

Arizona Auditor General

Arizona School District Spending Report

Fiscal Year 2018

This document provides a text-based representation of the numbers and other information presented in the graphics on Sanders Unified School District's summary pages. All data is for fiscal year 2018 unless otherwise noted.

Descriptive information

District name: Sanders Unified School District
County: Apache
Operational efficiency peer group: 5
Transportation efficiency peer group: T-10
Student achievement peer group: 7
Legislative district(s): 7
District size: Medium
Location: Rural
Students attending: 659
Number of schools: 3

Operational Efficiency

Pie chart showing spending by operational area

Instruction: 39.6%
Peer average instruction: 50.5%
Administration: 14.6%
Plant operations: 17.6%
Food service: 4.5%
Transportation: 7.5%
Student support: 7.7%
Instruction support: 8.5%

Table showing efficiency measures relative to peer averages

Operational area—Administration

District administration cost per pupil: \$2,440
Peer average administration cost per pupil: \$1,221
District's administration cost per pupil relative to peer average: Very High
State average administration cost per pupil: \$860
District students per administrative position: 29
Peer average students per administrative position: 54
State average students per administrative position: 66
District's overall administration measure relative to peer average: Very High

Operational area—Plant operations

District plant operations cost per square foot: \$5.65

Peer average plant operations cost per square foot: \$5.43

District's plant operations cost per square foot relative to peer average: Comparable

State average plant operations cost per square foot: \$6.34

District plant operations square footage per student: 521

Peer average plant operations square footage per student: 257

District's plant operations square footage per student relative to peer average: Very High

State average plant operations square footage per student: 156

District's overall plant operations measures relative to peer average: High

Operational area—Food service

District food service cost per meal: \$3.42

Peer average food service cost per meal: \$3.66

District's food service cost per meal relative to peer average: Low

State average food service cost per meal: \$3.02

District's overall food service measure relative to peer average: Low

Operational area—Transportation

District transportation cost per mile: \$2.94

Peer average transportation cost per mile: \$1.95

District's transportation cost per mile relative to peer average: Very High

State average transportation cost per mile: \$4.05

District transportation cost per rider: \$1,697

Peer average transportation cost per rider: \$1,572

District's transportation cost per rider relative to peer average: High

State average transportation cost per rider: \$1,301

District's overall transportation measures relative to peer average: Very High

Table showing per pupil spending

Operational spending

District instruction per pupil spending: \$6,624

Peer average instruction per pupil spending: \$4,824

State average instruction per pupil spending: \$4,480

District administration per pupil spending: \$2,440

Peer average administration per pupil spending: \$1,221

State average administration per pupil spending: \$860

District plant operations per pupil spending: \$2,946

Peer average plant operations per pupil spending: \$1,365

State average plant operations per pupil spending: \$988

District food service per pupil spending: \$744

Peer average food service per pupil spending: \$437

State average food service per pupil spending: \$425

District transportation per pupil spending: \$1,259

Peer average transportation per pupil spending: \$532

State average transportation per pupil spending: \$388

District student support per pupil spending: \$1,281
Peer average student support per pupil spending: \$623
State average student support per pupil spending: \$693
District instruction support per pupil spending: \$1,425
Peer average instruction support per pupil spending: \$359
State average instruction support per pupil spending: \$462
District total operational per pupil spending: \$16,719
Peer average total operational per pupil spending: \$9,361
State average total operational per pupil spending: \$8,296

Nonoperational spending

District land and buildings per pupil spending: \$213
Peer average land and buildings per pupil spending: \$799
State average land and buildings per pupil spending: \$827
District equipment per pupil spending: \$358
Peer average equipment per pupil spending: \$433
State average equipment per pupil spending: \$409
District interest per pupil spending: \$0
Peer average interest per pupil spending: \$248
State average interest per pupil spending: \$228
District other per pupil spending: \$1
Peer average other per pupil spending: \$71
State average other per pupil spending: \$169
District total nonoperational per pupil spending: \$572
Peer average total nonoperational per pupil spending: \$1,551
State average total nonoperational per pupil spending: \$1,633

Spending totals

District total per pupil spending: \$17,291
Peer average total per pupil spending: \$10,912
State average total per pupil spending: \$9,929

Student achievement, student and teacher measures, and revenues

Bar chart showing Arizona Department of Education-assigned school letter grades

A letter grade: 0 schools, representing 0% of all district schools that received a letter grade
B letter grade: 0 schools, representing 0% of all district schools that received a letter grade
C letter grade: 0 schools, representing 0% of all district schools that received a letter grade
D letter grade: 2 schools, representing 67% of all district schools that received a letter grade
F letter grade: 1 schools, representing 33% of all district schools that received a letter grade

Bar chart showing the percentages of students who passed State assessments

District percentage of students who passed the State Math assessment: 9%
Peer average percentage of students who passed the State Math assessment: 22%
State average percentage of students who passed the State Math assessment: 40%
District percentage of students who passed the State English Language Arts assessment: 11%
Peer average percentage of students who passed the State English Language Arts assessment: 19%

