

**COMPARISON OF SOUTH BEND
COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION'S
ACADEMIC RESULTS AND FUNDING TO
OTHER INDIANA SCHOOL
CORPORATIONS**

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I. Introduction and Executive Summary

With the announcement by the South Bend Community School Corporation of its request for an additional \$210 million dollars in property taxes to be approved by a referendum in May, it is relevant to examine how South Bend Schools compares to other school districts in the state both academically and in funding.

The Indiana Department of Education used the ISTEP test for both grades 3-8 and grade 10 up to the 2017-2018 school year and switched to the ILEARN test for grades 3-8 in the 2018-2019 school year (no tests are given for grades 1-2 or grades 9, 11 and 12). Although the scores for almost all school districts were lower for the ILEARN tests than for ISTEP, comparing both ISTEP and ILEARN results between districts indicates the relative academic abilities of the students in each school district.

The following tables were prepared from data generated and published by the Indiana Department of Education (at <https://www.doe.in.gov/accountability/find-school-and-corporation-data-reports>) and from St. Joseph County tax disbursements. The academic data was sorted in descending order of student performance so that a comparison can be made between school districts.

By every measure, South Bend Schools compares poorly to other school districts.

- For proficiency in English/Language Arts, South Bend Schools scored 24th out of the 25 largest school districts in the state. Only Indianapolis Public Schools (IPS) scored lower. See Table 1 (2019 ILEARN and 2018 ISTEP Grades 3-8).
- For proficiency in Math, South Bend Schools scored 24th out of the 25 largest school districts in the state. Only IPS scored lower. See Table 2 (2019 ILEARN and 2018 ISTEP Grades 3-8).
- For proficiency in Biology (Grade 10 and advanced Grade 9 students), South Bend Schools scored 23rd out of the 25 largest school districts in the state. Only Hammond and IPS scored lower. See Table 3 (2019 ILEARN).
- For African American students Grades 3-8 for 2017, 2018 and 2019, South Bend Schools' proficiency in English/Language Arts was the lowest among the 25 school districts with the most African American students. See Table 4.
- For African American students Grades 3-8, South Bend Schools' proficiency in Math was the lowest among the 25 school districts with the most African American students in 2019, tied for lowest in 2018, and scored lowest in 2017. See Table 5.
- For Hispanic students Grades 3-8, South Bend Schools scored lowest in proficiency in English/Language Arts among the 28 school districts with over 600 Hispanic students tested in 2018 and the 25 school districts with over 600 Hispanic students tested in 2019. See Tables 6 and 7.

- For Hispanic students Grades 3-8, South Bend Schools scored lowest in proficiency in Math among the 28 districts with over 600 Hispanic students tested in 2018 and the 25 districts with over 600 Hispanic students tested in 2019. See Tables 8 and 9.
- For high schools in St. Joseph County tested for English Language Arts (ELA), Math and Biology, South Bend Schools scored lowest in all subjects for all students and student groups with the exception of Mishawaka scoring a lower ELA pass rate for African American students. See Table 10.
- In comparing high school graduation rates for both the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years, South Bend Schools was lowest among St. Joseph County school corporations both for total graduation rate and for “non-waiver” graduation rate (students graduating based on passing the state-mandated examinations demonstrating the state standard of proficiency in English and math). South Bend Schools’ non-waiver graduation rate was well below the state average; the gap between South Bend Schools and the state average grew substantially between 2018 and 2019. See Table 11.
- South Bend Schools has consistently received poor accountability grades from the Indiana Department of Education. See Table 12.
- Considering all sources, South Bend Schools currently receives far more funding per student than other St. Joseph County school districts. South Bend Schools’ funding per student has increased for the last three years. See Table 13.
- For the 2019-2020 school year, South Bend Schools receives 13.0% more than the next-best funded district (Mishawaka) and 41.4% more than the least-funded corporation (Career Academy High School). See Tables 14 and 15.
- When compared to South Bend Schools’ current 2019-2020 funding, other school districts receive 11.5% to 29.3% less than South Bend. See Table 16.
- It is generally agreed that South Bend needs to close some schools. We have predicted the further decline in enrollment. This is critical for any kind of fiscal viability. The only questions are which schools and how soon can it happen. See Table 17.

Almost all South Bend schools have a long history of poor performance. There is little to indicate any significant management intervention to improve the schools’ performance. South Bend Schools must urgently focus on improving the academic abilities of its students. Every day that students spend in poor schools diminishes their opportunity for a successful career and life. South Bend must look to other school districts with similar problems to see what is working for them. Continuing to do the same things will only lead to the same result. South Bend has consistently received much more funding per student than other nearby more successful school districts. Better management and innovation are needed, not more money. South Bend Schools has been badly managed for many years and the poor performance of its students is the result. Turning around South Bend Schools will take many years. The current South Bend Schools board has the opportunity and duty to start that turnaround now.

