

## Analysis of Funding Per Pupil by Accreditation Categories

The table below shows the total disbursed funding for districts and the Charter School Institute within each accreditation category. BOCES are not included in the analysis below.

**2017 Total Funding Per Pupil by Accreditation Categories of Colorado School Districts**

Accreditation Rating	Number of Districts	ELL Percentage	FRL Percentage	Minority Percentage	Percent of Students in State	Funded Pupil Count	Total Funds Disbursed	Funding Per Pupil	Total Program Funding	Total Program Funding Per Pupil	Federal Funding Per Pupil	Total Mill Levy Funding Per Pupil
Accredited with Distinction: Low Participation	13	3.3%	26.4%	17.0%	6.5%	56,017	536,543,992	9,578	419,234,906	7,484	295	1,275
Accredited with Distinction: Meets 95% Participation	16	3.2%	40.9%	18.5%	0.9%	7,566	85,497,057	11,300	68,723,602	9,083	383	1,037
Accredited: Low Participation	43	8.6%	42.8%	27.7%	32.7%	281,279	2,679,426,138	9,526	2,125,941,374	7,558	408	1,145
Accredited: Meets 95% Participation	46	7.5%	45.8%	33.4%	20.3%	174,347	1,674,138,316	9,602	1,324,288,788	7,596	539	1,034
Accredited with Improvement Plan: Low Participation	25	9.8%	51.5%	43.8%	15.2%	118,010	1,210,806,897	10,260	1,009,520,426	8,555	602	590
Accredited with Improvement Plan: Decreased due to Participation	4	2.1%	60.6%	27.9%	0.2%	2,422	22,576,914	9,321	20,938,450	8,644	331	143
Accredited with Improvement Plan: Meets 95% Participation	20	15.6%	62.0%	55.4%	21.6%	186,420	2,016,693,645	10,818	1,470,338,806	7,887	1,014	1,340
Accredited with Priority Improvement Plan: Low Participation	2	7.5%	71.5%	60.1%	0.5%	4,069	45,066,232	11,076	32,449,633	7,975	1,106	1,513
Accredited with Priority Improvement Plan: Decreased due to Participation	1	12.3%	78.8%	92.9%	0.0%	203	2,946,208	14,492	2,493,841	12,267	1,667	-
Accredited with Priority Improvement Plan: Meets 95% Participation	5	18.9%	71.7%	60.5%	2.0%	17,441	187,087,190	10,727	141,673,878	8,123	1,154	793
Insufficient State Data: Low Participation	4	9.6%	56.9%	18.0%	0.1%	519	7,417,237	14,305	6,429,914	12,401	593	1,058
State	179	14.3%	42.2%	46.3%	100.0%	848,294	8,468,199,824	9,983	6,622,033,618	7,806	606	1,087

Variable Label	Description
Accreditation Rating	Designated district accreditation rating incorporating revisions from request to reconsideration process
Number of Districts Included in Analysis	The number of school districts that were included in the analysis that had both financial data and an accreditation rating
ELL Percentage	The percentage of enrolled students at the districts within the accreditation category who are classified as English Language Learners
FRL Percentage	The percentage of enrolled students at the districts within the accreditation category who receive free or reduced lunch
Minority Percentage	The percentage of enrolled students at the districts within the accreditation category who are classified as non-white
Percent of Students in the State	The percentage of enrolled students in an accreditation category compared to the overall state population
Funded Pupil Count	The total number of students that are counted for funding at the districts within the accreditation category
Total Funds Disbursed	Total funds that were disbursed to school districts, including total program funding (local and state shares), state categorical grants, other state grants, federal formula grants, other federal grants, and voter approved overrides. Disbursed means state and federal funding sent to the district through CDE; or local revenues generated via property or specific ownership taxes.
Funding per Pupil	The per pupil revenue calculated by Total Funds Disbursed divided by the Funded Pupil Count
Total Program Funding	Total program funding (local and state shares) that were available to school districts
Total Program Funding Per Pupil	The per pupil revenue calculated by Total Program Funds divided by the Funded Pupil Count
Federal Funding Per Pupil	The per pupil revenue calculated by sum of Federal Formula and Other Federal Grants divided by Funded Pupil Count
Mill Levy Funding Per Pupil	The per pupil revenue calculated by sum of Calculated Voter Approved Override Amount and Calculated Other Approved Educational Mills Amount divided by Funded Pupil Count

**Calculation Note:**

Rather than taking the simple average (averaging each district per pupil funding) to figure the per pupil funding for each accreditation rating, which is susceptible to being over or under inflated due to extreme values (outliers), CDE opted to use a weighted average (weighted by the number of students). The formula is as follows:

$$\text{Funding Per Pupil} = (\text{Total Funds Disbursed within accreditation category}) / (\text{Funded Pupil Count within accreditation category})$$

The data source for this analysis is available on the web. Please refer to the file for district level demographics and financial information.

