



INVEST IN STUDENTS, SECURE OUR FUTURE

South Western

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 South Western School District?

67%

Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to South Western.

8

The number of times South Western has raised property taxes in the last 8 years.

140

South Western rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being highest).

\$7M

The increase in state funding for South Western if it were fully funded by the state.

Contact these elected officials

to let them know you support more funding for your schools and sensible property tax relief:

Senators

Sen. Kristin Phillips-Hill (R)

Sen. Doug Mastriano (R)

Representative

Rep. Kate Klunk (R)

How much is spent to educate district students?

\$13,817

Current spending per student in South Western.

403

South Western rank in current spending out of 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.

+\$9,451,405
(26%)

Increase in instructional costs for the district

+\$165,465
(1%)

Change in state funding to cover instructional costs

+76%

+\$4,311,449

Change in Expenditures for Special Education

+8%

+\$148,046

Change in State Revenue Dedicated to Special Education

+47%

+\$386,126

Change in Payments to Charter Schools

Number of students

4,336

Performance - Students on Grade Level

Reading: 3rd

59%

Math: 7th

61%

Child Poverty Rate

School District

3%

Statewide

18%

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