The perfect per-pupil expenditure is the one that accomplishes the job reliably and efficiently, but it will always be a work in progress. Education is a labor-intensive enterprise, so personnel costs alone usually account for about 85% of any school’s budget. The choices about the mix of faculty expertise and programs affect the school’s ability to succeed with its particular school population and its varying levels of challenges.

**Financial information (per pupil)**

Data source: Infinite

**Total school expenditures**

- General Education
  - Total school expenditures: $8,350
  - Total state expenditures (elementary school): $6,776

- All programs
  - Total school expenditures: $14,268
  - Total state expenditures (elementary school): $9,578

**Instruction (5 components)**

- Classroom teachers
- Substitute teachers
- Paraprofessionals
- Classroom materials, trips, etc.
- Classroom technology
- Instructional support
- Operations
- Leadership

**Staffing and expenditure overview**

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**Expenditures for various student populations**

- **General Education plus**
  - This school: $9,475
  - The state (elementary school): $7,220

- **Title I (if applicable)**
  - This school: $14,723
  - The state (elementary school): $11,148

- **General Education plus**
  - **Title I (if applicable)** and **Special Education**
    - This school: $28,204
    - The state (elementary school): $17,696

- **General Education plus**
  - **Title I (if applicable)** and **English Language Learners**
    - This school: $14,268
    - The state (elementary school): $11,148

**Number of students in program**

- This school: 337
- The state (elementary school): 73,522
- This school: 77
- The state (elementary school): 14,046
- This school: 33
- The state (elementary school): 5,954