



Somerset Area School District Factsheet 2023

*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 Somerset Area School District?

53%

Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Somerset Area.

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

5

116

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

The increase in state funding for Somerset Area if it were fully funded by the state.

\$4.3M

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. Patrick Stefano (R)

Representatives

Rep. Carl Metzgar (R)

How much is spent to educate district students?

\$17,345

Current spending per student in Somerset Area.

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

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Number of
students

2,035

Performance:
Students on
Grade Level

Reading:
3rd
60%

Math:
7th
36%

Child Poverty Rate

School
District
17%

Statewide
17%

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

+ \$3,179,565
+ 15%

Increase in instructional costs for
the district

+ \$648,178
+ 7%

Change in state funding to cover
instructional costs

+ 39%
+ \$1,529,781

Change in expenditures for special education

+ 11%
+\$156,741

Change in state revenue dedicated to special
education

+ 65%
+ \$464,012

Change in payments to charter schools