

## **PULASKI COUNTY SCHOOL CHOICE MARKET LARGER THAN 3 OF 4 PUBLIC K-12 DISTRICTS**

(December 2018) More K-12 students are participating in the Pulaski County school choice market in the current school year (2018-19) than total enrollment in three of four local public school districts, Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) records and other data show.

The school choice market includes K-12 students attending charter, private and home schools. There are 9,621<sup>1</sup> students enrolled in Pulaski County charters, ADE records show. Another 9,175<sup>2</sup> students attend local private schools, according to the Arkansas Nonpublic School Accrediting Association. The total (18,796) exceeds the enrollment of three Pulaski County districts.

Little Rock School District	21,595 <sup>3</sup>
<b>Pulaski County School Choice Market</b>	<b>18,796</b>
Pulaski County Special School District	11,863 <sup>4</sup>
North Little Rock School District	8,405 <sup>5</sup>
Jacksonville-North Pulaski School District	3,958 <sup>6</sup>

ADE has not reported the number of Pulaski County home school students.<sup>7</sup> ADE's most recent report (2017) listed 1,892 Pulaski home school students.<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> ADE, <http://www.arkansased.gov/divisions/public-school-accountability/charter-schools>, 2018-19 school year **Conversion** North Little Rock Center of Excellence 417; **Open-enrollment** Academics Plus (Maumelle) 690 (K-5), 463 (6-12), Scott Charter 255 (K-6); Arkansas Virtual Academy 926 (9-12); Capitol City Lighthouse 188 (K-6); Covenant Keepers 114 (6-8); E-Stem Public Charter Schools 981 (K-6), 515 (7-9), 506 (10-12); Exalt Academy, Southwest Little Rock 406 (K-8); Jacksonville Lighthouse 378 (K-6), 294 (7-12), Flightline Upper Academy 128 (5-8); LISA Academy West Little Rock 327 (7-8), 440 (9-12), North Little Rock 423 (K-5), 237 (6-8), 184 (9-12), Chenal 607 (K-6); Little Rock Preparatory Academy 240 (K-4), 121 (5-8); Premier High School of Little Rock 116 (9-12); Quest Academy 163 (5-12); Ivy Primary Academy 275 (K-3); SIA Tech High School 125 (9-12); Excel Center 102 (9-12)

<sup>2</sup> ANSAA [http://www.ansaa.com/uploads/2/6/1/3/26134429/ansaa\\_directory\\_2018-2019.pdf](http://www.ansaa.com/uploads/2/6/1/3/26134429/ansaa_directory_2018-2019.pdf)

Abundant Life Christian Academy 297 (K-12); The Anthony School 307 (K-8); The Baptist Preparatory School 536 (K-12); Catholic High School 771 (9-12); Central Arkansas Christian Schools 723 (K-12); Christ Lutheran School 120 (K-8); Christ The King School 601 (K-8); Episcopal Collegiate School 739 (K-12); Immaculate Conception School 351 (K-8); Immaculate Heart of Mary School 116 (K-8); Little Rock Christian Academy 1,372 (K-12); Mount St. Mary Academy 485 (9-12); North Little Rock Catholic Academy 180 (K-8); Our Lady of the Holy Souls Catholic School 465 (K-8); Pulaski Academy 1,254 (K-12); Southwest Christian Academy 259 (K-12); St. Edward Catholic School 143 (K-8); St. Theresa Catholic School 198 (K-8); Agape Academy 51 (K-6); Miss Selma's Schools 207 (K-6)

<sup>3</sup> ADE, LEA 6001000

<sup>4</sup> ADE, LEA 6003000

<sup>5</sup> ADE, LEA 6002000

<sup>6</sup> ADE, LEA 6004000

<sup>7</sup> ADE communication to Policy Foundation, December 6, 2018

<sup>8</sup> <http://www.arkansased.gov/divisions/learning-services/home-school/home-school-reports>