## Littleton Elementary School District

Maricopa County
Efficiency peer groups 8 and T-1, Achievement peer group $13^{1}$ Legislative district(s): 19

District size, location: Medium-large, Suburb
Students attending:
5,626
Number of schools:

## OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY

## Spending by operational area



Administration, 10.5\%
Plant operations, 8.2\% Food service, 9.9\%
Transportation, 3.4\%
Student support, 9.2\%
Instruction support, 6.3\%

## Efficiency measures relative to peer averages

| Operational area | Measure |  | District | Peer average | State average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Administration | Cost per pupil |  | \$799 | \$1,025 | \$860 |
|  | Students per administrative position |  | 75 | 67 | 66 |
| Plant operations | Cost per square foot |  | \$4.95 | \$6.61 | \$6.34 |
|  | Square footage per student |  | 125 | 143 | 156 |
| Food service | Cost per meal |  | \$3.12 | \$2.92 | \$3.02 |
| Transportation | Cost per mile |  | \$5.30 | \$7.19 | \$4.05 |
|  | Cost per rider |  | \$745 | \$1,106 | \$1,301 |
| Very low | Low | Comparable |  | High | Very high |

## Per pupil spending

| Spending by area | District |  |  |  | Peer average 2018 | State average 2018 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2017 |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| Instruction | \$ | 3,988 | \$ | 3,958 | \$ 4,392 | \$ | 4,480 |
| Administration |  | 834 |  | 799 | 1,025 |  | 860 |
| Plant operations |  | 648 |  | 618 | 971 |  | 988 |
| Food service |  | 786 |  | 745 | 659 |  | 425 |
| Transportation |  | 262 |  | 253 | 331 |  | 388 |
| Student support |  | 635 |  | 690 | 631 |  | 693 |
| Instruction support |  | 513 |  | 479 | 546 |  | 462 |
| Total operational |  | 7,666 |  | 7,542 | 8,555 |  | 8,296 |
| Land and buildings |  | 486 |  | 571 | 1,140 |  | 827 |
| Equipment |  | 348 |  | 256 | 697 |  | 409 |
| Interest |  | 181 |  | 166 | 327 |  | 228 |
| Other |  | 22 |  | 23 | 172 |  | 169 |
| Total nonoperational |  | 1,037 |  | 1,016 | 2,336 |  | 1,633 |
| Total per pupil spending | \$ | 8,703 | \$ | 8,558 | \$10,891 | \$ | 9,929 |

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## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT, STUDENT AND TEACHER MEASURES, AND REVENUES

## ADE-assigned school letter grades

| Grade | Number of <br> schools <br> A | Percentage of <br> schools |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| B | 1 | $0 \%$ |  |  |
| C | 4 |  | $14 \%$ |  |
| D | 2 |  | $29 \%$ |  |
| F | 0 | $0 \%$ |  |  |

Students who passed State assessments


## Student and teacher measures

|  | District | Peer <br> average | State <br> average |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Measure | $94 \%$ | $94 \%$ | $94 \%$ |
| Attendance rate | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Graduation rate (2017) | $17 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $19 \%$ |
| Poverty rate (2017) | $12 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $12 \%$ |
| Special education population | 17.7 | 19.4 | 18.4 |
| Students per teacher | $\$ 42,738$ | $\$ 45,518$ | $\$ 48,951$ |
| Average teacher salary | $\$ 4,390$ | $\$ 5,403$ | $\$ 6,411$ |
| Amount from Prop 301 | 6.0 | 7.7 | 11.4 |
| Average years of teacher experience | Percentage of teachers in first 3 years | $44 \%$ | $35 \%$ |
| Per | $19 \%$ |  |  |


| Per pupil revenues |  |  |  | Peeraverage2018 | State average 2018 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | District |  |  |  |  |
| Revenues by source | 2017 |  | 2018 |  |  |
| Federal | \$ 1,381 | \$ | 1,227 | \$ 1,723 | \$ 1,317 |
| State | 4,343 |  | 4,446 | 3,921 | 4,011 |
| Local | 3,021 |  | 3,029 | 4,869 | 4,592 |
| Total per pupil revenues | \$ 8,745 | \$ | 8,702 | \$ 10,513 | \$ 9,920 |
| Select revenues from common sources |  |  |  |  |  |
| Equalization formula funding | \$ 4,954 | \$ | 5,101 | \$ 5,175 | \$ 5,585 |
| Grants | 1,446 |  | 1,246 | 1,843 | 1,241 |
| Donations and tax credits | 68 |  | 40 | 54 | 90 |
| Select revenues from less common sources |  |  |  | Number of peers receiving |  |
| Desegregation | \$ 0 | \$ | 0 |  |  |
| Small school adjustment | 0 |  | 0 |  |  |
| Federal impact aid | 0 |  | 0 |  |  |
| Voter-approved levy increases | 1,517 |  | 1,473 | 19 of |  |

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Instructional spending percentage

| Year: | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Percentage: | 56.8 | 56.4 | 53.5 | 56.4 | 58.2 | 57.0 | 56.8 | 57.7 | 59.0 | 58.1 | 57.2 | 53.9 | 53.0 | 53.9 | 51.8 | 52.5 | 52.0 | 52.5 |

## TRENDS AND FINANCIAL STRESS ASSESSMENT <br> Fiscal years as indicated

## Students attending



Total operational and instructional spending
per pupil (inflation adjusted to 2018 dollars)


Average teacher salary


## Financial stress assessment

| Overall financial stress level: <br> Measure: 2016 through 2018 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Change in number of district students | Assessment |  |
| Spending exceeded operating/capital budgets | No overerspending |  |
| Spending increase election results | Voter-approved |  |
| Operating reserve percentage, Trend | 4.5\%, Varying |  |
| Years of capital reserve held | More than 3 years |  |
| Current financial and internal control status | Compliant |  |
| Low | Moderate | High |

## Administrative cost per pupil



Plant cost per square foot and square footage per student


Food service cost per meal


Transportation costs per mile and per rider



[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ See Appendix A for information such as districts included in each peer group and Appendix B for sources and methodology.

