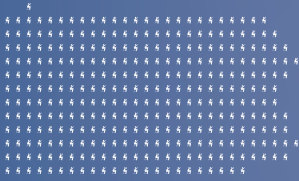


# WHO PAYS WHEN PRIVATE SCHOOLS CLOSE?



Pennsylvania public schools spent \$14,000 per student during the 2009-10 school year.

On average, private schools cost much less. For example, Pennsylvania Catholic schools charge tuition of \$3,500 for elementary children and \$6,500 for high school students.

DOWN OVER  
13 YEARS

56,000

From 1997 to 2010, private school enrollment in Pennsylvania declined by more than 56,000 students.

If all those students went to public schools, the additional cost to taxpayers would be \$768 million in state and local property taxes—or \$157 per household.

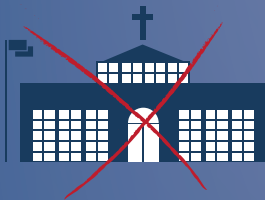


If more private schools shut down, public schools could see an influx of up to 276,527 students currently enrolled in private schools.

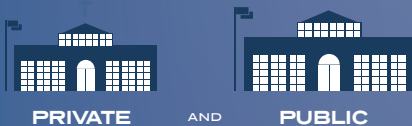
Today, the choices made by these families save taxpayers \$3.8 billion—more than \$770 per household across the state.



These schools serve as safe harbors to rescue students from violent and failing schools.



Continued closure of private school alternatives force students back into schools where they are more likely to be a victim of a crime than to be proficient in reading or math.



Pennsylvania needs an education marketplace with many options to provide a better education while saving tax dollars.

EDUCATING STUDENTS FOR A  
**FRACTION**  
OF PUBLIC SCHOOL COST

Vouchers and scholarship tax credits educate students for a fraction of the cost of what public schools spend.