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 Ephrata Area School District?

- **68%** Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Ephrata Area.
- **159** Ephrata Area rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest).
- **7** Number of times Ephrata Area has raised property taxes in the last 11 years.
- **$10.3M** The increase in state funding for Ephrata Area if it were fully funded by the state.
- **$14,851** Current spending per student in Ephrata Area.
- **371** Ephrata Area 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. Ryan Aument (R)

**Representatives**
- Rep. Mindy Fee (R)
- Rep. David Zimmerman (R)

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

**Senators**
- Sen. Chris Gebhard (R) (2021 Special)
- Sen. Ryan Aument (R)

**Representatives**
- Rep. Keith Greiner (R)
- Rep. Mindy Fee (R)
Number of students: 4,266

Performance:
- Students on Grade Level:
  - Reading: 3rd: 68%
  - Math: 7th: 23%

Child Poverty Rate:
- School District: 12%
- Statewide: 17%

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

- + $10,403,348  
  + 29%  
  Increase in instructional costs for the district

- + $1,007,265  
  + 8%  
  Change in state funding to cover instructional costs

- + 92%  
  + $5,523,473  
  Change in expenditures for special education

- + 20%  
  + $408,847  
  Change in state revenue dedicated to special education

- + 19%  
  + $186,253  
  Change in payments to charter schools

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