

# School Funding: State Aid Snapshot

## South Dakota is...

**32<sup>nd</sup>**

in funding per student

**37<sup>th</sup>**

in spending per student

**47<sup>th</sup>**

in public school teacher salaries

*Source: NEA 2018 Rankings  
of the States Report*

***Teacher salaries are  
decided at the local level.***

	K-12 State		
	Districts	Aid Enrollment	Cost per Student
<b>FY2011</b>	152	123,924	\$8,065
<b>FY2012</b>	152	125,152	\$7,752
<b>FY2013</b>	151	127,169	\$7,739
<b>FY2014</b>	151	128,746	\$8,040
<b>FY2015</b>	151	130,052	\$8,171
<b>FY2016</b>	150	131,222	\$8,369
<b>FY2017</b>	150	132,876	\$9,256
<b>FY2018</b>	149	134,186	\$9,304
<b>FY2019</b>	149	135,317	\$9,369
<b>Percent Change</b>	<b>-1.97%</b>	<b>9.19%</b>	<b>16.17%</b>

*Source: SD Dept. of Education.  
"Cost per student" includes general education,  
special education, and capital outlay flexibility*

## SD State Aid Funding History

*Sources: SD Dept. of Education & the Bureau of Finance & Management*

Year	Statutory State Aid Inflation Factor	Actual Inflation Adopted by Legislature	State Aid to K-12 Education Adopted Budget
<b>2011 Session (FY12)</b>	1.20%	-8.60%	\$329,331,804
<b>2012 Session (FY13)</b>	2.30%	2.30%	\$368,704,590
<b>2013 Session (FY14)</b>	3.00%	3.00%	\$392,633,058
<b>2014 Session (FY15)</b>	1.60%	3.36%	\$402,671,180
<b>2015 Session (FY16)</b>	1.50%	2.00%	\$413,878,336
<b>2016 Session (FY17)</b>	0.30%	12.00%	\$527,490,792
<b>2017 Session (FY18)</b>	0.30%	0.30%	\$527,221,600
<b>2018 Session (FY19)</b>	1.70%	1.00%	\$550,328,500
<b>2019 Session (FY20)</b>	2.30%	2.50%	\$560,643,768
<b>Compound Inflation</b>	<b>15.09%</b>	<b>18.08%</b>	

***Bottom line: State Aid to K-12 has outpaced inflation  
in recent history, even if you include 2011 budget cuts.***