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# Barcelona Education Consortium

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Managing education in the city since 2009.



The Barcelona Education Consortium, formed of the Generalitat de Catalunya and Barcelona City Council, manages more than three hundred schools and is the education administration for the public and state-subsidised private schools that make up the city's education service.

## In education, everyone is necessary And when we work as a team, success is multiplied.

We were created in 2009 as a management tool to bring people together. To bring together the experience, enthusiasm, drive and know-how of all the city's stakeholders in education: families, students, teachers and education professionals, social agents, municipal services, city facilities, and so on.



#### We join forces to create a single education administration that ensures integrated and shared management.

2 joint administrations
€252 million - Own budget
€1.227 billion - Managed budget

We align positions to promote the city's **Education Service** and tackle **challenges collectively**.

308 public schools

- 204 state-subsidised private schools
- 12,366 professionals in the public network
- 600 professionals providing services to schools
- **10** education services in the territory



We are committed to **systemic** educational management and improvement based on rigour, knowledge, expertise and proximity.

28 new schools (2009-2023)

- **98%** of families enrol at a local school they selected
- **100%** public schools in educational innovation
- **100%** SEN students identified: schooling adapted to their needs (SEN A) and balanced (SEN B)
- **86%** 16-18 year olds continue in education

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# What is the Barcelona Education Consortium?



The Barcelona Education Consortium is an instrument for joint management, decentralisation and collaboration, which is borne of the recognition of Barcelona's specific needs as a capital city.

So, it represents the aim of the Generalitat de Catalunya and Barcelona City Council to work together to improve services in schools and for citizens through a single education network for Barcelona.

### What do we gain with a consortium?



The combined forces to create a single education network and integrated management with a citywide perspective.



Systemic, rigorous and coherent education management, based on data, knowledge and expertise.



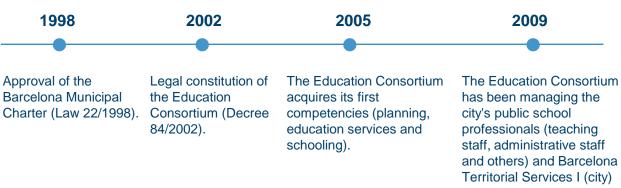
Proximity, autonomy and mainstreaming in decisionmaking and generating conditions.



Aligning positions to move forward and collectively address shared challenges.

## 4 key dates

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since 1 January 2009.

## What does a single education network mean?



#### Integrated and local management that guarantees equal opportunities for all students.

# 308

Public schools

- 244 compulsory education centres
- 76 post-compulsory education centres

# 136,814

students in the public school network

- 4% students identified as SEN A (compulsory education)
- **19.2%** students identified as SEN B (compulsory education)

# 204

State-subsidised private schools

195 **Private schools** 

# 119,319

Students in statesubsidised private schools

9,871

students in private schools



An organisation at the service of schools and education professionals.

11,822 professionals in

public schools

professionals in central services and

education services

**600** 

# 22,324

education professionals in the whole of the public system

Efficient, prioritised and localised management of the needs of the territory.

> €252 million Own budget

€1.227 billion

Managed budget



# An education administration for one single education network

In light of Barcelona's complex and diverse educational reality, **the consortium brings autonomy, agility, proximity, mainstreaming and an organisation based around and geared towards management.** 

The challenges and programmes are tackled from all areas (educational initiatives, planning, facilities, inclusive education, etc.), with a citywide perspective and open and rigorous management based on data, processes, knowledge of the situation on the ground, and listening to the education community and getting them involved in the different work and governance spaces (networks, programmes, boards, and so on).

# What drives education in Barcelona?

## What drives education in Barcelona?

The Barcelona Education Consortium was created with the Barcelona Municipal Charter and was given **10 key functions or processes** to ensure coherent management of education, involving the city's entire education community.

