

## Punxsutawney 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 Punxsutawney Area School District?

29% Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Punxsutawney Area.

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

6

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

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

\$6.3M

How much is spent to educate district students?

\$17,986 Current spending per student in Punxsutawney Area.

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

190

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. Joe Pittman (R)

#### Representatives

Rep. Brian Smith (R)



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Number of students

2,141

Performance: Students on Grade Level

Reading: 3rd 52%

Math: 7th

36%

**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:

+ \$1,068,254 + 5%

Increase in instructional costs for the district

+ \$369,127 + 2.05%

Change in state funding to cover instructional costs

+ 39%

+ \$2,027,541

Change in expenditures for special education

+ 15%

+\$256,646

Change in state revenue dedicated to special

education

+ 448%

+ \$3,342,109

Change in payments to charter schools