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Putting the Fun in School Funding

A Handful of Facts That'll Make You a School Finance Expert (In 20 minutes or less)

About **1** in **6**

Plumbing Vs Water Pressure

Expenditures

60%

(Bonus number 20%)

Expenditures

47th

&

44th

Funding Sources

15.4%
(8.4%)

38.6%
(46.0%)

46.0%
(45.6%)

**How can we direct more
funding to schools without
increasing taxes?**

Hope that they discover
oil in your state

Which is the best tax?

1980

It's a New World

- Open Enrollment
- Charters
- Dual/Concurrent Enrollment
- On-line Learning
- High-need students

Short term fixes for Permanent problems

Future Steps

What do you want your students to achieve?

Will it produce an additional cost?

Can your current formula get you there?

Additional Funding

Ensure that any additional funding is sufficient & will grow with your needs

Let voters know what they are buying with a tax increase

You get one bite at the apple

(once every 5 to 10 years or so)

“It's supposed to be hard. If it were easy, everyone would do it”

Tom Hanks in A League of Their Own

Don't let people tell you
"it can't be done"

\$8.30 per hour

But for most

About **\$7.00** per hour

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