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: Infite

**Staffing and expenditure overview**

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**Expenditures for various student populations**

- **General Education plus Title I (if applicable)**
  - This school: $8,496
  - The state (elementary school): $8,276
- **General Education plus Title I (if applicable) and Special Education**
  - This school: $19,860
  - The state (elementary school): $19,494
- **General Education plus Title I (if applicable) and English Language Learners**
  - This school: $12,950
  - The state (elementary school): $12,924

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