

Chinle Unified School District

Apache County

Peer group(s): Operational 4 and Transportation 8¹

Legislative district(s): 7

District location: Town

Number of schools: 7

Graduation rate (2019): 73%

Students attending; Size: 3,215; Medium-large

5-year change in students attending: 3% decrease

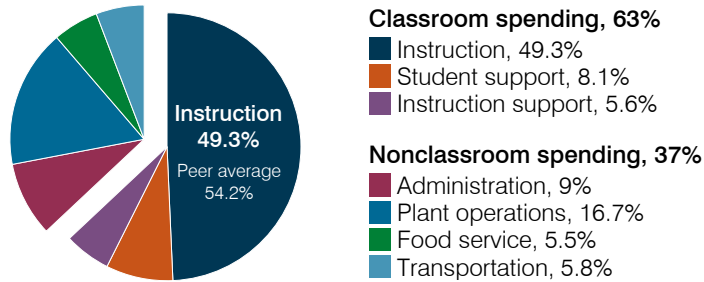
Special education population: 11%

English learner population: 6%

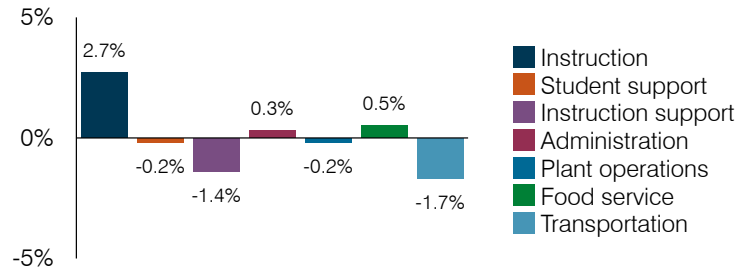
Poverty rate (2019): 59%

Free/reduced meal eligibility: 94%

Spending by operational area



Percentage point change in spending by operational area (fiscal year 2015 versus 2020)



Operational measures relative to peer averages

Operational area	Measure	District	Peer average	State average
Administration	Cost per pupil	\$1,437	\$929	\$936
	Students per administrative position	54	73	65
Plant operations	Cost per square foot	\$8.79	\$5.79	\$6.55
	Square footage per student	304	180	160
Food service	Cost per meal	\$3.51	\$3.39	\$3.46
Transportation	Cost per mile	\$2.96	\$3.43	\$4.28
	Cost per rider	\$1,668	\$1,480	\$1,370

Very low Low Comparable High Very high

Lowest, highest, and 2 most recent fiscal years' instructional spending percentages between 2001 and 2020

Lowest	Highest	Most recent years	
2015	2005	2019	2020
46.6%	51.1%	49.3%	49.3%

COVID-19 federal relief grant spending

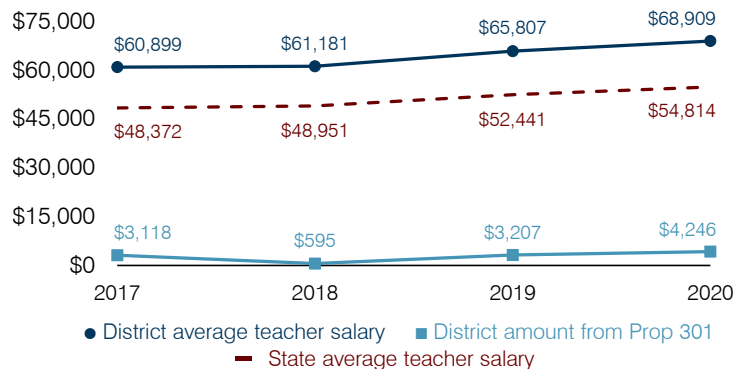
	District	Peer average
Total federal relief grant spending	\$ 34,397	\$ 202,651
Per pupil federal relief grant spending	\$ 11	\$ 40

Districts can use COVID-19 federal relief grants from March 2020 through September 2022. Amounts above were used by June 30, 2020.

Per pupil spending by area

Area	District		Peer average 2020	State average 2020
	2019	2020		
Classroom spending				
Instruction	\$ 7,297	\$ 7,887	\$ 4,706	\$ 5,016
Student support	1,073	1,293	687	796
Instruction support	891	891	448	513
Nonclassroom spending				
Administration	1,363	1,437	929	936
Plant operations	2,441	2,675	998	1,048
Food service	844	872	424	432
Transportation	907	930	408	395
Total operational	14,816	15,985	8,600	9,136
Land and buildings	2,112	5,045	419	1,053
Equipment	932	1,127	430	533
Interest	0	0	176	273
Other	94	99	48	175
Total nonoperational	3,138	6,271	1,073	2,034
Total per pupil spending	\$ 17,954	\$ 22,256	\$ 9,673	\$ 11,170

Average teacher salary and other measures



Measure	2017	2018	2019	2020
Students per teacher	16.4	16.6	15.8	15.3
Average years of teacher experience	14.1	13.7	13.6	13.2
Percentage of teachers in first 3 years	11%	11%	13%	13%

¹ See Appendix A for information, such as districts included in each peer group, and Appendix C for sources and methodology.