

# Tahoma School District

Despite recent large increases in spending, public school officials are not providing children with the high-quality education they promised.

**1. Number of students:** 8,833

**2. Number of schools:** 9

**3. Spending per student:** \$14,800<sup>1</sup>

**4. Spending on teacher pay:**

Average teacher gets \$129,400 in pay and benefits.

Teachers can make up to \$131,000 in pay and benefits.

**5. Spending on central office staff:**

Superintendent gets \$253,500 in salary, plus \$50,000 in benefits.

Number of administrators paid over \$100,000 a year: 26.

Only 51 percent of employees are teachers.

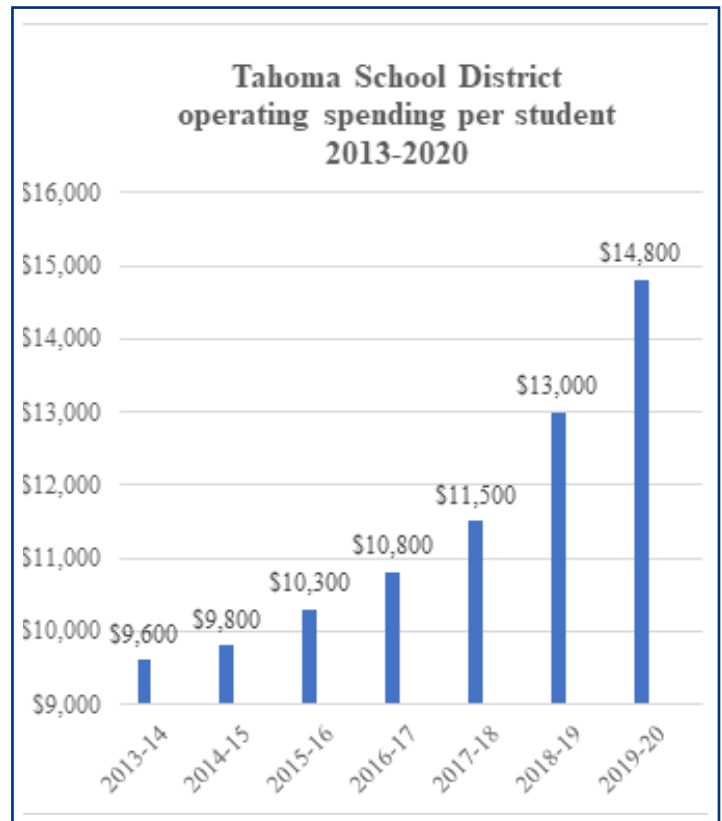
**6. Spending growth:**

Per-student spending has increased by \$5,200, or 54 percent, in six years.

**7. Student learning<sup>2</sup>**

2018-19:

- 25.6 percent of students fail to meet state standard in English
- 33.5 percent of students fail to meet state standard in math



<sup>1</sup> "Workload/Staffing/Finance Reports by District, 2013-19," K-12 School District Finance Data, Office of Financial Management, at [www.fiscal.wa.gov/K12Districts.aspx](http://www.fiscal.wa.gov/K12Districts.aspx), and School District Budgets, Form F-195, Fiscal Year 2019-20.

<sup>2</sup> "Assessment Summary, School Report Card, 2018-19," Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, at: <https://washingtonstatereportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us/>.