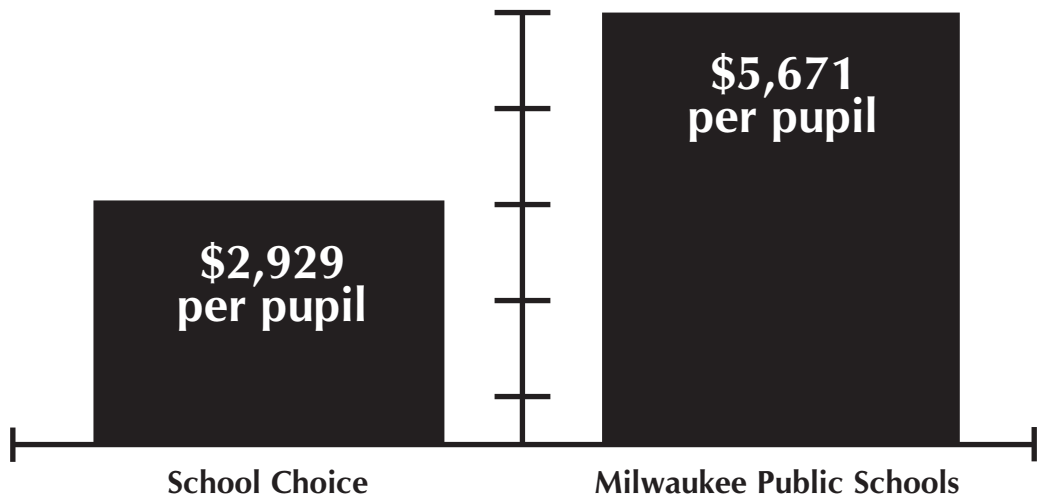


State Support of Education Costs in Milwaukee



School Choice Works and Saves You Money

In 1990, the Legislature and Governor expanded educational choices for low-income Milwaukee parents. One goal was to give children in these families new opportunities. Another goal was to cause reform in the Milwaukee Public Schools, where half of high school freshmen don't graduate.

School choice works. Public schools in Milwaukee have improved because of school choice, according to new research from Harvard University. Parents of choice students are more satisfied and more involved in their children's education.

School choice saves you money. The state pays \$5,671 for each student in Milwaukee Public Schools. State support to Milwaukee for each choice student is \$2,929.

What if school choice is killed? The education of nearly 10,000 Milwaukee children would be disrupted. Most would return to the Milwaukee Public Schools. MPS plans to reduce class size and busing would unravel.

To pay the higher costs, the state will shift millions from school districts outside Milwaukee, where school boards will raise property taxes or cut budgets to make up for that loss.



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