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

GRADES 3-8 ALL STUDENTS

Comparison of 2019 ILEARN and 2018 ISTEP test results for all students for Indiana’s 25 Largest School Districts.

(listed by 2019 descending order of percentage of students scoring as “proficient”)

	ID #	Corporation	2019 ILEARN % Proficient	2018 ISTEP % Pass
1	3060	Carmel Clay Schools	75.9%	87.0%
2	7175	Penn-Harris-Madison School Corp	67.9%	78.0%
3	8130	Warrick County School Corp	64.5%	80.2%
4	3005	Hamilton Southeastern Schools	64.3%	82.3%
5	9200	Archdiocese of Indianapolis	63.9%	78.3%
6	3070	Noblesville Schools	62.6%	77.9%
7	9220	Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend	61.5%	79.9%
8	5740	Monroe County Community Sch Corp	57.0%	71.7%
9	7865	Tippecanoe School Corp	53.3%	65.1%
10	5310	Franklin Township Com Sch Corp	52.1%	70.9%
11	365	Bartholomew Con School Corp	51.0%	63.9%
12	5340	Perry Township Schools	50.6%	62.9%
13	1010	Greater Clark County Schools	49.4%	63.3%
14	7995	Evansville Vanderburgh School Corp	45.2%	57.1%
15	5370	M S D Washington Township	45.0%	57.0%
16	8030	Vigo County School Corp	43.1%	64.5%
17	5330	M S D Lawrence Township	37.0%	50.4%
18	235	Fort Wayne Community Schools	34.2%	53.4%
19	2305	Elkhart Community Schools	33.8%	46.7%
20	5350	M S D Pike Township	33.5%	49.7%
21	5375	M S D Wayne Township	33.3%	49.5%
22	4710	School City of Hammond	32.3%	46.6%
23	5360	M S D Warren Township	28.7%	45.0%
24	7205	South Bend Community School Corp	23.3%	38.2%
25	5385	Indianapolis Public Schools	22.0%	37.1%

The English/Language Arts portion of the 2018 ISTEP and the 2019 ILEARN statewide tests assesses the proficiency of students in grades 3-8 in reading, reading comprehension, writing and listening.

South Bend scored 24th out of the 25 largest school districts in the state.

Source: Indiana Department of Education, <https://www.doe.in.gov/accountability/find-school-and-corporation-data-reports>.

Table 1

MATH

GRADES 3-8 ALL STUDENTS

Comparison of 2019 ILEARN and 2018 ISTEP test results for all students for Indiana's 25 Largest School Districts

(listed by 2019 descending order of percentage of students scoring as "proficient")

	ID #	Corporation	2019 ILEARN % Proficient	2018 ISTEP % Pass
1	3060	Carmel Clay Schools	76.2%	84.0%
2	3005	Hamilton Southeastern Schools	69.2%	79.8%
3	7175	Penn-Harris-Madison School Corp	66.0%	74.8%
4	8130	Warrick County School Corp	65.1%	77.0%
5	3070	Noblesville Schools	64.8%	75.1%
6	5740	Monroe County Community Sch Corp	59.8%	67.5%
7	9200	Archdiocese of Indianapolis	58.6%	69.1%
8	5310	Franklin Township Com Sch Corp	57.8%	70.5%
9	9220	Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend	57.1%	68.1%
10	5340	Perry Township Schools	53.2%	60.5%
11	7865	Tippecanoe School Corp	52.7%	61.3%
12	365	Bartholomew Con School Corp	50.3%	60.9%
13	7995	Evansville Vanderburgh School Corp	44.4%	52.3%
14	8030	Vigo County School Corp	44.3%	57.2%
15	1010	Greater Clark County Schools	44.2%	54.4%
16	5370	M S D Washington Township	42.5%	47.1%
17	5330	M S D Lawrence Township	36.0%	43.9%
18	235	Fort Wayne Community Schools	35.4%	45.5%
19	5360	M S D Warren Township	34.8%	37.2%
20	5375	M S D Wayne Township	33.1%	42.4%
21	2305	Elkhart Community Schools	32.3%	41.8%
22	5350	M S D Pike Township	30.1%	41.6%
23	4710	School City of Hammond	28.3%	37.6%
24	7205	South Bend Community School Corp	22.3%	30.7%
25	5385	Indianapolis Public Schools	21.2%	30.6%

The Math portion of the 2018 ISTEP and 2019 ILEARN statewide tests assesses the math proficiency of students in Grades 3-8.

South Bend scored 24th out of the 25 largest school districts in the state.