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Total Funding by Accreditation Categories  
Fiscal Year 2016-17 Data

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V
1	Please refer to Notes references below:			(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(3)		(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(5)	(5)		
2	District Code	County Name	District Name	Total Enrollment PK-12 (SY16-17)	PK-12 Free & Reduced Lunch # (SY16-17)	PK-12 Free & Reduced Lunch % (SY16-17)	PK-12 Minority # (SY16-17)	PK-12 Minority % (SY16-17)	PK-12 English Learner # (SY16-17)	PK-12 English Learner % (SY16-17)	2017 Final Accreditation Category	Funded Pupil Count	Adjusted Total Program Funding	Total Program Funding Per Pupil	State Categorical Grants (including VocEd)	Other State Grants (including HoldHarmless Kindergarten)	Federal Formula Grants	Federal Other Grants	Calculated Voter Approved Amount	Calculated Other Voter Approved Educational Mills Amount	Total Funding	Total Funding Per Pupil
174	3146	WELD	BRIGGSDALE	181	57	31%	27	15%	3	2%	Accredited: Low Participation	166.0	2,200,079	13,253	31,000	11,733	31,354	100	626,596	0	2,900,862	17,475
175	3147	WELD	PRAIRIE	217	63	29%	12	6%	0	0%	Accredited with Distinction: Low Participation	197.6	2,406,560	12,179	41,873	95,344	24,100	0	74,904	0	2,642,781	13,374
176	3148	WELD	PAWNEE	77	33	43%	9	12%	0	0%	Accredited with Distinction: Low Participation	80.6	1,246,031	15,459	42,141	7,457	20,606	0	130,104	0	1,446,339	17,945
177	3200	YUMA	YUMA 1	807	490	61%	445	55%	295	37%	Accredited: Low Participation	770.5	6,567,866	8,524	187,744	290,707	458,587	580	937,959	0	8,443,443	10,958
178	3210	YUMA	WRAY RD-2	675	381	56%	205	30%	103	15%	Accredited: Low Participation	669.7	5,494,261	8,204	140,954	34,281	321,436	0	1,187,527	0	7,178,459	10,719
179	3220	YUMA	IDALIA RJ-3	226	123	54%	59	26%	41	18%	Accredited: Low Participation	203.8	2,519,960	12,365	69,266	13,353	78,952	128	0	0	2,681,660	13,158
180	3230	YUMA	LIBERTY J-4	80	28	35%	12	15%	4	5%	Accredited with Distinction: Low Participation	64.7	1,037,883	16,041	19,696	4,404	12,641	90	300,057	0	1,374,771	21,248
181	8001	STATE - CSI	Charter School Institute	16,427	7,244	44%	8,642	53%	3,432	21%	Accredited with Improvement Plan: Low Participation	0.0	126,963,108	#DIV/0!	3,187,437	6,850,002	4,164,148	2,048,050	0	0	143,212,745	#DIV/0!
182	Totals			901,726	380,188	42%	417,386	46%	129,141	14%		848,294.4	\$6,622,033,618	\$7,806	\$265,635,084	\$144,425,962	\$481,459,815	\$32,873,170	\$911,601,898	\$10,170,276	\$8,468,199,824	\$9,983
183	Notes:																					
184	(1) The data for columns D, E, G, and I were pulled from the CDE website at hyperlink below (BOCES and Detention Centers were excluded):																					
185	<a href="http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdereval/pupllicurrentdistrict">http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdereval/pupllicurrentdistrict</a>																					
186	(2) The Accreditation data for 2017 was pulled from the CDE website at:																					
187	<a href="http://www.cde.state.co.us/Accountability/PerformanceFrameworks.asp">http://www.cde.state.co.us/Accountability/PerformanceFrameworks.asp</a>																					
188	(3) The data for columns L and M were pulled from the CDE website at:																					
189	<a href="http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/publicschoolfinanceactof1994-fy2016-17">http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/publicschoolfinanceactof1994-fy2016-17</a>																					
190	(4) The data for columns O, P, Q, and R were generated from information on the CDE website at:																					
191	<a href="http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/financialreportingfy1617">http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/financialreportingfy1617</a>																					
192	(5) The data for columns S and T were pulled from the CDE website at hyperlink below (from the Mill Levy Table):																					
193	<a href="http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/sfmilllevy.htm">http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/sfmilllevy.htm</a>																					