



Octorara 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 Octorara Area School District?

69%

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

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

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

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

\$5.1M

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. Katie Muth (D)
Sen. Carolyn Comitta (D)
Sen. Scott Martin (R)

Representatives

Rep. Bryan Cutler (R)
Rep. Dan Williams (D)
Rep. John Lawrence (R)

How much is spent to educate district students?

\$21,048

Current spending per student in Octorara Area.

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

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Number of
students

2,382

Performance:
Students on
Grade Level

Reading:
3rd

67%

Math:
7th

42%

Child Poverty Rate

School
District

10%

Statewide

17%

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

+ \$7,368,737
+ 25%

Increase in instructional costs for
the district

+ \$357,310
+ 4%

Change in state funding to cover
instructional costs

+ 25%
+ \$1,868,395

Change in expenditures for special education

+ 22%
+\$269,516

Change in state revenue dedicated to special
education

+ 45%
+ \$1,134,612

Change in payments to charter schools