Source: Indiana Department of Education, 2019 ILEARN Grade 3-8 Corporation Results Disaggregated, <https://www.doe.in.gov/accountability/find-school-and-corporation-data-reports>.

Table 2

BIOLOGY

GRADE 10 AND ADVANCED GRADE 9: ALL STUDENTS

Comparison of 2019 ILEARN test results for all students for Indiana's 25 Largest School Districts

	Corp ID	Corporation	Tested	% Proficient
1	3305	Brownsburg Community School Corp	728	75.0%
2	3060	Carmel Clay Schools	1337	72.8%
3	3005	Hamilton Southeastern Schools	1700	61.6%
4	7175	Penn-Harris-Madison School Corp	771	58.6%
5	4660	Crown Point Community School Corp	775	54.3%
6	5740	Monroe County Community Sch Corp	751	53.9%
7	3315	Avon Community School Corp	799	51.6%
8	3070	Noblesville Schools	776	50.6%
9	9220	Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend	821	49.8%
10	9200	Archdiocese of Indianapolis	1216	48.6%
11	4615	Lake Central School Corporation	854	47.8%
12	7865	Tippecanoe School Corp	912	47.3%
13	5370	M S D Washington Township	876	44.9%
14	0365	Bartholomew Con School Corp	933	40.5%
15	7995	Evansville Vanderburgh School Corp	1561	35.7%
16	5340	Perry Township Schools	1148	30.2%
17	5330	M S D Lawrence Township	1243	26.8%
18	0255	East Allen County Schools	847	26.2%
19	0235	Fort Wayne Community Schools	2140	26.2%
20	5360	M S D Warren Township	858	24.4%
21	5375	M S D Wayne Township	1276	23.2%
22	2305	Elkhart Community Schools	903	21.8%
23	7205	South Bend Community School Corp	1012	20.2%
24	4710	School City of Hammond	1119	11.3%
25	5385	Indianapolis Public Schools	925	9.4%

The Biology portion of the 2019 ISTEP test assesses the Biology proficiency of students in Grade 10 and advanced Grade 9 students.

South Bend scored 23rd out of the 25 largest school districts.

Source: Indiana Department of Education, "2019 ILEARN Grade 3-8 Corporation Results Disaggregated," <https://www.doe.in.gov/accountability/find-school-and-corporation-data-reports>.

Table 3

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENTS GRADES 3-8

Comparison of 2017 and 2018 ISTEP and 2019 ILEARN test results for the 25 school districts with the highest number of African American students.

(listed by 2019 descending order of percentage of students scoring as “proficient”)

	District	2019 ILEARN % Proficient	2018 ISTEP % Pass	2017 ISTEP % Pass
1	Brownsburg Community School Corp	58.2%	80.2%	78.6%
2	Hamilton Southeastern Schools	42.9%	64.4%	62.8%
3	Archdiocese of Indianapolis	41.4%		
4	Merrillville Community School Corp	40.5%	57.6%	59.5%
5	Avon Community School Corp	38.9%	57.2%	57.9%
6	Greater Clark County Schools	33.8%	46.0%	49.9%
7	M S D Washington Township	30.3%	44.3%	45.5%
8	Perry Township Schools	29.9%	40.4%	46.3%
9	M S D Pike Township	28.3%	44.8%	45.7%
10	M S D Wayne Township	27.9%	43.4%	44.6%
11	M S D Lawrence Township	27.1%	41.5%	43.9%
12	School City of Hammond	26.2%	41.0%	41.8%
13	Lafayette School Corporation	24.4%	41.6%	43.8%
14	East Allen County Schools	22.2%	35.9%	34.5%
15	Gary Lighthouse Charter School	21.6%	34.2%	33.0%
16	Michigan City Area Schools	21.4%	36.7%	36.0%
17	M S D Warren Township	21.1%	37.3%	37.0%
18	Evansville Vanderburgh School Corp	19.0%	29.9%	29.7%
19	Fort Wayne Community Schools	18.2%	37.8%	38.3%
20	Anderson Community School Corp	16.7%	34.4%	33.4%
21	Elkhart Community Schools	16.2%	28.5%	29.1%
22	Gary Community School Corp	15.7%	29.1%	30.1%
23	Indianapolis Public Schools	13.7%	28.2%	32.4%
24	School City of East Chicago	13.4%	27.4%	33.7%
25	South Bend Community School Corp	12.6%	25.1%	26.3%

The English/Language Arts portion of the 2019 ILEARN and the 2017 and 2018 ISTEP tests assess the proficiency of the students in Grades 3-8 in reading, reading comprehension, writing and listening. This table shows the school districts with the highest number of African American students.

South Bend consistently scored 25th out of the 25 largest districts.

