Mission & Vision

The **Large Countywide and Suburban District Consortium** is an invitational network of large, diverse, innovative, and leading suburban and countywide school districts dedicated to dramatically improving public education through collaboration, leadership, and advocacy.

The Consortium envisions a public education system that ensures every student—regardless of background—realizes his or her full potential.

Who We Are

Together, the Consortium's 18 districts span 11 states from Washington to Florida, include 8 of the largest 25 school districts in the nation, enroll an average of nearly 95,000 students, and educate a total of 1.8 million students. Members' growing and increasingly diverse student bodies reflect communities across America, with 61% students of color and 41% qualifying for free or reduced-cost

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| 11 | States |
| 1.8 M | Students |
| 61% | Students of Color |
| 41% | Low-Income Students |

- Baltimore County Public Schools (MD)
- Beaverton School District (OR)
- Bellevue School District (WA)
- Boulder Valley School District (CO)
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools (NC)
- Chesterfield County Public Schools (VA)
- Cobb County School District (GA)
- Cumberland County Schools (NC)
- Fairfax County Public Schools (VA)
- Fulton County Schools (GA)
- Greenville County Schools (SC)
- Gwinnett County Public Schools (GA)
- Mesa Public Schools (AZ)
- Montgomery County Public Schools (MD)
- School District U-46 (IL)
- Palm Beach County School District (FL)
- Virginia Beach City Public Schools (VA)
- Wake County Public School System (NC)

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Consortium districts reflect national demographics...

Enrollment Percentage by Subgroup (2018-19)

- Asian/Pacific Islander: 7%, 5%
- Hispanic/Latino: 22%, 27%
- Black/African American: 23%, 15%
- Multi-Race: 4%, 4%
- White/Caucasian: 39%, 47%
- Limited English Proficient (LEP): 11%, 10%
- Economically Disadvantaged: 41%, 48%
- Students with Disabilities (SWD): 13%, 14%

...yet outperform on both national and state measures of student success...

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...and other indicators of national leadership.

**Equity**
- Two members have won the Broad Prize for Urban Education: Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools (2011) and Gwinnett County Public Schools (2010 & 2014).
- Gwinnett was honored in 2017 as the College Board’s AP District of the Year for increasing both participation and performance.

**Excellence**
- 15 of the top 200 US News & World Report Best High Schools for 2019 are in Consortium districts.
- Montgomery County Public Schools is one of only 11 education systems to ever receive the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award for performance excellence.

**Leadership**
- Consortium members were the 2018 South Carolina and Virginia Superintendents of the Year. Multiple members have received this honor at the state and national levels.