

# **Southmoreland**

### School District Factsheet

Pennsylvania is not paying its fair share for public schools. It ranks 44th in the country in state share of education costs. Pennsylvania also has the widest gap in the U.S. between the highest and lowest spending school districts.

#### What does this mean for the Southmoreland School District?

Contact these elected officials Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers 40% to let them know you to Southmoreland. support more funding for your schools and sensible property tax relief: The number of times Southmoreland has raised 5 Senator property taxes in the last 8 years. Sen. Pat Stefano (R) Southmoreland rank in terms of local tax effort out of 371 500 school districts (#1 being highest). **Representatives** \$2M Rep. Ryan Warner (R) Rep. Justin Walsh (R) How much is spent to educate district students? \$14,679 Current spending per student in Southmoreland. Southmoreland rank in current spending out of 301 500 school districts (#1 being highest).







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

+\$3,585,508 (21%)

Increase in instructional costs for the district

-\$479,278 (-4%)

Change in state funding to cover instructional costs

+19%

+\$730,577

Change in Expenditures for Special Education

+7%

+\$94,942

Change in State Revenue Dedicated to Special Education

+46%

+\$275,417

Change in Payments to Charter Schools

Number of students 1,908

Performance -Students on Grade Level

Reading: M

68%

Math: 7th

54%

**Child Poverty Rate** 

School District

19%

Statewide

18%

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