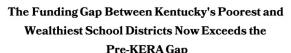
Funding Gap Between Clinton County School District and Wealthiest Districts Is Now Worse than Level Declared Unconstitutional

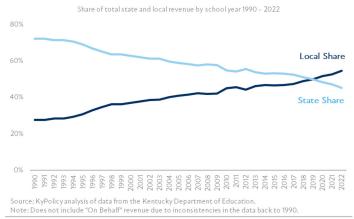
Passage of the Kentucky
Education Reform Act (KERA) in
1990 and accompanying tax
increases drastically reduced the
funding gap between Kentucky
school districts. But years of
austere budgets since have eroded
funding for education, returning us
to pre-KERA inequality.





The state's failure to adequately fund education forces districts to try to make up the cost. Low property wealth makes it difficult for the Clinton County School District and others to fill that gap. State disinvestment hurts these districts most.

The State Now Contributes a Smaller Share of Education Funding Than School Districts



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Share of 2022 state/local education revenue that comes from local sources in Clinton County School District:

31%

Average that comes from local sources across all districts:

55%

Share of revenue that comes from local sources in Kentucky's wealthiest school districts:

77%

Note: Does not include "on behalf" payments, much of which goes to pay past unfunded pension liabilities.



