# Thatcher Unified School District

Peer groups: Operational 5 and T-6, Achievement 4<sup>1</sup>

Legislative district(s): 14
District location: Town
Number of schools: 4
Graduation rate (2018): 97%

Graham County

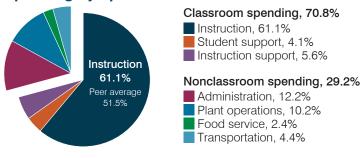
5-year change in students attending: 7% increase
Special education population: 15%
English learner population: 0%
Poverty rate (2018): 19%
Free/reduced meal eligibility: 34%

1,718; Medium

### Instructional spending percentage by year

2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 58.8 60.1 59.1 56.6 61.1 59.9 61.6 62.2 62.4 60.8 58.8 57.7 59.8 60.5 62.0 61.6 61.1 60.6 61.1

#### Spending by operational area



#### Operational measures relative to peer averages

Operational area	Measure	District	Peer average	State average
Administration	Cost per pupil	\$827	\$1,190	\$903
	Students per administrative position	75	60	66
Plant operations	Cost per square foot	\$4.20	\$5.67	\$6.49
	Square footage per student	166	257	158
Food service	Cost per meal	\$2.80	\$3.60	\$3.08
Transportation	Cost per mile	\$4.22	\$4.23	\$4.29
	Cost per rider	\$739	\$768	\$1,424
Very low	Low Compar	able	High	Very high

Per pupil spending

		Di	stri	ct	Peer average	State average
Spending by area		2018 2019			2019	2019
Instruction	\$	3,932	\$	4,163	\$ 5,148	\$ 4,869
Student support		259		278	655	754
Instruction support		311		380	436	497
Administration		765		827	1,190	903
Plant operations		678		697	1,416	1,027
Food service		263		166	428	438
Transportation		286		299	546	417
Total operational		6,494		6,810	9,819	8,905
Land and buildings		549		47	1,012	1,086
Equipment		178		206	658	496
Interest		81		65	238	261
Other		12		17	84	180
Total nonoperational		820		335	1,992	2,023
Total per pupil spending	\$	7,314	\$	7,145	\$11,811	\$10,928

# Percentage point change in spending by operational area (fiscal year 2014 versus 2019)

Students attending; Size:



## Average teacher salary and other measures



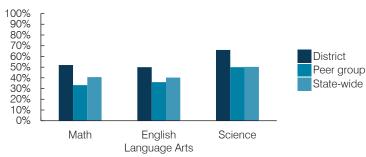
 Measure
 2017
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 2019

 Students per teacher
 18.8
 19.3
 19.7

 Average years of teacher experience
 10.7
 11.6
 12.2

 Percentage of teachers in first 3 years
 24%
 17%
 16%

#### Students who passed State assessments<sup>2</sup>



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

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