

Sierra Vista Unified School District

Cochise County

Peer group(s): Operational 3 and Transportation 3¹

Legislative district(s): 14

District location: City

Number of schools: 8

Graduation rate (2019): 91%

Students attending; Size: 5,260; Medium-large

5-year change in students attending: 9% decrease

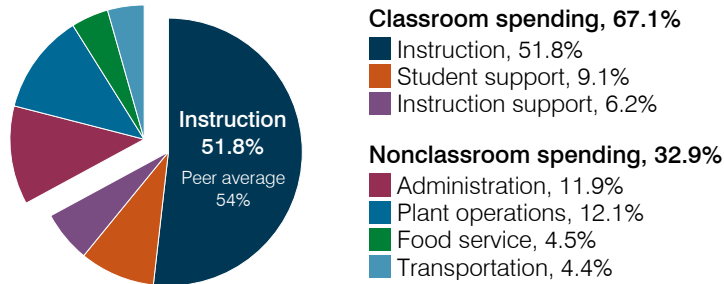
Special education population: 11%

English learner population: 2%

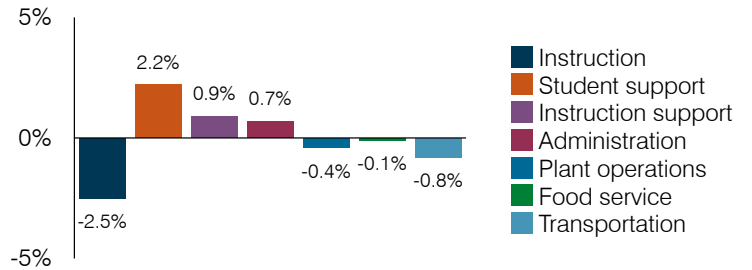
Poverty rate (2019): 21%

Free/reduced meal eligibility: 44%

Spending by operational area



Percentage point change in spending by operational area (fiscal year 2015 versus 2020)



Operational measures relative to peer averages

Operational area	Measure	District	Peer average	State average
Administration	Cost per pupil	\$957	\$937	\$936
	Students per administrative position	63	65	65
Plant operations	Cost per square foot	\$5.91	\$6.03	\$6.55
	Square footage per student	164	164	160
Food service	Cost per meal	\$3.32	\$3.64	\$3.46
Transportation	Cost per mile	\$3.90	\$4.60	\$4.28
	Cost per rider	\$990	\$1,301	\$1,370

Very low Low Comparable High Very high

Lowest, highest, and 2 most recent fiscal years' instructional spending percentages between 2001 and 2020

Lowest	Highest	Most recent years	
2020	2006	2019	2020
51.8%	56.9%	54.0%	51.8%

COVID-19 federal relief grant spending

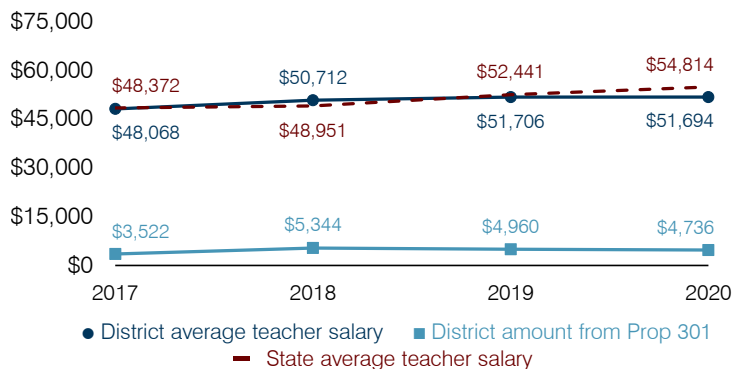
	District	Peer average
Total federal relief grant spending	\$ 29,194	\$ 49,386
Per pupil federal relief grant spending	\$ 6	\$ 10

Districts can use COVID-19 federal relief grants from March 2020 through September 2022. Amounts above were used by June 30, 2020.

Per pupil spending by area

Area	District		Peer average 2020	State average 2020
	2019	2020		
Classroom spending				
Instruction	\$ 4,385	\$ 4,148	\$ 4,606	\$ 5,016
Student support	642	728	805	796
Instruction support	481	493	374	513
Nonclassroom spending				
Administration	926	957	937	936
Plant operations	930	971	1,034	1,048
Food service	365	358	340	432
Transportation	392	354	450	395
Total operational	8,121	8,009	8,546	9,136
Land and buildings	902	1,327	779	1,053
Equipment	568	564	519	533
Interest	129	480	284	273
Other	59	44	160	175
Total nonoperational	1,658	2,415	1,742	2,034
Total per pupil spending	\$ 9,779	\$ 10,424	\$ 10,288	\$ 11,170

Average teacher salary and other measures



Measure	2017	2018	2019	2020
Students per teacher	19.0	20.7	19.4	21.8
Average years of teacher experience	12.4	12.9	12.2	12.2
Percentage of teachers in first 3 years	8%	6%	10%	12%

¹ See Appendix A for information, such as districts included in each peer group, and Appendix C for sources and methodology.