

# Housing Affordability & Declining School Enrollment

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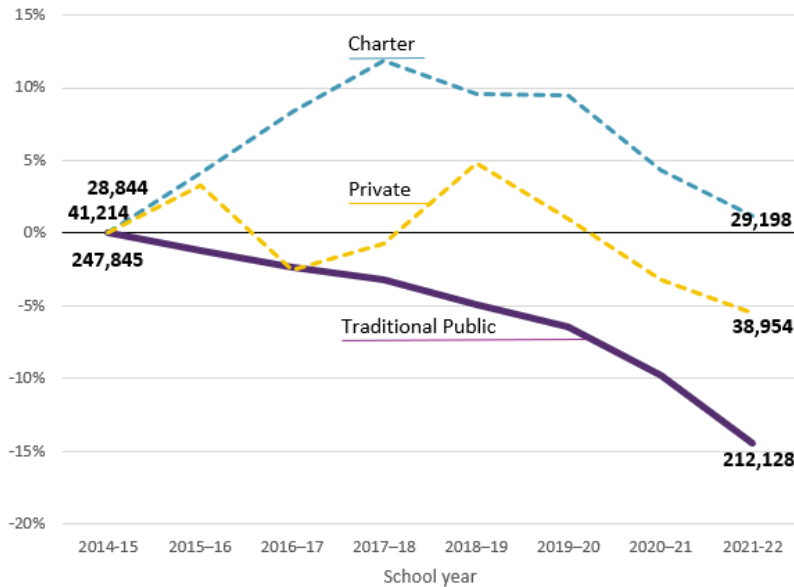
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# Santa Clara County Elementary Enrollment is Declining in All School Types

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## Both public and private K-12 schools are losing students

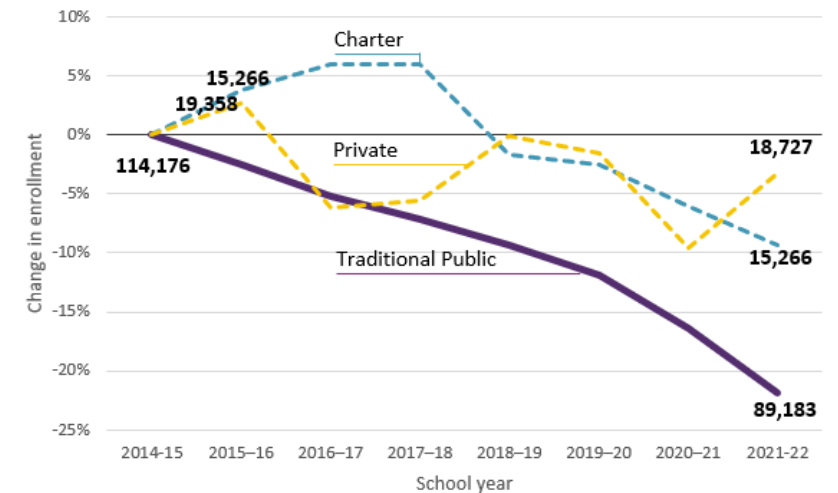
Cumulative Percent Change in Enrollment in Santa Clara County's K-12 Schools



- K-12 Enrollment has fallen 12% over the 7 years since 2014-15, a loss of more than 37,600 children.
- Elementary schools, serving younger children, are seeing larger declines.
- Enrollment declines were widespread before the pandemic began: the 2019-20 enrollment census was taken in October 2019.

## Elementary school enrollment has declined across traditional public schools, charter schools, & private schools.

Cumulative Percent Change in Enrollment in Santa Clara County's Elementary Schools



From California Department of Education: Enrollment Multi-Year Summary by Grade and Private School Affidavit Information

