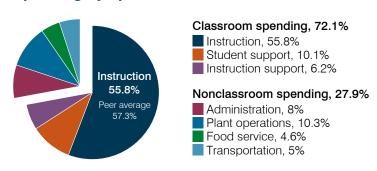
Mesa Unified School District

Maricopa County
Peer group(s): Operational 1 and Transportation 4¹

Legislative district(s): 16, 17, 18, 23, 25, and 26

District location: City Number of schools: 74 Graduation rate (2019): 82%

Spending by operational area



Operational measures relative to peer averages

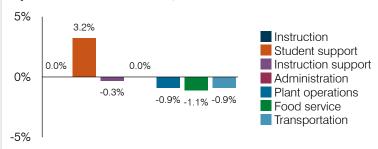
Operational area	Measure	District	Peer average	State average
	Cost per pupil	\$731	\$773	\$936
Administration	Students per administrative position	64	77	65
Plant	Cost per square foot	\$6.66	\$6.40	\$6.55
operations	Square footage per student	142	152	160
Food service	Cost per meal	\$3.66	\$3.50	\$3.46
Transportation	Cost per mile	\$4.88	\$4.22	\$4.28
Transportation	Cost per rider	\$1,631	\$1,471	\$1,370
Very low	Low Compar	able	High	Very high

Per pupil spending by area

	District			t	Peer average	State average	
Area		2019		2020	2020	2020	
Classroom spending							
Instruction	\$	5,017	\$	5,128	\$ 5,072	\$ 5,016	
Student support		839		925	831	796	
Instruction support		528		568	447	513	
Nonclassroom spending							
Administration		719		731	773	936	
Plant operations		933		948	964	1,048	
Food service		429		427	332	432	
Transportation		465		463	362	395	
Total operational		8,930		9,190	8,781	9,136	
Land and buildings		379		482	764	1,053	
Equipment		378		631	401	533	
Interest		155		160	289	273	
Other		128		109	221	175	
Total nonoperational		1,040		1,382	1,675	2,034	
Total per pupil spending	\$	9,970	\$	10,572	\$10,456	\$11,170	

Students attending; Size: 59,213; Very large 5-year change in students attending: 2% decrease Special education population: 16% English learner population: 6% Poverty rate (2019): 18% Free/reduced meal eligibility: 55%

Percentage point change in spending by operational area (fiscal year 2015 versus 2020)



Lowest, highest, and 2 most recent fiscal years' instructional spending percentages between 2001 and 2020

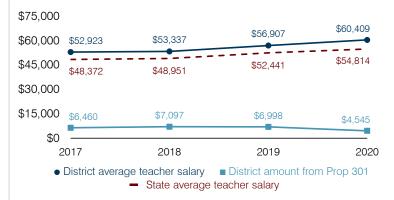
Lowest	Highest	Most recent years			
2017	2005	2019	2020		
55.2%	63.3%	56.2%	55.8%		

COVID-19 federal relief grant spending

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	District		average	
Total federal relief grant spending	\$10,633,	561	\$ 5,5	34,223
Per pupil federal relief grant spending	\$	180	\$	149

Districts can use COVID-19 federal relief grants from March 2020 through September 2022. Amounts above were used by June 30, 2020.

Average teacher salary and other measures



Measure	2017	2018	2019	2020
Students per teacher	19.5	19.4	18.6	18.7
Average years of teacher experience	13.6	13.5	13.6	13.7
Percentage of teachers in first 3 years	17%	16%	16%	16%

See Appendix A for information, such as districts included in each peer group, and Appendix C for sources and methodology.

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