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.

### Staffing and Expenditure Overview

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### Expenditures for Various Student Populations

- **General Education plus Title I (if applicable)**
  - This school: $11,548
  - The state (high school): $7,895
  - Number of students in program: 469

- **General Education plus Title I (if applicable) and Special Education**
  - This school: $13,830
  - The state (high school): $18,181
  - Number of students in program: 61

- **General Education plus Title I (if applicable) and English Language Learners**
  - This school: $11,548
  - The state (high school): $11,605
  - Number of students in program: 0

- **General Education plus Title I (if applicable) and Career and Technical Preparation**
  - This school: $11,548
  - The state (high school): $11,517
  - Number of students in program: 4,144