Pennsylvania is not paying its fair share for public schools. It ranks 45th in the country in state share of education costs.

What does this mean for the South Side Area School District?

- **38%** Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to South Side Area.
- **8** Number of times South Side Area has raised property taxes in the last 12 years.
- **209** South Side Area rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest).
- **-$164,464** The increase in state funding to South Side Area since 2011.

Let your elected officials know you support more funding for your schools and sensible property tax relief:

These elected officials currently represent the communities this school district serves.

**Senators**
- Sen. Elder Vogel (R)
- Sen. Camera Bartolotta (R)

**Representatives**
- Rep. Joshua Kail (R)

How much is spent to educate district students?

- **$22,119** Current spending per student in South Side Area.
- **34** South Side Area rank in current spending out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest).
South Side Area
School District Factsheet 2023

Number of students
1,036

Performance:
Students on Grade Level
Reading: 3rd
74%
Math: 7th
37%

Child Poverty Rate
School District
5%
Statewide
17%

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

- $83,704
-1%
Change in state funding to cover instructional costs

+ $2,064,243
+ 14%
Increase in instructional costs for the district

+ 7%
+ $112,303.15
Change in expenditures for special education

+ 12%
+$81,117
Change in state revenue dedicated to special education

+ 241%
+ $507,316
Change in payments to charter schools

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