



SPS Enrollment Update as of September 14, 2026

Enrollment Director: Simone Braga



Enrollment Office: Who are we?

Director: Simone Braga

Enrollment Systems & Data Quality Assurance Coordinator: Nancy Holmes

Enrollment Specialists:

- **Herenia Hernandez**
- **Marjorie Alexander**
- **Fernanda Alves**

Secretary: Colleen Flynn

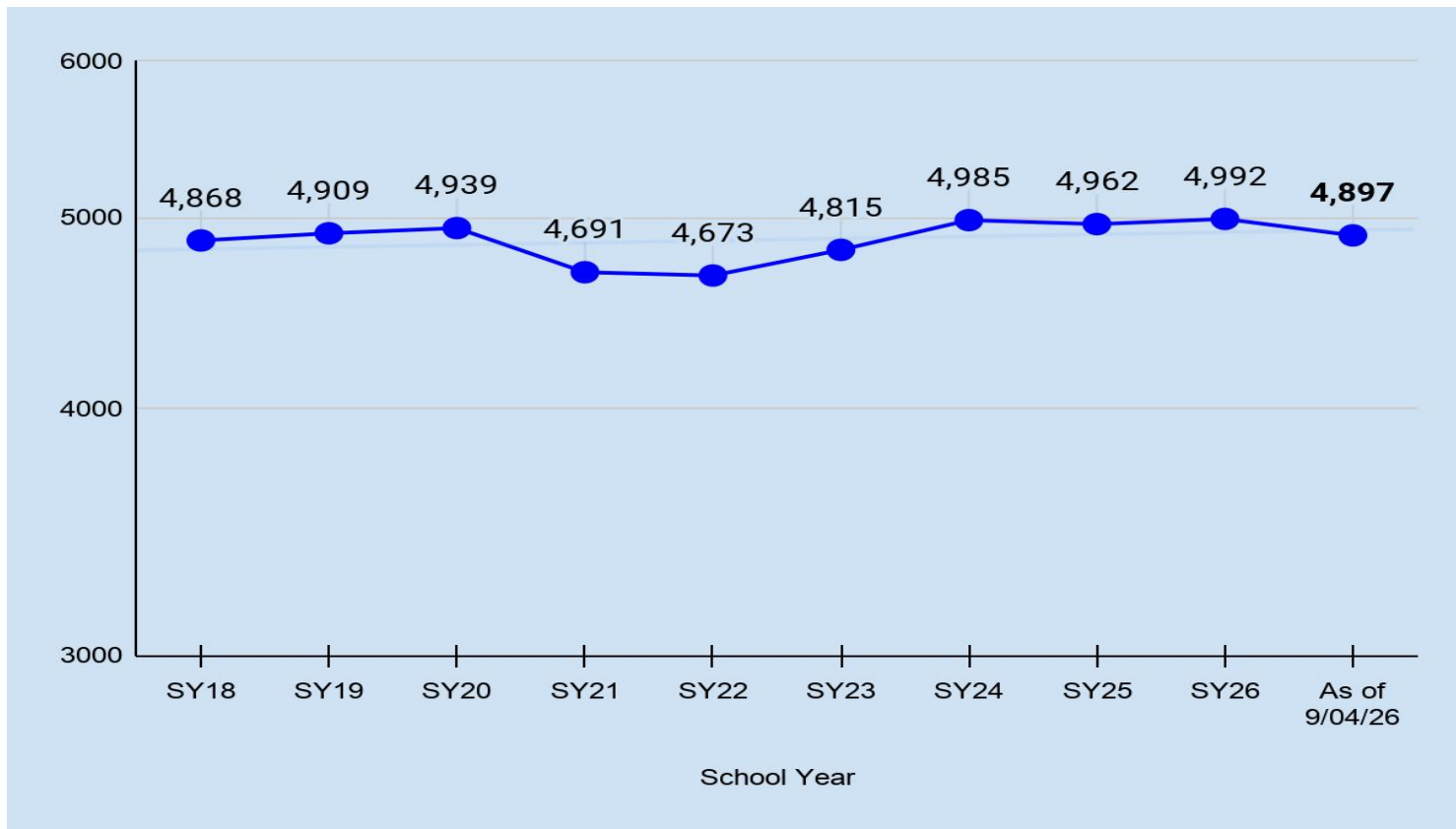
Enrollment Office Support Team:

