

Alta Sierra Intermediate School

2021-2022 School Accountability Report Card (Published During the 2022-2023 School Year)



General Information about the School Accountability Report Card (SARC)

SARC Overview



By February 1 of each year, every school in California is required by state law to publish a School Accountability Report Card (SARC). The SARC contains information about the condition and performance of each California public school. Under the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) all local educational agencies (LEAs) are required to prepare a Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP), which describes how they intend to meet annual school-specific goals for all pupils, with specific activities to address state and local priorities. Additionally, data reported in an LCAP is to be consistent with data reported in the SARC.

For more information about SARC requirements and access to prior year reports, see the California Department of Education (CDE) SARC web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>

For more information about the LCFF or the LCAP, see the CDE LCFF web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/>

For additional information about the school, parents/guardians and community members should contact the school principal or the district office.

DataQuest



DataQuest is an online data tool located on the CDE DataQuest web page at <https://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/> that contains additional information about this school and comparisons of the school to the district and the county. Specifically, DataQuest is a dynamic system that provides reports for accountability (e.g., test data, enrollment, high school graduates, dropouts, course enrollments, staffing, and data regarding English learners).

California School Dashboard



The California School Dashboard (Dashboard) <https://www.caschooldashboard.org/> reflects California's new accountability and continuous improvement system and provides information about how LEAs and schools are meeting the needs of California's diverse student population. The Dashboard contains reports that display the performance of LEAs, schools, and student groups on a set of state and local measures to assist in identifying strengths, challenges, and areas in need of improvement.

Internet Access

Internet access is available at public libraries and other locations that are publicly accessible (e.g., the California State Library). Access to the Internet at libraries and public locations is generally provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Other use restrictions may include the hours of operation, the length of time that a workstation may be used (depending on availability), the types of software programs available on a workstation, and the ability to print documents.

2022-23 School Contact Information

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Principal's Message

Welcome to Alta Sierra Intermediate School!

At Alta Sierra Intermediate, we not only pride ourselves on the academic, athletic, and co-curricular success of our students, but in the positive relationships that are developed and the professional support that our students are provided by every staff member on this campus. This includes the administrative team, teachers, clerical team, custodians, grounds crew, and cafeteria workers. We work extremely hard at creating a safe and supportive learning environment where students feel safe and excel in Mind, Body, and Spirit. There is power in acknowledging student success, no matter how big or small and in greeting him or her in a friendly manner each day. Our staff understands this and the importance of building positive self-esteem in all our students at Alta Sierra. Alta Sierra Intermediate School is a school with a strong sense of community and service. They are committed to providing students an experience of giving back to their community through philanthropic community-service projects. Each of these experiences teaches our students to take care of themselves, each other, and their community.

Alta Sierra Intermediate School has continued to receive numerous awards and recognitions. Alta Sierra received the Clovis Assessment System for Sustained Improvement (CLASSI) Exemplary School Award for the 2018-19 school year. It also received the California State Pivotal Practices Award in 2021-22; the California State Distinguished School Award in 1996, 2001, and 2005; the National Blue-Ribbon award in 2008; and the California Gold Ribbon School in 2015. Alta Sierra was recognized in the National Schools to Watch program in the spring of 2008 and re-designated in 2011, 2014, 2017, 2020 and 2023. This high honor is awarded only to an outstanding group of schools in the state of California and across the nation. Alta Sierra also received the Fresno State Bonner Award for Civic and Character Education during the 2016-17 and the 2020-21 school years. This award is given to schools that promote core ethical values as the basis of good character and foster an intentional, proactive, and comprehensive approach to core values in all phases of school life. Alta Sierra Intermediate is designated as a Google Certified and a Digital Citizenship School.

Alta Sierra Intermediate utilizes a block schedule that provides teachers and students with extended time, four days a week, to explore concepts, master skills, and infuse critical thinking throughout the learning process. All students are registered for six classes each semester, which consists of five core subjects and an elective. Alta Sierra Intermediate prides itself on the

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positive relationships that are developed between staff and students, creating a safe and supportive learning environment where students feel safe and excel in Mind, Body, and Spirit. Alta Sierra Intermediate has fully developed Professional Learning Communities. Teachers meet by department twice a week on late start days to collaborate on best practices, analyze student data, address student achievement concerns, or plan instruction based on identified student needs. Additionally, they identify trend data and/or create common assessments that provide required data for monitoring and evaluating student progress toward standards mastery. Alta Sierra Intermediate is an Emerging AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) site. They utilize research based AVID instructional WICOR strategies with our students across all content areas. Through a Multi-Tiered System of Intervention, academic, behavior, and social-emotional support is provided to close achievement gaps and provide struggling students with a solid foundation that helps them to be successful at Alta Sierra Intermediate and prepares them for the rigor of high school.

Many of the topics summarized in our School Accountability Report Card are presented in greater detail at our monthly School Assessment Review Team (SART) meetings, School Site Council (SSC) meetings and English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC), which are open to all Alta Sierra parents. If you have any questions, please contact us at (559) 327-3500, as your input is always valued.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Carter
Principal

Mission Statement:

Our mission is to provide a safe school environment where everyone is valued and respected. All staff members, in partnership with parents and families are fully committed to students' college and career readiness. Students are empowered to meet current and future challenges to develop social awareness, civic responsibility, and personal growth.

Vision Statement:

At Alta Sierra Intermediate School, we are dedicated to a continuing tradition of excellence in an ever-changing world. Within a safe and supportive environment, we provide a relevant, high-quality education and prepare our diverse student body for future endeavors. We honor achievement and promote pride in ourselves, in our school, and in our community. Students will have success for today and be prepared for tomorrow.

