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 Kutztown Area School District?

72%  Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Kutztown Area.

3  The number of times Kutztown Area has raised property taxes in the last 8 years.

98  Kutztown Area rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being highest).

$594,561  The increase in state funding for Kutztown Area if it were fully funded by the state.

How much is spent to educate district students?

$21,347  Current spending per student in Kutztown Area.

18  Kutztown 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. Judy Schwank (D)
Sen. David Argall (R)

Representatives
Rep. Jerry Knowles (R)
Rep. Gary Day (R)
Here is what has changed for the district since 2011 when the state dramatically reduced education funding.

- **Change in Expenditures for Special Education**
  - +$3,451,594 (18%)
  - Increase in instructional costs for the district

- **Change in Payments to Charter Schools**
  - +$108,671 (3%)
  - Change in state funding to cover instructional costs

- **Change in Expenditures for Special Education**
  - +$705,316 (+19%)

- **Change in State Revenue Dedicated to Special Education**
  - +$50,058 (+6%)

- **Change in Payments to Charter Schools**
  - +$983,315 (+201%)

**Number of students:** 1,370

**Performance - Students on Grade Level**
- Reading: 3rd 78%
- Math: 7th 34%

**Child Poverty Rate**
- School District 11%
- Statewide 18%

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