Source: Indiana Department of Education, <https://www.doe.in.gov/accountability/find-school-and-corporation-data-reports>

Table 4

MATH

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENTS GRADES 3-8

Comparison of the 2019 ILEARN and 2018 ISTEP tests for the 25 school districts with the highest number of African American students.

(listed by 2019 descending order of percentage of students scoring as “proficient”)

	District	Tested 2019	2019 ILEARN % Proficient	2018 ISTEP % Pass	2017 ISTEP % Pass
1	Brownsburg Community School Corp	553	60.9%	75.0%	74.8
2	Hamilton Southeastern Schools	743	41.9%	55.8%	54.2
3	Avon Community School Corp	579	41.8%	44.8%	48.9
4	Merrillville Community School Corp	1636	39.1%	51.2%	48.6
5	Perry Township Schools	472	30.1%	36.1%	37.3
6	Archdiocese of Indianapolis	561	29.2%	38.3%	
7	M S D Wayne Township	2430	26.4%	32.6%	34.2
8	M S D Washington Township	1829	26.1%	30.6%	30.0
9	Michigan City Area Schools	813	26.1%	35.0%	32.3
10	Greater Clark County Schools	631	26.1%	35.3%	37.4
11	M S D Warren Township	2627	25.5%	28.5%	26.6
12	Lafayette School Corporation	623	24.6%	34.9%	38.2
13	M S D Lawrence Township	2979	24.4%	31.7%	31.1
14	M S D Pike Township	2966	23.7%	34.9%	35.0
15	East Allen County Schools	482	22.3%	21.6%	22.0
16	School City of Hammond	1899	20.5%	29.0%	31.3
17	Fort Wayne Community Schools	3113	18.3%	27.7%	26.5
18	Gary Lighthouse Charter School	482	18.3%	27.3%	27.6
19	Anderson Community School Corp	641	17.8%	29.0%	26.8
20	Evansville Vanderburgh School Corp	1358	15.8%	22.5%	24.2
21	Elkhart Community Schools	804	14.4%	20.8%	24.4
22	Indianapolis Public Schools	5994	12.7%	20.6%	20.3
23	<i>Gary Community School Corp</i>	1640	12.1%	17.0%	22.7
24	School City of East Chicago	671	11.3%	24.9%	23.9
25	South Bend Community School Corp	2573	10.5%	17.0%	15.6

The Math portion of the 2019 ILEARN and the 2018 ISTEP statewide tests assess the Math proficiency in Grades 3-8.

This table shows the school districts with the highest number of African American students.

SCSC in 2019 scored last out of the 25 school districts with the most African American students and in 2018 tied for last.

Source: Indiana Department of Education Data Center.

Table 5

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

HISPANIC STUDENTS GRADES 3-8

Comparison of the 2019 ILEARN test results for the 25 school districts with the highest number of Hispanic students.

(listed by descending order of percentage of students scoring as “proficient”)

	District	Tested	% Proficient
1	Lake Central School Corporation	760	56.2%
2	Diocese of Gary	1081	51.7%
3	Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend	1265	42.8%
4	Archdiocese of Indianapolis	1594	42.3%
5	Portage Township Schools	804	42.3%
6	Greater Clark County Schools	710	40.6%
7	Concord Community Schools	987	40.5%
8	Lafayette School Corporation	978	39.9%
9	Tippecanoe School Corp	886	38.1%
10	Goshen Community Schools	1681	35.0%
11	Bartholomew Con School Corp	819	34.2%
12	School City of Hammond	2593	33.4%
13	M S D Wayne Township	2080	33.0%
14	M S D Warren Township	778	31.6%
15	M S D Washington Township	1000	31.3%
16	Fort Wayne Community Schools	2326	30.5%
17	M S D Pike Township	1269	30.2%
18	Perry Township Schools	1087	29.0%
19	Elkhart Community Schools	1980	27.8%
20	M S D Lawrence Township	1862	27.2%
21	Community Schools of Frankfort	752	27.1%
22	Logansport Community Sch Corp	807	26.5%
23	School City of East Chicago	752	22.2%
24	Indianapolis Public Schools	4126	19.9%
25	South Bend Community School Corp	1690	18.1%

The English/Language Arts portion of the 2019 ILEARN statewide test assesses the proficiency of students in Grades 3-8 in Reading, Reading Comprehension, Writing and Listening. This table shows the school districts with the highest number of Hispanic students.

South Bend scored lowest of the 25 school districts.

Source: Indiana Department of Education Data Center.

Table 6

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

HISPANIC STUDENTS

Comparison of the 2018 ISTEP tests for the 28 school districts with the highest number of Hispanic students.

