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 Pen Argyl Area School District?**

- **65%** Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Pen Argyl Area.
- **8** The number of times Pen Argyl Area has raised property taxes in the last 8 years.
- **95** Pen Argyl Area rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being highest).
- **$2M** The increase in state funding for Pen Argyl Area if it were fully funded by the state.

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

- **$16,336** Current spending per student in Pen Argyl Area.
- **171** Pen Argyl 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. Mario Scavello (R)

- **Representative**
  - Rep. Marcia Hahn (R)
Here is what has changed for the district since 2011 when the state dramatically reduced education funding.

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+65% Change in Expenditures for Special Education
+$1,796,500

+11% Change in State Revenue Dedicated to Special Education
+$100,534

+143% Change in Payments to Charter Schools
+$511,591

Number of students
1,698

Performance - Students on Grade Level
Reading: 3rd - 71%
Math: 7th - 42%

Child Poverty Rate
School District - 9%
Statewide - 18%

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