

# POTTSTOWN CITIZENS FOR Enlightened LEADERSHIP

Pottstown has the sixth highest local tax effort of 500 school districts in Pennsylvania. Of the 50 school districts with the highest percentage of low income students:

\* Two-thirds have a higher percentage of low-income students than Pottstown.

\* Two-thirds spend less per pupil than Pottstown.

Student demographics cannot be an excuse for taxation that is bankrupting our town.



Commentary by  
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		Poverty 2017-2018	Spending 2017- 2018			Poverty 2017-2018	Spending 2017-2018
<b>Ranked by % low-income children</b>				<b>Ranked by % spending per pupil</b>			
1	Cornell SD	100.0%	\$21,886.54	1	Farrell Area SD	100.0%	\$34,819.82
2	Farrell Area SD	100.0%	\$34,819.82	2	Wilkes-Barre Borough SD	91.6%	\$27,172.10
3	Williams Valley SD	100.0%	\$17,615.96	3	Panther Valley SD	94.7%	\$25,600.18
4	Aliquippa SD	99.9%	\$18,429.12	4	Pittsburgh SD	69.5%	\$24,433.44
5	York City SD	97.4%	\$18,907.23	5	Cornell SD	100.0%	\$18,886.54
6	Reading SD	96.2%	\$12,793.74	6	Duquesne City SD	73.8%	\$21,445.26
7	Panther Valley SD	94.7%	\$25,600.18	7	Morrisville Borough SD	67.3%	\$21,292.38
8	William Penn SD	94.6%	\$17,456.72	8	Galeton Area SD	66.0%	\$20,859.43
9	Chester-Upland SD	92.9%	\$17,028.01	9	Penn Hills SD	65.3%	\$20,208.30
10	Steelton-Highspire SD	92.2%	\$12,970.08	10	Philadelphia City SD	91.4%	\$19,992.81
11	Wilkes-Barre Borough SD	91.6%	\$27,172.10	11	Harrisburg City SD	84.5%	\$19,643.53
12	Philadelphia City SD	91.4%	\$19,992.81	12	Purchase Line SD	65.8%	\$18,993.20
13	Lancaster SD	90.5%	\$18,504.10	13	Clairton City SD	86.6%	\$18,985.87
14	Clairton City SD	86.6%	\$18,985.87	14	Steel Valley SD	66.6%	\$18,916.28
15	Sto-Rox SD	85.0%	\$15,864.46	15	York City SD	97.4%	\$18,907.23
16	Harrisburg City SD	84.5%	\$19,643.53	16	Monessen City SD	65.2%	\$18,810.56
17	Allentown City SD	82.5%	\$14,797.13	17	Washington SD	65.5%	\$18,773.84
18	Greater Johnstown SD	82.2%	\$16,753.54	18	Norristown Area SD	76.5%	\$18,520.62
19	Southeast Delco SD	80.5%	\$16,648.25	19	Lancaster SD	90.5%	\$18,504.10
20	Uniontown Area SD	78.7%	\$16,510.06	20	<b>Pottstown SD</b>	72.5%	<b>\$18,444.70</b>
21	Scranton SD	78.1%	\$15,535.45	21	Aliquippa SD	99.9%	\$18,429.12
22	Wilkes-Barre Area SD	77.5%	\$14,923.70	22	Williamsport Area SD	65.7%	\$17,619.87
23	Norristown Area SD	76.5%	\$18,520.62	23	Williams Valley SD	100.0%	\$17,615.96
24	Big Beaver Falls Area SD	75.6%	\$15,019.10	24	William Penn SD	94.6%	\$17,456.72
25	Duquesne City SD	73.8%	\$21,445.26	25	Northern Potter SD	64.5%	\$17,401.36
26	New Castle Area SD	73.6%	\$15,145.32	26	Chester-Upland SD	92.9%	\$17,028.01
27	Sharon City SD	73.5%	\$15,747.94	27	Mahanoy Area SD	66.4%	\$17,012.40
28	Erie City SD	73.1%	\$13,829.66	28	Bristol Borough SD	71.9%	\$16,923.14
29	Lebanon SD	73.0%	\$14,718.90	29	Greater Johnstown SD	82.2%	\$16,753.54
30	Shamokin Area SD	72.8%	\$12,020.43	30	Southeast Delco SD	80.5%	\$16,648.25
31	<b>Pottstown SD</b>	<b>72.5%</b>	<b>\$18,444.70</b>	31	Uniontown Area SD	78.7%	\$16,510.06
32	Bristol Borough SD	71.9%	\$16,923.14	32	Sto-Rox SD	85.0%	\$15,864.46
33	Midland Borough SD	71.4%	\$13,368.77	33	Ferndale Area SD	67.7%	\$15,756.62
34	Pittsburgh SD	69.5%	\$24,433.44	34	Sharon City SD	73.5%	\$15,747.94
35	Shenandoah Valley SD	68.7%	\$14,336.50	35	Scranton SD	78.1%	\$15,535.45
36	Ferndale Area SD	67.7%	\$15,756.62	36	New Castle Area SD	73.6%	\$15,145.32
37	Morrisville Borough SD	67.3%	\$21,292.38	37	Big Beaver Falls Area SD	75.6%	\$15,019.10
38	Greater Nanticoke Area SD	66.7%	\$12,446.98	38	Wilkes-Barre Area SD	77.5%	\$14,923.70
39	Steel Valley SD	66.6%	\$18,916.28	39	Wyoming Valley West SD	64.2%	\$14,921.15
40	Upper Darby SD	66.5%	\$14,204.35	40	Allentown City SD	82.5%	\$14,797.13
41	Mahanoy Area SD	66.4%	\$17,012.40	41	Lebanon SD	73.0%	\$14,718.90
42	Mount Carmel Area SD	66.2%	\$12,945.55	42	Shenandoah Valley SD	68.7%	\$14,336.50
43	Galeton Area SD	66.0%	\$20,859.43	43	Upper Darby SD	66.5%	\$14,204.35
44	Purchase Line SD	65.8%	\$18,993.20	44	Erie City SD	73.1%	\$13,829.66
45	Williamsport Area SD	65.7%	\$17,619.87	45	Midland Borough SD	71.4%	\$13,368.77
46	Washington SD	65.5%	\$18,773.84	46	Steelton-Highspire SD	92.2%	\$12,970.08
47	Penn Hills SD	65.3%	\$20,208.30	47	Mount Carmel Area SD	66.2%	\$12,945.55
48	Monessen City SD	65.2%	\$18,810.56	48	Reading SD	96.2%	\$12,793.74
49	Northern Potter SD	64.5%	\$17,401.36	49	Greater Nanticoke Area SD	66.7%	\$12,446.98
50	Wyoming Valley West SD	64.2%	\$14,921.15	50	Shamokin Area SD	72.8%	\$12,020.43