

# Classroom Dollars and Proposition 301 Results

## Mesa Unified School District

Maricopa County

District size: Very Large  
 Students attending: 67,620  
 Number of schools: 89  
 Number of certified teachers: 3,808

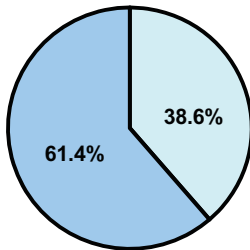
### Classroom Dollars

Fiscal year 2008 averages per pupil

District

State

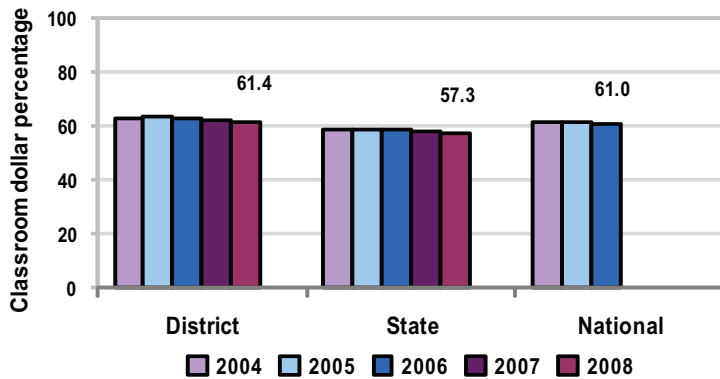
Classroom  
\$4,828  
\$4,480



Nonclassroom  
\$3,039  
\$3,333

Total  
\$7,867  
\$7,813

5-year comparison



### Expenditures by function

	Percentage					State 2008	National 2006
	2004	2005	District 2006	2007	2008		
Classroom dollars	63.1	63.3	62.7	62.1	61.4	57.3	61.0
Nonclassroom dollars:							
Administration	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.3	7.6	9.2	10.8
Plant operations	10.7	10.1	10.2	10.3	10.1	11.3	9.9
Food service	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.7	4.8	3.8
Transportation	3.8	4.1	4.3	4.7	5.0	4.4	4.2
Student support	5.9	5.8	5.9	5.8	5.9	7.4	5.2
Instruction support	3.5	3.5	3.7	3.9	5.0	5.4	4.9
Other	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2

### Comparative Information

	District			State
	2006	2007	2008	2008
Student/teacher ratio	18.4	17.9	17.8	17.3
Average teacher salary	\$48,507	\$55,527	\$58,442	\$44,967
Average years' experience	10.4	10.4	10.3	8.1

Classroom dollar ranking: 24 of 230 districts.

### Proposition 301

#### District-reported 2008 results

##### Teacher pay

- On average, each teacher, librarian, and counselor earned between \$7,384 and \$8,044 in additional salary, and each instructional aide earned an additional \$1,622.

##### Performance

- The District accomplished most of its goals, which were based on district and school performance.
- Students' AIMS test scores increased.
- Graduation and attendance rates increased.
- Site-specific teacher development goals were developed and achieved throughout the District.

##### Menu

- Monies were used to increase eligible employee compensation.
- Monies continued to pay for 7 teachers and 60 instructional assistants to reduce class sizes at 30 schools.
- For AIMS intervention, 59 percent of schools provided before- and after-school tutoring, and 9 schools provided summer and/or Saturday schools.
- Monies were also used for professional development, such as trainings and conferences.
- 24 schools provided dropout prevention alternative learning centers for at-risk students.