- **Health Coordinator: Kayla Centeio**
- **Health Assistant: Kelly Morales**
- **MLE Placement and Assessment Coordinator: Erica Da Silva**

Special thanks to the Student Services Team



Year-Over-Year Enrollment Trends for SPS

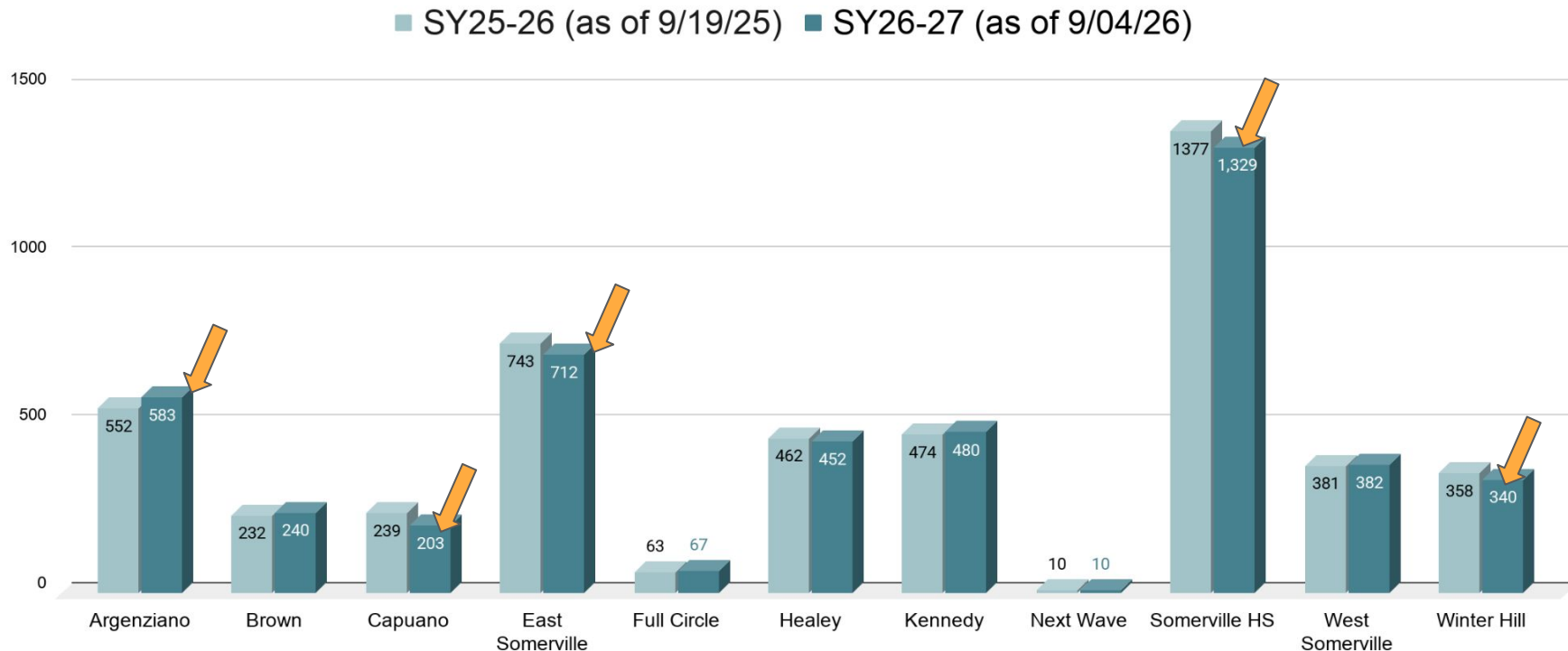


Enrollment has remained steady.

