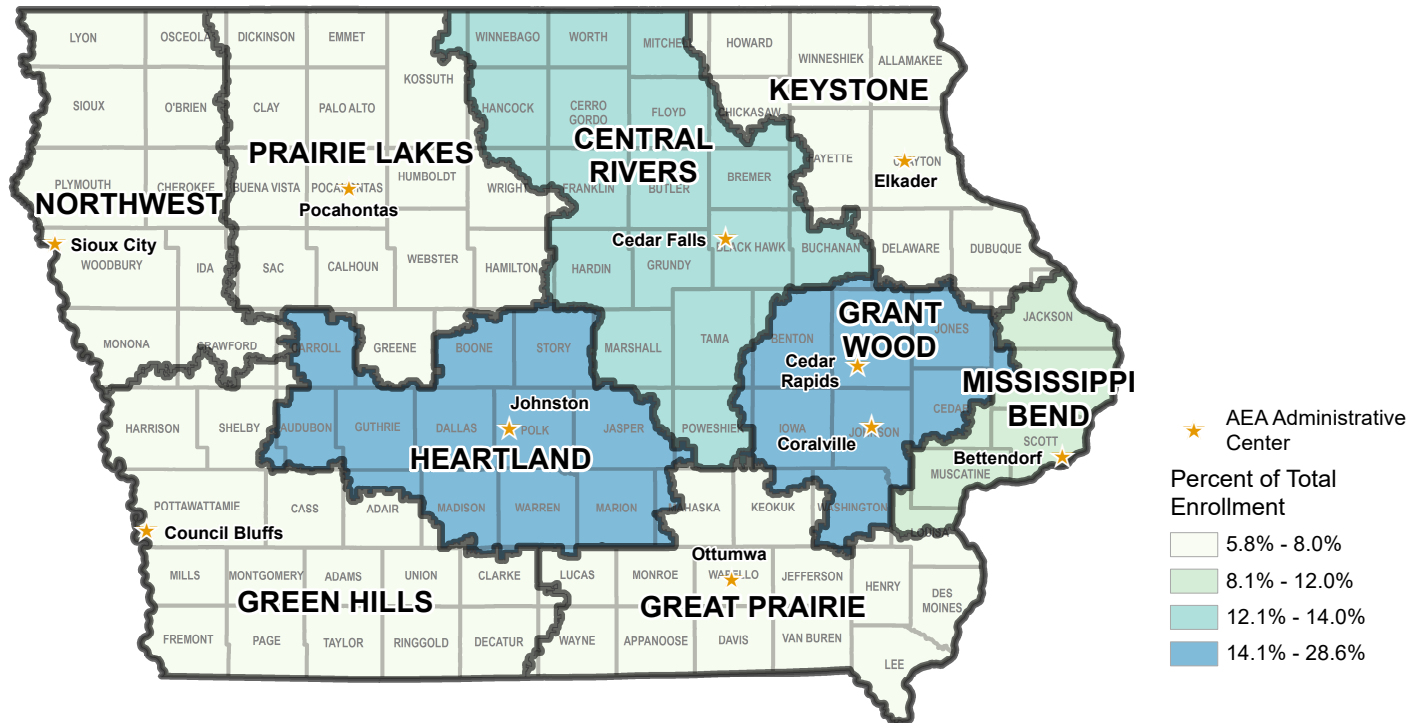# Enrollment Served by Area Education Agencies (AEAs)

Iowa's nine **Area Education Agencies (AEAs)** provide educational equity across the State, working as educational partners with public and nonpublic schools to improve learning outcomes and child well being. AEAs provide services and regulatory responsibility in three main areas: special education, media and technology services, and educational services (the majority of which is curriculum development). AEAs are funded through the School Aid Formula and funding is generated at the school district level using the same basic formula: cost per pupil times enrollment. Each AEA has a separate cost per pupil for each of the three service areas.

Percent of Enrollment Served — Fall 2018

Enrollments by AEAs — 2018-2019

Area Education Agency	Number of School Districts	Percent of School Districts	K-12 Public Enrollment	Percent of Public Enrollment	AEA Enrollment Served	Percent of AEA Enrollment Served
Keystone AEA	21	6.4%	28,211	5.8%	32,179	6.2%
Prairie Lakes AEA	39	11.9%	30,818	6.3%	32,942	6.3%
Central Rivers AEA	53	16.2%	62,054	12.7%	65,343	12.5%
Mississippi Bend AEA	21	6.4%	46,558	9.5%	49,706	9.5%
Grant Wood AEA	32	9.8%	70,019	14.4%	74,277	14.3%
Heartland AEA	53	16.2%	139,505	28.6%	148,480	28.5%
Northwest AEA	33	10.1%	38,797	8.0%	43,932	8.4%
Green Hills AEA	43	13.1%	37,298	7.6%	38,325	7.4%
Great Prairie AEA	32	9.8%	34,393	7.1%	35,619	6.8%
Total	327		487,652		520,803	

Notes:
1) Enrollments are based on the October 2018 certified enrollment counts.
2) AEA enrollment includes nonpublic students. Totals may not sum due to rounding.
3) AEA reorganizations include: AEAs 2, 6, and 7 merged to form AEA 267 in 2003 (renamed Central Rivers AEA in 2017); AEAs 4 and 12 merged to form Northwest AEA in 2006; AEAs 15 and 16 merged to form Great Prairie AEA beginning in FY 2008; AEAs 13 and 14 merged to form Green Hills AEA beginning in FY 2011.

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