Districts With Over 600 Hispanic Students Tested

	ID	Corporations with 600+ Hispanic students tested	Tested	ELA Pass %
1	9205	Diocese of Gary	1089	73.60%
2	4615	Lake Central School Corporation	762	71.50%
3	3005	Hamilton Southeastern Schools	722	71.50%
4	9220	Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend	1194	66.20%
5	6550	Portage Township Schools	839	62.00%
6	7855	Lafayette School Corporation	994	60.00%
7	9200	Archdiocese of Indianapolis	1451	56.80%
8	4415	Warsaw Community Schools	687	53.00%
9	2270	Concord Community Schools	926	52.80%
10	1010	Greater Clark County Schools	684	52.50%
11	235	Fort Wayne Community Schools	2328	50.50%
12	7865	Tippecanoe School Corp	893	49.90%
13	5375	M S D Wayne Township	2161	47.80%
14	5350	M S D Pike Township	1354	47.50%
15	4710	School City of Hammond	2908	47.30%
16	2315	Goshen Community Schools	1740	46.40%
17	365	Bartholomew Con School Corp	825	46.40%
18	5360	M S D Warren Township	826	45.90%
19	5340	Perry Township Schools	1142	44.90%
20	5370	M S D Washington Township	1040	43.70%
21	875	Logansport Community Sch Corp	828	43.40%
22	2305	Elkhart Community Schools	2018	42.40%
23	1170	Community Schools of Frankfort	752	41.40%
24	5330	M S D Lawrence Township	1858	39.60%
25	4670	School City of East Chicago	877	37.50%
26	3675	Seymour Community Schools	612	36.90%
27	5385	Indianapolis Public Schools	3865	36.30%
28	7205	South Bend Community School Corp	1734	35.50%

The English/Language Arts portion of the 2018 ISTEP statewide test assesses the proficiency of students in Grades 3-8 in Reading, Reading Comprehension, Writing and Listening. This table shows the school districts with the highest number of Hispanic students.

South Bend scored lowest of the 28 school districts.

Table 7

MATH

HISPANIC STUDENTS

Comparison of the 2018 ISTEP tests for the 28 school districts with the highest number of Hispanic students.

Districts With Over 600 Hispanic Students Tested

	ID	Corporations with 600+ Hispanic students tested	Tested	Math Pass %
1	3005	Hamilton Southeastern Schools	721	65.60%
2	6550	Portage Township Schools	840	62.70%
3	4615	Lake Central School Corporation	762	60.40%
4	7855	Lafayette School Corporation	988	57.50%
5	9205	Diocese of Gary	1089	54.50%
6	2270	Concord Community Schools	936	51.70%
7	9220	Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend	1196	49.60%
8	7865	Tippecanoe School Corp	891	48.30%
9	9200	Archdiocese of Indianapolis	1452	47.10%
10	4415	Warsaw Community Schools	682	45.20%
11	365	Bartholomew Con School Corp	827	44.40%
12	5340	Perry Township Schools	1142	43.70%
13	1010	Greater Clark County Schools	683	43.60%
14	5375	M S D Wayne Township	2171	43.40%
15	5350	M S D Pike Township	1360	43.20%
16	1170	Community Schools of Frankfort	753	42.60%
17	235	Fort Wayne Community Schools	2335	40.60%
18	2315	Goshen Community Schools	1741	40.10%
19	4710	School City of Hammond	2909	39.70%
20	5360	M S D Warren Township	824	38.60%
21	5330	M S D Lawrence Township	1865	37.70%
22	2305	Elkhart Community Schools	2022	37.60%
23	875	Logansport Community Sch Corp	829	36.40%
24	3675	Seymour Community Schools	615	35.60%
25	5370	M S D Washington Township	1042	35.30%
26	4670	School City of East Chicago	880	32.70%
27	5385	Indianapolis Public Schools	3891	31.40%
28	7205	South Bend Community School Corp	1739	28.00%

The Math portion of the 2018 ISTEP statewide test assesses Math proficiency in Grades 3-8.

This table shows the school districts with the highest number of Hispanic students.

South Bend scored last of the 28 largest school districts.

Source: Indiana Department of Education, <https://www.doe.in.gov/accountability/find-school-and-corporation-data-reports>.

Table 8

MATH
HISPANIC STUDENTS

Comparison of the 2019 ILEARN test for the 25 school districts with the highest number of Hispanic students.

