

Thatcher Unified School District

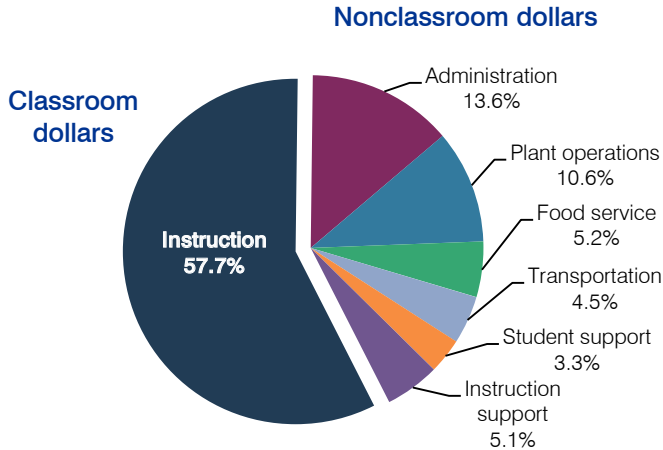
Graham County
 Efficiency peer groups 5 and T-6, Achievement peer group 5
 Legislative district(s): 14

District size / location: Medium, Town
 Students attending: 1,422
 Number of schools: 4

OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT, TEACHER MEASURES, AND FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT

Spending by operational area



5-year spending trend

Total spending per pupil decreased by 9 percent. Spending in the classroom decreased overall from 61.6 to 57.7 percent. Spending on plant operations decreased and spending on student support and instruction support increased. Spending on other nonclassroom areas remained stable.

Cost measures relative to peer averages

Operational area	Measure	District	Peer average	State average
Administration	Cost per pupil	\$750	\$1,074	\$736
	Students per administrator	66	56	66
Plant operations	Cost per square foot	\$3.01	\$4.82	\$6.09
	Square footage per student	195	250	152
Food service	Cost per meal equivalent	\$3.12	\$2.97	\$2.47
Transportation	Cost per mile	\$3.39	\$3.84	\$3.50
	Cost per rider	\$473	\$416	\$982

Very low Low Comparable High Very high

Per-pupil spending by operational area

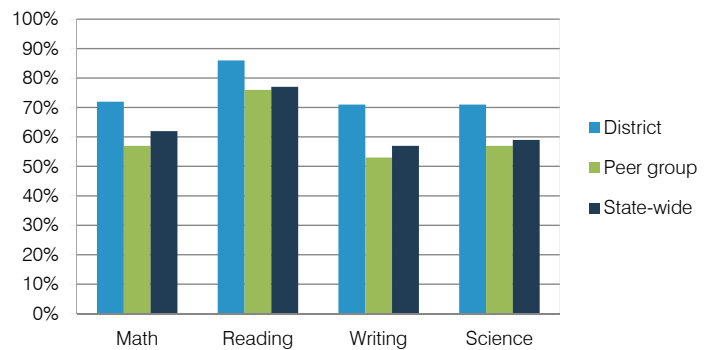
	District		Peer average	State average	National average
	2011	2012	2012	2012	2010
Total	\$5,616	\$5,531	\$8,416	\$7,475	\$10,652
Classroom dollars	3,304	3,192	4,202	4,053	6,526
Nonclassroom dollars:	2,312	2,339	4,214	3,422	4,126
Administration	715	750	1,074	736	1,139
Plant operations	698	586	1,179	928	1,012
Food service	295	289	412	382	405
Transportation	246	248	536	362	443
Student support	149	182	619	578	592
Instruction support	209	284	394	436	535

ADE-reported district and school letter grades

District grade: **B**

Grade	Number of schools	Percentage of schools
A	1	25%
B	3	75%
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	96%	94%	94%
Graduation rate (2011)	93%	82%	78%
Poverty rate (2011)	22%	24%	25%
Students per teacher	19.5	17.0	18.1
Average teacher salary	\$38,926	\$40,636	\$45,193
Amount from Proposition 301	\$4,917	\$3,192	\$3,195
Average years of teacher experience	13.8	11.8	11.0
Percentage of teachers in first 3 years	13%	15%	16%

Financial stress assessment

Overall financial stress level: **Low**

Measure: 2010 through 2012	Assessment
Number of students attending	Increase
Spending exceeded operating/capital budgets	No overspending
Spending increase election results	Voter-approved
Operating reserve percentage (max. 4%), trend	4.0%, Steady
Years of capital reserve held	More than 3 years
Current financial and internal control status	Compliant

