



## Upper Merion Area School District Factsheet 2023

*Pennsylvania is not paying its fair share for public schools.  
It ranks 45<sup>th</sup> in the country in state share of education costs.*

### What does this mean for the Upper Merion Area School District?

84%

Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Upper Merion Area.

Number of times Upper Merion Area has raised property taxes in the last 12 years.

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90

Upper Merion Area rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest).

The increase in state funding to Upper Merion Area since 2011.

\$6.5M

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. Amanda Cappelletti (D)

#### Representatives

Rep. Timothy Briggs (D)

### How much is spent to educate district students?

\$23,159

Current spending per student in Upper Merion Area.

Upper Merion Area rank in current spending out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest).

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Number of  
students

4,280

Performance:  
Students on  
Grade Level

Reading:  
3rd

63%

Math:  
7th

35%

Child Poverty Rate

School  
District

9%

Statewide

17%

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

+ \$26,117,192  
+ 51%

Increase in instructional costs for  
the district

+ \$763,940  
+ 20%

Change in state funding to cover  
instructional costs

+ 77%  
+ \$7,159,418.13

Change in expenditures for special education

+ 6%  
+\$86,577

Change in state revenue dedicated to special  
education

+ 150%  
+ \$1,090,036

Change in payments to charter schools