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Enrollment Trends District-wide

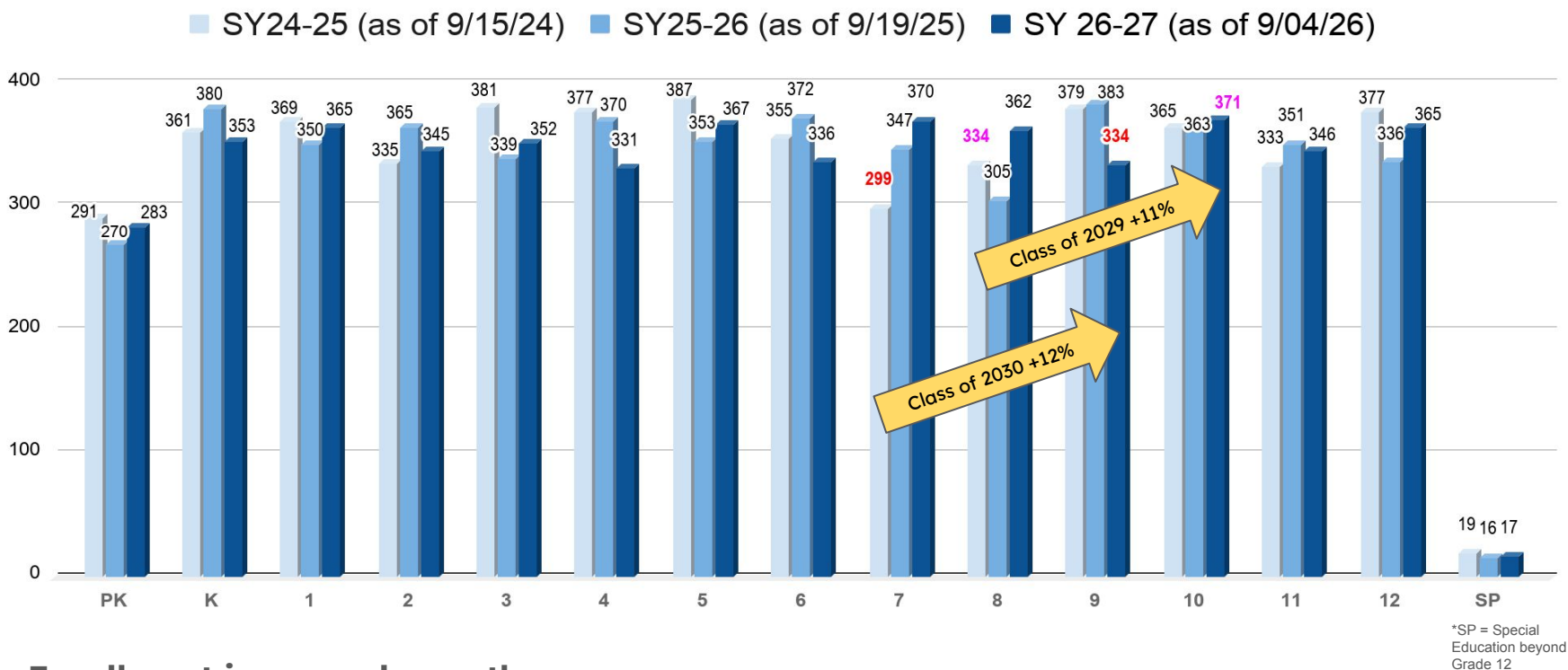
Enrollment by Schools



Slight increase at Argenziano

Slight decrease at Capuano, ESCS, SHS and Winter Hill

Enrollment by Grade



**Enrollment increased over three years
in Class of 2029 (by 11%) and Class of 2030 (by 12%)**

PK/K School Assignment Priority Registration Overview

Kindergarten: **99.4% of students were assigned to their 1st choice school**

- **319** students were assigned in the priority registration period.
 - **23** students were not initially assigned to their 1st-choice school
 - **21** of those students were subsequently assigned to their 1st choice before school began
 - **2** of those students remain on waitlists for their 1st-choice school
- **34** additional students were registered and assigned after the priority registration period

PK: **100% of PK students who registered were offered a seat**

- **220** students were assigned in the priority registration period
 - **32** of those students are currently attending but remain on the waitlist for their 1st-choice school
- **63** additional students were registered and assigned after the priority registration period