(listed by descending order of percentage of students scoring as “proficient”)

	District	Tested	% Proficient
1	Lake Central School Corporation	760	46.4%
2	Portage Township Schools	804	42.5%
3	Concord Community Schools	987	42.1%
4	Lafayette School Corporation	978	40.9%
5	Diocese of Gary	1081	39.1%
6	Tippecanoe School Corp	886	37.8%
7	M S D Warren Township	778	36.5%
8	Greater Clark County Schools	710	36.5%
9	Goshen Community Schools	1681	35.7%
10	Perry Township Schools	1087	35.7%
11	Archdiocese of Indianapolis	1594	35.6%
12	Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend	1265	34.5%
13	Bartholomew Con School Corp	819	34.1%
14	M S D Wayne Township	2080	32.3%
15	M S D Pike Township	1269	31.0%
16	School City of Hammond	2593	30.2%
17	Community Schools of Frankfort	752	30.1%
18	M S D Lawrence Township	1862	28.9%
19	Fort Wayne Community Schools	2326	28.3%
20	M S D Washington Township	1000	28.0%
21	Elkhart Community Schools	1980	27.1%
22	Logansport Community Sch Corp	807	25.7%
23	School City of East Chicago	752	22.4%
24	Indianapolis Public Schools	4126	19.5%
25	South Bend Community School Corp	1690	17.5%

The Math portion of the 2019 ILEARN test assesses Math proficiency in Grades 3-8.

This table shows the school districts with the highest number of Hispanic students.

South Bend scored last of the 25 school districts.

Source: Indiana Department of Education, <https://www.doe.in.gov/accountability/find-school-and-corporation-data-reports>.

Table 9

Comparison of the 2019 High School (Grade 10) Tests for English Language Arts (ISTEP), Math (ISTEP) and Biology (ILEARN) for St Joseph County School Districts

	All Students			African American Students			Hispanic Students		
	ELA	Math	Biology	ELA	Math	Biology	ELA	Math	Biology
Diocese of Fort Wayne - SB	82.4	48.3	49.8	51.4	20.0	20.5	70.6	25.2	31.5
Penn Harris Madison	82.9	62.4	58.6	62.9	27.0	25.0	91.3	56.5	39.5
Career Academy High School	57.6	40.0	66.0	41.2	17.6	50.0	*	*	*
John Glenn School Corp	73.3	50.3	43.7	*	*		75.0	50.0	39.5
School City Mishawaka	52.0	26.9	37.1	24.0	12.0	20.7	48.1	25.9	38.7
SB Community School Corp	48.0	21.1	20.2	29.5	7.8	7.9	38.7	9.9	11.2

*Groups of fewer than ten students are not reported by IDOE.

SOUTH BEND SCHOOLS scored the lowest of the school districts for all students for all subjects except that Mishawaka scored lower in English/Language Arts for African American students.

Source: Indiana Department of Education, <https://www.doe.in.gov/accountability/find-school-and-corporation-data-reports>

Table 10

GRADUATION RATES FOR ST. JOSEPH COUNTY HIGH SCHOOLS

In addition to passing the state tests, students may also graduate through a “waiver” process.

Indiana Code Section 20-32-4-4(a) states: “A student who does not achieve a passing score on the graduation examination and who does not meet the requirements of Section 1.5(a) {IC-20-32-4-1.5(a)} of this chapter may be eligible to graduate if the student does all of the following: “The statute goes to list six additional requirements in lieu of passing the graduation test.

The average state waiver percentage was 7.43% in 2017-2018 and 10.46% in 2018-2019.

South Bend’s waiver rate was 10.14% in 2017-2018 and 18.52% in 2018-2019.

	2017-2018 School Year		2018-2019 School Year	
School Corporation	Total Grad Rate	Non-Waiver Grad Rate	Total Grad Rate	Non-Waiver Grad Rate
State Average	88.12%	80.79%	87.29%	76.73%
John Glenn	92.86%	87.14%	94.89%	91.97%
PHM	96.89%	89.86%	97.35%	91.46%
Mishawaka	91.29%	77.78%	92.74%	69.27%
Career Academy HS	88.52%	86.89%	90.38%	88.46%
SOUTH BEND SCHOOLS	77.67%	67.53%	74.21%	55.69%
• Clay	84.27%	72.66%	74.40%	51.20%
• Adams	93.45%	81.07%	90.56%	75.30%
• Riley	79.30%	71.09%	81.33%	65.67%
• Washington	78.82%	65.52%	73.94%	37.23%
• Rise Up Academy	15.38%	15.38 %	10.71%	9.29%

SOUTH BEND SCHOOLS was the lowest among St. Joseph County school corporations for both total graduation rate and non-waiver graduation rate.

