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 (middle school)

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#### 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**: $8,289, 554 students
- **The state (middle school)**: $8,401, 34,009 students

#### General Education plus Title I (if applicable) and Special Education

- **This school**: $14,730, 127 students
- **The state (middle school)**: $18,283, 7,130 students

#### General Education plus Title I (if applicable) and English Language Learners

- **This school**: $8,289, 0 students
- **The state (middle school)**: $12,654, 1,321 students