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Southern Lehigh

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 Southern Lehigh School District?

77%

Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Southern Lehigh.

4

The number of times Southern Lehigh has raised property taxes in the last 8 years.

69

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

\$4

The increase in state funding for Southern Lehigh since 2011

Contact these elected officials

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

Senator

Sen. Patrick Browne (R)

Representative

Rep. Justin Simmons (R)

How much is spent to educate district students?

\$17,226

Current spending per student in Southern Lehigh.

120

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





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

+\$9,285,289
(27%)
Increase in instructional costs for the district

+\$66,998
(1%)
Change in state funding to cover instructional costs

+37%
+\$2,213,549
Change in Expenditures for Special Education

+3%
+\$31,163
Change in State Revenue Dedicated to Special Education

+35%
+\$406,960
Change in Payments to Charter Schools

Number of students
3,312

Performance - Students on Grade Level

Reading: 3rd
79%

Math: 7th
68%

Child Poverty Rate

School District
5%

Statewide
18%

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