Grade-Level Transitions

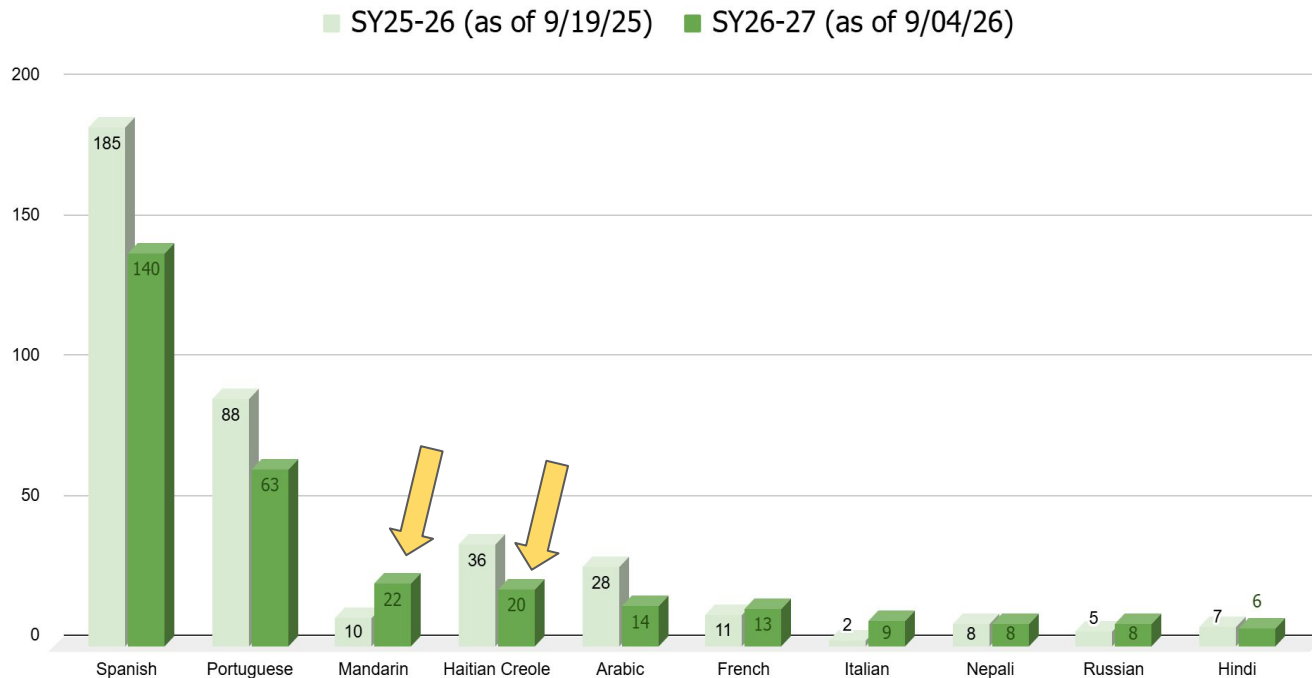
Capuano K → Grade 1

- **38** students assigned
- **4** remain on the Kennedy School waitlist

Brown Grade 5 → Grade 6

- **27** students assigned
- **100%** received their 1st-choice school

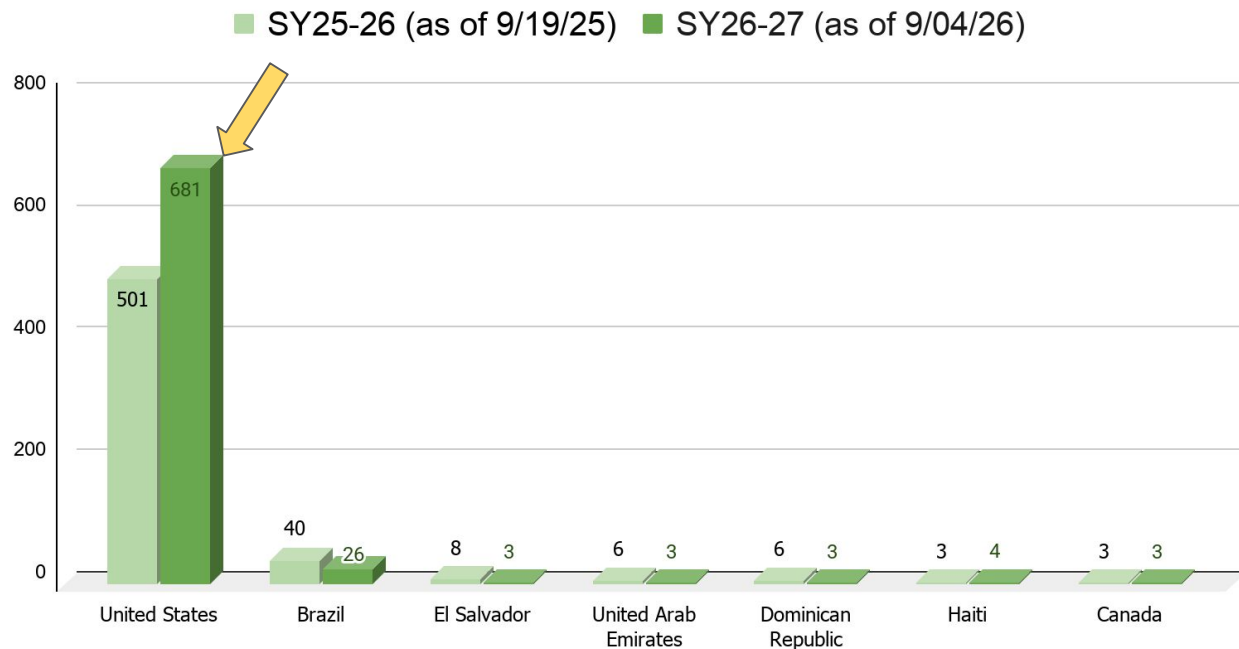
Top 10 Languages (other than English) among New Registrations



