



## Wattsburg Area School District Factsheet 2023

*Pennsylvania is not paying its fair share for public schools.  
It ranks 45<sup>th</sup> in the country in state share of education costs.*

### What does this mean for the Wattsburg Area School District?

**48%**

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

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

**9**

**286**

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

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

**\$2.6M**

**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. Robert Merski (D)

Rep. Curtis Sonney (R)

### How much is spent to educate district students?

**\$17,374**

Current spending per student in Wattsburg Area.

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

**228**



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Number of  
students

1,322

Performance:  
Students on  
Grade Level

Reading:  
3rd  
**58%**

Math:  
7th  
**27%**

Child Poverty Rate

School  
District  
**16%**

Statewide  
**17%**

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

+ \$2,670,824  
+ 21%

Increase in instructional costs for  
the district

+ \$228,387  
+ 2.8%

Change in state funding to cover  
instructional costs

+ 52%  
+ \$969,807

Change in expenditures for special education

+ 23%  
+\$210,406

Change in state revenue dedicated to special  
education

+ 192%  
+ \$611,614

Change in payments to charter schools