



## MARION COUNTY

## SCHOOL SYSTEM SNAPSHOT: 2026 EDITION\*

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Superintendent

Dr. Patrick Sutton

Board Members

Daryl Weatherly, Joyce Fowler, Mark Dearen, Tim Bryant, Dr. Alex Smith

 **\$2,875,992**

Cost of One Month's Operation/General Fund

 **7.18**

Number of Months Reserve Balance

### By the Numbers

 Schools <sup>1</sup>	10
 Students/ADM <sup>2</sup>	3,243
 Free & Reduced Lunch	65%
 Community Eligibility Program	65%
 Number of Route Buses <sup>3</sup>	47
Buses 10 yrs. old or less	98%
Students Bused	2,037
 Full-Time Employees	431
Teachers	243
Principals/ Assistant Principals	14
Counselors	11
Librarians	8
Other Certified Employees	6
Support Personnel	149

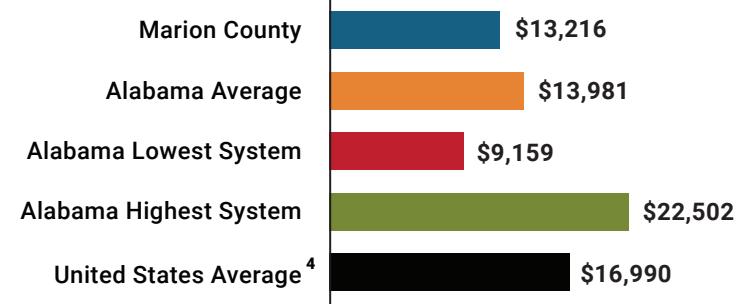
<sup>1</sup> Schools with enrollment, including Alternative and Career Technical Education

<sup>2</sup> Average Daily Membership (includes virtual students)

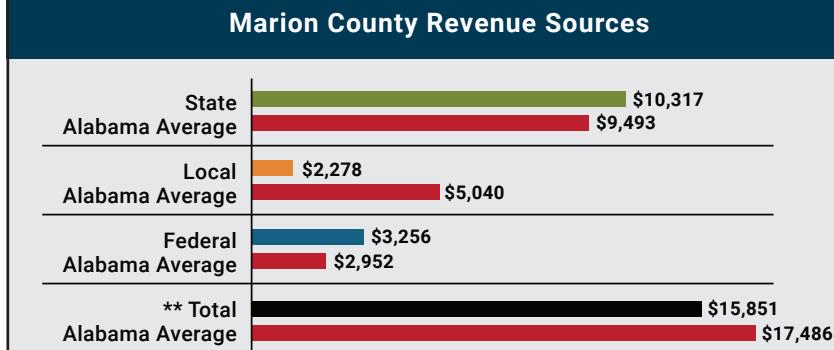
<sup>3</sup> Data collected in 2024 and used for FY26 funding

<sup>4</sup> 2024-2025 NEA Rankings of the States

### Total Per-Pupil Expenditures (PPE)



### Per-Pupil Revenue Sources



\*\*Total Revenue Among 139 School Systems



**57**  
STATE  
RANK

**128**  
LOCAL  
RANK

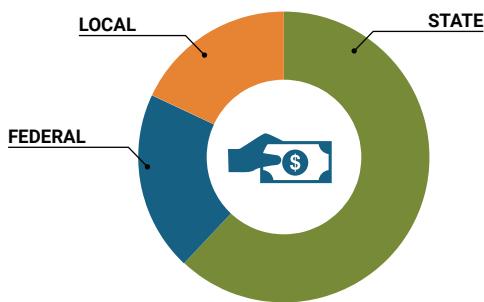
**59**  
FEDERAL  
RANK

### OVERALL SYSTEM RANK **106**

LEAs with a substantial increase in reported ADM may show lower rankings since additional revenues reflecting those increases are not received until the following fiscal year. LEAs with a statewide virtual program may also be ranked lower overall due to state revenues received for increased ADM as compared to their local and federal revenue sources.

## School System Revenue

## How was your school system funded?<sup>1</sup>



\$33,455,168	STATE	62%
\$10,557,781	FEDERAL	20%
\$9,722,676	LOCAL	18%
<b>\$2,846,070</b>		
<b>\$6,876,606</b>	AVAILABLE LOCAL REVENUE	

VALUE OF 1-MILL  
For Your School System



## School System Spending

## How did your school system spend state & local dollars?<sup>1</sup>

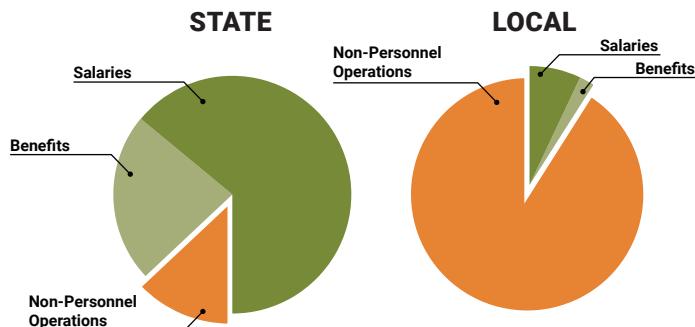
	STATE SPENDING <sup>2,3</sup>	LOCAL SPENDING <sup>2</sup>
Salaries	\$19,385,979	\$290,522
Benefits	\$6,799,499	\$61,025
Non-Personnel Operations	\$3,786,434	\$3,616,068
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$29,971,912</b>	<b>\$3,967,614</b>

<sup>1</sup> Revenues and expenditures may contain nominal variances due to rounding

<sup>2</sup> Does not include debt service or capital outlay

<sup>3</sup> Includes 10-mill match

<sup>4</sup> Such as utilities, operations & maintenance, etc.



Only 13% of state funding is available for non-personnel expenditures<sup>4</sup>

## 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 Fund<sup>5</sup>

FY25	\$3,623,822
FY24	\$3,223,641
FY23	\$0
FY22	\$903,761
FY21	\$897,893

<sup>5</sup> 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 DEBT<sup>6</sup>** ■ **DEBT PER STUDENT**  
\$0 ■ \$0

<sup>6</sup> The debt totals in system audit reports may differ due to audit adjustments.



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