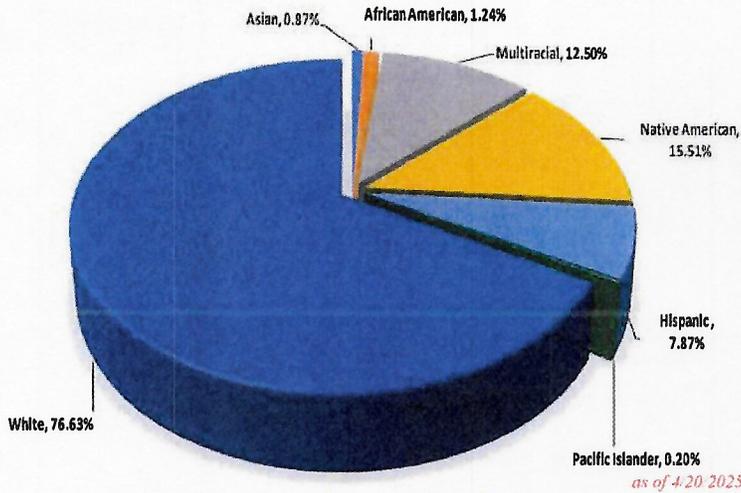


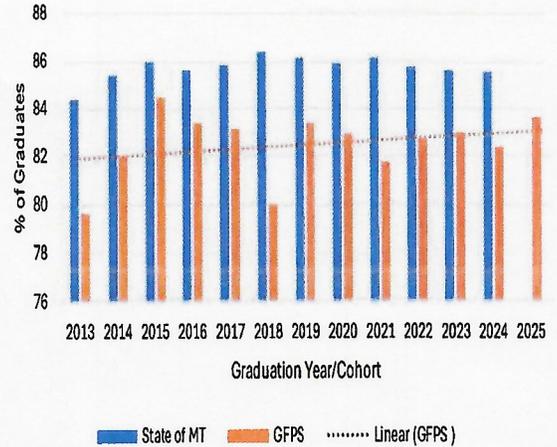
**Great Falls Public Schools
Fiscal Year 2025-2026
FAST FACTS**

Student/School Information

SPRING DEMOGRAPHICS FOR 24-25 BY PERCENT



Moving the Dial - State and District Graduation Rates



1,351,521

Programs Offered

- National School Lunch Program
- School Breakfast Program
- Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program
- Summer Food Service Program



Total Meals Served

544,422
Breakfast

807,099
Lunch

1,351,521
TOTAL

% of Students Engaged in Programs:

- ◊ Free and Reduced Lunch: 60.01%
- ◊ Limited English Proficient: 6.00%
- ◊ English as Second Language: 7.00%
- ◊ Special Education: 14.21%
- ◊ Homeless: 4.01%
- ◊ Military: 12.22%

* All students ate for free in 2021-2022.

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School Nutrition Program Staffing

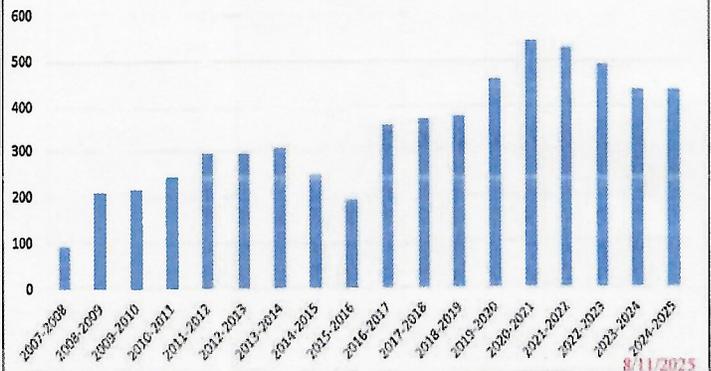
- 61 Food Service Employees
- 18 Satellite Leads
- 7 Production Cooks
- 4 Production Managers
- 3 Office



= 93
Total Staff
Members

* When fully staffed

of Homeless Students 2006-2026



Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

Signed into law in 2015

Replaced "No Child Left Behind Act"

The Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI) has generated a report card for each school in the state. The report card provides information on how students perform in Reading, Math, Science, attendance, and student achievement progress scores. Information regarding educator qualifications, school quality, climate, safety information and school finance is in development and will be included in future year report cards.

