

Palo Verde Elementary School District

Maricopa County

Efficiency peer groups 10 and T-8, Achievement peer group 20

Legislative district(s): 4 and 13

District size / location:

Small, Rural

Students attending:

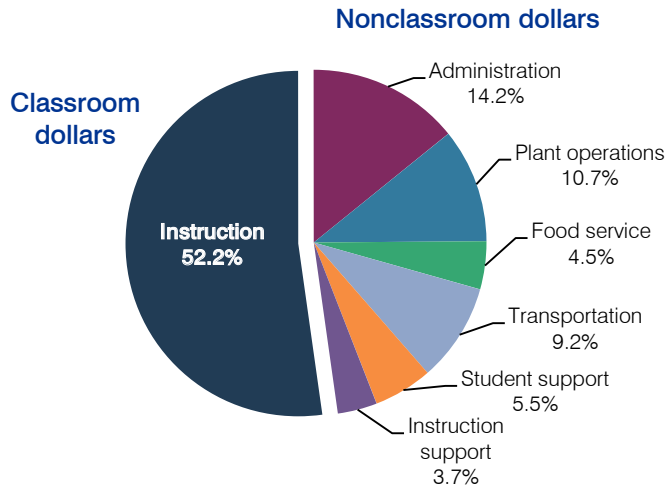
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Number of schools:

1

OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY

Spending by operational area



5-year spending trend

Total spending per pupil increased by 10 percent. Spending in the classroom varied year to year, increasing slightly overall from 51.4 to 52.2 percent. Spending on administration and food service decreased substantially, and spending on transportation, student support, and instruction support increased. Spending on plant operations remained fairly stable.

Cost measures relative to peer averages

Operational area	Measure	District	Peer average	State average
Administration	Cost per pupil	\$1,218	\$1,168	\$736
	Students per administrator	48	54	66
Plant operations	Cost per square foot	\$5.71	\$7.54	\$6.09
	Square footage per student	161	139	152
Food service	Cost per meal equivalent	\$2.10	\$2.69	\$2.47
Transportation	Cost per mile	\$3.30	\$2.87	\$3.50
	Cost per rider	\$871	\$726	\$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	\$7,952	\$8,569	\$8,331	\$7,475	\$10,652
Classroom dollars	4,271	4,471	4,374	4,053	6,526
Nonclassroom dollars:	3,681	4,098	3,957	3,422	4,126
Administration	1,152	1,218	1,168	736	1,139
Plant operations	750	917	1,068	928	1,012
Food service	424	391	486	382	405
Transportation	583	788	515	362	443
Student support	412	470	455	578	592
Instruction support	360	314	265	436	535

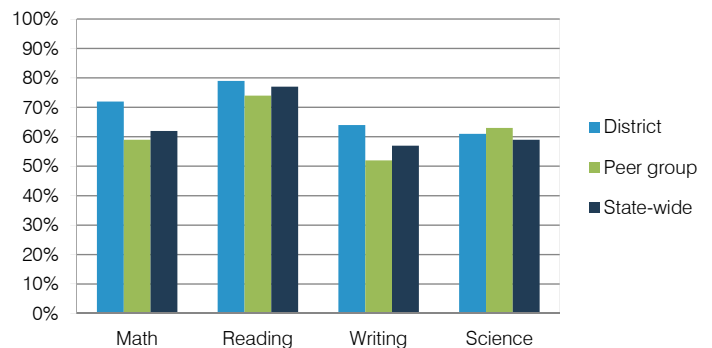
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT, TEACHER MEASURES, AND FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT

ADE-reported district and school letter grades

District grade: **B**

Grade	Number of schools	Percentage of schools
A	0	0%
B	1	100%
C	0	0%
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	94%	94%	94%
Graduation rate (2011)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Poverty rate (2011)	31%	29%	25%
Students per teacher	17.0	12.6	18.1
Average teacher salary	\$43,473	\$45,750	\$45,193
Amount from Proposition 301	\$2,852	\$2,292	\$3,195
Average years of teacher experience	9.1	13.0	11.0
Percentage of teachers in first 3 years	16%	13%	16%

Financial stress assessment

Overall financial stress level: **Low**

Measure: 2010 through 2012	Assessment
Number of students attending	Moderate decrease
Spending exceeded operating/capital budgets	No overspending
Spending increase election results	Voter-approved
Operating reserve percentage (max. 4%), trend	3.9%, Steady
Years of capital reserve held	More than 3 years
Current financial and internal control status	Compliant

