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 Colonial School District?

- **Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Colonial:** 82%
- **Number of times Colonial has raised property taxes in the last 11 years:** 11
- **Colonial rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest):** 153
- **The increase in state funding to Colonial since 2011:** $8.8M

How much is spent to educate district students?

- **Current spending per student in Colonial:** $21,981
- **Colonial rank in current spending out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest):** 21

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. Vincent Hughes (D)
- Sen. Amanda Cappelletti (D)

**Representatives**
- Rep. Matthew Bradford (D)
- Rep. Mary Jo Daley (D)
- Rep. Todd Stephens (R)

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

**Senators**
- Sen. Maria Collett (D)
- Sen. Vincent Hughes (D)

**Representatives**
- Rep. Robert Brooks (R)
- Rep. Mary Jo Daley (D)
Number of students

5,330

Performance: Students on Grade Level

Reading: 3rd
72%

Math: 7th
46%

Child Poverty Rate

School District: 5%
Statewide: 17%

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

+ $21,841,802
  + 32%
  Increase in instructional costs for the district

+ $525,090
  + 10%
  Change in state funding to cover instructional costs

+ 52%
+ $7,793,797
  Change in expenditures for special education

+ 5%
+ $97,451
  Change in state revenue dedicated to special education

+ 256%
+ $760,066
  Change in payments to charter schools

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