

# Wenden Elementary School District

La Paz County

Efficiency peer groups 11 and T-11, Achievement peer group 20

Legislative district(s): 5

District size, location:

Very small, Rural

Students attending:

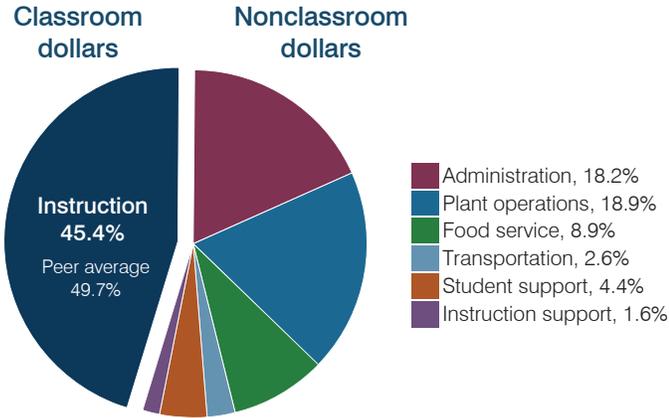
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Number of schools:

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## OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY

### Spending by operational area



### Efficiency measures relative to peer averages

Operational area	Measure	District	Peer average	State average
Administration	Cost per pupil	\$2,853	\$2,987	\$806
	Students per administrative position	29	30	67
Plant operations	Cost per square foot	\$9.90	\$7.21	\$6.10
	Square footage per student	299	364	154
Food service	Cost per meal	\$4.58	\$5.54	\$2.81
	Cost per mile	\$2.81	\$1.75	\$3.72
Transportation	Cost per rider	\$1,974	\$1,495	\$1,092

### Per pupil spending

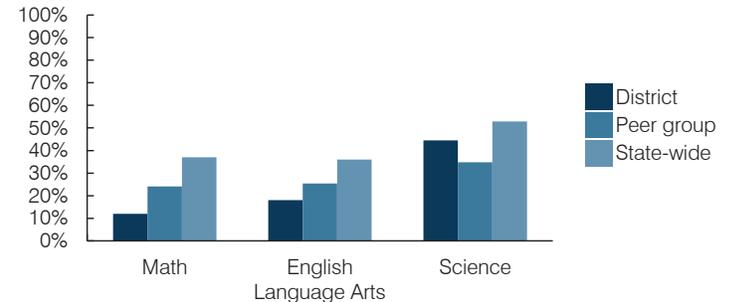
Spending by area	District		Peer average 2016	State average 2016
	2015	2016		
Instruction	\$ 7,210	\$ 7,114	\$ 8,342	\$ 4,145
Administration	2,922	2,853	2,987	806
Plant operations	2,895	2,961	2,523	939
Food service	1,472	1,389	918	415
Transportation	516	415	1,108	364
Student support	673	689	664	633
Instruction support	318	255	514	444
<b>Total operational</b>	<b>\$ 16,006</b>	<b>\$ 15,676</b>	<b>\$ 17,056</b>	<b>\$ 7,746</b>
Land and buildings	\$ 267	\$ 0	\$ 2,005	\$ 621
Equipment	1,484	265	819	400
Interest	12	6	31	216
Other	149	141	87	153
<b>Total nonoperational</b>	<b>\$ 1,912</b>	<b>\$ 412</b>	<b>\$ 2,942</b>	<b>\$ 1,390</b>
<b>Total per pupil spending</b>	<b>\$ 17,918</b>	<b>\$ 16,088</b>	<b>\$ 19,998</b>	<b>\$ 9,136</b>

## STUDENT AND TEACHER MEASURES, FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT, AND REVENUES

### Student and teacher measures

Measure	District	Peer average	State average
Attendance rate (2015)	95%	94%	94%
Graduation rate (2015)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Poverty rate (2015)	49%	43%	23%
Students per teacher	10.7	10.4	18.6
Average teacher salary	\$41,469	\$43,208	\$46,384
Amount from Proposition 301	\$3,939	\$2,888	\$5,315
Average years of teacher experience	14.7	10.5	11.0
Percentage of teachers in first 3 years	14%	17%	20%

### Students who passed state assessments



### Financial stress assessment

Overall financial stress level: **Moderate**

Measure: 2014 through 2016

Measure	Assessment
Change in number of district students	Small school adjustment
Spending exceeded operating/capital budgets	No overspending
Spending increase election results	Voter-rejected
Operating reserve percentage, Trend	Frozen taxes, Unfunded
Years of capital reserve held	More than 3 years
Current financial and internal control status	Marginally compliant

Low	Moderate	High
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### Per pupil revenues

Revenues by source	District		Peer average 2016	State average 2016
	2015	2016		
Federal	\$ 2,120	\$ 1,791	\$ 3,667	\$ 1,301
State	4,613	4,145	6,156	3,780
Local	10,434	10,534	14,438	4,268
<b>Total revenues per pupil</b>	<b>\$ 17,167</b>	<b>\$ 16,470</b>	<b>\$ 24,261</b>	<b>\$ 9,349</b>

### Select revenues from common sources

Source	District	Peer average	State average
Equalization formula funding	\$ 7,197	\$ 7,029	\$ 9,047
Grants	2,559	2,260	4,768
Donations and tax credits	23	66	186

### Select revenues from less common sources

Source	District	Peer average	State average
Desegregation	\$ 0	\$ 0	0 of 52
Small school adjustment	5,774	5,233	44 of 52
Federal impact aid	0	0	3 of 52
Voter-approved levy increases	0	0	7 of 52

