

Statewide comparison

Rockford schools had the second-highest chronic truancy rate among the 15 largest school districts in the state last school year despite a significant decrease. Truancy in the Rockford School District remains more than double the state average of 2.5 percent.

CHRONIC TRUANCY 2006-07

HIGH SCHOOLS	ENROLLMENT	LOW INCOME	TRUANCY		HIGH SCHOOL RATES	
			CHRONIC	RATE	DROPOUT	GRAD.
Waukegan CUSD 60	16,224	57.4%	1,218	7.8 %	6.5 %	69.6 %
Rockford SD 205	27,787	68.4	1,868	6.6	3.2	75.0
Aurora East USD 131	12,496	68.1	601	5.3	7.5	75.9
Peoria SD 150	13,961	69.3	686	5.1	3.3	89.8
Valley View CUSD 365	17,816	36.8	815	4.6	2.8	81.7
Springfield SD 186	13,800	62.3	595	4.4	2.3	87.2
City of Chicago SD 299	390,243	84.9	14,815	4.1	8.3	66.0
CUSD 300	18,617	31.5	434	2.3	2.5	98.2
SD U-46	39,794	42.5	475	1.3	3.8	86.4
Aurora West USD 129	12,307	33.4	161	1.3	5.4	82.4
Plainfield SD 202	25,957	6.2	194	0.8	0	94.9
Oswego CUSD 308	13,789	9.0	88	0.6	2.2	95.4
Indian Prairie CUSD 204	28,087	5.3	60	0	0	99.9
Naperville CUSD 203	18,449	5.0	25	0	0	96.3
St. Charles CUSD 303	13,694	5.5	31	0	0.6	97.2

Note: Midyear report adjusted so that chronic truant is defined as eight or more unexcused absences.

Source: Interactive Illinois Report Card

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