

Pennsylvania is not paying its fair share for public schools. It ranks 46th 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 Portage Area School District?

21%

Share of education costs covered by local taxpayers in the Portage Area School District. Property tax burden rank 467.

-1%

School property tax changes since 2011 in the Portage Area School District.

\$2M

The increase in state funding to the Portage Area School District since 2011

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)

Representative

Rep. Frank Burns (D)

How much is spent to educate district students?

\$11,790

Spending per student in Portage Area School District

\$17,482

Spending per student in highest spending districts

415

Portage Area School District rank in spending out of 500 school districts (#1 being highest)

Here is what has changed for the district since 2011 when the state dramatically reduced education funding.

-\$179,801

Change in local funding for the district from property and other local taxes

+\$104,379

Change in state/federal funding

0%

Change in Expenditures for Special Education

-4%

Change in State Revenue Dedicated to Special Education

-5%

Change in Payments to Charter Schools

Number of students
918

Performance - Students on Grade Level

Reading
55%

Math
27%

Child Poverty Rate

School District
22%

Statewide
18%

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