Source: Indiana Department of Education, <https://www.doe.in.gov/accountability/find-school-and-corporation-data-reports>

Table 11

**South Bend Community Schools Accountability Grades 2011-12 to 2017-18
(No grades issued for 2018-19)**

High Schools (9-12)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15*	2015-16	2016-15	2017-18
Adams	C	C	C	B	B	A	A
Clay	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
Riley	C	C	C	C	C	B	B
Washington	D	D	D	D	D	C	C
<i>Average on 4.0 scale¹</i>	1.8	1.8	1.75	2.0	2.0	2.75	2.75
Intermediate Centers (5-8)							
Brown**	D	C	F	F	F	F	F
Clay	C	D	C	C	D	D	D
Dickinson	A	B	D	C	F	F	D
Edison	C	D	D	D	F	F	F
Greene**	D	F	C	C	F	F	F
Jackson	F	B	C	C	F	F	D
Jefferson	B	C	A	A	D	D	C
LaSalle	A	A	A	A	B	B	B
Marshall	D	F	D	D	D	D	F
Navarre	D	F	F	F	F	F	F
<i>Average on 4.0 scale</i>	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.8	0.6	0.6	0.8
Primary Centers (K-4)							
Coquillard	C	D	D	D	F	F	F
Darden	D	A	A	A	C	C	D
Hamilton	A	A	A	A	B	C	D
Harrison	F	D	F	F	F	F	D
Hay	D	C	D	D	C	C	D
Kennedy	A	A	A	A	A	C	B
Lincoln	D	C	C	C	C	D	D
Madison	F	F	F	F	F	F	C
Marquette	C	D	D	D	F	F	F
McKinley	C	D	C	C	D	F	D
Monroe	F	D	F	F	D	D	D
Muessel	F	C	D	D	F	F	F
Nuner	D	F	D	D	F	D	C
Perley**s	F	D	D	D	C	D	D
Swanson	D	A	C	C	C	F	F
Tarkington	A	A	A	A	C	C	A
Warren	F	A	C	C	C	D	D
Wilson	D	B	F	F	C	D	F
<i>Average on 4.0 scale</i>	1.3	2.2	1.66	1.66	1.38	0.88	1.11

*The Indiana General Assembly passed Senate Enrolled Act 200 to hold schools and corporations harmless for the results of the more rigorous assessment. This Hold Harmless approach for Statewide Accountability allowed schools and corporations to receive the better of either the 2013-14 grade or the 2014-15 grade.

**closed as of 2018-19.

Table 12

¹ Not including Rise-Up Academy (for which there is no data on COMPASS).

PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING IN INDIANA

Traditional public schools in Indiana receive funding from both the state and the county. Charter schools receive money only from the state and do not receive any county funding. Charter schools receive some additional state funding to partially offset the absence of any county funding.

For budgeting and comparison purposes, school funding is shown as “the dollar amount of funding per student per school year”.

The ADM Foundation and Complexity grants are the state per-student tuition funds that all schools receive. Schools with a higher percentage of low-income students receive higher Complexity funding. While Complexity grants use other measures of poverty, low-income students are generally identified as students qualifying for free or reduced price lunches under the federal school lunch program. In addition to the tuition payable on a per student basis (the “ADM” Foundation and Complexity grants), schools are eligible for Special Education funding, Career and Technical Education (CTE) funding, and federal funding (Title I and Title II) funding.

FUNDING ANALYSIS FOR THE RELEVANT SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN ST. JOSEPH COUNTY FOR THE 2019 – 2020 SCHOOL YEAR

SCHOOL DISTRICT	ENROLLMENT	FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH %	ADM GRANT PER STUDENT PER YEAR (COMPLEXITY INCLUDED)	STATE CHARTER SCHOOL GRANT PER STUDENT PER YEAR	COUNTY PROPERTY TAX RECEIVED BY SCHOOL DISTRICT	COUNTY TAX FUNDS PER STUDENT PER YEAR	TOTAL FUNDING PER STUDENT PER YEAR FROM STATE AND COUNTY TAXES
South Bend	16,725	68.8%	\$6,718.44	0.00	\$49,086,816.37	\$2,934.94	\$9,653.38
PHM	11,373	26.5%	5,675.46	0.00	25,620,635.94	\$2,252.76	7,928.22
Mishawaka	5,329	65.0%	6,387.16	0.00	11,503,456.65	\$2,158.65	8,545.81*
Career Academy High School	343	30.2%	6,078.56	\$750.00	0.00	0.00	6,828.56
Career Academy Middle School	365	65.7%	6,389.63	\$750.00	0.00	0.00	7,139.63
Success Academy Elem. School	624	71.7%	6,938.83	\$750.00	0.00	0.00	7,688.83

*Includes referendum funding

Table 13

**FUNDING ANALYSIS FOR THE RELEVANT SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN ST. JOSEPH COUNTY
FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR**

