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 Tamaqua Area School District?

- **55%** Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Tamaqua Area.
- Number of times Tamaqua Area has raised property taxes in the last 11 years: **5**
- Tamaqua Area rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest): **314**
- **$9.4M** The increase in state funding for Tamaqua Area if it were fully funded by the state.

How much is spent to educate district students?

- **$12,981** Current spending per student in Tamaqua Area.
- **487** Tamaqua 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. David Argall (R)

- **Representatives**
  - 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)

- **Representatives**
  - Rep. Jerome Knowles (R)
Number of students
2,300

Performance:
Students on Grade Level
Reading: 3rd
56%
Math: 7th
26%

Child Poverty Rate
School District 11%
Statewide 17%

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

+ $3,288,899
+ 19%
Increase in instructional costs for the district

+ $288,336
+ 3%
Change in state funding to cover instructional costs

+ 44%
+ $1,901,329
Change in expenditures for special education

+ 22%
+$261,073
Change in state revenue dedicated to special education

+ 127%
+ $767,918
Change in payments to charter schools

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