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.

Equity and Adequacy of Resources: Expenditures

Westerly District

Financial information (per pupil)

Data source: InfoSite

Expenditures for various student populations

Number of students in program