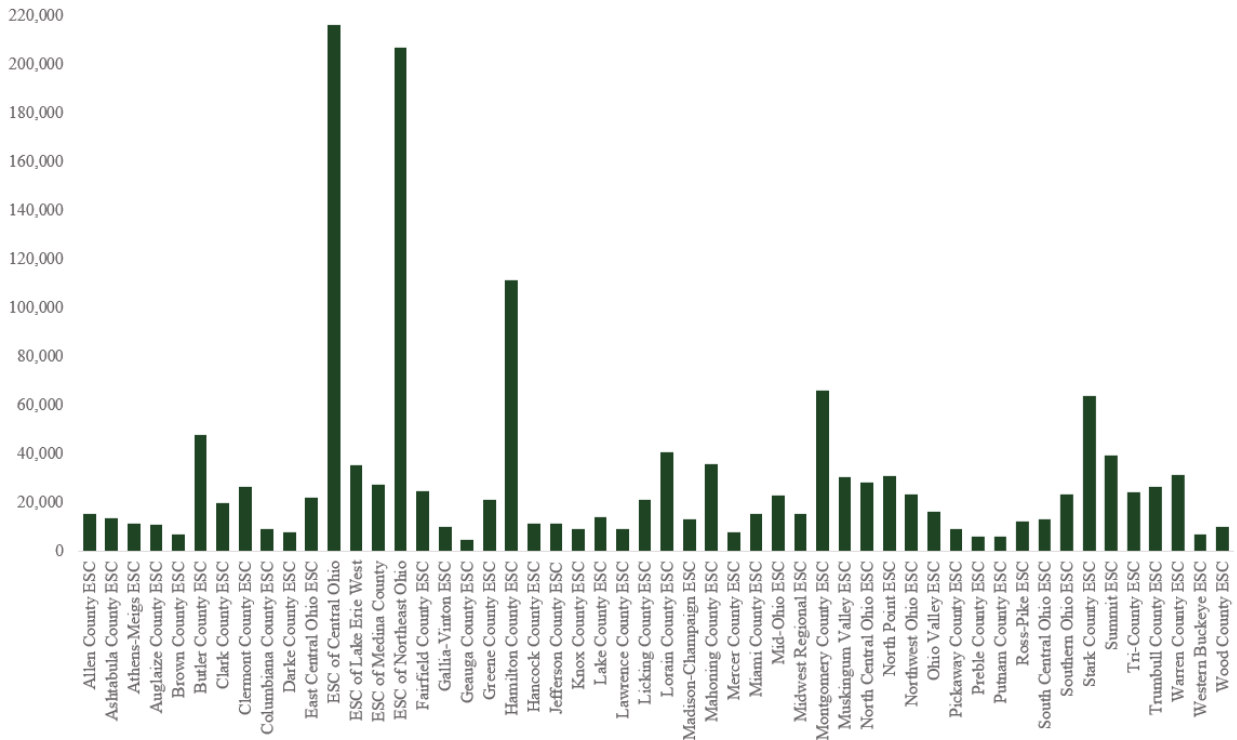


Appendix B: Data by ESC

In FY 2018, the average ESC had member district student population of approximately 29,500. There is a large disparity between the largest and smallest ESCs member district student populations. The graphical representation below clearly shows that the ESC of Central Ohio and the ESC of Northeast Ohio have significantly higher member district student populations than the other ESCs in the system. These ESCs are so large, in fact, that their member district student populations are almost double the member district population of Hamilton County ESC, the third largest ESC in the system (in terms of member district population).¹

