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### Utah's Public Schools Add 10,580 Students This Year

SALT LAKE CITY – Utah's public schools added 10,580 students this school year bringing the total enrollment count to 644,476, according to data released today by the Utah State Board of Education.

This represents a 1.67 percent increase over last year's enrollment of 633,896.

Utah public schools conduct a census of students annually on Oct. 1. The data for the 2016 count is available online now at [www.schools.utah.gov/data/Reports/Enrollment-Demographics.aspx](http://www.schools.utah.gov/data/Reports/Enrollment-Demographics.aspx).

Other items of interest found in this year's enrollment count include:

- Charter school enrollment grew by 5.9 percent to 71,494 students. Charters now account for 11 percent of Utah public school enrollment.
- The five largest school districts in Utah are:
  - Alpine 77,343
  - Davis 71,021
  - Granite 67,177
  - Jordan 52,507
  - Canyons 34,017
- The five smallest school districts in Utah are:
  - Daggett 183
  - Tintic 244
  - Piute 280

- Wayne 450
- Rich 497
- The five largest district high schools are:
  - Granger High (Granite District) 3,557
  - Westlake High (Alpine District) 2,865
  - Herriman High (Jordan District) 2,818
  - Copper Hills High (Jordan District) 2,786
  - Hunter High (Granite District) 2,668
- The five largest charter schools are:
  - Providence Hall (K-12, Herriman) 2,149
  - Utah Virtual Academy (K-12, online) 2,028
  - American Leadership Academy (K-12, Spanish Fork) 1,728
  - American Preparatory Academy-Accelerated (K-12, WVC) 1,432
  - American International School (K-12, Murray) 1,322
- Racial and ethnic minority students comprise 25 percent of Utah’s school population.  
This represents 161,050 students.
- Low income students comprise 35 percent of Utah’s student population. This represents 223,470 students.
- 11.4 percent of Utah students are receiving special education services. This represents 73,171 students.
- 6.2 percent of Utah students are considered English language learners. This represents 39,680 students.

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