

# Tucson Unified School District

Pima County  
 Operational peer group: A  
 Legislative districts: 26, 27, 28, 29, 30

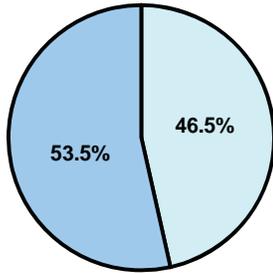
District size: Very Large  
 Students attending: 54,237  
 Number of schools: 122

## OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY

### Average per-pupil spending

District  
 State

**Classroom**  
**\$4,413**  
 \$4,497



**Nonclassroom**  
**\$3,837**  
 \$3,411

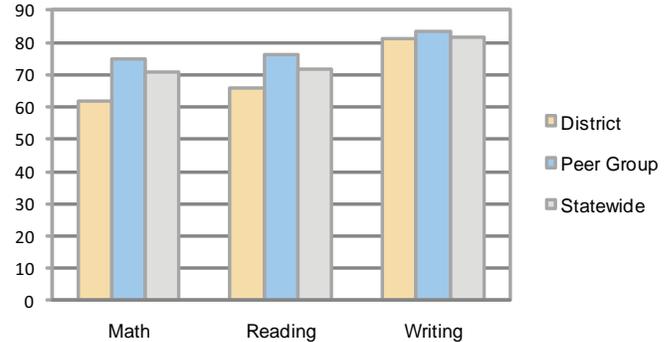
**Total**  
**\$8,250**  
 \$7,908

### 5-year trend

Total spending per pupil increased by 18 percent. Spending in the classroom remained fairly stable and decreased overall from 55 to 53.5 percent. Spending on instruction support services increased, spending on administration decreased, and spending in other nonclassroom areas remained fairly stable.

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND TEACHER INFORMATION

### Percentage of students meeting state standards (AIMS)



### Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) toward federal goals

79 schools met all applicable AYP objectives for NCLB. 43 did not because they failed to meet 1 or more of the following: percentage of students tested (10); academic progress (27); attendance rate (10); graduation rate (10).

### Student and teacher information

Measure	District	Peer average	State average
Attendance rate	94%	96%	95%
Graduation rate (2008)	82%	86%	75%
Poverty rate	21%	14%	19%
Student/teacher ratio	16.2	17.5	17.1
Average teacher salary	\$41,838	\$50,748	\$45,209
Average years' experience	11.4	10.5	8.3
Percent of teachers in first 3 years	21%	20%	16%

### District's cost measures relative to peer group

Operational Area	Measure	District	Peer Average	State Average
Administration	Cost per pupil	\$743	\$639	\$729
	Students per administrator	63	77	66
Plant Operations	Cost per square foot	\$6.33	\$6.38	\$6.40
	Square footage per student	164	138	144
Food Service	Cost per meal equivalent	\$2.50	\$2.49	\$2.53
Transportation	Cost per mile	\$3.95	\$4.22	\$3.36
	Miles per rider	374	298	271

Very Low   Low   Comparable   High   Very High

### Per-pupil spending by function

	District		Peer	State	National
	2008	2009	2009	2009	2007
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,840</b>	<b>\$8,250</b>	<b>\$7,781</b>	<b>\$7,908</b>	<b>\$9,683</b>
<b>Classroom dollars</b>	<b>\$4,724</b>	<b>\$4,413</b>	<b>\$4,577</b>	<b>\$4,497</b>	<b>\$5,903</b>
<b>Nonclassroom dollars:</b>	<b>\$4,116</b>	<b>\$3,837</b>	<b>\$3,204</b>	<b>\$3,411</b>	<b>\$3,780</b>
Administration	812	743	639	729	1,050
Plant Operations	970	1,035	881	920	951
Food Service	321	329	322	382	369
Transportation	432	398	330	343	406
Student Support	784	777	616	594	512
Instruction Support	795	555	398	431	470
Other	2	0	18	12	22

### Proposition 301

#### Teacher pay

On average, each teacher, librarian, speech pathologist, counselor, social worker, nurse, therapist, coordinator, and instructional coach earned between \$3,560 and \$6,205 in additional salary.

#### Performance pay plan goals and results

Type of goal	Goal met?
Student achievement	▲
Dropout/ graduation rates	
Student attendance	
Parent/student satisfaction	
Teacher attendance	
Teacher professional development	■
Teacher evaluations	
Tutoring	
Other	■

■ = yes, □ = no, and ▲ = partially