

# Tucson Unified School District

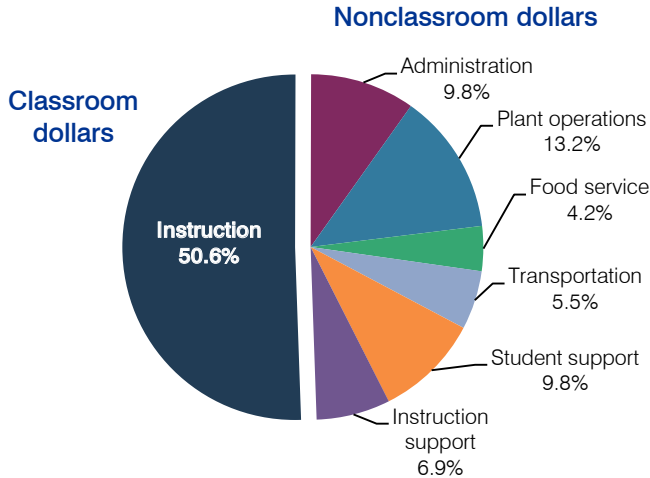
Pima County  
 Efficiency peer groups 1 and T-5, Achievement peer group 3  
 Legislative district(s): 2, 3, 4, 9 and 10

District size / location: Very large, City  
 Students attending: 48,969  
 Number of schools: 100

## OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT, TEACHER MEASURES, AND FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT

### Spending by operational area



### 5-year spending trend

Total spending per pupil increased by 11 percent. Spending in the classroom decreased from 54.3 to 50.6 percent. Spending on plant operations and student support increased, 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	\$854	\$620	\$736
	Students per administrator	59	79	66
Plant operations	Cost per square foot	\$6.60	\$5.88	\$6.09
	Square footage per student	175	144	152
Food service	Cost per meal equivalent	\$2.79	\$2.46	\$2.47
Transportation	Cost per mile	\$4.30	\$3.54	\$3.50
	Cost per rider	\$2,454	\$1,372	\$982

Very low Low Comparable High Very high

### Per-pupil spending by operational area

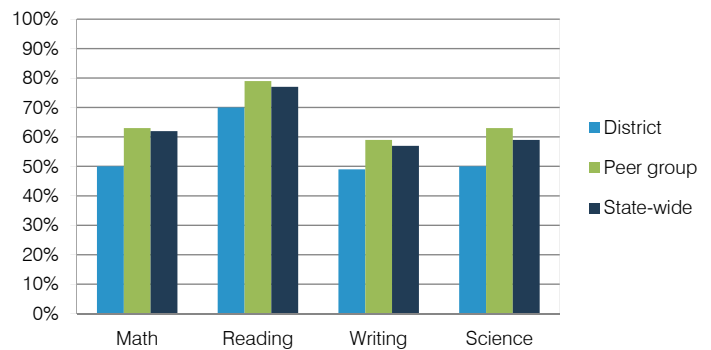
	District		Peer average	State average	National average
	2011	2012	2012	2012	2010
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,184</b>	<b>\$8,751</b>	<b>\$7,111</b>	<b>\$7,475</b>	<b>\$10,652</b>
<b>Classroom dollars</b>	<b>4,124</b>	<b>4,429</b>	<b>4,052</b>	<b>4,053</b>	<b>6,526</b>
<b>Nonclassroom dollars:</b>	<b>4,060</b>	<b>4,322</b>	<b>3,059</b>	<b>3,422</b>	<b>4,126</b>
Administration	793	854	620	736	1,139
Plant operations	1,138	1,156	843	928	1,012
Food service	344	371	321	382	405
Transportation	444	479	340	362	443
Student support	811	862	567	578	592
Instruction support	530	600	368	436	535

### ADE-reported district and school letter grades

District grade: **C**

Grade	Number of schools	Percentage of schools
A	8	8%
B	22	22%
C	44	44%
D	21	21%
F	0	0%
Not rated	5	5%

### Percentage of students who met state standards (AIMS)



### Student and teacher measures

Measure	District	Peer average	State average
Attendance rate	92%	94%	94%
Graduation rate (2011)	82%	80%	78%
Poverty rate (2011)	31%	24%	25%
Students per teacher	17.1	18.2	18.1
Average teacher salary	\$48,148	\$45,442	\$45,193
Amount from Proposition 301	\$4,756	\$3,594	\$3,195
Average years of teacher experience	12.4	11.8	11.0
Percentage of teachers in first 3 years	13%	14%	16%

### Financial stress assessment

Overall financial stress level: **Moderate**

Measure: 2010 through 2012	Assessment
Number of students attending	Large decrease
Spending exceeded operating/capital budgets	No overspending
Spending increase election results	No election held
Operating reserve percentage (max. 4%), trend	2.0%, Increasing
Years of capital reserve held	1 to 3 years
Current financial and internal control status	Marginally compliant

Stress level
Low
Moderate
High