Member District Student Population by ESC



Source: ODE and ESCs

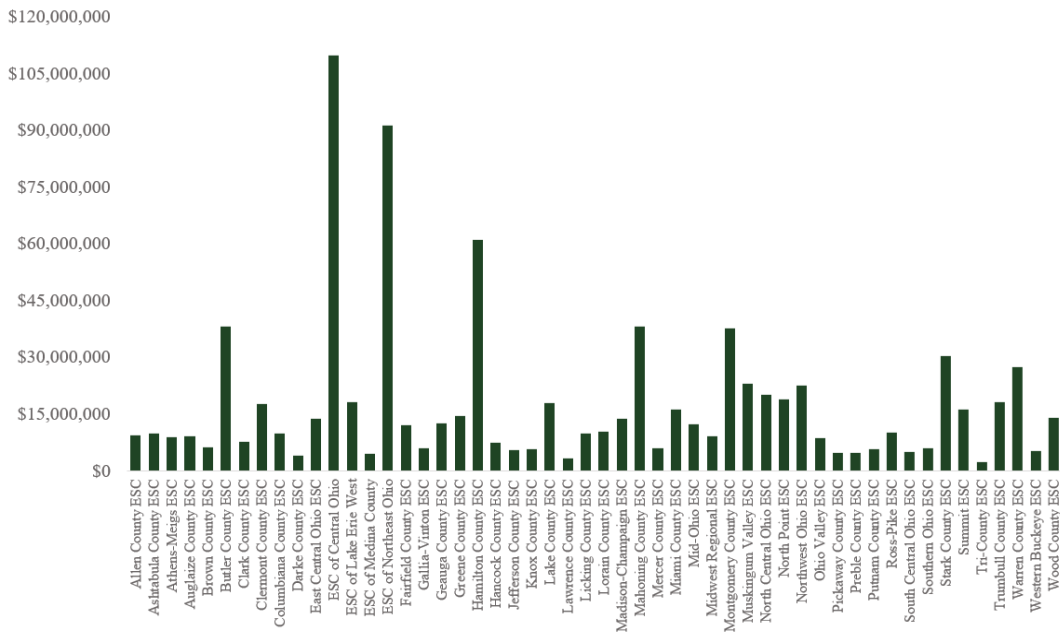
Significant variability in member district population, varying demographics of student populations served, demand for services, and types of services provided result in an ESC network comprised of entities which vastly differ. This variation in budget size and services offered makes it difficult to compare single ESCs within the system. For example, FY 2018 total member district student population at the ESC of Central Ohio (the largest), was 216,109 compared to 4,408 students at Geauga County ESC (the smallest), a difference in range of

¹ Student population reflects FY 2018 June #2 local report card average daily membership from each member district, as provided by ODE. This student population number is used in the per pupil funding calculations.

211,701 students. Therefore, in regard to student population served, the largest ESC was 49 times larger than the smallest.

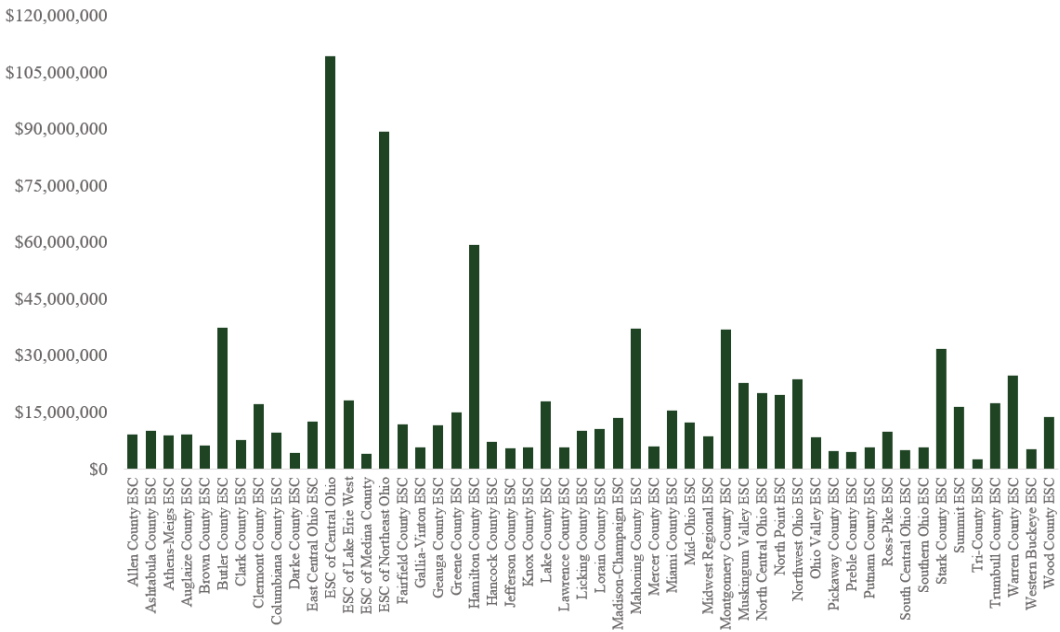
As with membership district student population, revenue and expenditure levels of individual ESCs also varied greatly throughout the system. There is clear disparity between total revenues and expenditures of the largest and smallest ESCs.

