

Saddle Mountain Unified School District

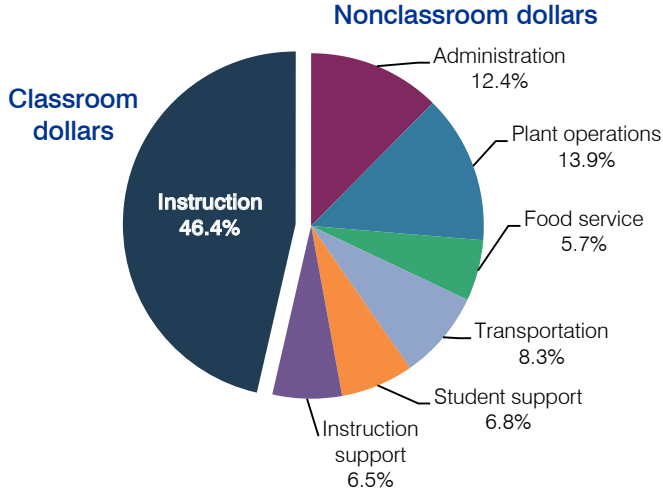
Maricopa County
 Efficiency peer groups 5 and T-10, Achievement peer group 4
 Legislative district(s): 13

District size / location: Medium, Rural
 Students attending: 1,267
 Number of schools: 3

OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT, TEACHER MEASURES, AND FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT

Spending by operational area



5-year spending trend

Total spending per pupil increased by 9 percent. Spending in the classroom varied year to year, decreasing overall from 53.6 to 46.4 percent. Spending on administration and instruction support increased substantially, while 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	\$1,062	\$1,074	\$736
	Students per administrator	60	56	66
Plant operations	Cost per square foot	\$5.73	\$4.82	\$6.09
	Square footage per student	206	250	152
Food service	Cost per meal equivalent	\$2.55	\$2.97	\$2.47
Transportation	Cost per mile	\$2.32	\$2.26	\$3.50
	Cost per rider	\$949	\$935	\$982

Very low Low Comparable High Very high

Per-pupil spending by operational area

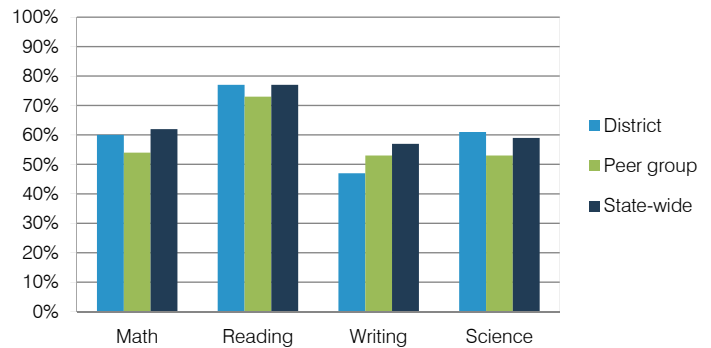
	District		Peer average	State average	National average
	2011	2012	2012	2012	2010
Total	\$8,728	\$8,532	\$8,416	\$7,475	\$10,652
Classroom dollars	3,882	3,960	4,202	4,053	6,526
Nonclassroom dollars:	4,846	4,572	4,214	3,422	4,126
Administration	1,439	1,062	1,074	736	1,139
Plant operations	1,362	1,183	1,179	928	1,012
Food service	534	486	412	382	405
Transportation	712	706	536	362	443
Student support	493	578	619	578	592
Instruction support	306	557	394	436	535

ADE-reported district and school letter grades

District grade: **B**

Grade	Number of schools	Percentage of schools
A	0	0%
B	2	67%
C	1	33%
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	93%	94%	94%
Graduation rate (2011)	86%	86%	78%
Poverty rate (2011)	16%	15%	25%
Students per teacher	16.9	14.3	18.1
Average teacher salary	\$40,386	\$39,138	\$45,193
Amount from Proposition 301	\$3,569	\$3,133	\$3,195
Average years of teacher experience	9.3	10.9	11.0
Percentage of teachers in first 3 years	16%	17%	16%

Financial stress assessment

Overall financial stress level: **Moderate**

Measure: 2010 through 2012	Assessment
Number of students attending	Large decrease
Spending exceeded operating/capital budgets	No overspending
Spending increase election results	Voter-rejected
Operating reserve percentage (max. 4%), trend	2.6%, Decreasing
Years of capital reserve held	More than 3 years
Current financial and internal control status	Compliant

