

## Children in Merced County Office of Education

Indicator	Year	Merced County Office of Education	Merced County	California	Data Source
Public School Enrollment	2021	1,472	58,665	6,002,393	California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">DataQuest</a> ; National Center for Education Statistics, <a href="#">Digest of Education Statistics</a> (Aug. 2021).
Number of Students Suspended from School	2020	104	1,791	154,718	California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Suspension Data</a> (May 2021).
Number of Students Expelled from School	2020	0	130	3,245	California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Expulsion Data</a> (May 2021).
Percentage of Students Who Are Homeless	2021	3.0%	2.5%	3.8%	California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Coordinated School Health and Safety Office</a> custom tabulation & <a href="#">DataQuest</a> (Feb. 2023).
Number of Foster Youth in Public Schools	2021	39	384	32,256	California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) Unduplicated Pupil Count (UPC) Source Files</a> (Nov. 2021).
Percentage of Students Receiving Special Education Services	2020	N/A	12.3%	13.0%	California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">DataQuest &amp; Special Education Division</a> custom tabulation; National Center for Education Statistics, <a href="#">Digest of Education Statistics</a> (Jun. 2021).
Percentage of High-Needs Students (Unduplicated Pupil Count)	2021	80.4%	78.7%	62.4%	California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) Unduplicated Pupil Count (UPC) Source Files</a> (Nov. 2021).
Percentage of Students Eligible for Free or Reduced Price School Meals	2021	74.2%	75.5%	58.8%	California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Free or Reduced-Price Meal (Student Poverty) Data</a> ; National Center for Education Statistics, <a href="#">Digest of Education Statistics</a> (Jul. 2021).
Percentage of English Learners in Public Schools	2021	22.7%	23.9%	17.7%	California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">English Learners by Grade and Language</a> (Sept. 2021).
Percentage of 5th Graders Meeting All Fitness Standards	2019	N/A	15.8%	23.1%	California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Physical Fitness Testing Research Files</a> (Jan. 2020).

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Percentage of 5th Graders Who Are Overweight or Obese	2019	N/A	49.1%	41.3%	California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Physical Fitness Testing Research Files</a> (Jan. 2020).
Percentage of 7th Graders Who Were Bullied at School in the Previous Year	2017-2019	N/A	30.5%	36.0%	WestEd, <a href="#">California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS)</a> & <a href="#">Biennial State CHKS</a> . California Dept. of Education (Aug. 2020).
Percentage of 9th Graders with Feelings of Depression	2017-2019	N/A	32.5%	32.6%	WestEd, <a href="#">California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS)</a> and <a href="#">Biennial State CHKS</a> . California Dept. of Education (Aug. 2020).
Percentage of 9th Graders with High Levels of School Connectedness	2017-2019	N/A	44.1%	44.8%	WestEd, <a href="#">California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS)</a> and <a href="#">Biennial State CHKS</a> . California Dept. of Education (Aug. 2020).
Percentage of Students Completing College Preparatory Courses	2019	N/A	35.1%	50.5%	California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate and Outcome Data</a> (Jun. 2020).
Percentage of Students in the Graduating Class Receiving a High School Diploma	2021	N/A	90.3%	83.6%	California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Graduates by Race and Gender</a> (Jun. 2017) & <a href="#">Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate and Outcome Data</a> (May 2022).

Definitions for LNE, N/A, N/R, or S can be found in the footnote section of the indicator page.

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