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: Infoworks

#### Total school expenditures (elementary school)

- **All programs**: $9,345
- **General Education**: $7,636
- **Total state expenditures (elementary school)**: $9,578

#### Instruction (5 components)

- Classroom teachers
- Substitute teachers
- Paraprofessionals
- Classroom technology
- Classroom materials, trips, etc.

### Staffing and expenditure overview

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### Expenditures for various student populations

- **General Education plus Title I (if applicable)**
  - This school: $7,636
  - The state (elementary school): $7,220

- **General Education plus Title I (if applicable) and Special Education**
  - This school: $16,519
  - The state (elementary school): $17,696

- **General Education plus Title I (if applicable) and English Language Learners**
  - This school: $7,636
  - The state (elementary school): $11,148

- **Number of students in program**
  - 291
  - 73,522
  - 56
  - 14,046
  - 0
  - 5,954