Haitian Creole speakers have declined.

Mandarin speakers, amongst a few others, have increased slightly.

Top Countries of Birth for New Registrations



- **36% increase in new registrations of students born in the US**
- **Of the 681 US born, 54% have a language other than English as their home language**
- **The biggest concentration of US born is in PK (96%) and K (90%)**

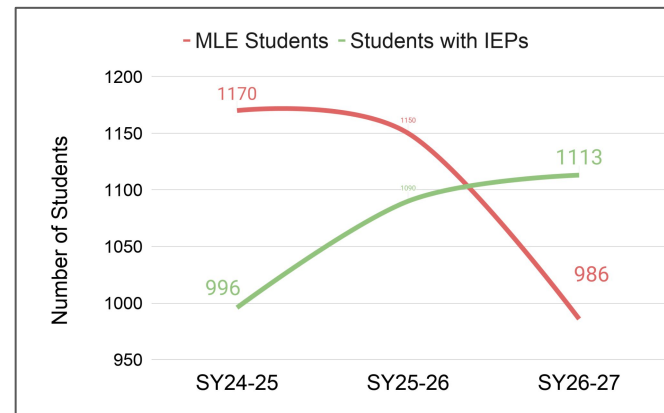
Enrollment Trends by Grade for MLE and Special Education Students

Multilingual Learners by Grade

Grade	SY26 (9/19/25)	SY27 (9/4/2026)
Grade K	141	108
Grade 1	114	130
Grade 2	129	112
Grade 3	107	102
Grade 4	111	92
Grade 5	78	67
Grade 6	80	44
Grade 7	76	72
Grade 8	56	70
Grade 9	74	45
Grade 10	73	47
Grade 11	56	47
Grade 12	55	50
Overall	1150	986

Students with IEP by Grade

Grade	SY26 (9/19/25)	SY27 (9/4/2026)
Grade PK	70	51
Grade K	51	56
Grade 1	75	64
Grade 2	51	78
Grade 3	63	71
Grade 4	93	69
Grade 5	90	96
Grade 6	85	87
Grade 7	90	95
Grade 8	66	91
Grade 9	89	77
Grade 10	74	87
Grade 11	88	71
Grade 12	82	93
Grade SP	23	27
Overall	1090	1113



Trends over three years:

