

Education

In fiscal year (FY) 2025, the Delaware Department of Education's capital expenditures for public education equaled \$200.4 million, which included \$140.2 million for new construction and land acquisition. New schools are listed below Table B.1.

Table A.1 Public education trends and indicators, fiscal years 2021-2025

	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025
Total Enrollment*	137,956	139,799	141,299	141,718	142,495
Charter School Enrollment	16,910	17,201	18,223	18,450	19,032
State Portion, Public Education Operating Budget (in thousands)	\$1,643,857	\$1,710,107	\$1,832,408	\$1,985,539	\$2,157,198
State Portion, Education Bond Bill***	\$175,723,015	\$246,018,000	\$390,209,848	\$224,781,456	\$200,405,745
State Portion, New Construction and Land Acquisition**	\$102,532,915	\$204,753,000	\$167,025,500	\$58,327,901	\$140,221,195
New Schools Opened<<	3	1	1	3	2

Source: Delaware Office of Management and Budget; Delaware Department of Education

* Total enrollment includes charter school enrollment and does not include Dover Air Force Base.

** New Construction and Land Acquisition is a subset of the Education Bond Bill. The remaining portion of the Education Bond Bill funded other capital projects at school facilities.

<< New schools are public schools that involve the construction of a new building utilizing state capital funds. Building additions and charter schools are not included.

*** Bond Bill figures have been updated to include funding budgeted in the Office of Management and Budget for the City of Wilmington Education Initiative

Table A.2 New education construction and land acquisition, fiscal years 2025

New Construction/Land Acquisition	FY2025
Smyrna, New 600 Student ES	\$ 6,800,600
NCCVT Hodgson Replacement	\$ 33,599,895
Sussex Tech, New Sussex Tech HS	\$ 34,236,300
Colonial, New Leach School	\$ 37,455,000
Total	\$ 112,091,795