On the basis of this remit, the Education Consortium currently works on **7** strategic areas which are focused on and consolidated, linking them to each other and to our purpose: to manage educational opportunities for children and young people in Barcelona in a way that is systemic, excellent and transformative.



Own competencies

7 strategic areas Work lines (or education policies) 1 purpose, vision and values Shared aspiration

# We have one purpose: to join forces and manage the education service

The purpose we share with all the city's education stakeholders is a **commitment to ensuring that everyone finds a pathway to opportunities and personal development through education, and a collective project that empowers us as citizens and drives us as a city.** 



The Barcelona Education Consortium is tasked with bringing together the **collective intelligence** of those who work in education in the city, to ensure the systemic management of education at the service of educational excellence and quality, and to guarantee opportunities so that children, young people and adults can build their own personal pathway, thereby contributing decisively to creating a skilled, capable citizenry.

### Vision and values: what inspires us?



#### Education 2030: the horizon we're working towards

The educational map in Barcelona today is very different from the one the Education Consortium received in 2009. The various initiatives that have been launched in recent years have aimed to improve education by bringing about the systemic transformations needed at all levels from pre-school education to postcompulsory education. A systemic change by everyone, for everyone and in all areas (from the classroom to the city) to prepare and equip generations of children and young people for a fairer city and world, with more sustainable development and for a global, empowered and open citizenry.

**Education 2030** is what inspires us to deliver transformation and promote an education ...

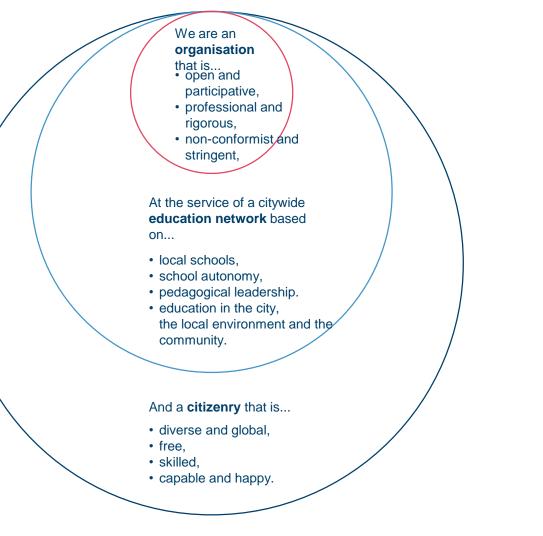
✓ to learn to understand, and understand to transform	✓ for everyone
✓ which creates personalised and unique learning opportunities together with students at the school	<ul> <li>✓ and where every young person can get the skills they need to prepare for professional life.</li> </ul>

We are working towards the 2030 horizon set by UN sustainable development goal (SDG) number 4: "Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for today's children and young people so they are able to tackle and transform the local and global challenges of the future".



#### Values for a shared purpose

With the aim of joining forces and managing the education system, we work in accordance with a set of principles as an organisation, in relation to schools and in relation to people and the education community in general.



## 10 key processes | competencies and functions



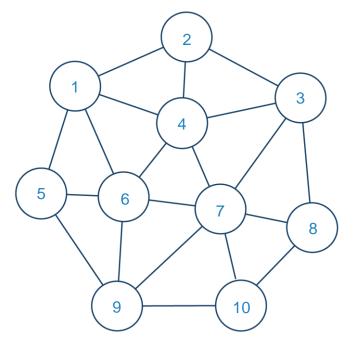
#### The Barcelona Municipal Charter (Law 22/1998)

establishes the action framework of the Barcelona Education Consortium, defining its competencies and core functions as the education administration for the city of Barcelona. These functions are summed up in 10 key processes that provide coherence and make sense of what we do at the Consortium, our mission, and represent **high-level recurring activities**.

