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 Austin Area School District?

43% Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Austin Area.

7 Number of times Austin Area has raised property taxes in the last 11 years.

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

$367,325 The increase in state funding to Austin Area since 2011.

How much is spent to educate district students?

$25,638 Current spending per student in Austin Area.

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

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. Cris Dush (R)

Representatives
Rep. Martin Causer (R)

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

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Number of students: 156

Performance:
- Reading: 3rd Grade - 0%
- Math: 7th Grade - 40%

Child Poverty Rate:
- School District: 1%
- Statewide: 17%

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

- Increase in instructional costs for the district: + $482,174 (+ 18%)
- Change in state funding to cover instructional costs: + $286,625 (+ 21%)
- Change in expenditures for special education: -8% (-$29,337)
- Change in state revenue dedicated to special education: + 11% (+$14,430)
- Change in payments to charter schools: -95% (-$18,463)

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