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## 2016 Election Red States Ranked by Education

State	College Readiness	High School Grad. Rate	NAEP Math Scores	NAEP Reading Scores	Spending/Pupil
Utah	33	26	15	9	\$6,575
Idaho	14	41	23	13	\$6,923
Arizona	37	44	26	34	\$7,489
Oklahoma	31	28	45	35	\$8,082
Mississippi	49	40	48	50	\$8,456
Nevada	50	49	43	43	\$8,615
North Carolina	45	26	30	39	\$8,687
Tennessee	42	11	37	30	\$8,726
Texas	29	5	22	38	\$8,861
Florida	41	43	42	32	\$8,881
South Dakota	18	28	19	22	\$8,937
Alabama	46	18	50	46	\$9,128
Colorado	27	41	16	17	\$9,245
Georgia	24	46	36	37	\$9,427
Kentucky	39	9	39	19	\$9,630
Indiana	16	7	10	15	\$9,687
Arkansas	38	15	44	45	\$9,694
New Mexico	43	50	47	49	\$9,752
South Carolina	48	35	40	40	\$9,953
Kansas	20	21	21	27	\$10,040
Missouri	35	10	31	24	\$10,147
Oregon	21	47	27	20	\$10,442
California	15	33	41	44	\$10,467
Washington	11	38	12	21	\$10,735
Iowa	17	1	14	16	\$10,944
Louisiana	44	45	49	48	\$11,010
Montana	34	22	9	7	\$11,028
Virginia	8	23	8	25	\$11,237
West Virginia	27	25	46	42	\$11,359
Wisconsin	26	3	6	8	\$11,375
Michigan	30	36	38	31	\$11,482
Ohio	19	30	17	28	\$11,637
Nebraska	22	2	13	10	\$11,946
Minnesota	23	32	3	6	\$11,949
Hawaii	47	30	35	47	\$12,855
Maine	5	16	18	14	\$13,257
North Dakota	31	11	7	23	\$13,320
Illinois	25	20	28	26	\$13,755
Delaware	6	13	34	36	\$14,120
Maryland	13	17	25	18	\$14,192
New Hampshire	2	6	2	1	\$14,697
Pennsylvania	10	23	24	12	\$14,717
Rhode Island	8	34	29	29	\$15,179
Massachusetts	1	19	1	2	\$15,592
Wyoming	39	36	11	11	\$16,055
Vermont	6	8	5	3	\$18,039
New Jersey	12	3	4	5	\$18,235
Connecticut	3	13	20	4	\$18,377
Alaska	36	48	32	41	\$20,172
New York	4	39	33	33	\$21,206

## Spending/Pupil

Of the states ranking in the lowest 60% for Education, **77%** are Red states.

**NAEP = National Assessment of Educational Progress, U.S. Department of Education bills as "The Nation's Report Card"**

**Sources:**

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**College Readiness:** 2017 ACT and SAT scores

**High School Grad. Rate:** U.S. Department of Education's report for the 2014-2015 school year

**NAEP Math Scores:** 2015 National Assessment of Educational Progress

**NAEP Reading Scores:** 2015 National Assessment of Educational Progress

**Spending/Pupil:** 2015 Annual Survey of School System Finances, U.S. Census Bureau