### 10 key processes

- 1. Planning the educational offer
- 2. Schooling
- 3. Configuring the **education team** within schools
- 4. Training and professional development
- 5. Educational programmes that **support the curriculum**

- 6. Programmes and services outside school hours with an impact on the school
- 7. Administration and running of the schools
- 8. Identifying students with specific educational needs
- 9. Psychoeducational guidance
- 10. Adapting education spaces



# 7 strategic areas | main work lines



# How are we improving education in Barcelona?

Equivalence Observation Schools
Educational equity
Pedagogical improvements
The model of education spaces and facilities
An inclusive education system
Continuing education 16-18
New professional training programme

#### Equivalence between schools

A diverse network of schools that offer a good quality education wherever you go is an equivalent network We work to ensure equal educational opportunities and to ensure families have confidence in their local school.

#### **Educational equity**

We tackle inequalities so that, as a society, we all gain. We don't want anyone to be left behind, whatever their personal or family situation.

#### **Pedagogical improvements**

We promote the transformation of education in all public schools so there is also equivalence in the pedagogical approaches of every school in the city.

# The model of education spaces and facilities

We believe in architecture with an educational purpose. The challenge is to deliver this with scalable measures in all the city's 300 public schools.

#### An inclusive education system

A fully inclusive education system means tailored learning is possible both in mainstream schools and special education centres. In Barcelona we guarantee this framework of educational support and responses adapted to the diverse needs of our students.

#### **Continuing education 16-18**

Following the compulsory education stage, no one should be left behind, because this is a key moment for ensuring every young person is ready for the transition to adult and professional life.

# New professional training programme

Now is the time for vocational training to be seen as a valuable pathway on a par with university education and as a strategic factor for the social and economic competitiveness of Barcelona.



# Equivalence between schools



A diverse network of schools that offer a good quality education wherever you go is an equivalent network

We intervene with a systemic school by

school approach: in the education facilities and spaces (maintenance, reforms and improvements, new facilities), in the project and teaching team (training, work spaces and networks), in the composition and diversity of the students (identifying and placing vulnerable students in schools throughout the network, support measures), in the schooling process (reserving places, supporting families) and so on.

It is due to this global and cross-cutting approach that we are able to guarantee equivalent conditions in all schools or, to put it another way, **real equal educational opportunities wherever you live.** Because of this, families can feel confident and see that their local school is as good as all the rest.

# Educational equity

When we tackle inequalities, we all gain as a society.

We don't want anyone to be left behind, whatever their personal or family situation. Educational success also depends on helping students address their material, emotional and personal circumstances.

And we do so with measures such as subsidised school meals and tackling segregation, **ensuring free schooling is available to everyone who needs it and working to ensure balanced schooling**, across all schools, for children with special educational needs.

Because educational progress improves when we grow in diverse, balanced groups, in accordance with the real circumstances of each/neighbourhood.

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Because we believe in a system that can be tailored to the learning needs of every student.

A fully inclusive education system means tailored learning is possible both in mainstream schools and special education centres.

In Barcelona, we guarantee this framework of educational support and responses that are adapted to the diversity of students, particularly those with special personal circumstances or specific educational needs.

For this reason, it is essential to identify the specific needs of students before they enter the education system so we can act in a preventative manner, support the family with schooling and perform tailored monitoring.

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# Pedagogical improvements

Systemic improvement and pedagogical leadership have to be embedded throughout the education network.

We promote the transformation of education in all public schools so there is also equivalence - that is, quality education - in the pedagogical approaches of every school in the city.

The programmes "Networks for change and tools for change", the unified call for programmes, the mentoring and training, have provided professionals the tools and resources they need to empower themselves and bring about innovation at a systemic level.

And systemic means that no school, no professional and no student is left out of continuous educational improvement processes.

# The model of education spaces and facilities

We have a model of education spaces based on an architecture designed for education.

We have a model and the challenge is to deploy this with scalable measures in all the city's 300 public schools.

The 7x2 maintenance model for schools, the painting and cladding programme, the energy saving plan, the furniture renovation programmes or the planning and prioritising of REI interventions (reforms, extensions and improvements) are work lines within the education facility model that we promote throughout the education network, seeking **solutions and prioritisation systems with a systemic approach and with a view to ensuring equivalence both for newly built facilities and the stock of pre-existing buildings.** 





# Continuing education 16-18

At the end of compulsory education, no one should be left behind.

