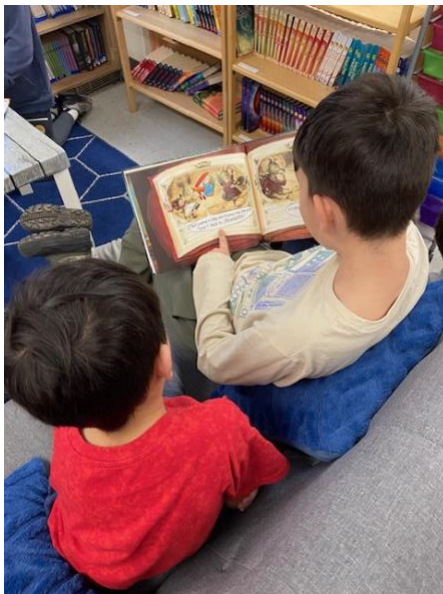


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Woodbridge Demographics and Statistics: (2026 U.S. Census & Population Review – South Central Planning Region)

Woodbridge has a 2026 population of 9,207. Woodbridge is currently growing at a rate of 0.51% annually and its population has increased by 1.88% since the most recent census, which recorded a population of 9,037 in 2020.

- There are 3260 households. 93.1% of households are owner-occupied.
- The median home value is \$588,100.
- The median household income in Woodbridge is \$188,750 with a poverty rate of 2.11%.
- The median age in Woodbridge is 48.7 years: 46.5 years for males, and 49.9 years for females. For every 100 females there are 106.1 males
- Race & Ethnicity of Woodbridge composition: White: 74.5%, Asian: 11.4%, Black or African American: 2.7%, Hispanic or Latino: 2.3%, and two or more races: 8.8%.
- 65 years and older (2131 residents) make up 23% of the town's population
- 68% of adults who are 25 and older have a bachelor's degree or higher.
- The top occupations fields are education and instruction, healthcare, sales, and management.

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There was a total of 250 (175 online & 75 written) respondents. Not all questions were answered and a response rate averaging 95% with an error margin average of 6.3%.

Some households had 2 respondents. This is reflected in the error margin.

Respondents Demographics

1. Time lived in Woodbridge

Less than 5 years	12.96%	32
6 to 10 years	21.05%	52
11 to 20 years	14.98%	37
More than 20 years	51.01%	126
Total	100%	247

2. Own or rent their home.

Own	98.27%	242
Rent	1.73%	2
Total	100%	244

3. Current Employment Status

Full- or part-time worker	63.18%	151
Not currently working and not retired	7.89%	3
Retired	29.29%	70
Stay at home parent	5.86%	14
Full or part time student	0.42%	1
Total		239

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4. Do you have a child or children attending Beecher Rost School?

Pre-K	3.53%	6
Kindergarten	11.18%	21
1st	10.00%	20
2nd	12.94%	22
3rd	11.18%	21
4th	11.76%	21
5th	12.35%	23
6th	5.88%	11
Response rate from families who have students at Beecher	10.76%	145
Student population 2026		902
Do not have children in Beecher	49.41%	148

5. Do you have children attending other education programs?

Amity Regional Middle or High School	53.62%	37
Private or parochial K-12 school(s)	8.70%	10
Day care/early childhood education	33.33%	25
Other (home schooled, tutored, etc.)	4.35%	4
Total		76

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6. The high priorities for assessing the future needs for Beecher

Improving the primary classroom learning environment	62.35%	155
Improving the learning environment for music, arts, sports, etc.	47.06%	113
Improving the learning environment for special education	36.69%	88
Ensuring facility-wide disability access	45.88%	102
Strengthening facility safety and security	54.39%	133
Increasing energy efficiency	44.71%	109
Offering flexible and adaptable spaces for community use	19.64%	48
Assessing cost and tax implications	72.67%	186
Comments		30
Positive		7
Negative		9
Neutral		14

7. Prior to this newsletter how aware were you of this project?

	Online	Mail	Percentage
Aware	98	35	53.63%
Somewhat Aware	55	23	31.45%
Not Aware (proceed to Question 3)	20	17	14.92%
Total	173	75	

8. How important is it for you to receive information about this project?

	Online	Mail	Percentage
Very important	151	58	85.31%
Somewhat important	22	14	14.69%
Not important	0	0	0.00%
	173	72	85.31%

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9. To date, how have you received information about this project? Multiple selection in ranking order.

	Online	Mail	Percentage
Town Meetings, e.g., Board of Education, Board of Selectman	45	19	23.88%
Town Newsletter	96	38	50.00%
Town Website	25	10	13.06%
School Newsletter	28	5	12.31%
School Website	6	1	2.61%
Teachers or Other Town Staff	12	5	6.34%
Word of Mouth	87	24	41.42%
Social Media or Other	45	9	20.15%
Other (please specify)	11	0	4.10%
Total	157	111	268

10. How would you like to receive information about this project? Multiple selection in rank order.

	Online/Mail-in	Percentage
Town Meetings, e.g., Board of Education, Board of Selectman	67	22.50%
Town Newsletter	196	75.58%
Town Website	96	43.11%
School Newsletter	86	50.00%
School Website	53	33.12%
Teachers or Other Town Staff	33	18.54%
Word of Mouth	65	27.61%
Social Media or Other	69	34.38%

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Summary of written comments about the Beecher Project.

Responses reflect mixed sentiment, with many expressing concerns about increased property taxes, project funding, and debt management. Some respondents question the need for a new facility versus renovation, while others highlight the importance of maintaining high-quality, modern school facilities. A few raise issues about affordability for seniors and potential disruption to students. There are calls for greater transparency and community engagement. Overall, feedback centers on balancing educational needs with fiscal responsibility and clear communication about plans and costs to residents.

Comment Highlights

There were 120 comments for a response rate of 48%. Online there were 55 negative comments, 36 neutral comments and 10 positive comments. For submissions using the paper survey there were 36 comments, 22 negative and 14 positive.

The comments were in the following area: Property tax, funding, affordability, and debt, school facility and design, build new or renovate, and community engagement and transparency.