The Other Commitments category includes such expenses as costs for district students taught outside of the district, debt service for facilities construction/repair, capital projects, retiree benefits, and community service operations (e.g., adult continuing education, child care centers). Because the Other Commitments category varies considerably from district to district, we include it for the full district picture (chart on left). This category is eliminated from further per pupil considerations (chart on right) to provide a more comparable and consistent picture district to district.