We focus on continuity, ensuring students move into **post-compulsory** education, because this is the time to prepare for the transition to adult and professional life.

For this reason, it is essential to prevent early drop-out of education, and we do this by offering educational guidance during the secondary school stage and with new proposals for more vocational skills-based baccalaureate subjects (sports baccalaureates, vocational baccalaureates..) and increasing the offer of vocational training programmes.

These measures seek to make training options more flexible and adapted to the needs and realities of young people aged 16 and above.

# New professional training programme



A new reorganised offer for productive sectors and specialist centres.

Now is the time for vocational training to be seen as a valuable pathway on a par with university education and as a strategic factor for the social and economic competitiveness of Barcelona.

Be\_Pro is a commitment to launching a new professional training programme with the participation of the productive sectors to tailor it to current and future challenges and demands.

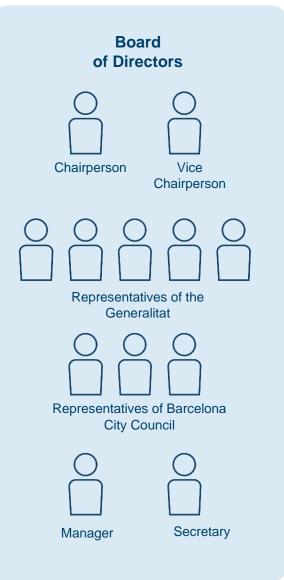
This new training programme comes with a new map that reorganises the offer of the 33 vocational training centres in Barcelona into 11 areas and with 10 specialised centres so that by 2030 all centres will offer specialist training in one or two productive sectors.

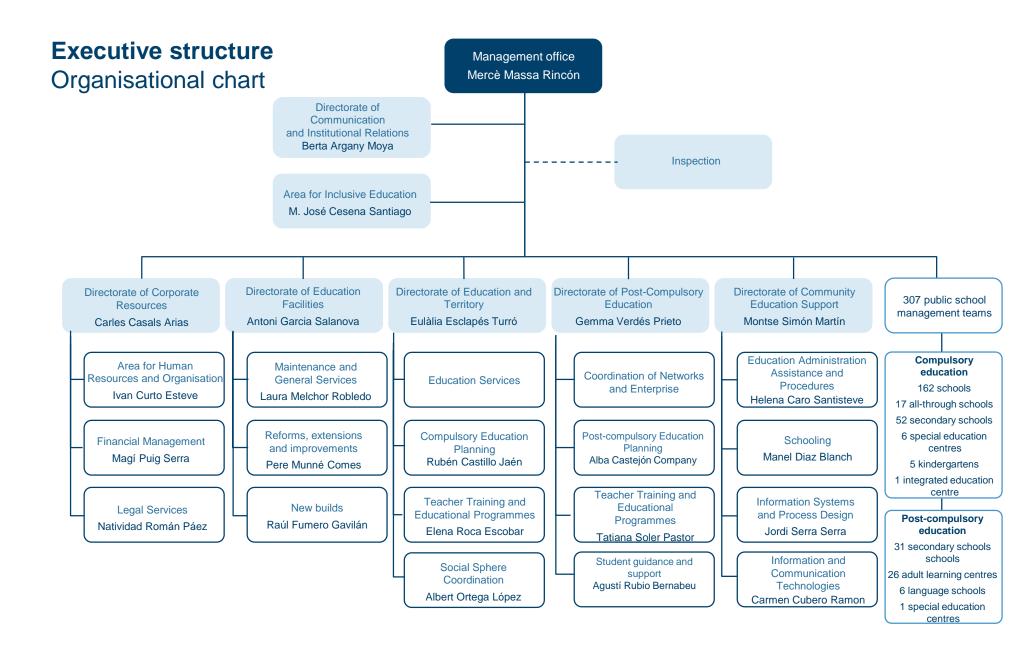
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# **Board of Directors** Highest governing body of the Consortium

