



Allentown City

School District Factsheet

Pennsylvania is not paying its fair share for public schools. It ranks 44th in the country in state share of education costs. Pennsylvania also has the widest gap in the U.S. between the highest and lowest spending school districts.

What does this mean for the Allentown City School District?

34%

Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Allentown City.

5

The number of times Allentown City has raised property taxes in the last 8 years.

71

Allentown City rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being highest).

\$112M

The increase in state funding for Allentown City if it were fully funded by the state.

Contact these elected officials

to let them know you support more funding for your schools and sensible property tax relief:

Senators

Sen. Patrick Browne (R)

Sen. Lisa Boscola (D)

Representatives

Rep. Peter Schweyer (D)

Rep. Mike Schlossberg (D)

How much is spent to educate district students?

\$14,416

Current spending per student in Allentown City.

331

Allentown City rank in current spending out of 500 school districts (#1 being highest).

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

+\$54,821,229
(36%)

Increase in instructional costs for the district

+\$20,662,172
(20%)

Change in state funding to cover instructional costs

+64%
+\$21,915,839

Change in Expenditures for Special Education

+18%
+\$1,652,016

Change in State Revenue Dedicated to Special Education

+314%
+\$36,470,751

Change in Payments to Charter Schools

Number of students
20,490

Performance - Students on Grade Level

Reading:
3rd

35%

Math:
7th

8%

Child Poverty Rate

School District

42%

Statewide

18%

To view sources of this information please visit
www.paschoolswork.org/data