Pennsylvania is not paying its fair share for public schools. It ranks 43rd in the country in state share of education costs.

What does this mean for the Erie City School District?

- **30%** Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Erie City.
- **5** Number of times Erie City has raised property taxes in the last 11 years.
- **346** Erie City rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest).
- **$54.2M** The increase in state funding for Erie City if it were fully funded by the state.

How much is spent to educate district students?

- **$14,332** Current spending per student in Erie City.
- **425** Erie City rank in current spending out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest).

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. Daniel Laughlin (R)

**Representatives**
- Rep. Patrick Harkins (D)
- Rep. Bob Merski (D)
- Rep. Ryan Bizzarro (D)

These elected officials represent the communities this school district serves under legislative maps taking effect in January.

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- Sen. Daniel Laughlin (R)

**Representatives**
- Rep. Ryan Bizzarro (D)
- Rep. Robert Merski (D)
- Rep. Patrick Harkins (D)
Number of students: 12,596

Performance:
- Reading: 3rd grade, 21%
- Math: 7th grade, 8%

Child Poverty Rate:
- School District: 36%
- Statewide: 17%

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

- Increase in instructional costs for the district: -$7,172,156 (-6%)
- Change in state funding to cover instructional costs: + $25,335,414 (+36%)
- Change in expenditures for special education: + 63%
  + $14,275,515
- Change in state revenue dedicated to special education: + 19%
  + $1,787,775
- Change in payments to charter schools: + 123%
  + $15,928,143

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