



Scholar's Secret Success-Finder

Topic: Education Finance Alternatives in Indiana

As You Begin... Faced with state budget cuts, school corporations in Indiana are scrambling to achieve educational objectives with ever fewer resources. In these troubled times, what options exist? Who ends up footing the bill... and how?

Start by Getting an Overview of Your Topic / Current Situation:

A guide to Indiana school finance. Indianapolis, IN: Indiana Fiscal Policy Institute. Annual.

Michael, Robert S., Terry E. Spradlin, and Fatima R. Carson. Changes in Indiana School Funding. Education Policy Brief, v. 7, No. 2. Bloomington, IN: Indiana University Center for Evaluation & Education Policy, 2009.

Public education finances. U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. Washington, DC. Annual.

Dig Deeper into Books – find them using the Library Catalog... try browsing these subjects:

Education – Indiana – Finance
State aid to education – Indiana

Education – Finance – Statistics
State aid to education – Statistics

Try these Keywords (especially in combination) when searching the internet or library catalog:

Education (or School) Finance (or Funding)
Indiana
Teachers
Educational Outcomes (or Achievement)

Salaries (or Wages or Compensation)
Salary Cap (or Freeze)
Contingency (or "Rainy Day") Fund

Read what Experts Say in Published Articles (search Indexes to find them)...

* ERIC (*key resource*)
MasterFILE Premier

ProQuest (Indianapolis Star / National Newspapers)

Save Time by Exploring these Vetted Websites first...

Indiana State Teachers Association: <http://www.ista-in.org/>
Indiana State Board of Education: <http://www.doe.in.gov/stateboard/>
Indiana Department of Education: <http://www.doe.in.gov/news/>

Locate Experts, Find Statistics, or Review Research from Professional Organizations...

Indiana University Center for Evaluation & Education Policy, <http://www.indiana.edu/~ceep/>
Indiana Fiscal Policy Institute: <http://www.indianafiscal.org/>
Center on Education Policy: <http://www.cep-dc.org/>
National Center for Education Statistics: <http://nces.ed.gov/>