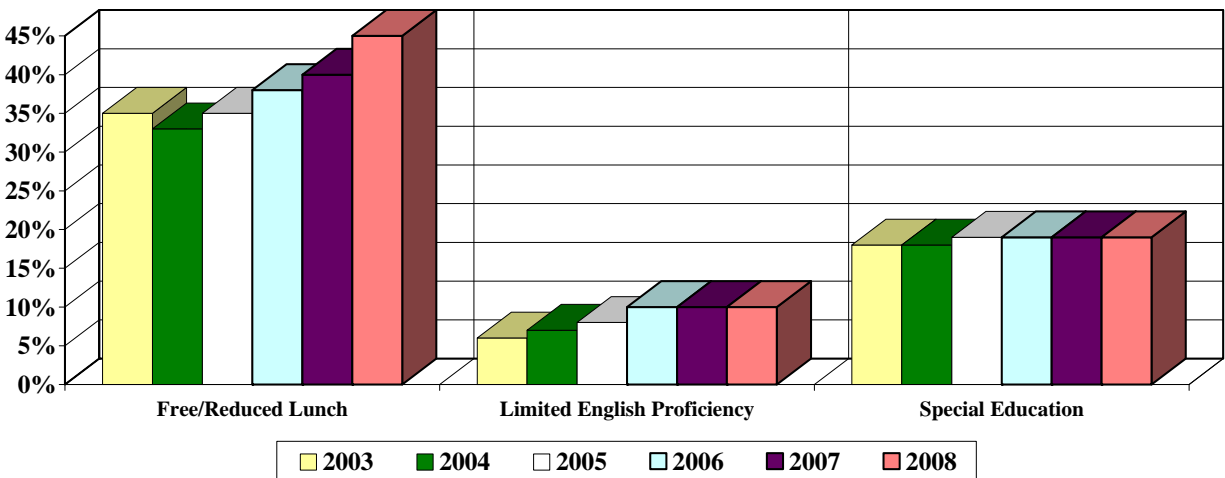


St. Cloud School District Fact Sheet

St. Cloud Area School District 742 serves approximately 9,454 students in grades PreK-12 and is the 18th largest in the state. Our district encompasses nine communities within a tri-county area. District 742 currently has one early childhood center, eight elementary buildings, two junior highs, two high schools, three alternative education settings, a community education center, and numerous special education programs throughout the district. Approximately 789 licensed teachers are employed by District 742. With the changes in our community, the needs of our students have also changed. Socioeconomic factors have increased the number of students receiving free or reduced lunches (45%) and there are many students in the district who are experiencing homelessness and other issues associated with poverty.

The number of limited English proficient (LEP) students served in District 742 also increased from 320 in 2000-01 to 989 in 2008-09, an increase of 209%. There are 41 native languages represented in our current student population, with Somali, Spanish, and Vietnamese being the predominant languages. These recent immigrants bring with them a wide variety of transitional experiences, including time spent in refugee camps, varying degrees of formal education, literacy and English proficiency and separation from other family members.



In addition, the number of students receiving Special Education services has increased steadily over the past several years. Students who receive special education services are educated in inclusive environments in their neighborhood schools. (District 742 provides the special educators for both public and non-public students). Approximately 18% of the students in grades K-12 are on Individualized Education Plans (IEPs).

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Ethnicity PK-12	2003		2004		2005		2006		2007		2008		2007 to 2008 Change	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Black	662	7%	771	8%	888	9%	1,161	12%	1,247	13%	1,402	15%	155	12%
American Indian	102	1%	103	1%	100	1%	118	1%	124	1%	106	1%	-18	-15%
Asian/Pac. Islander	405	4%	406	4%	393	4%	386	4%	395	4%	410	4%	15	4%
Hispanic	252	3%	255	3%	309	3%	347	4%	374	4%	389	4%	15	4%
White	8,411	86%	8,164	84%	7,806	82%	7,545	79%	7,420	78%	7,151	76%	-269	-4%
Total	9,832	100%	9,699	100%	9,496	100%	9,557	100%	9,560	100%	9,458	100%	-102	-1%
Total Minority	1,421	14%	1,535	16%	1,690	18%	2,012	21%	2,140	22%	2,307	24%	167	8%

Note: Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Source: Minnesota Department of Education October 1 Enrollment Figures.

PreK-12 Category	2003		2004		2005		2006		2007		2008		2007 to 2008 Change	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Free/Reduced Lunch	3,334	34%	3,210	33%	3,358	35%	3,585	38%	3,852	40%	4,246	45%	394	10%
Limited English Proficiency	579	6%	639	7%	735	8%	914	10%	949	10%	988	10%	39	4%
Special Education*	1,809	18%	1,788	18%	1,782	19%	1,791	19%	1,823	19%	1,856	20%	33	2%
Total Enrollment	9,832	100%	9,699	100%	9,496	100%	9,557	100%	9,560	100%	9,458	100%	-102	-1%

*Figures include all Preschool, homeschooled, and non-public Special Education students