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

What does this mean for the North Star School District?

- **Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to North Star**: 30%
- **Number of times North Star has raised property taxes in the last 12 years**: 6
- **North Star rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest)**: 454
- **The increase in state funding for North Star if it were fully funded by the state**: $3.7M

Let your elected officials know you support more funding for your schools and sensible property tax relief:

- **Senators**
  - Sen. Patrick Stefano (R)

- **Representatives**
  - Rep. Carl Metzgar (R)

How much is spent to educate district students?

- **Current spending per student in North Star**: $16,243
- **North Star rank in current spending out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest)**: 325
Number of students: 1,076

Performance:
- Reading: 3rd Grade Level, 79%
- Math: 7th Grade Level, 15%

Child Poverty Rate:
- School District: 14%
- Statewide: 17%

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

- + $1,179,972
  + 11%
  Increase in instructional costs for the district

- + $159,120
  + 2%
  Change in state funding to cover instructional costs

- + 14%
  + $259,746
  Change in expenditures for special education

- + 13%
  + $103,522
  Change in state revenue dedicated to special education

- + 143%
  + $527,745
  Change in payments to charter schools

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