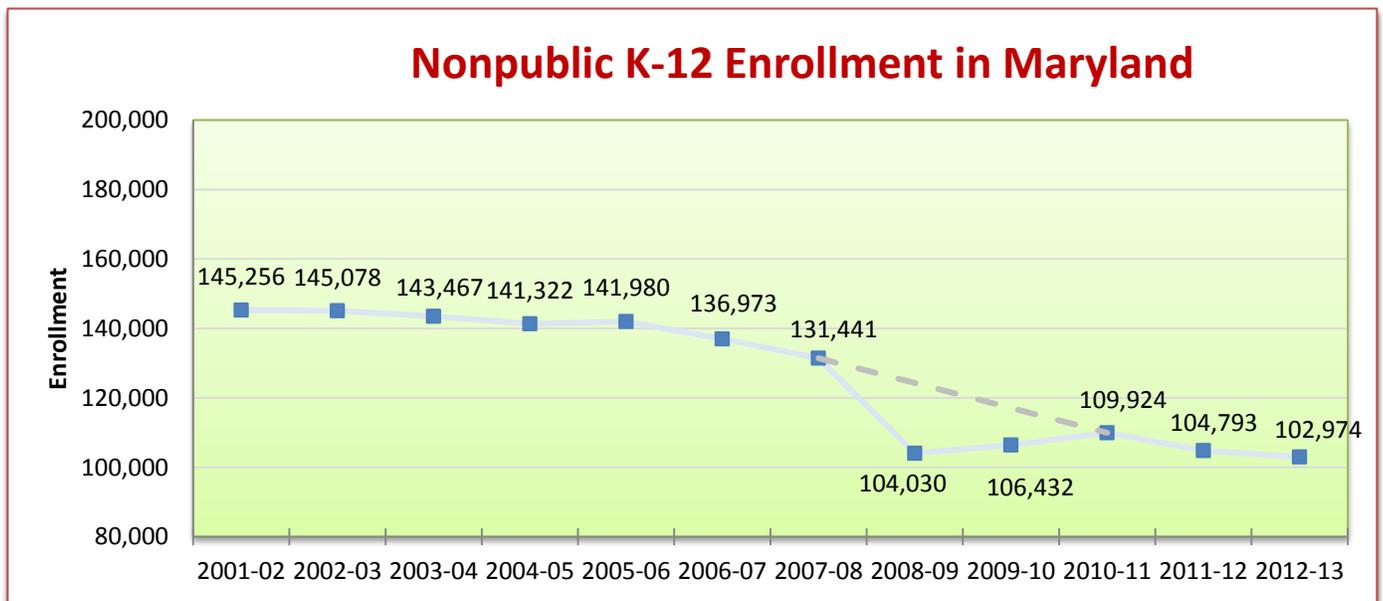




Maryland Nonpublic School Overview

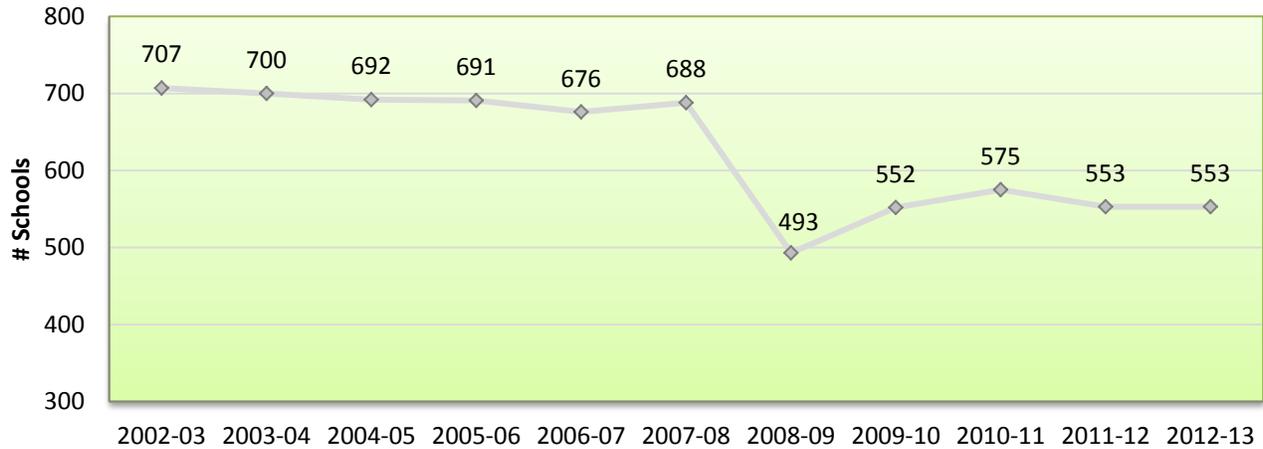


Note that the steep decline in enrollment in 2008-09 is partially due to nonresponse to a request for enrollment information. For example, half of the nonpublic schools on record in Prince George's County did not provide enrollment counts to MSDE for 2008-09. The nonresponse rate for other years ranges from 8% to 24%. The grey dotted line suggests a more probable decline for enrollments statewide.

Of Important Note

- 5-year change**
 28,467 fewer students (-22%)
- Additional cost to Maryland's public schools: \$402,141,353 PER YEAR**
 This reflects the cost to educate the additional 28,467 students, based on the average Maryland public school per pupil cost in of \$14,126.58 in 2012-13.
- For every 71 students who move from a nonpublic school to a public school, Maryland and its taxpayers pay an additional MILLION dollars.**
- Total savings provided by nonpublic schools: \$1,454,670,448 PER YEAR**
 This reflects the cost to educate the 102,974 students currently enrolled in Maryland's nonpublic schools in grades K to 12, based on the average Maryland public school per pupil cost.

Total Nonpublic Schools



The graph above shows the number of nonpublic schools that provided a count of enrollments to MSDE, **excluding preschools**. While the number of nonpublic schools has most likely declined recently, the dip in the graph in 2008-09 is probably due more to nonresponse, rather than a sharp drop in the number of nonpublic schools.

(Data sources: Maryland State Department of Education, Division of Accountability and Assessment, Nonpublic School Enrollment State of Maryland.)

About the Maryland Education Credit

Helps Schools

- Business donations for public school students help families and schools give children the extra support they need to meet core academic goals.
- Business donations will help nonpublic schools and students continue to save the State and its taxpayers billions of dollars annually.
- An influx of business investment will lower costs across the board for parents and schools.
- Increased business support stabilizes nonpublic enrollments, which improves schools' financial viability. A higher nonpublic student enrollment, in turn, decreases the burden on public schools, which improves educational quality for all students.

Spurs Business Investment in Education

- A business may receive a tax credit of up to \$200,000 equal to 60% of their total donation to a registered nonprofit Student Assistance Organization.
- Maryland businesses may receive up to \$15 million dollars per year in tax credits, helping to stimulate the economy.
- Businesses eligible for the credit include business corporations, S corporations, sole proprietorships, partnerships, limited liability corporations, and business trusts.