Revenues by ESC



Source: ESCs

Expenditures by ESC



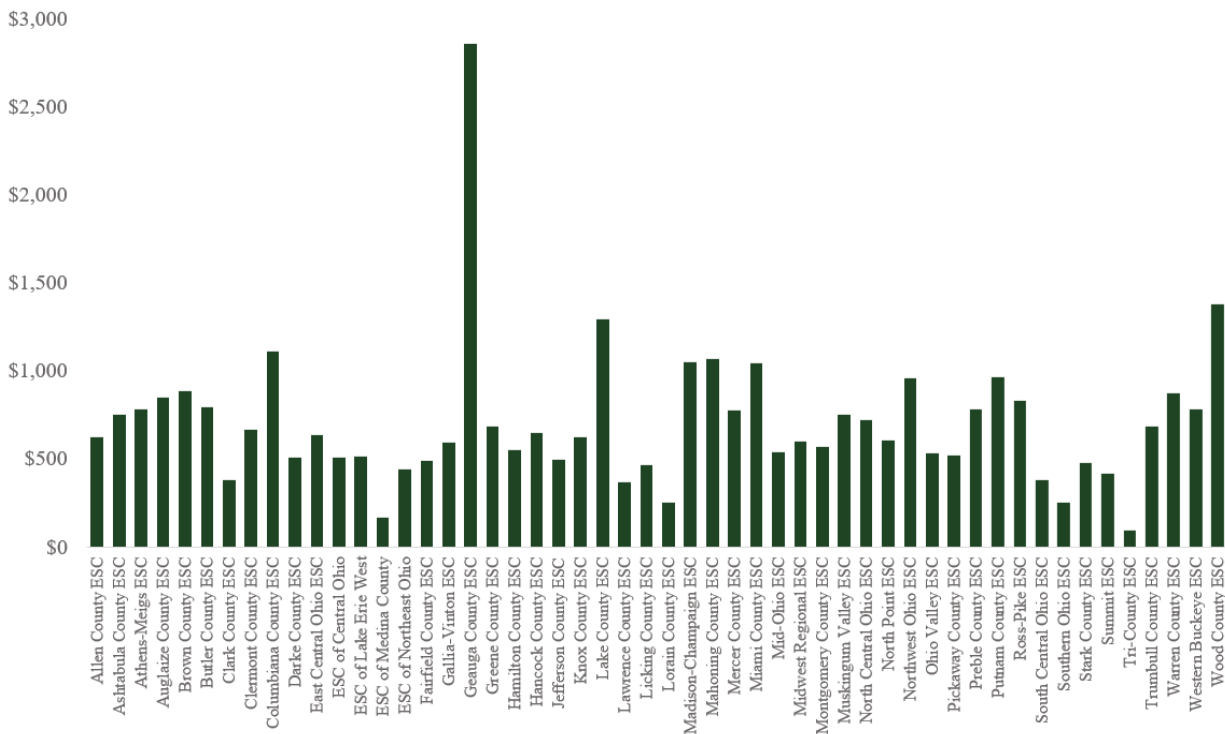
Source: ESCs

Given the disparity in total member district population, an overview of total revenues and expenditures does not provide a full picture of ESC operations. Displaying revenues and expenditures per student for each ESC allows for the identification of individual ESCs that

significantly exceed or lag the average. The graphics below show revenues and expenditures on a per student basis which allow for an additional level of comparison between each ESC. There is less variability across ESCs when applying student population levels to revenues and expenditures.