**Classroom dollar percentage**

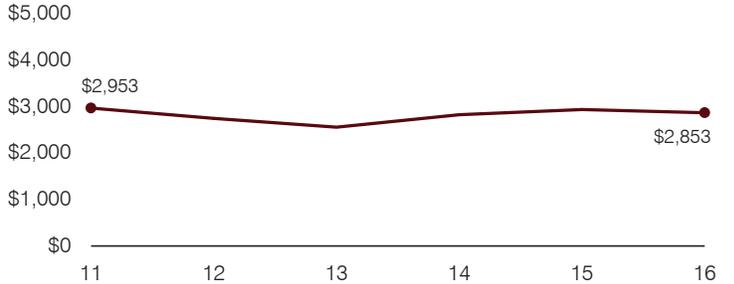
Year:	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Percentage:	50.0	50.8	50.0	47.2	47.4	46.9	48.9	45.8	49.3	46.1	48.5	45.6	47.1	46.9	45.0	45.4

**OPERATIONAL TRENDS**  
Fiscal years as indicated

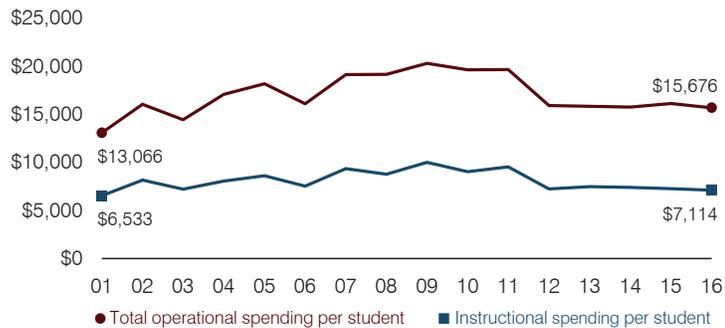
**5-year spending trend (2011 through 2016)**

Total operational spending per pupil, adjusted for inflation, decreased by 20 percent. The percentage of dollars spent in the classroom varied year to year, decreasing overall from 48.5 to 45.4 percent. As a percentage of total operational spending, all nonclassroom areas also varied year to year, as is common for very small districts. Overall, administration and plant operations increased substantially.

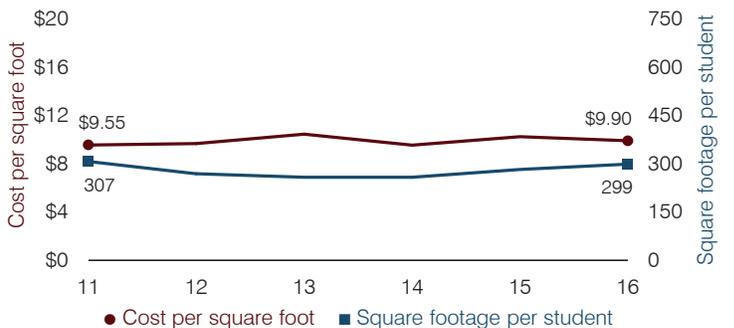
**Administrative cost per pupil**



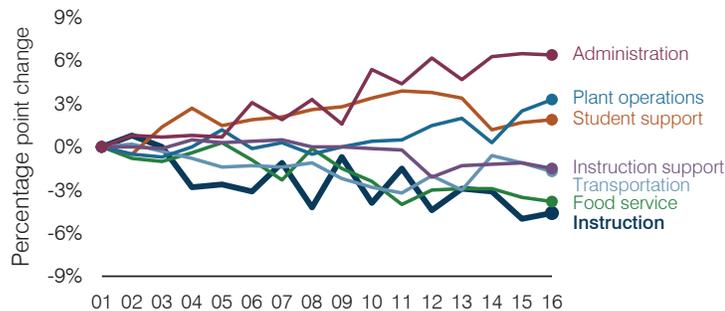
**Total operational and instructional spending per pupil (inflation adjusted to 2016 dollars)**



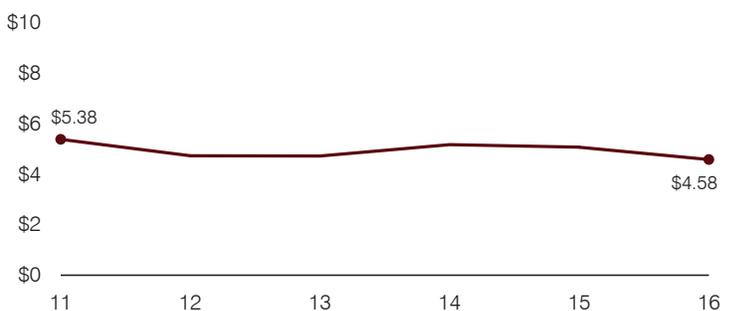
**Plant cost per square foot and square footage per student**



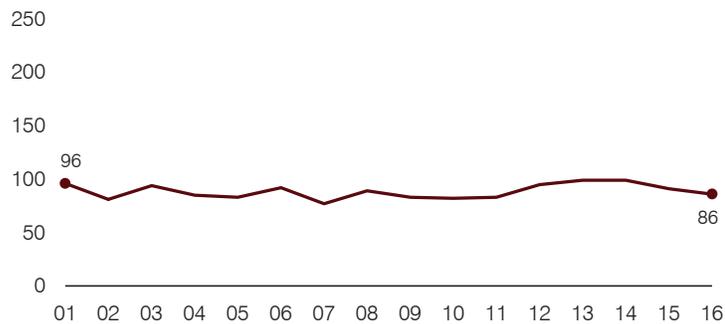
**Changes in operational spending percentages**



**Food service cost per meal**



**Students attending**



**Transportation costs per mile and per rider**

