Classroom Dollars and Proposition 301 Results

Thatcher Unified School District

District size: Medium
Students attending: 1,163
Number of schools: 4
Number of certified teachers: 68

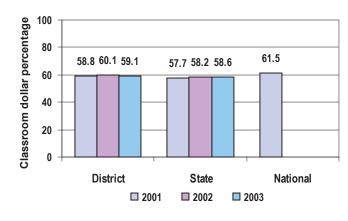
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Classroom Dollars Fiscal year 2003 Classroom \$3,110 per pupil September 10,100 S

Classroom dollar ranking: 64 of 226 districts.

3-year comparison



Expenditures by function

	Percentage				
	District			State	National
	2001	2002	2003	2003	2000
Classroom dollars	58.8	60.1	59.1	58.6	61.7
Nonclassroom dollars:					
Administration	14.9	15.1	15.1	9.9	10.9
Plant operations	13.0	12.0	12.7	11.7	9.6
Food service	5.0	4.3	4.5	4.6	4.0
Transportation	3.9	4.1	4.2	3.9	4.0
Student support	2.2	1.8	1.6	6.8	5.0
Instruction support	1.8	2.2	2.3	4.3	4.5
Other	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.3
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Comparative Information

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	2001	2002	2003	2003
Student/teacher ratio	18.9	18.0	17.1	17.9
Average teacher salary	\$29,432	\$32,871	\$33,738	\$40,328
Average years' experience	11.9	10.9	11.3	8.7

Proposition 301

	2002 Expenditures	2003 Expenditures
Base	\$ 82,876	\$ 51,571
Performance	124,977	158,003
Menu	122,356	134,910
Total	\$330,209	\$344,484

District-reported 2003 results

Teacher pay

 On average, each teacher and librarian earned an additional \$4,739 in salary, and each counselor earned an additional \$2,192, which includes performance pay distributed in fiscal year 2004.

Performance

- The District accomplished its goals, which were based on school performance.
- Goals called for 77 percent of kindergarten through 8thgrade students to achieve average or above average scores in at least 75 percent of areas on a standardized test; and for 45 percent of high-school students, or 3 grade levels, to achieve course grades above 73 percent.

Menu

- Monies were primarily used to compensate eligible employees for participating in professional development activities
- Monies were also used to increase eligible employee base pay.