

DISTRICT 833 PROFILE: 2017-2018



South Washington County Schools

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South Washington County Schools (District 833) is a suburban district located southeast of St. Paul, Minnesota. The district includes all or parts of the communities of Cottage Grove, Newport, St. Paul Park, Woodbury, and Afton, Denmark and Grey Cloud Island Townships.

6th largest school district by enrollment in Minnesota

Total area of **84** square miles

Total building square footage: **3,344,144**

Average building age: **37** years

Population of the district is approximately **98,100** people

16 elementary schools

3 high schools

4 middle schools

1 alternative high school

1 Next Step transition program for students up to age 21

4 charter schools and **3** non-public schools in the district

18,200+ students

- » Total Minority: 31.3%
- » Open enrolled: 3%
- » Free/Reduced: 20.5%
- » Special Education: 13.9%
- » Limited English Proficiency: 6.2%
- » Asian: 10.3%
- » Black: 7.4%
- » Hispanic: 7.6%
- » Native American: >.3%
- » White: 68.7%

3,000+ employees

4,000+ including part time & subs

Teacher average starting salary plus benefits: **\$55,000**

Principal starting salary: **\$90,131-**
\$118,136

Contracts for these and all other bargaining units are available on the district's website under Human Resources. These include:

- » Bus Drivers and Bus Mechanics
- » District Office Support Specialists
- » Kids Club Supervisors
- » Maintenance
- » Nutrition Services
- » Office Professional
- » Paraprofessionals

Student Achievement

Average MCA Proficiency:

- » Reading: 71.2%
- » Math: 69.2%
- » Science: 68.1%

College & Career Readiness:

- » Graduation rate: 92.7%
- » Average ACT: 22.3 composite
- » Explore: 16.5 composite
- » PLAN: 18.9 composite

11 2016 National Merit Scholarship Finalists

14 2016 National Merit Commended Students

38 2017 Summa Cum Laude with Distinction Students

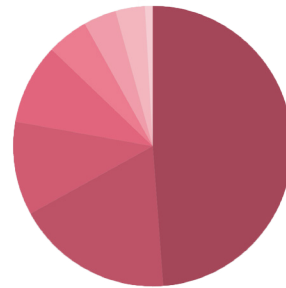
Finance Facts (2015-16 School Finance Profile MDE)

State average for revenue to school districts:
\$12,047 per pupil unit

District 833's revenue from the state:
\$10,913 per pupil unit

Gap between average state funding and District 833 funding:
\$1,134 per pupil unit
\$20.9 million total

Expenditures per pupil:



- Regular Instruction: 48.8%
- Special Education: 18.2%
- Sites & Buildings: 10.8%
- Pupil Support: 9.3%
- Instruction Support: 4.8%
- Administration: 3.8%
- District Support: 3.4%
- Vocational Instruction: 0.9%

2015-16 School Finance Profile MDE

Status of Referendum in place

Operating Levy Referendum	Annual Revenue	Final Year	Renewal Date
\$771.27 per pupil	\$14.9 million	2017-18	Nov. 2017
\$180.35 per pupil	\$3.4 million	2023-24	Nov. 2023
\$62.53 per pupil	\$1.2 million	2023-24	Nov. 2023
\$337.00 per pupil	\$6.9 million	2023-24	Nov. 2023
\$525.00 per pupil	\$10.2 million	2025-26	Nov. 2025
\$36.6 million total revenue from referendum			

District 833 spends
\$340 less
per pupil unit
than the state's
school district average

2017-18 Fund Balance Projection

		Fund Balance %
2017 Projected Fund Balance	\$7,122,988	3.7%
2018 Projected Revenues	\$224,224,607	
2018 Projected Expenditures	\$223,752,455	
2018 Projected Fund Balance	\$7,595,140	3.6%*

* Future possible revenues from an operating referendum would be needed to return the fund balance to the Board policy of 5-9%.

Fund Balance History & Projections

Fiscal Year	Fund Balance \$	Fund Balance %
June 30, 2013 Actual	\$13,883,278	6.8%
June 30, 2014 Actual	\$9,485,552	6.0%
June 30, 2015 Actual	\$10,317,486	5.2%
June 30, 2016 Projected	\$7,353,340	3.7%
June 30, 2017 Projected	\$7,550,009	3.6%
June 30, 2018 Projected	\$7,595,140	3.4%

NOTE: School Board policy calls for the fund balance to be between 5-9% each year. Statutory operating debt is -2.5%.

Projected Expenses in 2018:

\$357,037,328

- » General Fund Expenses: \$223,752,455
- » Debt Service Expenses: \$27,460,598
- » Community Ed Expenses: \$14,613,846
- » Nutrition Services Expenses: \$9,684,179
- » Construction Expenses: \$78,863,777



Nutrition Services

10,503 lunches served per day

- » 6.2% served to students eligible for reduced price
- » 18.5% served to students eligible for free meals

1,361 breakfasts served per day

- » 12% served to students eligible for reduced price
- » 42% served to students eligible for free meals

Meal Costs:

- » Breakfast: \$1.20 elementary, \$1.60 secondary, and \$0 for free/reduced
- » Lunch: \$2.60 elementary, \$2.90 middle school, \$2.95 high school, \$0.40 for reduced price, \$0 for free
- » *State of Minnesota pays the \$0.40 reduced price*

Transportation

14,000 students are transported each day between public and non-public schools

Drive over **3 million** miles each year

Own and operate **142** vehicles, including buses and vans

Drivers have over **1,500** hours of combined training each year

Perfect state inspection of all vehicles for six straight years

Service provided to:

- » Elementary students who live more than 1 mile from school
- » Middle School students who live more than 1.5 miles from school
- » High School students who live more than 2 miles from school

Technology

15,000 diverse devices

5 schools with **1:1 iPad** programs

4,200 ChromeBook laptops

1,400+ instructional laptops

Fiber optic connection: **10+Gb** to all buildings

Through personalization of learning and the effective use of technology, all learners will gain critical 21st century skills in a supported learning environment.