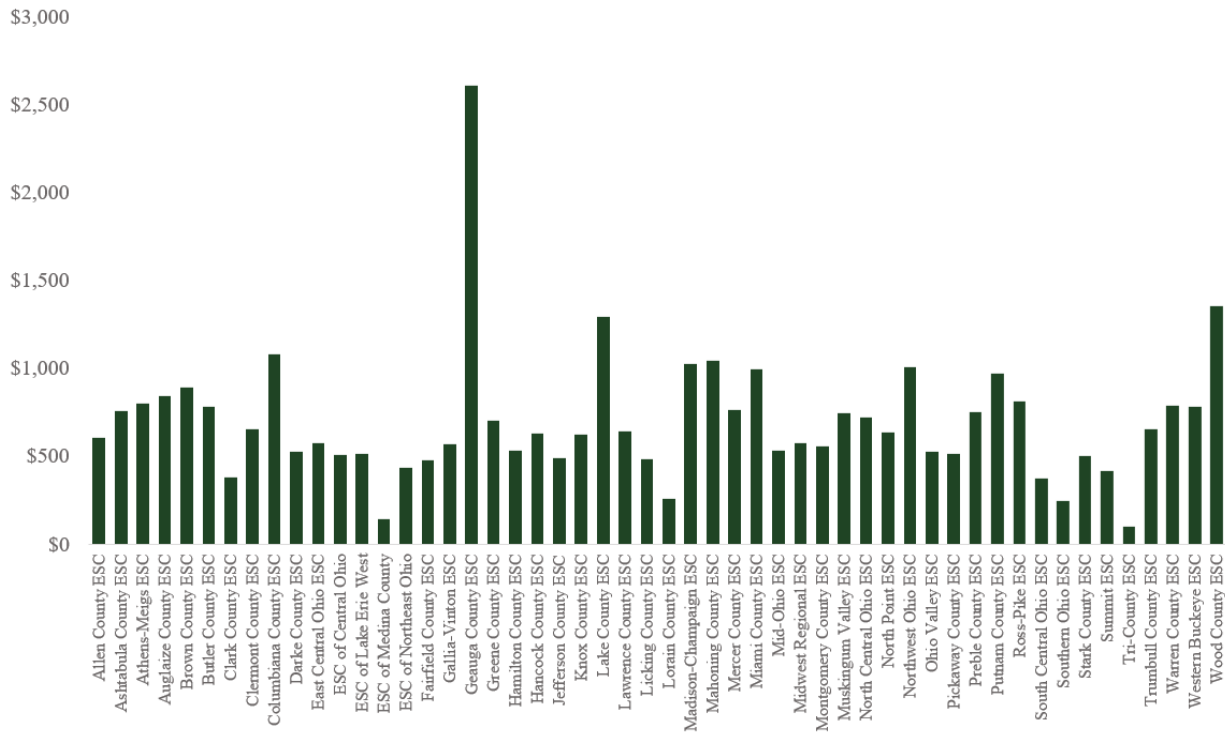
For revenue and expenditures per student of \$2,858.56 and \$2,610.88, respectively, Geauga County ESC greatly exceeded all other ESCs. Geauga County ESC’s revenue and expenditures per student level was more than double than that of the next closest ESC. Geauga County ESC’s member district student population of 4,408 was the smallest member district population in the ESC network in FY 2018. During the course of this study, Geauga County ESC merged with Lake County ESC.

Revenue per Student by ESC



Source: ODE and ESCs

Expenditures per Student by ESC



Source: ODE and ESCs