# The enrollment problem is widespread

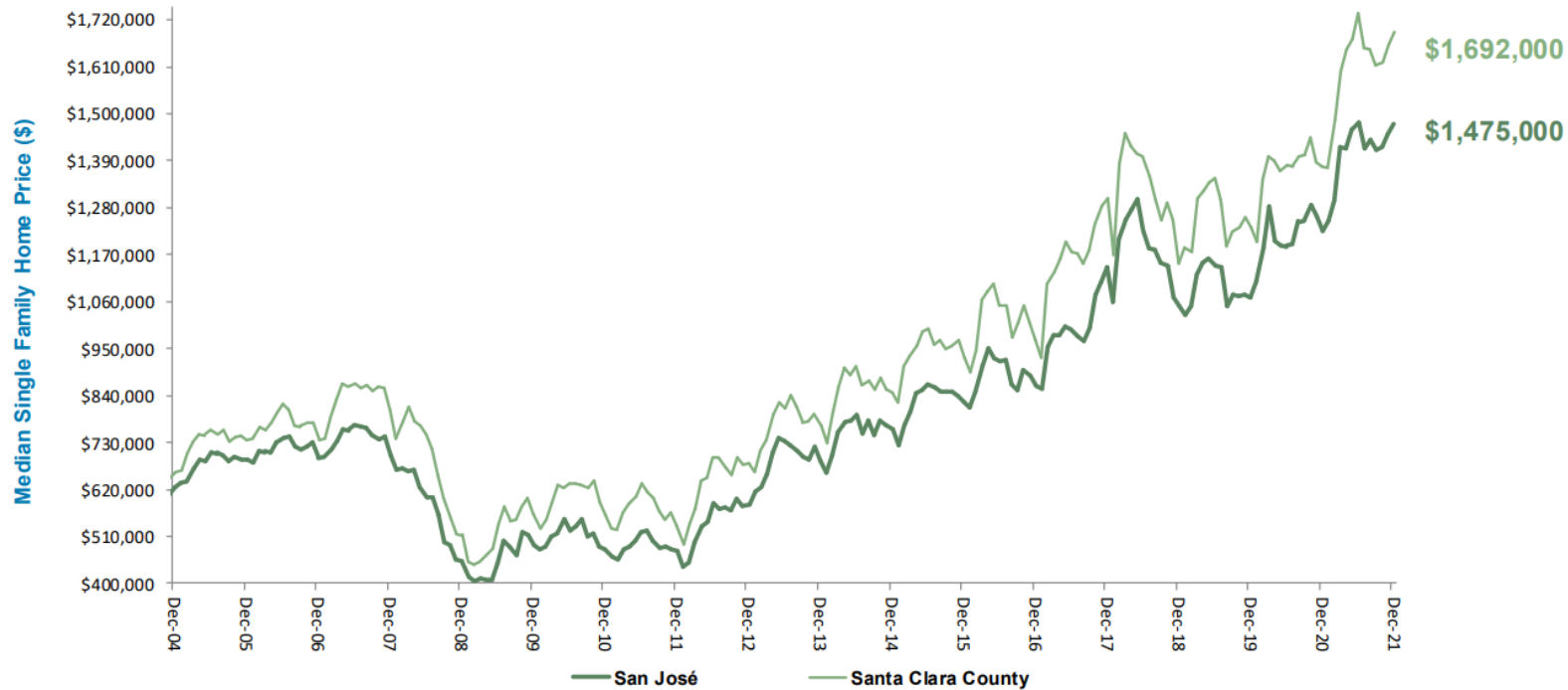
- In our public schools countywide, elementary enrollment has declined every year since 2014.
- All but one elementary district is experiencing enrollment decline - most over 20%.
- This represents a loss of almost 25,000 elementary students.
- Both wealthy school districts and school districts in lower-income communities are suffering.

From California Department of Education: [Public Schools and Districts, Enrollment Multi-Year Summary by Grade, and Free and Reduced-Price Meal Eligibility](#)

SCC K-5 Elementary Enrollment Decline by School District	
	Cumulative 7-Year Enrollment Change
Mount Pleasant Elementary	-36%
Los Altos Elementary	-33%
Franklin-McKinley Elementary	-32%
Alum Rock Union Elementary	-32%
Evergreen Elementary	-30%
Luther Burbank	-29%
Lakeside Joint	-29%
Cupertino Union	-28%
Campbell Union	-26%
Palo Alto Unified School District	-26%
Los Gatos Union Elementary	-24%
San Jose Unified	-24%
Moreland	-23%
Saratoga Union Elementary	-22%
Sunnyvale	-21%
Oak Grove Elementary	-20%
Orchard Elementary	-18%
Berryessa Union Elementary	-17%
Loma Prieta Joint Union Elementary	-16%
Gilroy Unified School District	-15%
Santa Clara Unified School District	-15%
Mountain View Whisman	-15%
Morgan Hill Unified	-14%
Union Elementary	-4%
Milpitas Unified	-1%
Cambrian	15%



