Hazleton Area
School District Factsheet 2022

*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 Hazleton Area School District?

- **43%** Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Hazleton Area.
- Number of times Hazleton Area has raised property taxes in the last 11 years. **11**
- Hazleton Area rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest). **295**
- The increase in state funding for Hazleton Area if it were fully funded by the state. **$72.2M**

How much is spent to educate district students?

- **$12,064** Current spending per student in Hazleton Area.
- Hazleton Area rank in current spending out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest). **498**

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. John Yudichak (I)
- Sen. John Gordner (R)
- Sen. David Argall (R)

**Representatives**
- Rep. Robert Schnee (R)
- Rep. Gerald Mullery (D)
- Rep. Doyle Heffley (R)
- Rep. Jerry Knowles (R)

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

**Senators**
- Sen. Dave Argall (R)
- Sen. John Gordner (R)

**Representatives**
- Rep. Karen Boback (R)
- Rep. Doyle Heffley (R)
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### Number of students
- **11,920**

### Performance: Students on Grade Level
- **Reading (3rd):** 39%
- **Math (7th):** 3%

### Child Poverty Rate
- **School District:** 29%
- **Statewide:** 17%

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

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<td>+ $18,649,361</td>
<td>+ 26% Increase in instructional costs for the district</td>
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<td>+ 13% Change in state funding to cover instructional costs</td>
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<td>Change in expenditures for special education</td>
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