

CUSD Funding

Fall 2020

INTRODUCTION

Welcome

We're here today to continue our work to deepen understanding and build partnership with the CUSD community.

The goals for this presentation are:

- 1 Explain the CUSD budget
- Describe actions you can take to support CUSD
- 3 Answer your questions



BUDGET

Budgets reflect our values

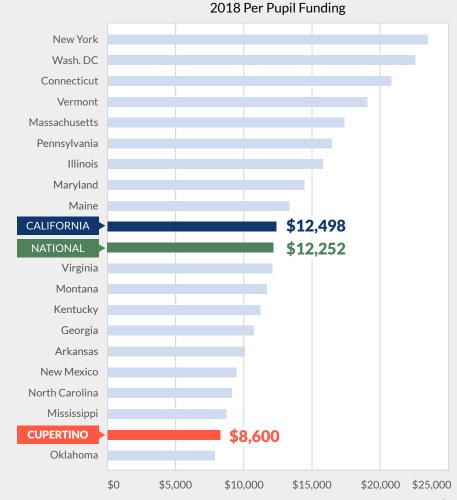
What is our desire for our schools?

- High quality programs and resources for students
- District wide equity
- Stability of staff to include teachers, principals, and all classified personnel
- Increase school site budgets
- Strong support functions: grounds, nutrition, maintenance, HVAC, etc.



We are low-funded relative to the state and the nation

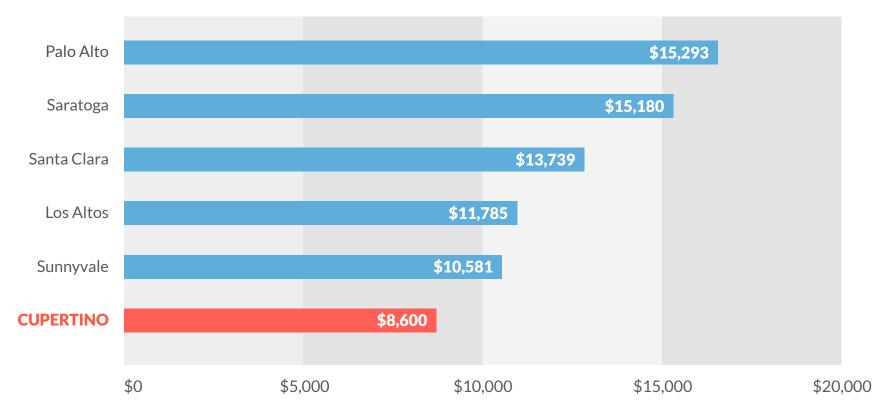
CUSD is one of the lowest funded* districts compared to National and within California.





^{*}Per pupil funding

We are low-funded relative to our neighbors





We are low-funded relative to what is considered adequate

According to EdSource, CUSD is low funded compared to expert's view of adequate funding per pupil.

Source: edsource.org

ADEQUATE FUNDING: \$12.5K
PER PUPIL

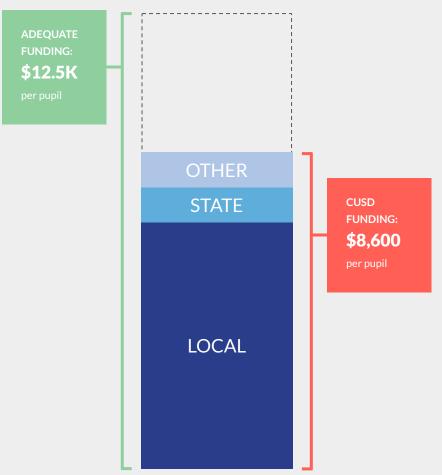
CUSD FUNDING: \$8,600 PER PUPIL



How CUSD is funded

Our Funding Sources

- Local Property Tax Base 69%
- State Funding 11%
- Parcel Tax (expiring in June 2023) 4.7%
- Federal Funding 1.85%
- Other Funds 12%
- Private Contributions 2%

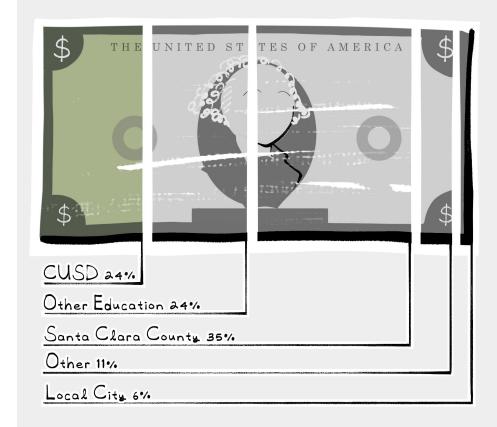




Only a portion of local tax pays for K-8 education

Our local taxes pay for much more than education.

The portion allotted to school districts is split between all local education agencies.





