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 Elk Lake School District?

- Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Elk Lake: 41%
- Number of times Elk Lake has raised property taxes in the last 12 years: 11
- Elk Lake rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest): 321
- The increase in state funding for Elk Lake if it were fully funded by the state: $3.4M

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. Elisabeth Baker (R)
- Representatives
  - Rep. Jonathan Fritz (R)
  - Rep. Tina Pickett (R)

How much is spent to educate district students?

- Current spending per student in Elk Lake: $19,127
- Elk Lake rank in current spending out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest): 127
Elk Lake
School District Factsheet 2023

Number of students
1,080

Performance: Students on Grade Level
Reading: 3rd 39%
Math: 7th 28%

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:

+ $1,742,124
+ 14%
Increase in instructional costs for the district

+ $38,545
+ 0%
Change in state funding to cover instructional costs

+ 52%
+ $1,134,092
Change in expenditures for special education

+ 15%
+$130,702
Change in state revenue dedicated to special education

+ 215%
+ $572,960
Change in payments to charter schools

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