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 New Castle Area School District?**

- **22%** Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to New Castle Area.
- **0** The number of times New Castle Area has raised property taxes in the last 8 years.
- **448** New Castle Area rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being highest).
- **$12M** The increase in state funding for New Castle Area if it were fully funded by the state.

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

- **$14,341** Current spending per student in New Castle Area.
- **341** New Castle 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:

- **Senator**
  - Sen. Elder Vogel (R)

- **Representatives**
  - Rep. Christopher Sainato (D)
  - Rep. Aaron Bernstine (R)
Here is what has changed for the district since 2011 when the state dramatically reduced education funding.

**Change in Expenditures for Special Education**

+47%

+$2,929,609

**Change in Payments to Charter Schools**

+68%

+$573,687

**Change in State Revenue Dedicated to Special Education**

+12%

+$284,368

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**Number of students**

3,440

**Performance - Students on Grade Level**

- Reading: 3rd
  - 33%

- Math: 7th
  - 20%

**Child Poverty Rate**

- School District: 36%
- Statewide: 18%

To view sources of this information please visit www.paschoolswork.org/data