



School Finance: A Policy Perspective, 6th edition

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Chapter Changes

Chapter 1

- Updated research, statistics, and references
- New information on the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and school finance
- Updated Table 1.1 Historical Data on the Size of the Nation's School Systems, 1919–20 to 2015-16
- Updated Table 1.2 Educational Revenues, GDP, and Personal Income (Billions), 1929-30 to 2014-15
- Updated Table 1.3 Educational Expenditures per Pupil and Revenues by Source, 1919-20 to 2014-15
- Updated Table 1.4 Educational Expenditures per Pupil and Revenues by Source, by State: 2014-15

Chapter 2

- Updated research, statistics, and references
- New information on cost considerations for educating students with special needs, students who are English-language learners, and students of low socioeconomic status
- Discussions of recent conflicts between the courts and state legislatures regarding school finance
- Discussion of recent large-scale strikes by teachers to force their state legislatures to provide higher funding for teacher salaries and for PK-12 education in general
- New section on the impact of school finance litigation

Chapter 3

- Updated research, statistics, and references

Chapter 4

- Updated research, statistics, and references
- Discussion of how the Evidence-Based Approach to School Finance Adequacy relates to Response to Intervention (RTI), a three-tier approach to meeting student needs
- Expanded discussion on the importance of high-quality preschool programs
- Expanded discussion on class size and staffing ratios
- Expanded discussion on recommendations for key staff and resources needed to run a school system: core and specialist/elective teachers, instructional coaches, pupil support staff such as guidance counselors and nurses, professional staff who provide struggling students with extra help including tutors, small group interventionists, extended day and summer staff, special education staff and aides, instructional materials, assessments, technology
- Expanded discussion on dollar-per-pupil resources
- Expanded discussion on resources for struggling students
- Table 4.1. Typical Six Year Secondary School Adoption Cycle
- Table 4.2. Typical Six Year Elementary School Adoption Cycle
- Table 4.3 Cost of Implementing a 1-to-1 Student to Computer Ratio from a 3-to-1 Student to Computer Ratio
- Table 4.5 High School Student Activity Participation Rates in Student Athletics for Big Ten States, SY 2012-13
- Table 4.6 Student Activity Expenditures Per Pupil, SY 2012-13
- Table 4.7 Summary of 2018 Core Evidence-Based Model Recommendations
- Table 4.8 Recommendations for Adequate Resources for Prototypical Elementary, Middle, and High Schools
- Table 4.9 Staffing for Schools in Small Districts

Chapter 5

- Updated research, statistics, and references
- Expanded discussion of professional development programs for educators

Chapter 6

- Updated research, statistics, and references
- Expanded discussion on financing programs for ELL (English-Language Learner) students and students from an impoverished background within the Evidence-Based Approach to School Finance Adequacy

Chapter 7(New)

- Updated research, statistics, and references
- A detailed analysis of adequacy- based school finance reform in four states – Arkansas, North Dakota, Washington and Wyoming.

Chapter 8

- Updated research, statistics, and references
- Revised Table 8.1 Estimated School-Level Resources Using the Evidence-Based Adequacy Model for an Elementary School of 576 Students
- Revised Table 8.2 Budget Estimates of the Cost of Personnel and Resources at an Example Elementary School

Chapter 9

- Updated research, statistics, and references
- Table 9.1 Total Expenditure per Pupil in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools in Nominal and Real Dollars, 1969–70 to 2013-14
- Table 9.2 Expenditures by Function for the United States, 1991–2001 to 2013-14
- Table 9.3 Staff Employed in the Public Schools, 1960–2014

Chapter 10

- Updated research, statistics, and references
- Revised Study Questions
- Revised Table 10.2 Costs of the EB Model in Chapters 4 and 5 School Strategy (Middle School of 600 students; 50% poverty, 25% ELL)

Chapter 11(New)

- Describes the use of the Evidence-Based Approach to School Finance Adequacy at the school district level:
 - Discusses resources for central administration, operations, maintenance and grounds keeping; as well as food services, school safety costs, and pupil transportation. Also describes resource allocation strategies identified based on prototypical schools/districts. These strategies can be used to allocate resources to schools and districts of varying sizes.
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Chapter 12

- Updated research, statistics, and references
- Possible impact of the Federal tax cut on total state revenues
- Revised TABLE 12.1 Tax Revenue by Source and Level of Government, 1957–2018
- Revised TABLE 12.2 Income Taxes as a Percentage of Personal Income, 1957–2018
- Revised TABLE 12.3 Income Tax Yield Elasticity, 1957–2018
- Revised TABLE 12.4 State Individual Income Taxes as a Percentage of Personal Income and as a Percentage of Total State Taxes, 1957–2018
- Revised TABLE 12.5 General Sales Taxes as a Percentage of Personal Income, 1957–2018
- Revised TABLE 12.6 Property Taxes as a Percentage of Personal Income, 1957–2018

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