

Dysart Unified School District

Maricopa County

Peer group(s): Operational 1 and Transportation 4¹

Legislative district(s): 13, 21, 22, and 29

District location: Suburb

Number of schools: 24

Graduation rate (2019): 93%

Students attending; Size: 23,480; Very large

5-year change in students attending: 8% decrease

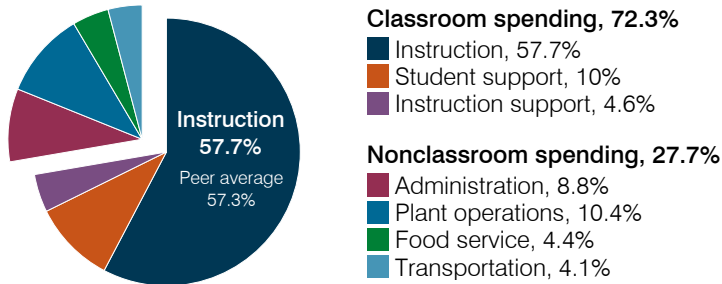
Special education population: 15%

English learner population: 3%

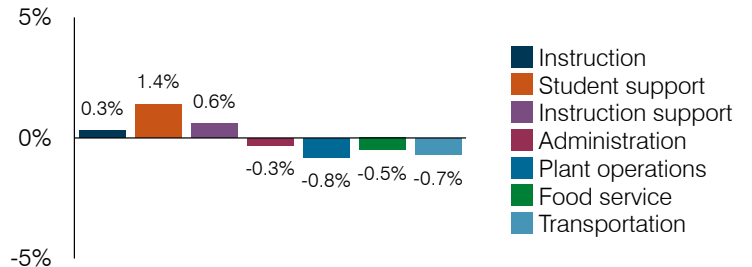
Poverty rate (2019): 13%

Free/reduced meal eligibility: 46%

Spending by operational area



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



Operational measures relative to peer averages

Operational area	Measure	District	Peer average	State average
Administration	Cost per pupil	\$756	\$773	\$936
	Students per administrative position	79	77	65
Plant operations	Cost per square foot	\$6.41	\$6.40	\$6.55
	Square footage per student	140	152	160
Food service	Cost per meal	\$3.27	\$3.50	\$3.46
Transportation	Cost per mile	\$5.22	\$4.22	\$4.28
	Cost per rider	\$1,676	\$1,471	\$1,370

Very low Low Comparable High Very high

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

Lowest	Highest	Most recent years	
2001	2006	2019	2020
50.8%	59.4%	57.2%	57.7%

COVID-19 federal relief grant spending

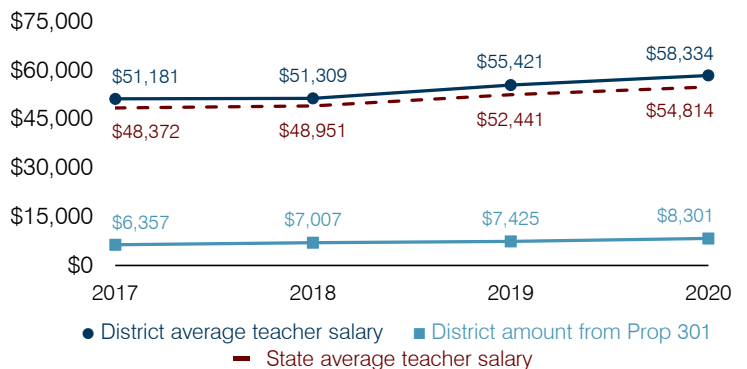
	District	Peer average
Total federal relief grant spending	\$ 1,534,165	\$ 5,534,223
Per pupil federal relief grant spending	\$ 65	\$ 149

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

Per pupil spending by area

Area	District		Peer average 2020	State average 2020
	2019	2020		
Classroom spending				
Instruction	\$ 4,677	\$ 4,952	\$ 5,072	\$ 5,016
Student support	744	860	831	796
Instruction support	400	393	447	513
Nonclassroom spending				
Administration	709	756	773	936
Plant operations	905	896	964	1,048
Food service	380	377	332	432
Transportation	360	351	362	395
Total operational	8,175	8,585	8,781	9,136
Land and buildings	83	69	764	1,053
Equipment	310	261	401	533
Interest	217	207	289	273
Other	99	157	221	175
Total nonoperational	709	694	1,675	2,034
Total per pupil spending	\$ 8,884	\$ 9,279	\$10,456	\$11,170

Average teacher salary and other measures



Measure	2017	2018	2019	2020
Students per teacher	19.7	20.2	19.7	19.3
Average years of teacher experience	9.1	9.4	9.6	9.8
Percentage of teachers in first 3 years	20%	18%	17%	16%

¹ See Appendix A for information, such as districts included in each peer group, and Appendix C for sources and methodology.