## Apache Junction Unified

School District

Large 5,482 9

Number of certified teachers: 289

## Comparative Information

|  | District |  |  | State |
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|  | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2003 |
| Student/teacher ratio | 18.8 | 17.9 | 19.0 | 17.9 |
| Average teacher salary | $\$ 31,858$ | $\$ 35,159$ | $\$ 35,984$ | $\$ 40,328$ |
| Average years' experience | 8.4 | 8.5 | 8.7 | 8.7 |

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|  | 2002 <br> Expenditures | 2003 <br> Expenditures |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Base | $\$ 257,900$ | $\$ 343,500$ |
| Performance | 515,318 | 677,268 |
| Menu | $\underline{463,232}$ | $\underline{626,682}$ |
| Total | $\underline{\$ 1,236,450}$ | $\underline{ }$ |

## District-reported 2003 results

Teacher pay

- On average, each teacher, librarian, speech pathologist, audiologist, and counselor earned an additional \$3,530 in salary.


## Performance

- The District accomplished its goals, which were based on school performance.
- Students at each school, on average, demonstrated 1 year's academic progress in reading, math, or language arts, or a combination of the three.
- Each school surveyed parent satisfaction.


## Menu

- 7 elementary, 1 middle-school, and 1 high-school teacher were hired to reduce class sizes.
- 34 new teachers attended 4 days of professional development prior to the beginning of the school year.
- All teachers were compensated for an additional 2 days of professional development activities.
- Remaining monies were used to increase eligible employee compensation.

