 15,776; 74%
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Current Numbers (Student Church Membership)
Total Students: 126,299

- 48,151; 38%
- 37,641; 30%
- 6,191; 5%
- 4,037; 3%
- 30,279; 24%
- LCMS Member Congregation (30%)
- Other LCMS Congregations (5%)
- Other Lutheran Congregation (3%)
- Non-Lutheran (38%)
- No Church (24%)
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Current Numbers (Student Lutheran Membership)
Total Students: 126,299

- Lutheran Congregations (38%)
- Non-Lutheran or No Church (62%)
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Current Numbers (Funding Support)

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<th>Congregational Support</th>
<th>Tuition and Fees</th>
<th>Other Sources</th>
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<td>22%</td>
<td>69%</td>
<td>9%</td>
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*Note: These numbers represent an average of overall percentages submitted by schools for each individual response.
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Current Numbers (NLSA)

Total: 1,885

- NLSA Accredited Schools (36%)
- Non-NLSA Accredited Schools (64%)
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Trend: 2005-2021 Number of Schools (Total)
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Trend: 2005-2021 Number of Schools (By Type)

- Early Childhood Programs
- Elementary Programs (K-8)
- High School Programs (9-12)

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Trend: 1984-2020 Number of EC/EL Schools
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Trend: SLED Graduates

*Anticipated Graduates
**Anticipated Cohort
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### Trend: 2014-2021 Emeritus Changes

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<td>Number of Emeritus Workers</td>
<td>2,510</td>
<td>2,715</td>
<td>2,823</td>
<td>3,030</td>
<td>3,180</td>
<td>3,334</td>
<td>3,492</td>
<td>3,593</td>
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<td>Total Change Since 2014 (Running Total)</td>
<td>+205</td>
<td>+313</td>
<td>+520</td>
<td>+670</td>
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