

Stand Up for PASSHE Schools!



Use Your Voice to Demand Increased Funding for Public Higher Education in Pennsylvania

In 2011, former Governor Tom Corbett took office. That year he signed into a law a budget that cut \$90 million, or 18%, of state funding from PASSHE universities. [This cut amounted to \\$802 per student.](#)

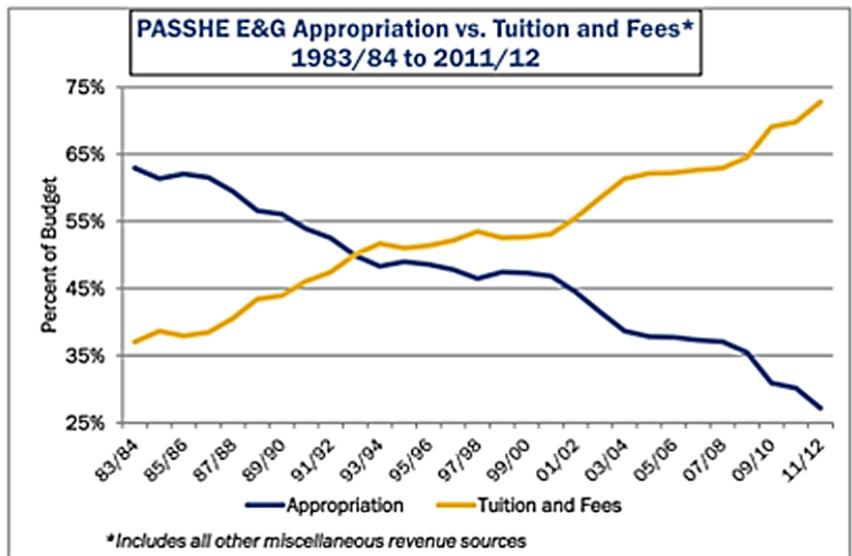
In order to make up for the difference in lost state funding, PASSHE universities increased student tuition \$436 per year and cut costs on their campuses.

State funding for PASSHE schools has remained flat since 2011. Student tuition rates have increased each year just to keep up with inflation. **Because of Corbett's refusal to adequately fund public higher education, students today pay \$818 per year more in tuition than students who attended a PASSHE school in 2010-2011.**

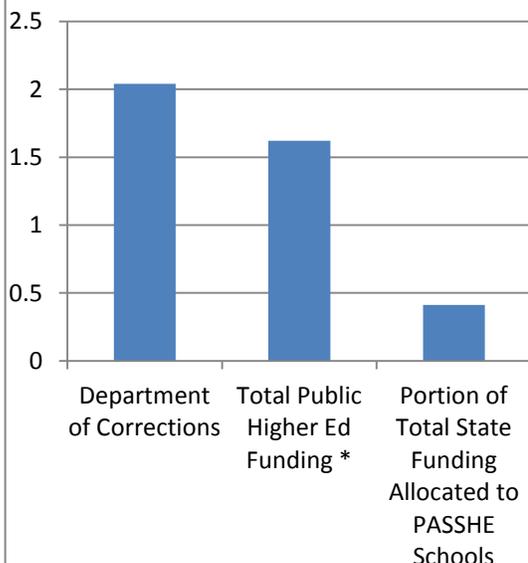
Cuts in State Funding = Higher Tuition for Students and their Families

State funding for PASSHE schools has been steadily decreasing for the past two decades. In 1983, the state of Pennsylvania provided nearly 65% of the funding to run PASSHE schools. Today it provides just 25%.

When state funding goes down, student tuition rates rise as students and their families pay more of the costs associated with running the universities.



Proposed 2014-15 Funding in Billions



No State Funding for Public Higher Ed, but Plenty of State Money for Prisons

Since 2011, former Governor Corbett and PA lawmakers have slashed funding for public higher education while **increasing funding to prisons**. PA now has the dubious distinction of [spending far more state dollars on prisons than on public higher education.](#)

STAND UP FOR PASSHE SCHOOLS!

Call or email Governor Wolf and your state legislators TODAY!

Tell them that it is time for them to stand up for students who attend PASSHE schools and increase funding for public higher education in PA. To contact Governor Wolf and your state legislators click [here](#).