Here is how to access this information:

1. Use this link: <https://gemsapi.olap.opi.mt.gov/report?reporturl=51DC9FDE-4EF9-4A69-9DD7-0C368E234457>
2. On the upper left corner, use the 'Organization' drop-down arrow to select either 'Great Falls Elem' or 'Great Falls HS'. Then click on the 'View Report' button (top right). The next page shows the list of schools in the GFPS District; choose the school report you want to view.

* MT. OPI School Nutrition Programs

Great Falls Public Schools Fiscal Year 2025-2026 FAST FACTS

District Information

District Website:

www.gfps.k12.mt.us

Vision:

All kids engaged in learning today.....for life tomorrow.

Mission:

We successfully educate students to navigate their future.



Strategic Plan

Student Achievement:

The District believes that comprehensive systems of support ensures that students achieve the highest levels of academic growth.

Healthy, Safe, and Secure Schools:

The District believes that a comprehensive educational environment addresses the health, safety, and social/emotional needs of all students and staff.

Stewardship and Accountability:

The District believes our resources and staff are public assets requiring responsible stewardship, accountability, and community involvement.

(Full Strategic Plan with Action Steps located on page 10.)

◇ **Our Schools:**

- ◇ Established in 1888
- ◇ Second Largest School District in Montana
- ◇ Early Learning Family Center: Jumpstart Program
- ◇ 14 Neighborhood Regular Elementary Schools
- ◇ 2 Middle Schools
- ◇ 2 Comprehensive High Schools
- ◇ 1 Alternative High School
- ◇ Adult Education Program at Great Falls College MSU
- ◇ 1 Charter (CORE) Elementary School
- Morningside CORE School

Transportation:

- ◇ No. of Bus Routes: 66
- ◇ No. of Bus Drivers: 67
- ◇ No. of Student Ridership: 6,476
- ◇ No. of Miles Traveled: 709,025



Facility Facts:

- ◇ Average School Age: 59.43 Years
- ◇ Oldest Building: Great Falls High School 1928
- ◇ Newest Building: Longfellow Elementary completed in 2020
- ◇ Current Public Debt (Bonds)
 - ⇒ Elementary 39,067,153
 - ⇒ High School 43,272,887
- ◇ 1.9 million square feet of building space
- ◇ 290 acres of land
- ◇ Up-to-date Facilities Plan information can be found

Our Staff

Group	FTE	# of Employees
Administrators	47.0	45
Clerical	64.8	67
Computer Services Hourly	5.0	7
Craft Council	11.0	11
Craft Grounds	9.0	9
Exempt Secretaries	11.0	12
Food Service	53.9	80
Hourly Classified	35.4	87
Teachers	722.2	742
Mental Health Therapists	7.0	6
Minimum Wage	0.0	0
MISC POSITIONS SALARY	3.0	3
MRPS Hourly	17.5	26
MRPS Salary	27.0	28
Operating Engineers	86.0	86
PERS Supervisors	4.0	4
Psychologists	10.9	12
Support Personnel Hourly	0.0	1
Support Personnel Salary	7.2	7
Teacher Aides	59.0	95
Teamsters	6.0	6
Technology Specialists	10.0	11
NEW		
Hourly Paraprofessional	116.5	143
TOTAL	1,313.4	1,488

School Construction ranges in date from 1928-2024

1920's	1
1930's	3
1940's	1
1950's	4
1960's	9
1970's	4
1990's	1
2000's	0
2010's	1
2020's	1



**FTE=Full Time Equivalent, i.e., one person half-time equals .5 FTE*

Our Teachers

- Ages: 22 to 69
- 76% Female
- 581 or 70% have a Master's Degree or higher;
- 2 with a Doctoral degree



4/8/2025