- **The Chairperson** appoints the regional education minister.
- The Vice Chairperson is appointed by the mayor or mayoress of Barcelona
- Five representatives of the Generalitat.
- Three representatives of Barcelona City Council.
- **The manager** of the Consortium, with voice but no vote.
- A secretary of the Board of Directors





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# Barcelona Education Consortium budget

# Public expenditure on non-university education in Catalonia and Barcelona in 2023

Catalonia | €6.960 billion 81% 19%



## Education team Year 2022-2023

Schools	Total	Department	City Council	Consortium
Teaching staff	10,182	10,146	36	
Teaching support	378	320	58	
Kindergarten educators	34	34		
Administrative and service staff	842	521	321	
Total	11,436	11,021	415	0
Education Services and central services				
Teaching staff education services	347	313	34	
Education services teaching support	4		4	
Education services administrative and service staff	27		27	
Inspection	42	42		
Central services technical and teaching staff	42			42
Central services administrative and service staff	138			138
Total	600	355	65	180
Total staff	12,036	11,376	480	180

420 education services staff and 80 central services staff

## Schools 2023-2024 Managed by the Consortium

By structure	Public	State- subsidised private	Private	Total	Weight within Catalonia
Pre-school education (0-3)	5*	0	128	133	9%
Pre-school and primary education	162	23	2	187	8%
Primary and secondary education	17	123	5	145	23%
Secondary and post-compulsory education	83	27	51	161	19%
Compulsory secondary education	5	1	0	6	9%
Compulsory secondary education + baccalaureate	47	1	1	49	18%
Compulsory secondary education + baccalaureate + vocational training	9	4	0	13	5%
Compulsory secondary education + vocational training	0	2	0	2	15%
Baccalaureate	0	1	4	5	100%
Baccalaureate + vocational training	2	8	1	11	50%
Vocational training	16	10	45	71	41%
Arts and music education	4	0	0	4	17%
Integrated music and dance education	1	0	0	1	
Special education	7	26	0	33	33%
Adults	26	0	9	35	14%
Languages	6	0	0	6	13%
Total general	307	199	195	701	

For the coming academic year 2023/2024, the Consortium will manage the **public schools**:

238 64 Compulsory Post-

education

centres

Post-compulsory education centres

\*Kindergarten (department)

## **Students 2022-2023**

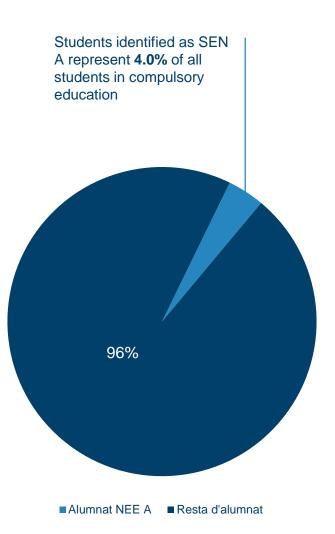
	Public schools	State- subsidised private schools	Private schools	Total	Weight within Catalonia
Nursery schools and kindergartens (0-3 years)	8,802		5,035	13,837	22%
Pre-school and primary education (3-12 years)	56,567	57,565	1,765	115,897	22%
Compulsory secondary education (12-16 years)	22,532	34,427	1,115	58,074	20%
Special education	1,526	382	-	1,908	34%
Total basic education (3-16 years)	80,625	92,374	2,880	175,879	21%
Baccalaureate	9,139	5,916	8,749	23,804	31%
Basic level training cycles	115	-	-	115	13%
Intermediate level vocational training	8,193	5,221	3,023	16,437	26%
Higher level vocational training	13,023	6,555	7,522	27,100	39%
Initial vocational training (PFI)	786	-	686	1,472	20%
Vocational training	22,117	11,776	11,231	45,124	20%
Language teaching	13,897			13,897	33%
Adult education	10,590		481	11,071	18%
Total education	145,170	110,066	28,376	283,612	24%

