Pennsylvania is not paying its fair share for public schools. It ranks 44th in the country in state share of education costs. Pennsylvania also has the widest gap in the U.S. between the highest and lowest spending school districts.

### What does this mean for the South Side Area School District?

- **37%** Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to South Side Area.
- **5** The number of times South Side Area has raised property taxes in the last 8 years.
- **223** South Side Area rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being highest).
- **$2** The increase in state funding for South Side Area since 2011.

### How much is spent to educate district students?

- **$20,262** Current spending per student in South Side Area.
- **34** South Side Area rank in current spending out of 500 school districts (#1 being highest).

Contact these elected officials to let them know you support more funding for your schools and sensible property tax relief:

**Senators**
- Sen. Camera Bartolotta (R)
- Sen. Elder Vogel (R)

**Representatives**
- Rep. Joshua Kail (R)
Here is what has changed for the district since 2011 when the state dramatically reduced education funding.

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-2%  
-$40,040
Change in Expenditures for Special Education

+6%  
+$42,892
Change in State Revenue Dedicated to Special Education

+62%  
+$179,671
Change in Payments to Charter Schools

Number of students 1,049

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