Our funds serve many more pupils

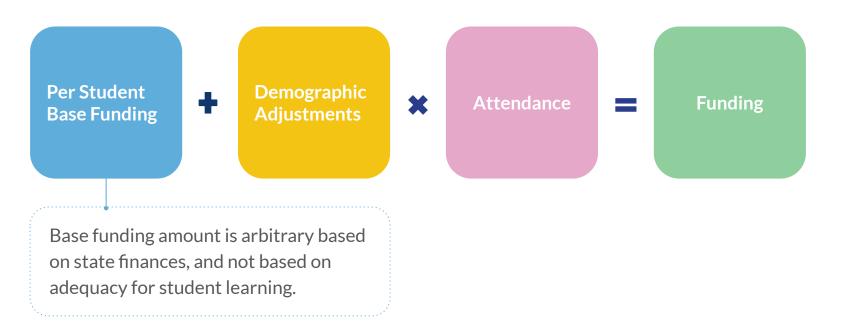
District	Property Tax:	Enrollment per CDE	Per Pupil
Los Altos	\$39,101,031	4,293	\$9,108
Saratoga	\$28,169,291	1,789	\$15,746
Sunnyvale	\$71,876,717	6,672	\$10,773
Santa Clara	\$212,014,674	15,432	\$13,739
Palo Alto	\$183,398,342	11,992	\$15,293
Cupertino	\$120,266,977	16,720	\$7,183

^{*}Funding is measured as dollars Per Pupil (student), CUSD year 2019-20, others 2018-19



Support from the state is determined by LCFF

State Funding Model in CA is called **Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF)**, this formula is applied to all districts.





What it means for our kids

Our current financial outlook is poor

- 1 We struggle to meet the challenges of:
 - Structural deficit in 2023-2024
 - Increasing retirement costs
 - Increasing healthcare costs
 - Increasing operational costs: ~4.5% per year
 - Expiring Parcel Tax in 2022-2023: \$8.67 million
 - COVID and recession will have a multi-year impact

2 Chronic low funding leads to poor fiscal stability and results in repeated cuts to programs, positions and resources.



We cut to delay, not prevent, insolvency

- 1 Cuts made in recent years
 - Reduced Executive Cabinet position
 - Reduced education services/instruction directors & coordinators
 - Reduced instruction coaches(teachers)
 - Reduced administrative and staff positions in human resources, business services, and grounds & maintenance
 - Reduced professional development offerings
 - Reduced school site budgets (programs, positions, materials, etc)

- 2 Cuts the board must now consider
 - Class size increase in elementary and middle
 - Elimination or reduction of: Site instructional technology specialist, librarians, secretaries, instructional coaches
 - Furlough day(s) and/or Reducing Staff learning days
 - Combination of Director/Principal Position and/or Principals covering 2 sites
 - School Site and department allocations lowered
 - Elementary and/or Middle School closure (pending CAC 10/22 deliverable)



ACTIONS

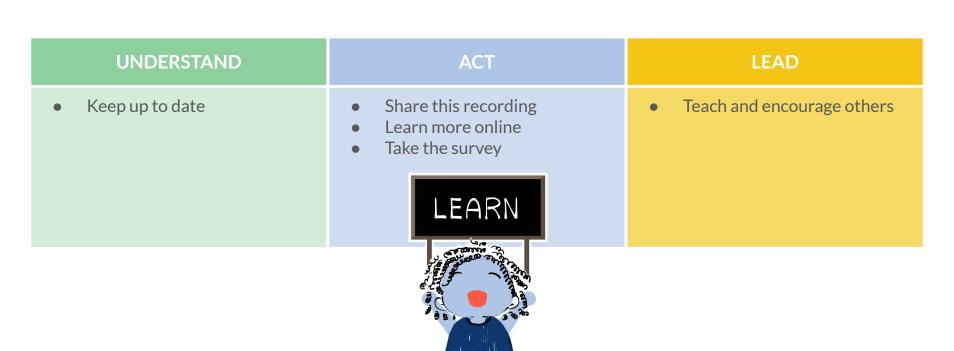
Take Actions

- Learn
- Vote
- Contribute
- Think Big





Learn





Vote

UNDERSTAND	ACT	LEAD
 Ballot measures are critical Require a supermajority to pass 66.67% for Parcel 55% for Bond 	• VOTE!	 Volunteer & build support for CUSD Ballot Initiatives Support your parent org to donate annually to the school ballot initiative campaigns.



Contribute

UNDERSTAND ACT LEAD Your parent organization Volunteer and build Donate to your site's is essential to a healthy fundraising organization support for your parent school community organization CONTRIBUTE



Think Big

UNDERSTAND ACT LEAD The district is significantly Support your site's Encourage and support underfunded fundraising organization your parent organization The district is the funding in its **expanded mission** to contribute unrestricted source for virtually all of to include the CUSD funding to CUSD, the budget general fund the academic programs that pays for nearly at your site everything.



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THANK YOU!

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- Stay tuned for a survey
- Send questions to your board: board@cusdk8.org