- **15.7% decrease in MLE students**
- **13.2% increase in students with IEPs**



Summer Withdrawals

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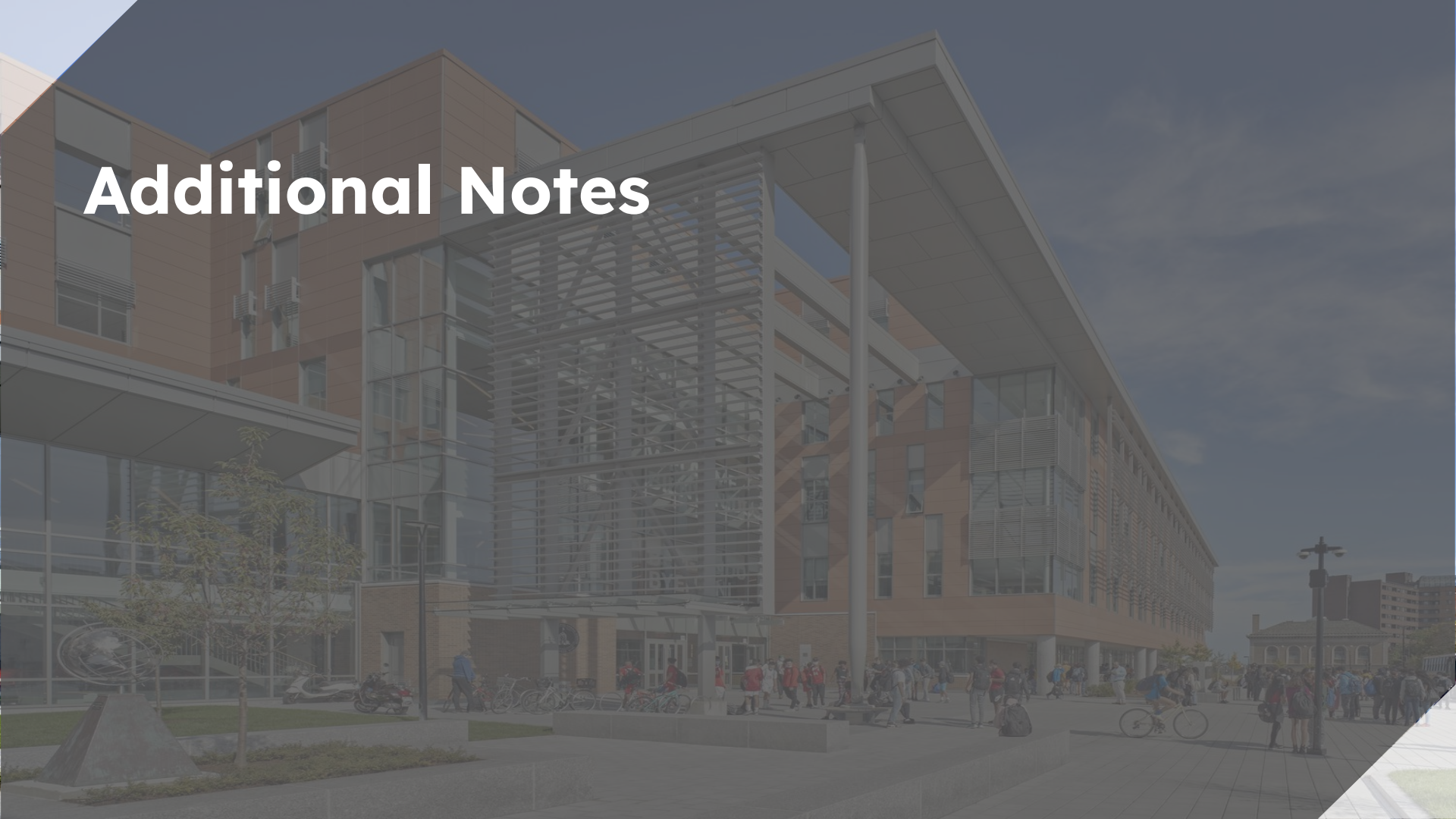
Exit Reason	Summer 2024	Summer 2025	Summer 2026
Other Public Schools in Massachusetts	141	143	115
Private School	33	19	16
Out of state/Out of the country	80	75	73
Transferring to Homeschooling	4	4	5
Not attending	58	36	81

This total includes 7 students who enrolled at PHA and 5 students who transferred to a virtual public school in MA

30 students → Moved to another state
43 students → Moved out of the country

** started recording disaggregated data in Summer 2026*

Additional Notes



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- We enrolled **766** students this year since January 2026. **202** additional families decided not to attend or did not complete registration. *(833 registrations by 9/19/25)*
- **14%** of all families requested in person assistance to enroll *(16.4% in SY26)*
- We approved **104** requests for intra-district transfers for grades 1-8 *(38 in SY26)*
- We denied **8** requests for intra-district transfers for grades 1-8 due to space limitations *(12 in SY26)*
- We have **15** students placed in schools, but still on K-8 waitlists for their preferred school *(50 in SY26)*
- We have **51** students placed in schools but still on the PK waitlists for Argenziano, Sonrisa, Healey, Kennedy and West Somerville *(44 in SY26)*
- Families of **46** PK students assigned to a school chose not to attend *(61 in SY26 and 53 in SY25)*