

Liberty Elementary School District

Maricopa County

Efficiency peer groups 8 and T-4, Achievement peer group 13

Legislative district(s): 4 and 13

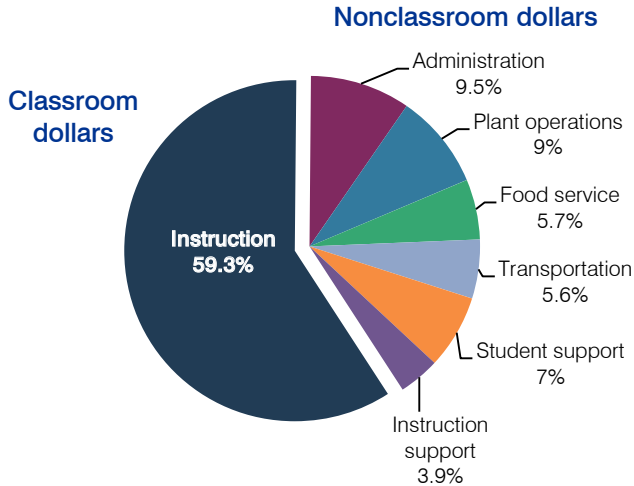
District size / location: Medium-Large, Suburb

Students attending: 3,105

Number of schools: 5

OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY

Spending by operational area



5-year spending trend

Total spending per pupil increased by 1 percent. Spending in the classroom decreased from 62.9 to 59.3 percent. Spending on food service and transportation increased, spending on student support increased substantially, and spending on instruction support decreased. Spending on other nonclassroom areas varied year to year.

Cost measures relative to peer averages

Operational area	Measure	District	Peer average	State average
Administration	Cost per pupil	\$633	\$796	\$736
	Students per administrator	76	75	66
Plant operations	Cost per square foot	\$5.20	\$6.25	\$6.09
	Square footage per student	116	131	152
Food service	Cost per meal equivalent	\$2.66	\$2.45	\$2.47
Transportation	Cost per mile	\$3.00	\$3.62	\$3.50
	Cost per rider	\$956	\$1,088	\$982

Very low Low Comparable High Very high

Per-pupil spending by operational area

	District		Peer average	State average	National average
	2011	2012	2012	2012	2010
Total	\$6,654	\$6,685	\$6,968	\$7,475	\$10,652
Classroom dollars	3,838	3,965	3,582	4,053	6,526
Nonclassroom dollars:	2,816	2,720	3,386	3,422	4,126
Administration	645	633	796	736	1,139
Plant operations	571	603	811	928	1,012
Food service	286	377	523	382	405
Transportation	357	375	271	362	443
Student support	500	471	522	578	592
Instruction support	457	261	463	436	535

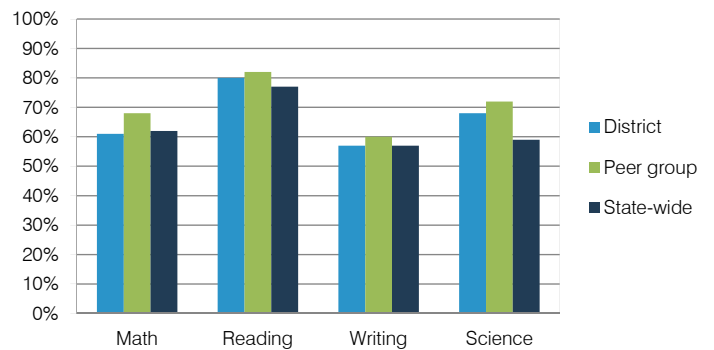
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT, TEACHER MEASURES, AND FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT

ADE-reported district and school letter grades

District grade: **B**

Grade	Number of schools	Percentage of schools
A	1	20%
B	2	40%
C	2	40%
D	0	0%
F	0	0%
Not rated	0	0%

Percentage of students who met state standards (AIMS)



Student and teacher measures

Measure	District	Peer average	State average
Attendance rate	95%	96%	94%
Graduation rate (2011)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Poverty rate (2011)	16%	16%	25%
Students per teacher	16.6	18.2	18.1
Average teacher salary	\$41,167	\$43,760	\$45,193
Amount from Proposition 301	\$3,827	\$3,355	\$3,195
Average years of teacher experience	9.7	8.6	11.0
Percentage of teachers in first 3 years	12%	19%	16%

Financial stress assessment

Overall financial stress level: **Low**

Measure: 2010 through 2012

Measure	Assessment
Number of students attending	Large decrease
Spending exceeded operating/capital budgets	No overspending
Spending increase election results	Voter-approved
Operating reserve percentage (max. 4%), trend	3.1%, Varying
Years of capital reserve held	More than 3 years
Current financial and internal control status	Compliant

Stress level