SCHOOL DISTRICT	ENROLLMENT	FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH %	ADM GRANT PER STUDENT PER YEAR (COMPLEXITY INCLUDED)	STATE CHARTER SCHOOL GRANT PER STUDENT PER YEAR	COUNTY PROPERTY TAX RECEIVED BY SCHOOL DISTRICT	COUNTY TAX FUNDS PER STUDENT PER YEAR	TOTAL FUNDING PER STUDENT PER YEAR FROM STATE AND COUNTY TAXES
SOUTH BEND SCHOOLS	17,225	68.9%	\$6,639.41	0.00	\$48,028,785.11	\$2,788.32	\$9,427.73
PHM	11,496	25.6%	5,596.46	0.00	24,869,652.37	2,163.33	7,759.79
Mishawaka	5,423	64.3%	6,308.16	0.00	11,525,565.04	2,215.31	8,433.47
Career Academy High School	305	53.7%	5,999.56	\$500.00	0.00	0.00	6,499.56
Career Academy Middle School	340	62.4%	6,310.63	\$500.00	0.00	0.00	6,810.63
Success Academy Elem. School	609	73.7%	6,904.83	\$500.00	0.00	0.00	7,404.83

Table 14

**FUNDING ANALYSIS FOR THE RELEVANT SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN ST. JOSEPH COUNTY
FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR**

SCHOOL DISTRICT	ENROLLMENT	FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH %	ADM GRANT PER STUDENT PER YEAR (COMPLEXITY INCLUDED)	STATE CHARTER SCHOOL GRANT PER STUDENT PER YEAR	COUNTY PROPERTY TAX RECEIVED BY SCHOOL DISTRICT	COUNTY TAX FUNDS PER STUDENT PER YEAR	TOTAL FUNDING PER STUDENT PER YEAR FROM STATE AND COUNTY TAXES
SOUTH BEND SCHOOLS	17,697	73.5%	\$6,518.46	0.00	\$48,213,166.77	\$2,724.37	\$9,242.83
PHM	11,434	26.2%	5,502.00	0.00	25,215,494.00	2,205.00	7,707.37
Mishawaka	5,380	65.5%	6,221.00	0.00	7,518,722.00	1,398.00	7,618.72
Career Academy High School	297	53.2%	6,191.11	\$500.00	0.00	0.00	6,691.11
Career Academy Middle School	323	57.3%	6,421.14	\$500.00	0.00	0.00	6,921.14
Success Academy	644	72.5%	6,965.44	\$500.00	0.00	0.00	7,465.44

Table 15

**FUNDING COMPARISON OF SOUTH BEND AND
OTHER ST. JOSEPH COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS**

Funding shown as “dollars per student per school year”.

SCHOOL DISTRICT	FUNDING PER STUDENT FOR 2019-2020 FROM Table 13	FUNDING DIFFERENCE FROM SOUTH BEND AND OTHER SCHOOL DISTRICTS (\$9,653 LESS AMOUNT IN COLUMN 2)	% SOUTH BEND RECEIVED OVER THE OTHER SCHOOL DISTRICTS 2019-2020 FUNDING (COLUMN 3 DIVIDED BY COLUMN 2)	% LESS EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT COMPARED TO SOUTH BEND'S FUNDING (COLUMN 3 DIVIDED BY \$9653)
South Bend	\$9,653.38			
PHM	7,928.22	\$1,725.00	21.8%	17.9%
Mishawaka	8,545.81*	1,108.00	13.0	11.5
Career Academy High School	6,828.56	2,825.00	41.4	29.3
Career Academy Middle School	7,139.63	2,514.00	35.2	26.0
Success Academy Elem. School	7,688.83	1,965.00	25.6	20.4

*Includes Mishawaka Referendum funding

Table 16

**SOUTH BEND COMMUNITY SCHOOLS 2019
UTILIZATION RATE**

ALL SCHOOLS

Elementary Schools (K-5)				Other Specialty Magnets				High Schools (9-12)			
School	Adjusted Capacity	Enroll	% Usage	School	Adjusted Capacity	Enroll	% Usage	School	Adjusted Capacity	Enroll	% Usage
Coquillard	485	251	52	Marquette	616	520	84	Adams	1950	1889	97
Darden	758	463	61	Clay K-8	742	409	55	Clay HS	1500	907	61
Harrison	765	648	85	Total	1358	929	68	Riley	2000	1061	53
Hay	603	313	52					Rise Up	314	242	78
Kennedy	884	676	76					Washington	1400	737	53
Lincoln	620	490	79	Middle Schools (6-8)				Total	7164	4836	68
Madison	728	608	84	Dickinson	651	678	104				
Marshall	600	411	69	Edison	650	442	68				
McKinley	470	442	94	Jackson	790	627	79				
Monroe	606	368	61	Jefferson	621	515	83				
Muessel	600	387	65	LaSalle	850	550	65				
Nuner	732	497	68	Navarre	680	560	82				
Swanson	484	394	81	Total	4242	3372	80				
Tarkington	360	214	59								
Warren	435	221	51								
Wilson	512	368	72								
Total	9510	717	79								

Table 17

Source: South Bend Community Schools Corporation