

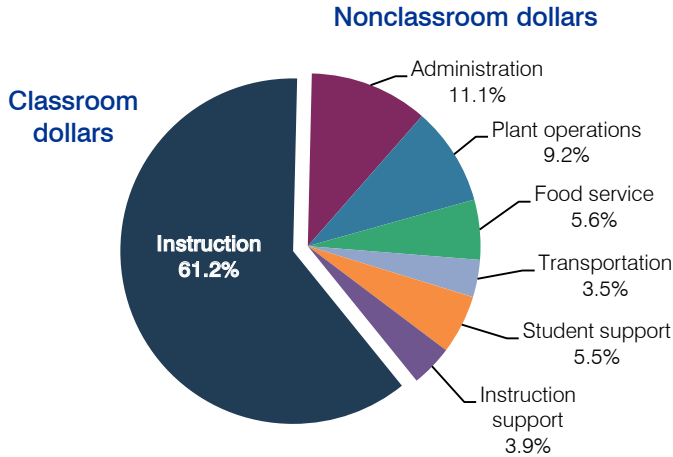
Safford Unified School District

Graham County
 Efficiency peer groups 4 and T-6, Achievement peer group 5
 Legislative district(s): 14

District size / location: Medium-Large, Town
 Students attending: 3,065
 Number of schools: 6

OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY

Spending by operational area



5-year spending trend

Total spending per pupil decreased by 3 percent. Spending in the classroom varied year to year, increasing overall from 60 to 61.2 percent. Spending on administration, student support, and instruction support decreased slightly, while spending on other nonclassroom areas remained fairly stable.

Cost measures relative to peer averages

Operational area	Measure	District	Peer average	State average
Administration	Cost per pupil	\$695	\$748	\$736
	Students per administrator	84	66	66
Plant operations	Cost per square foot	\$3.70	\$5.53	\$6.09
	Square footage per student	156	173	152
Food service	Cost per meal equivalent	\$2.41	\$2.56	\$2.47
Transportation	Cost per mile	\$3.42	\$3.84	\$3.50
	Cost per rider	\$362	\$416	\$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	\$6,335	\$6,271	\$7,007	\$7,475	\$10,652
Classroom dollars	3,980	3,840	3,682	4,053	6,526
Nonclassroom dollars:	2,355	2,431	3,325	3,422	4,126
Administration	688	695	748	736	1,139
Plant operations	583	579	933	928	1,012
Food service	368	353	354	382	405
Transportation	218	219	369	362	443
Student support	304	344	540	578	592
Instruction support	194	241	381	436	535

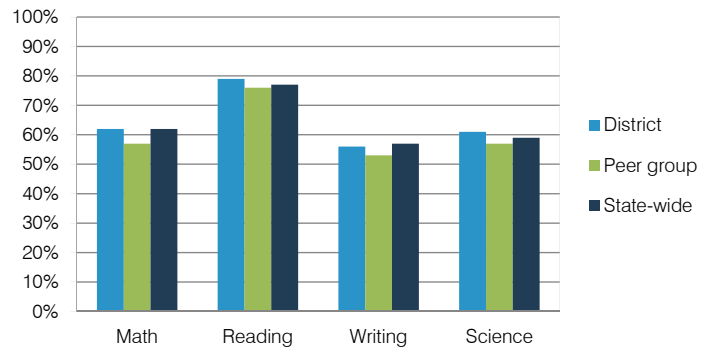
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT, TEACHER MEASURES, AND FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT

ADE-reported district and school letter grades

District grade: **B**

Grade	Number of schools	Percentage of schools
A	0	0%
B	3	50%
C	2	33%
D	0	0%
F	0	0%
Not rated	1	17%

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)	81%	82%	78%
Poverty rate (2011)	27%	24%	25%
Students per teacher	18.6	17.0	18.1
Average teacher salary	\$48,699	\$40,636	\$45,193
Amount from Proposition 301	\$2,142	\$3,192	\$3,195
Average years of teacher experience	13.2	11.8	11.0
Percentage of teachers in first 3 years	12%	15%	16%

Financial stress assessment

Overall financial stress level: **Low**

Measure: 2010 through 2012	Assessment
Number of students attending	Steady
Spending exceeded operating/capital budgets	No overspending
Spending increase election results	No election held
Operating reserve percentage (max. 4%), trend	2.9%, Increasing
Years of capital reserve held	1 to 3 years
Current financial and internal control status	Compliant

