

State Policies to Improve Teacher Evaluation



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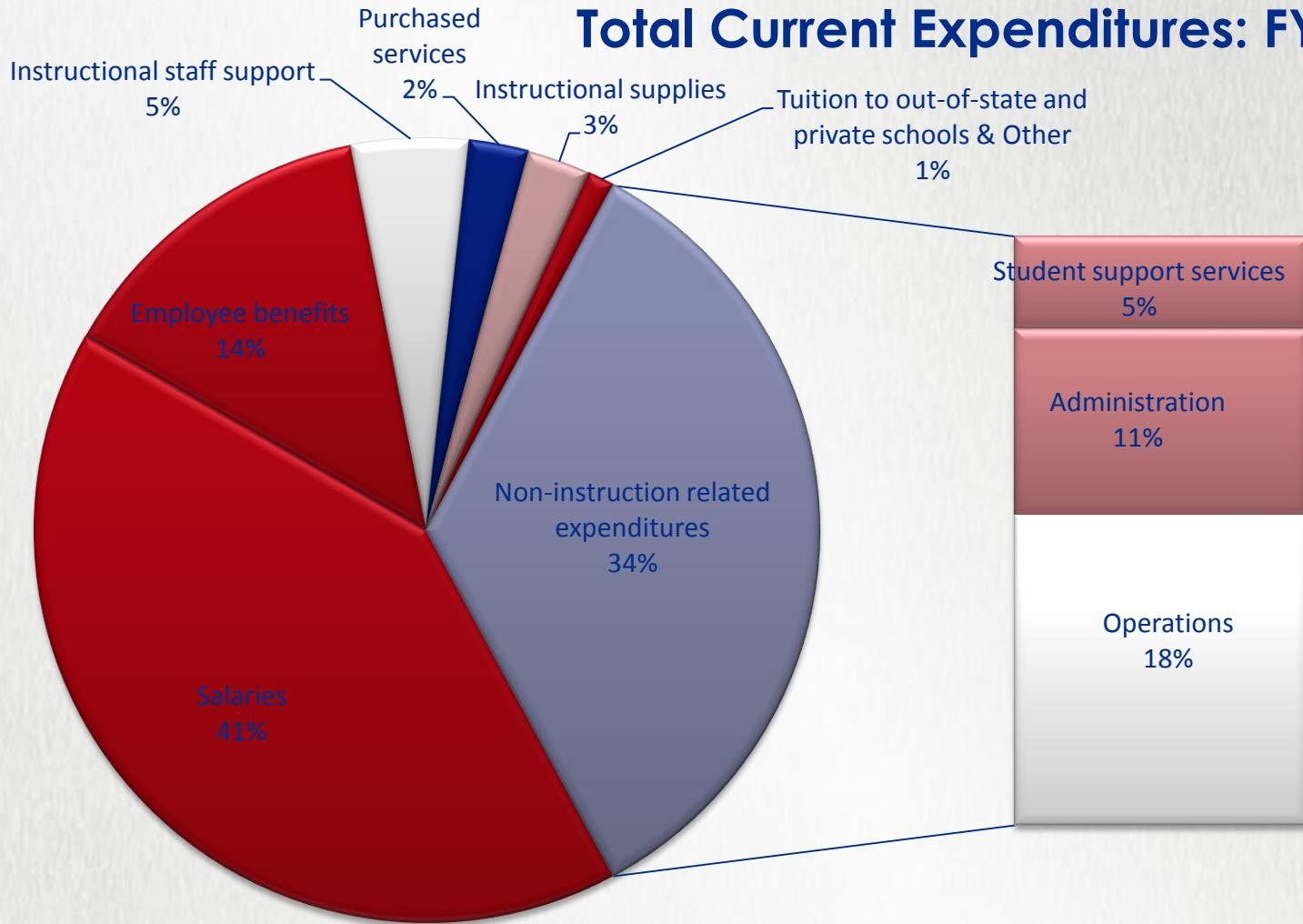
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Total Current Expenditures: FY 2009

Instruction and instruction-related expenditures = **66%** of all current expenditures





State Action: Improving Teacher Effectiveness

- **Calls for action from New Teacher Center in *Widget Effect*, National Council on Teacher Quality, top researchers and others**
- **Federal Race to the Top required a significant part of teacher evaluations be based on student achievement**
- **NCLB Waiver Requirements include new evaluation systems**



States Respond to Calls for Reform

- In 2010-2012, 34 states have enacted legislation creating new systems to evaluate teachers, with a significant part (typically 50% based on student achievement)
- Most also reformed tenure





Challenges Remain

- **Creating Commissions - who to involve**
- **When to implement**
- **Multiple measures of student achievement**
- **Measurement for teachers of untested subjects**
- **Professional Development for teachers**
- **How to integrate with other reforms (CCSS and new Assessments?)**





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