Mission: We are committed to igniting a passion for lifelong learning.

Values:

- » Collaboration
- » Continuous Improvement
- » Equity
- » Integrity
- » Relationships

Strategic Objectives:

- » We will engage, motivate and empower each student through personal instruction creating shared ownership of learning.
- » We will ensure safe, inclusive environments, and encourage diverse perspectives through engagement, innovation and creativity.

Administration:

- » Superintendent: Keith Jacobus, Ph.D.
- » Assistant Superintendent: Michael Johnson
- » Assistant Superintendent: Julie Nielsen
- » Director of Communications & Community Relations: Shelly Schafer
- » Director of Community Education: Bob Lawrence
- » Director of Facilities and Construction: Mike Vogel
- » Director of Finance: Dan Pyan
- » Director of Human Resources: Kevin Witherspoon, Ed.D.
- » Director of Professional Development & Accountability: Brian Boothe
- » Director of Special Services: Michelle Barries
- » Director of Teaching & Learning Services: Matthew Dorschner
- » Director of Technology: Robert Berkowitz

School Board:

- » Tracy Brunnette, Vice-Chair
- » Ron Kath, Director
- » Katy McElwee-Stevens, Chair
- » Katie Schwartz, Treasurer
- » Sharon Van Leer, Clerk
- » Michelle Witte, Director
- » Director Vacancy



Early Education

630 4 year olds participating in district PreK

ECFE classes serving **1,117** children and **963** parents

- » New Parent Connection at Woodwinds Hospital: 602 infants
- » Welcome Baby: 737 infants » 161 Home Visits
- » Head Start in Newport: 86 children

639 Early Childhood Special Education students served

High School offerings

2,062 students in **19 Advanced Placement (AP) courses**

894 students in **25 International Baccalaureate (IB) courses**

546 students in **11 Project Lead the Way courses**

378 students in **4 Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) courses**

310 students in **5 College in the School (CIS) courses**

100+ co-curricular activities

Community Education

Community Education offers **extended learning** opportunities (Early Childhood Family Education, PreK, screening, Kids Club, youth enrichment, Adult Basic Education, Adult Diploma), **lifelong learning** opportunities (youth & adult enrichment, inter-generational programs, middle school athletics, camps & clinics), and oversees **grants & wellness** and **facility use**.

Elementary Schools:

- » Armstrong Elementary: Andrew Cafisch, Principal
- » Bailey Elementary: Candace Hofstad, Principal
- » Cottage Grove Elementary: Theresa Blume-Thole, Principal
- » Crestview Elementary: Jodi Husting, Principal
- » Grey Cloud Elementary: Laura Loshek, Principal
- » Hillside Elementary: Erin Shadick, Principal
- » Liberty Ridge Elementary: Michael Moore, Principal
- » Middleton Elementary: Sara Palodichuk, Principal
- » Newport Elementary: Rich Romano, Principal
- » Nuevas Fronteras Spanish Immersion: Cynthia Maldonado, Principal
- » Pine Hill Elementary: Jolaine Mast, Principal
- » Pullman Elementary: Ed Ross, Principal
- » Red Rock Elementary: Jennifer Holt, Principal
- » Royal Oaks Elementary: Dr. Susan Risius, Principal
- » Valley Crossing Elementary: Dr. Lela Olson, Principal
- » Woodbury Elementary: Conna Classon, Principal

Middle Schools:

- » Cottage Grove Middle School: Elise Block, Principal
- » Lake Middle School: Molly Roeske, Principal
- » Oltman Middle School: Joni Hagebock, Principal
- » Woodbury Middle School: Kari Lopez, Principal

High Schools:

- » East Ridge High School: Jim Smokrovich, Principal
- » Park High School: Ginger Garski, Principal
- » South Washington Alternative High School: Mike Mahaffey, Principal
- » Woodbury High School: Sarah Sorenson-Wagner, Principal

World's Best Workforce Goals:

Achievement Gaps: Narrow the achievement gap by 50% by 2017.

Kindergarten Readiness: Increase the percentage of students meeting district fall cut scores for both Letter Sounds Fluency (10) and Letter Naming Fluency (13) from 52.9% in the Fall of 2013 to 66.9% in the Fall of 2017, a total increase of 14% and an annual increase of 3.5%.

Third Grade Literacy: Increase the percentage of students of meeting spring state proficiency targets in third grade from 65.0% in the Spring of 2013 to 75.5% in the Spring of 2017, a total increase of 10.5% and an annual increase of 2.6%.

College and Career Readiness: Increase the percentage of students of meeting fall PLAN college and career readiness benchmarks in English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science.

Graduation Rates: Increase the percentage of students graduating from high school within four years of starting from 89.6% in 2013 to 92.7% in 2017, a total increase of 3.1% and an annual increase of 0.8%.