

Altoona Area School District Factsheet 2023

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 Altoona Area School District?

28% Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Altoona Area.

Number of times Altoona Area has raised property taxes in the last 12 years.

3

484

Altoona Area rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest).

The increase in state funding for Altoona Area if it were fully funded by the state.

\$29.6M

How much is spent to educate district students?

\$14,236 Current spending per student in Altoona Area.

Altoona Area rank in current spending out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest).

461

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. Judith Ward (R)

Representatives

Rep. James Gregory (R) Rep. Louis Schmitt (R)



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Number of students

7,555

Performance: Students on Grade Level

Reading: 3rd

Math: 7th

Child Poverty Rate

School District

27%

Statewide

17%

HERE IS WHAT HAS CHANGED FOR THE DISTRICT SINCE 2011 WHEN THE STATE DRAMATICALLY REDUCED EDUCATION FUNDING:

+ \$16,832,926 + 34%

Increase in instructional costs for the district

+ \$2,723,294 + 6%

Change in state funding to cover instructional costs

+ 44%

+ \$6,192,353

Change in expenditures for special education

+ 16%

+\$779,265

Change in state revenue dedicated to special education

+ 313%

+ \$3,085,996

Change in payments to charter schools