Figures for students in general education are for the academic year 2022-2023 (RALC 13/01/23), and those for other types of education are for 2021-2022 (Information System

of Indicators and Statistics of the Department of Education)

# SEN A students in compulsory education in the city of Barcelona | Academic year 2023-2024

	Total students	SEN A students	% SEN A students
Mainstream schools	168,996	5,143	3.0%
Special education centres	1,704	1,704	100%
Total	170,700	6,847	4.0%



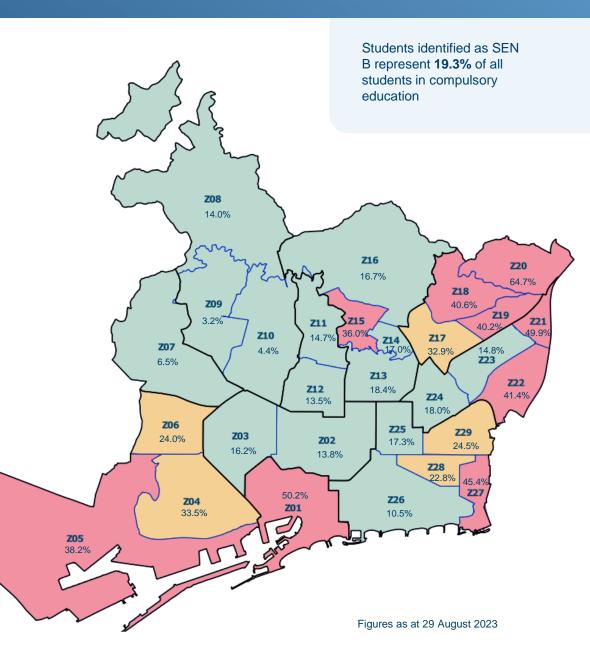
# SEN B students in compulsory education | Academic year 2023-2024

#### EDUCATION AREAS

Z01 Ciutat Vella Z02 l'Eixample-Dreta Z03 l'Eixample-Esquerra Z04 el Poble-sec - la Font de la Guatlla Z05 la Marina del Prat Vermell - la Marina de Port Z06 Sants Hostafrancs - la Bordeta - Badal Z07 Les Corts Z08 Vallvidrera, el Tibidabo i les Planes Z09 Sarrià - les Tres Torres Z10 el Putxet i el Farró - Sant Gervasi - Galvany Z11 la Salut - Vallcarca i els Penitents - el Coll Z12 la Vila de Gràcia - el Camp d'en Grassot i Gràcia Nova Z13 el Baix Guinardó - Can Baró - el Guinardó Z14 La Font d'en Fargues Z15 el Carmel - la Teixonera Z16 St Genís dels Agudells - Montbau - la Vall d'Hebron - la Clota - Horta Z17 Porta - el Turó de la Peira - Vilapicina i la Torre Llobeta - Can Peguera Z18 la Guineueta - Canyelles - les Roquetes - Verdun Z19 la Prosperitat - la Trinitat Nova Z20 Torre Baró - Vallbona - Ciutat Meridiana Z21 la Trinitat Vella Z22 Baró de Viver - el Bon Pastor Z23 Sant Andreu Z24 Navas - la Sagrera - el Congrés i els Indians Z25 el Camp de l'Arpa del Clot - el Clot Z26 Poblenou, el Parc i la Llacuna, Vila Olímpica, Diagonal Mar i Front Marítim Z27 el Besòs i el Maresme Z28 Provencals del Poblenou Z29 la Verneda i la Pau - Sant Martí de Provençals

#### **KEY**

High complexity (above 35% vulnerability) Medium complexity (between 20% and 35% vulnerability) Standard (below 20% vulnerability)



# Many thanks