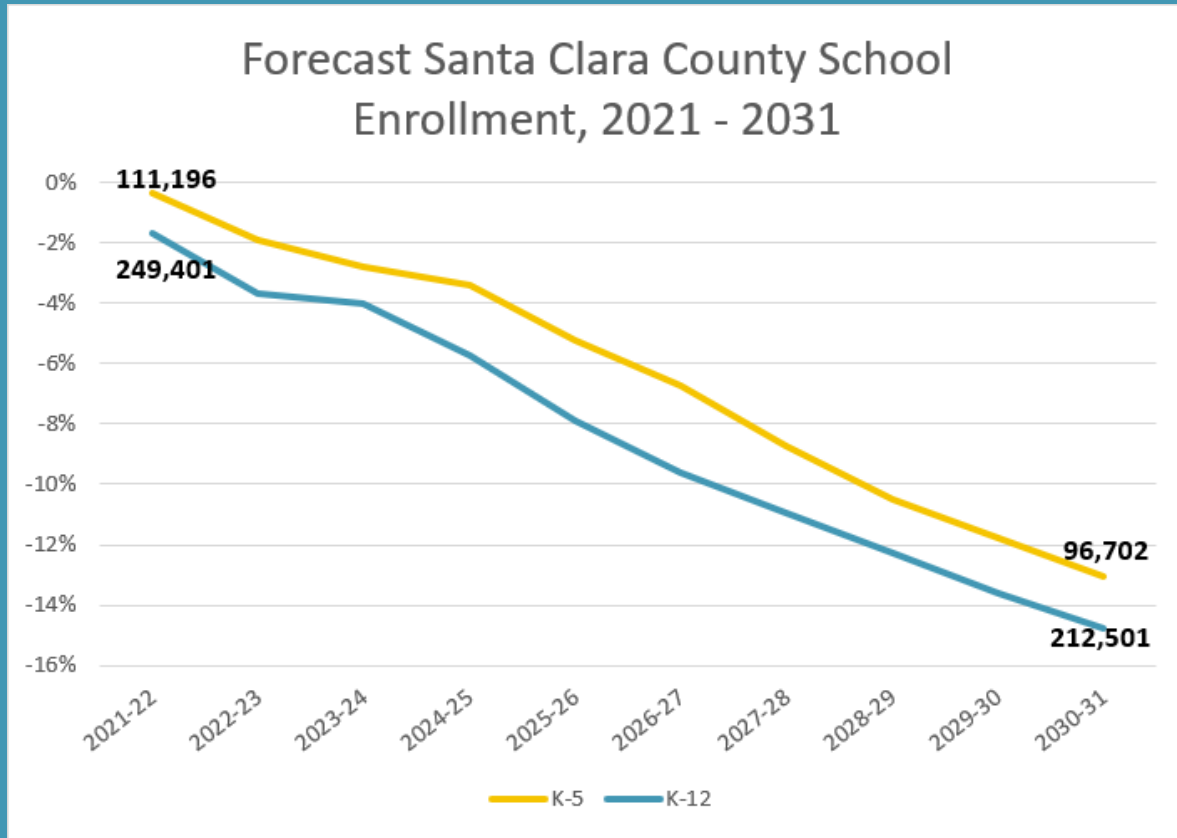
# Rapid Growth in Rent and Home Prices Caused by Housing Shortage is Displacing Families



SOURCE: Santa Clara County Association of Realtors December 2021.

- Home prices have increased close to 300% in the last decade.
- Since 2012, rent has increased more than 75%.
- The housing shortage creates a market where young families are “priced out.”
- Lower and moderate income families are increasingly displaced by rising rents.

# What's ahead?



## Enrollment is Forecast to Continue to Decline Without New Housing

- Elementary school enrollment across traditional public, private, and charter schools will continue to decline 13% over the next decade.
- K-12 school enrollment will decline 15% over the next decade- a loss of more than 41,000 students.

From California Department of Finance: California Public K-12 Graded Enrollment and High School Graduate Projections by County — 2021 Series

A photograph of a classroom with several young students. Some students have their hands raised, and one is holding a yellow pencil. The scene is overlaid with a large yellow semi-transparent rectangle. Inside this rectangle, the text "What does this look like at the city level?" is written in white, bold, sans-serif font.

**What does this look like  
at the city level?**

# Elementary Schools in the City of Milpitas Face Declining Enrollment

Changes in Elementary School Enrollment in Milpitas Schools									
	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Cumulative 7-Year Change by School
Alexander Rose Elementary	464	451	484	487	479	534	546	531	<b>14%</b>
Anthony Spangler Elementary	579	575	587	616	589	634	680	646	<b>12%</b>
Curtner Elementary	735	730	739	747	730	712	719	697	<b>-5%</b>
John Sinnott Elementary	780	775	774	765	738	744	769	738	<b>-5%</b>
Joseph Weller Elementary	438	455	477	476	454	474	444	426	<b>-3%</b>
Mabel Mattos Elementary	0	0	0	0	113	170	268	428	<b>NEW</b>
Marshall Pomeroy Elementary	749	756	719	719	722	711	674	631	<b>-16%</b>
Pearl Zanker Elementary	663	675	680	686	635	637	672	576	<b>-13%</b>
Robert Randall Elementary	434	431	394	374	348	335	313	264	<b>-39%</b>
William Burnett Elementary	659	606	574	587	539	556	538	489	<b>-26%</b>
Total Enrollment	5037	5003	4944	4970	4868	4973	5077	4895	
Annual Change		-1%	-1%	1%	-2%	2%	2%	-4%	
<b>Citywide Cumulative 7-Year Change</b>		<b>-1%</b>	<b>-2%</b>	<b>-1%</b>	<b>-3%</b>	<b>-1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>-3%</b>	

From California Department of Education: [Public Schools and Districts](#) and Enrollment Multi-Year Summary by Grade  
All schools in Milpitas Unified School District

- Although one new school has opened in Milpitas, schools in the city have overall seen enrollment declines, ranging as high as 39%.
- 3 schools are growing, but the remaining 7 have enrollment declines.
- Milpitas schools have 142 fewer elementary students than they did in 2014.