



Southern Columbia 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 Southern Columbia Area School District?

60%

Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Southern Columbia Area.

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

11

254

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

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

\$3.8M

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. Lynda Schlegel Culver (R)

Representatives

Rep. Robert Leadbeter (R)

Rep. Joanne Stehr (R)

How much is spent to educate district students?

\$15,882

Current spending per student in Southern Columbia Area.

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

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Number of
students

1,331

Performance:
Students on
Grade Level

Reading:
3rd
72%

Math:
7th
49%

Child Poverty Rate

School
District
26%

Statewide
17%

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

+ \$4,429,705
+ 37%

Increase in instructional costs for
the district

+ \$256,778
+ 5%

Change in state funding to cover
instructional costs

+ 36%
+ \$865,968

Change in expenditures for special education

+ 16%
+\$122,190

Change in state revenue dedicated to special
education

+ 279%
+ \$416,687

Change in payments to charter schools