



Mars 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 Mars Area School District?

72%

Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Mars Area.

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

1

344

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

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

\$6.7M

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)

Representatives

Rep. Aaron Bernstine (R)
Rep. Stephanie Scialabba (R)

How much is spent to educate district students?

\$12,792

Current spending per student in Mars Area.

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

497



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Number of
students

3,497

Performance:
Students on
Grade Level

Reading:
3rd
78%

Math:
7th
42%

Child Poverty Rate

School
District
1%

Statewide
17%

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

+ \$8,428,276
+ 33%

Increase in instructional costs for
the district

+ \$301,497
+ 4%

Change in state funding to cover
instructional costs

+ 147%
+ \$4,524,607

Change in expenditures for special education

+ 7%
+\$84,710

Change in state revenue dedicated to special
education

+ 208%
+ \$1,426,176

Change in payments to charter schools