



GULF SHORES CITY

SCHOOL SYSTEM SNAPSHOT: 2026 EDITION*

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\$2,855,390

Cost of One Month's Operation/General Fund

3.85

Number of Months Reserve Balance

By the Numbers

	Schools¹	3
	Students/ADM²	2,535
	Free & Reduced Lunch	47%
	Community Eligibility Program	42%
	Number of Route Buses³	19
	Buses 10 yrs. old or less	89%
	Students Bused	871
	Full-Time Employees	292
	Teachers	163
	Principals/ Assistant Principals	9
	Counselors	6
	Librarians	3
	Other Certified Employees	5
	Support Personnel	106

¹ Schools with enrollment, including Alternative and Career Technical Education

² Average Daily Membership (includes virtual students)

³ Data collected in 2024 and used for FY26 funding

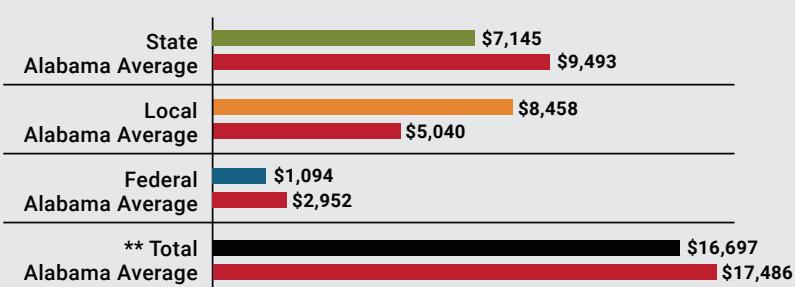
⁴ 2024-2025 NEA Rankings of the States

Total Per-Pupil Expenditures (PPE)



Per-Pupil Revenue Sources

Gulf Shores City Revenue Sources



**Total Revenue Among 139 School Systems



138
STATE
RANK

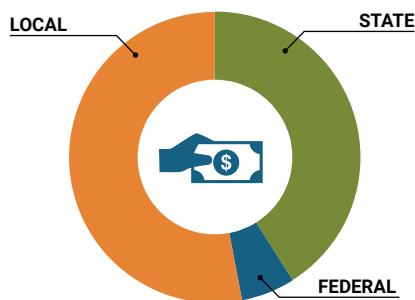
10
LOCAL
RANK

130
FEDERAL
RANK

OVERALL SYSTEM RANK 92

School System Revenue

How was your school system funded?¹



\$18,114,581	STATE	41%
\$2,772,865	FEDERAL	6%
\$23,756,207	LOCAL	53%
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\$7,641,930		
\$16,114,277		

Local 10-Mill Match
AVAILABLE LOCAL REVENUE

VALUE OF 1-MILL
For Your School System



School System Spending

How did your school system spend state & local dollars?¹

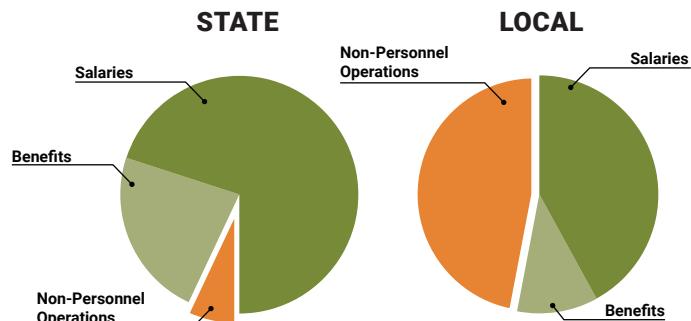
	STATE SPENDING ^{2,3}	LOCAL SPENDING ²
Salaries	\$14,365,256	\$5,427,388
Benefits	\$4,728,842	\$1,450,384
Non-Personnel Operations	\$1,363,483	\$5,950,542
TOTAL	\$20,457,581	\$12,828,314

¹ Revenues and expenditures may contain nominal variances due to rounding

² Does not include debt service or capital outlay

³ Includes 10-mill match

⁴ Such as utilities, operations & maintenance, etc.



Only 7% of state funding is available for non-personnel expenditures⁴

Instructional Support

■ FY25 ■ FY26*

Classroom Materials & Supplies	■ \$900	■ \$1,000
Technology	■ \$500	■ \$500
Library Enhancements	■ \$158	■ \$158
Professional Development	■ \$100	■ \$100
Textbooks/ Digital Resources	■ \$100	■ \$100
Common Purchase*	■ \$100	■ \$0
Removed for FY26		

Educational Advancement & Technology Fund⁵

FY25	\$2,833,224
FY24	\$2,372,633
FY23	\$0
FY22	\$610,740
FY21	\$603,532

⁵ These one-time supplemental funds may be used for repairs and deferred maintenance, capital outlay, classroom instructional supplies, insurance for facilities, transportation, technology and school safety. For FY23, there was no EAT allocation for school systems.

System Debt

TOTAL DEBT⁶ **DEBT PER STUDENT**
\$23,772,087 \$9,377

⁶ The debt totals in system audit reports may differ due to audit adjustments.



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