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 Forest Hills School District?**

- **23%** Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Forest Hills.
- **0** The number of times Forest Hills has raised property taxes in the last 8 years.
- **491** Forest Hills rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being highest).
- **$136,300** The increase in state funding for Forest Hills if it were fully funded by the state.

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

- **$12,982** Current spending per student in Forest Hills.
- **459** Forest Hills 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:

- **Senator**
  - Sen. Wayne Langerholc (R)

- **Representatives**
  - Rep. Jim Rigby (R)
  - Rep. Frank Burns (D)
Here is what has changed for the district since 2011 when the state dramatically reduced education funding.

**Change in Expenditures for Special Education**

+40%  
+898,856

**Change in Payments to Charter Schools**

+46%  
+84,112

**Increase in instructional costs for the district**

+1,076,824 (7%)

**Change in state funding to cover instructional costs**

-281,087 (-2%)

**Number of students**

1,859

**Performance - Students on Grade Level**

Reading: 3rd  
69%

Math: 7th  
27%

**Child Poverty Rate**

School District  
16%

Statewide  
18%

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