State average percentage of students who passed the State English Language Arts assessment: 39%
District percentage of students who passed the State Science assessment: 20%
Peer average percentage of students who passed the State Science assessment: 26%
State average percentage of students who passed the State Science assessment: 51%

Table showing student and teacher measures

District attendance rate: 92%
Peer average attendance rate: 91%
State average attendance rate: 94%
District graduation rate for fiscal year 2017: 74%
Peer average graduation rate for fiscal year 2017: 76%
State average graduation rate for fiscal year 2017: 78%
District poverty rate for fiscal year 2017: 44%
Peer average poverty rate for fiscal year 2017: 41%
State average poverty rate for fiscal year 2017: 19%
District special education population: 11%
Peer average special education population: 12%
State average special education population: 12%
District students per teacher: 12.1
Peer average students per teacher: 15.8
State average students per teacher: 18.4
District average teacher salary: \$45,697
Peer districts' average teacher salary: \$48,537
State average teacher salary: \$48,951
District salary amount from Prop 301: \$4,843
Peer average salary amount from Prop 301: \$5,191
State average salary amount from Prop 301: \$6,411
District average years of teacher experience: 10.2
Peer districts' average years of teacher experience: 12.5
State average years of teacher experience: 11.4
District percentage of teachers in first 3 years of teaching: 29%
Peer average percentage of teachers in first 3 years of teaching: 18%
State average percentage of teachers in first 3 years of teaching: 19%

Table showing per pupil revenues

District per pupil revenues from federal sources: \$9,948
Peer average per pupil revenues from federal sources: \$3,917
State average per pupil revenues from federal sources: \$1,317
District per pupil revenues from State sources: \$6,660
Peer average per pupil revenues from State sources: \$4,283
State average per pupil revenues from State sources: \$4,011
District per pupil revenues from local sources: \$693
Peer average per pupil revenues from local sources: \$4,207
State average per pupil revenues from local sources: \$4,592

District total per pupil revenues: \$17,301
Peer average total per pupil revenues: \$12,407
State average total per pupil revenues: \$9,920

Select revenues from common sources

District per pupil revenues from equalization formula funding: \$7,382
Peer average per pupil revenues from equalization formula funding: \$5,992
State average per pupil revenues from equalization formula funding: \$5,585
District per pupil revenues from grants: \$2,940
Peer average per pupil revenues from grants: \$1,703
State average per pupil revenues from grants: \$1,241
District per pupil revenues from donations and tax credits: \$5
Peer average per pupil revenues from donations and tax credits: \$147
State average per pupil revenues from donations and tax credits: \$90

Select revenues from less common sources

District per pupil desegregation revenues: \$0
Number of peers receiving desegregation revenues: 0 of 31
District per pupil small school adjustment revenues: \$0
Number of peers receiving small school adjustment revenues: 0 of 31
District per pupil federal impact aid revenues: \$7,085
Number of peers receiving federal impact aid revenues: 16 of 31
District per pupil voter-approved levy increase revenues: \$0
Number of peers receiving voter-approved levy increase revenues: 21 of 31

Table showing District's instructional spending percentage by fiscal year

2001 instructional spending percentage: 41.3%
2002 instructional spending percentage: 46.3%
2003 instructional spending percentage: 48.8%
2004 instructional spending percentage: 52.0%
2005 instructional spending percentage: 49.0%
2006 instructional spending percentage: 47.8%
2007 instructional spending percentage: 50.8%
2008 instructional spending percentage: 49.1%
2009 instructional spending percentage: 49.0%
2010 instructional spending percentage: 48.4%
2011 instructional spending percentage: 46.5%
2012 instructional spending percentage: 42.1%
2013 instructional spending percentage: 42.3%
2014 instructional spending percentage: 41.1%
2015 instructional spending percentage: 40.7%
2016 instructional spending percentage: 41.5%
2017 instructional spending percentage: 42.7%
2018 instructional spending percentage: 39.6%

Table showing District's financial stress assessment

Overall financial stress level: Low

Change in number of district students from 2016 through 2018: Moderate decrease

Financial stress assessment for change in the number of district students: Moderate

Spending exceeded operating/capital budgets from 2016 through 2018: No overspending

Financial stress assessment for spending exceeded operating/capital budgets: Low

Spending increase election results from 2016 through 2018: No election held

Financial stress assessment for spending increase election results: No Measure

Operating reserve percentage and trend from 2016 through 2018: 11.6%, Varying

Financial stress assessment for operating reserve percentage and trend: Low

Years of capital reserve held from 2016 through 2018: Impact Aid Fund reserve

Financial stress assessment for years of capital reserve held: Low

Current financial and internal control status from 2016 through 2018: Compliant

Financial stress assessment for current financial and internal control status: Low