



## FUNDING DATA FOR THE PHILADELPHIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

In 2004-2005, the Philadelphia City SD received \$2.3 billion in total revenue. This revenue comes from local, state and federal sources. Below is a breakdown of these sources.

<u>Source</u>	<u>Revenue in Dollars</u>	<u>% of Total Revenue</u>
Local	Taxes - \$688 million	33.5%
	Other - \$ 80 million	
State	\$ 1.1 billion	50.0%
Federal	\$ 279 million	12.2%
Other	\$ 100 million	4.4%

The Philadelphia School District spends just below the state average in total expenditures per student. Total expenditures include local, state, and federal funds. If we look at total expenditure data for many surrounding districts, however, we can see that Philadelphia spends significantly less than most of its neighbors.

<u>District</u>	<u>Total Expenditures per Student</u>
<b>Philadelphia City SD</b>	<b>\$10,834.26</b>
STATE AVERAGE	\$10,850.18
William Penn SD	\$11,096.99
Chester Upland SD	\$12,107.76
Springfield SD	\$12,175.22
Bensalem Township SD	\$13,190.94
Wallingford-Swarthmore SD	\$13,448.38
Cheltenham Township SD	\$15,233.22
Lower Merion SD	\$20,221.17

Philadelphia already has the highest local tax burden of any large city in the country, yet it still can't provide its students with the same educational inputs as many other neighboring school districts. Compared to many of these districts, Philadelphia has a much more diverse population, including many students in poverty, students with disabilities, and English Language Learners. Because it takes more money to educate these students, Philadelphia needs more funds from the state in order to provide all of its students with equal opportunities and a high quality education.

For more information on funding in Philadelphia and across the state:

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