



WFISchool Survey: Tuition, Fees, and Salary Survey Results 2006 -2007

394 Schools were sent the survey. 100 schools responded in full or in part.

County	School District	Community Size	School Size	Constituency
King 45%	Seattle/Bellevue 26%	Large Urban – 45%	1 – 100: 28%	Roman Catholic: 25%
Total W. WA Counties: 80%	Other – 74%	Small Urban and Suburban 39%	101-199: 26% 200-399: 11%	ACSI/CSI: 26% Montessori: 6%
E. WA Counties: 20%		Rural – 16%	400+ : 23%	PNAIS: 12% Luth. 7%
				SDA: 6%
				Unaffiliated: 11%

Table 1: Tuition Rates

Grade Level	Mean (Average)	Range
Kindergarten (half-day)	\$3877	\$500 – 10,000
Kindergarten (full-day)	\$6390	\$500 – 15,499
Primary (grades 1-4)	\$5848	\$500 – 20,000
Intermediate (grades 5-8)	\$6607	\$500 – 20,000
High School (grades 9-12)	\$8651	\$999 – 20,000

Required Service Hours for Parents:

Yes – 45% No – 55%

(Last year’s survey showed 55% - yes and 45% -no) This may indicate that parents are less able or choose not to volunteer within the school.

Average fees charged in addition to tuition:

Elementary/ Middle School - \$290
 High School - \$430

Actual Costs per Pupil:

Lower than full tuition: 12%
 Equal to full tuition: 10%
 <\$500 Above 15%
 \$501 - \$1000 Above 24%
 \$1001 - \$2000 Above 18%
 >\$2000 19%

(76% of schools reporting charge more than the actual costs per pupil)

Table 2: Faculty and Chief Administrator Salaries

Experience and Education	Mean (average)	Range	Statewide Public School Scale 2006-2007
0 years: BA	\$26,588	\$20,000 – 40,000	\$31,386
5 years: BA +15hrs	\$30,800	\$20,000 - 40,000	\$34,372
10 years: MA	\$39,489	\$25,000 - 55,000	\$44,915
20 years: MA*	\$42,749	\$25,000 - 60,000	\$53,217
Head of School:	\$81,707	\$30,000 – 110,000	Elem. \$83,412 JH/MS: \$87,553 High: \$93,905

**Salaries reported are approximately the same as last year.

Of the 97 schools reporting, 70% of those schools state that between 60%-100% of their administrative and/or certificated staff hold valid Washington State certificates. 23% reported valid certificates from other states. 7% reported instructional staff that are support or administrative without certification.

Of those students leaving:

Finances*	Moved to new location	Acceptance into other program	Special Education Needs	Counseled out of program	Expelled	Dissatisfied	Other
35%	30%	11%	7%	2%	0%	7%	8%

* Financial reasons were 26% in 2005-06. Dissatisfaction decreased from 14% to 7%.

High Schools Only: % of Graduates from 2006 going to 2 or 4 year college programs.

<80%	80-84%	85-89%	90-94%	95-100%
6%	9%	3%	31%	50%

OTHER INFORMATION:

- 1. 44% of schools participate in some form of Federal Program. . Of those that do not, the vast majority cited philosophical reasons. 73% of participating schools believe their local school district is working well with them in the consultation process.**

Title IA	52%
Title II	89%
Title III	5%
Title IV	43%
Title V	70%
IDEA	9%
E-Rate	11%
ESEA/NCLB	44%

- 2. 68% of school heads described their teacher openings over the past 5 years as “stable”. 62% report that filling positions has also remained stable.**
- 3. 68% of reporting schools offer before and/ or after-school programs.**
- 4. 59% of reporting schools offer preschool and/or pre-K.**
- 5. 21% will administer the WASL in the Spring of 2007. This is a decline from 37% in 2005 and 27% in 2006. Those that do not, cite philosophical differences and the use of other assessments that better match their needs as reasons for non-participation.**
- 6. 66% have used the EALR’S in revising, refining or developing school curriculum.**
- 7. 20% of schools report that at least 15% of their students qualify for free and reduced lunch program.**
- 8. While all schools reported giving financial assistance at some level, the majority report offering needs based assistance to 40+ % of students.**
- 9. Of the 71% of schools that are accredited, 43% are NAAS, and 28% chose a nationally recognized accrediting body that matched their mission.**

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