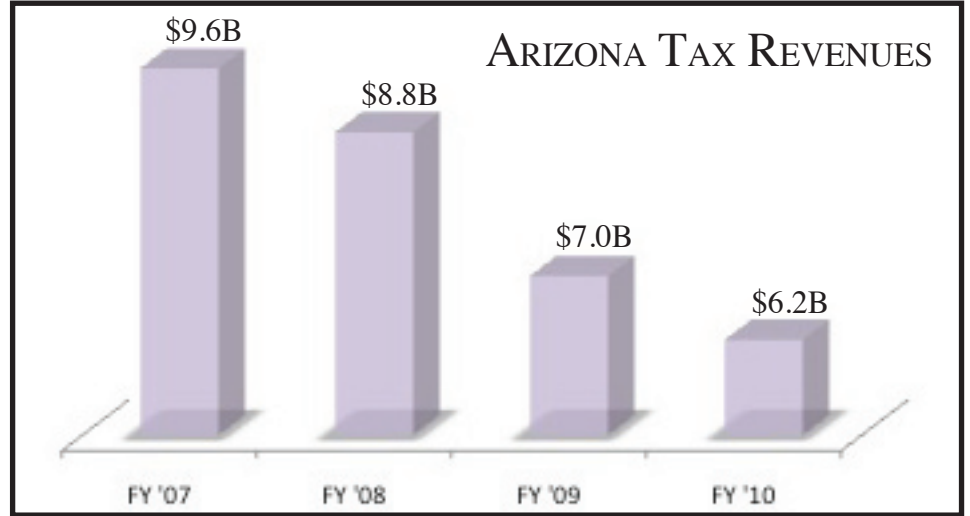


THE TRUTH

ABOUT EDUCATION SPENDING IN ARIZONA

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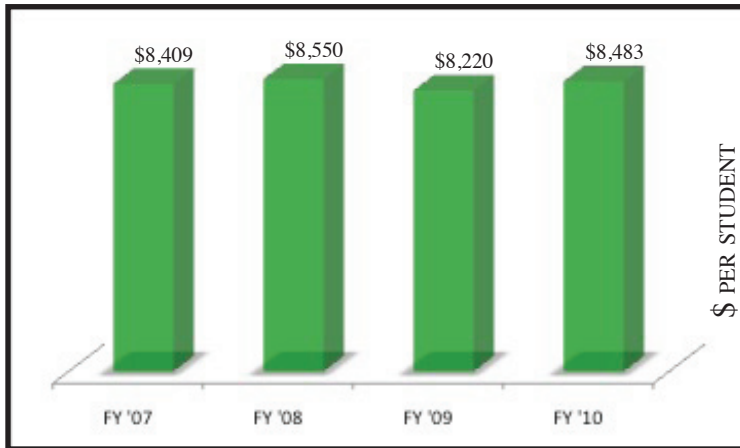
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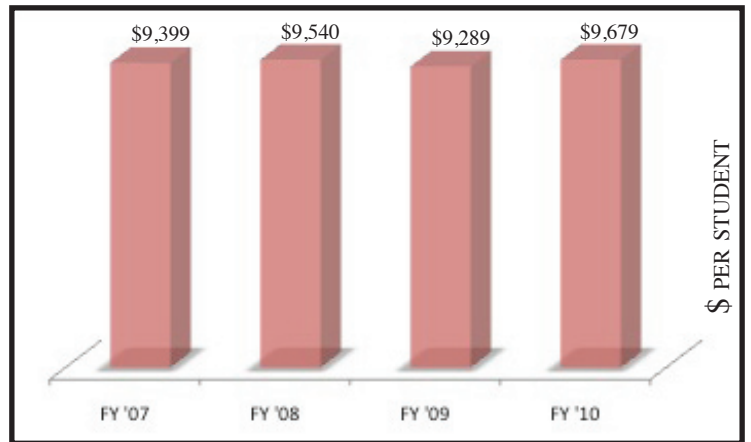
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What have we spent on education?

AZ EDUCATION FUNDING FROM STATE/LOCAL SOURCES

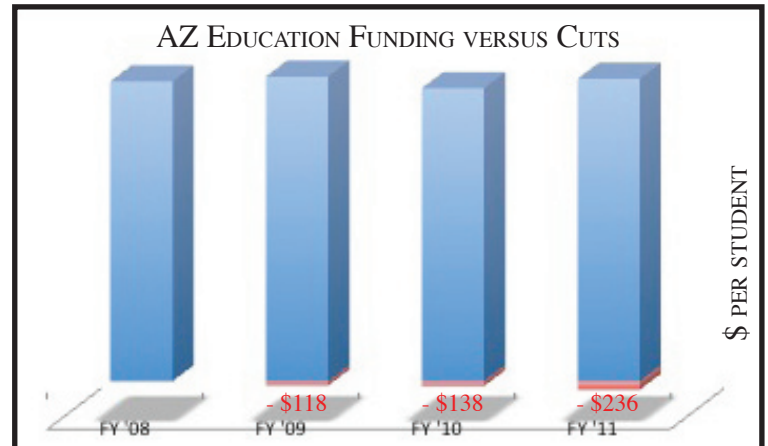


AZ EDUCATION FUNDING FROM FEDERAL/STATE/LOCAL SOURCES



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Were there cuts? Yes, shown in red, relative to state spending in blue.





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FIGHTING FOR SOUTHERN ARIZONA

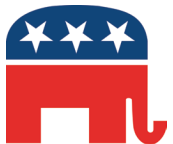
Education is a critical issue to all of Arizona. As legislators, the amount of money spent on education dwarfs any other expenditure that we make. As parents and grandparents, the quality of education our kids and grandkids receive is of paramount concern to us. Small wonder then that the topic of education features so prominently in political campaigns.

Sadly, liberal candidates and their allies in the media like to reinforce the myth that Arizona does not care about education, does not fund education, and does not make education a priority. So I have prepared this flyer to give you the data you need to understand the truth.

In spite of the severity of our economic crisis, we have protected education, shielding it from the massive cuts that other programs have endured. In fact, when you include local and federal dollars, education spending has actually increased.

You will also hear that Arizona does not pay its teachers well when the latest statistics show Arizona's average unadjusted teacher's salary ranks #24 out of 50 states and if you adjust the salary to the state's per-capita income, our ranking jumps to #8*.

Please visit my website at www.VoteAlMelvin.com to arm yourself with these and other facts and thank you, in advance, for your support!



* Source: Arizona Tax Research Association (April 2009)

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“We must continue to drive dollars into the classroom and teachers salaries rather than the ever-increasing percentage of funds consumed by school administrations and bureaucrats.” ~ State Senator Al Melvin

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