

## FOREWORD

This report is the State Department of Education's 16th annual publication of local school district expenditures and related data. It is intended to assist local and regional school districts in preparing their budgets. This information should also provide school districts and the educational community at large with a convenient source of answers to many common questions raised by the general public.

Our overall goals in these efforts continue to be:

- to collect a minimum of important and comparable financial data from school districts;
- to provide the most current reports to school districts on a regular basis; and
- to automate the reporting of school districts' data and the Department's statewide reports.

This report is available to districts through the Publications section of the State Department of Education's home page on the Internet ([www.state.ct.us/sde](http://www.state.ct.us/sde)). The Internet application is updated as audited data are received and provides additional information not included in this publication, including district rankings for many of the expenditure categories. I encourage school districts to use the State Department of Education's home page on the Internet to obtain the most up-to-date information.

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