



WALKER COUNTY

SCHOOL SYSTEM SNAPSHOT: 2026 EDITION*

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Superintendent

Dr. Dennis Willingham

Board Members

Bradley Ingle, Lee Headrick, Todd Vick, Dr. Vonda Beaty, Trent Kennedy

\$7,247,810

Cost of One Month's Operation/General Fund

4.48

Number of Months Reserve Balance

By the Numbers

	Schools¹	17
	Students/ADM²	6,717
	Free & Reduced Lunch	66%
	Community Eligibility Program	68%
	Number of Route Buses³	94
	Buses 10 yrs. old or less	96%
	Students Bused	3,632
	Full-Time Employees	990
	Teachers	480
	Principals/ Assistant Principals	29
	Counselors	17
	Librarians	15
	Other Certified Employees	27
	Support Personnel	422

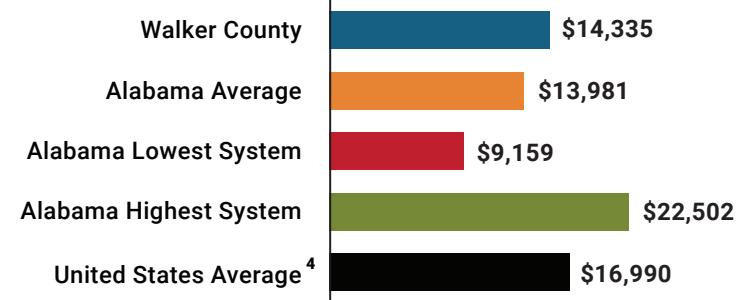
¹ Schools with enrollment, including Alternative and Career Technical Education

² Average Daily Membership (includes virtual students)

³ Data collected in 2024 and used for FY26 funding

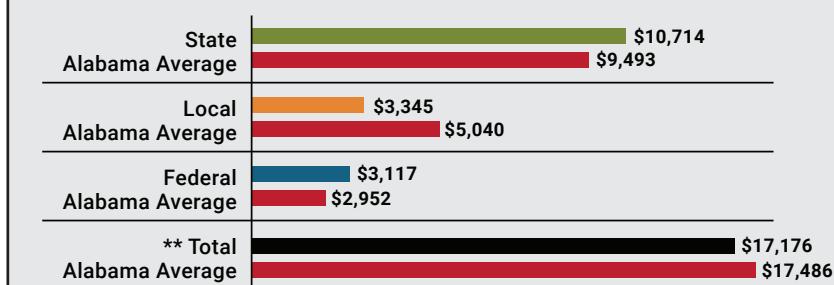
⁴ 2024-2025 NEA Rankings of the States

Total Per-Pupil Expenditures (PPE)



Per-Pupil Revenue Sources

Walker County Revenue Sources



**Total Revenue Among 139 School Systems



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STATE
RANK

86

LOCAL
RANK

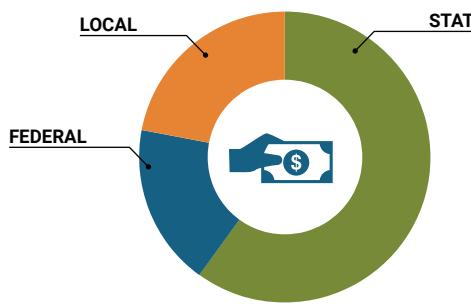
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FEDERAL
RANK

OVERALL SYSTEM RANK **75**

School System Revenue

How was your school system funded?¹



\$71,967,899	STATE	60%
\$20,939,266	FEDERAL	18%
\$26,445,279	LOCAL	22%
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\$5,475,420		
	Local 10-Mill Match	
\$20,969,859	AVAILABLE LOCAL REVENUE	

VALUE OF 1-MILL
For Your School System



School System Spending

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

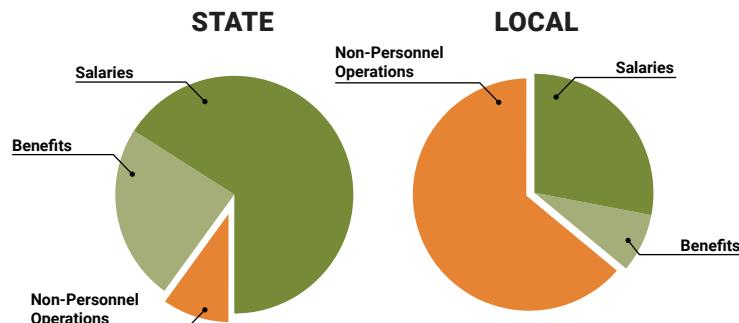
	STATE SPENDING ^{2,3}	LOCAL SPENDING ²
Salaries	\$41,721,262	\$4,735,058
Benefits	\$15,180,977	\$1,452,778
Non-Personnel Operations	\$6,104,817	\$10,991,992
TOTAL	\$63,007,056	\$17,179,828

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.



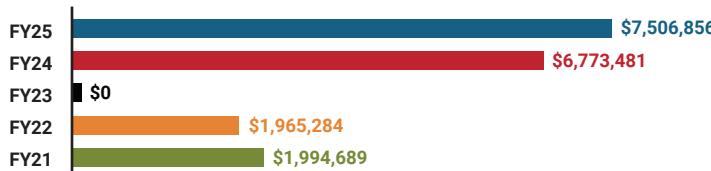
Only 10% of state funding is available for non-personnel expenditures⁴

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



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**
\$25,307,389 ■ \$3,767

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