About this School

2022-23 Student Enrollment by Grade Level

Grade Level	Number of Students
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2022-23 Student Enrollment by Student Group

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
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A. Conditions of Learning **State Priority: Basic**

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Basic (Priority 1):

- Degree to which teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area and for the pupils they are teaching;
- Pupils have access to standards-aligned instructional materials; and
- School facilities are maintained in good repair

2020-21 Teacher Preparation and Placement

Authorization/Assignment	School Number	School Percent	District Number	District Percent	State Number	State Percent
Fully (Preliminary or Clear) Credentialed for Subject and Student Placement (properly assigned)						
Intern Credential Holders Properly Assigned						
Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments (“ineffective” under ESSA)						
Credentialed Teachers Assigned Out-of-Field (“out-of-field” under ESSA)						
Unknown						
Total Teaching Positions						

Note: The data in this table is based on Full Time Equivalent (FTE) status. One FTE equals one staff member working full time; one FTE could also represent two staff members who each work 50 percent of full time. Additionally, an assignment is defined as a position that an educator is assigned based on setting, subject, and grade level. An authorization is defined as the services that an educator is authorized to provide to students.

2021-22 Teacher Preparation and Placement

Authorization/Assignment	School Number	School Percent	District Number	District Percent	State Number	State Percent
Fully (Preliminary or Clear) Credentialed for Subject and Student Placement (properly assigned)						
Intern Credential Holders Properly Assigned						
Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments (“ineffective” under ESSA)						
Credentialed Teachers Assigned Out-of-Field (“out-of-field” under ESSA)						
Unknown						
Total Teaching Positions						

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Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments (considered “ineffective” under ESSA)

Authorization/Assignment	2020-21	2021-22
Permits and Waivers		
Misassignments		
Vacant Positions		
Total Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments		

Credentialed Teachers Assigned Out-of-Field (considered “out-of-field” under ESSA)

Indicator	2020-21	2021-22
Credentialed Teachers Authorized on a Permit or Waiver		
Local Assignment Options		
Total Out-of-Field Teachers		

2021-22 Class Assignments

Indicator	2020-21	2021-22
Misassignments for English Learners (a percentage of all the classes with English learners taught by teachers that are misassigned)		
No credential, permit or authorization to teach (a percentage of all the classes taught by teachers with no record of an authorization to teach)		

Note: For more information refer to the Updated Teacher Equity Definitions web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/pd/ee/teacherequitydefinitions.asp>.

2022-23 Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials

Clovis Unified School District sets a high priority upon ensuring there are sufficient textbooks and materials to support the district’s instructional program. CUSD Board Policy Number 6161.1 establishes criteria and procedures for the adoption of all textbooks. All K-8 textbooks purchased have been approved by the State Board of Education and adopted by the Clovis Unified Governing Board. Textbooks and instructional materials purchased for grades 9-12 are aligned to the state content standards and adopted by the Clovis Unified Governing Board.

The Department of Supplemental Services continues to support the school sites with funding that allows for the purchase of supplementary instructional material for our students, including English learners in grades K-12. The supplemental material is designed to accelerate pupils as rapidly as possible toward grade-level proficiency in the core subjects of English-language arts, math, social science and science. These supplemental materials are used in addition to the basic reading/language arts and other core materials provided for every student and are correlated to state content standards.

Year and month in which the data were collected	October 9, 2021
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Subject	Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials/year of Adoption	From Most Recent	Percent Students Lacking Own
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		Adoption ?	Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	7th StudySync, McGraw-Hill (7-8)	Yes	0%
Mathematics	Illustrative Math, 2020 Accelerated Math, Glencoe/McGraw-Hill, 2014	Yes	0%
Science	Focus on Physical Science, Glencoe/McGraw-Hill California Life Science; Holt, Rinehart and Winston	Yes	0%
History-Social Science	Discovering Our Past: Medieval and Early Modern Times, Glencoe United States History: Independence to 1914; Holt, Rinehart and Winston	Yes	0%
Foreign Language		Yes	0%
Health		Yes	0%
Visual and Performing Arts			0%
Science Laboratory Equipment (grades 9-12)		Yes	0%

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements

In order to maintain our facilities in top condition, CUSD has utilized the services from a third party to perform the 2020-2021 Williams inspection utilizing the Facilities Inspection Tool (FIT). This will allow CUSD to obtain an objective evaluation of our facilities in order to continue to maintain the safest and best facilities for students and staff.

For all items inspected that were found to not be in "good repair," a work-order has been created and maintenance will be done before the end of the 2020-2021 school year. Maintenance items will be prioritized so that student safety is not compromised.

Year and month of the most recent FIT report

9/24/2022

System Inspected	Rate Good	Rate Fair	Rate Poor	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	X			:
Interior: Interior Surfaces	X			R-104: 4. CABINET IS DAMAGED R-107: 4. FORMICA IS BROKEN ON COUNTER R-109: 4. FORMICA IS BROKEN ON COUNTER R-210: 4. FORMICA IS BROKEN ON COUNTER R-213: 4. FORMICA IS BROKEN ON COUNTER R-304: 4. FORMICA IS BROKEN ON COUNTER R-309: 4. WALLPAPER IS TORN R-311: 4. WATER STAIN CEILING TILES
Cleanliness:	X			

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements

Overall Cleanliness, Pest/Vermin Infestation				
Electrical	X			R-201: 7. A/V OUTLET COVER IS MISSING R-211: 7. ELECTRICAL COVER IS MISSING ON CONDUIT/ EXPOSED WIRES R-307: 7. EXTENSION CORDS ARE CREATING A TRIP HAZARD R-404: 7. LIGHT SENSOR IS MISSING ON CEILING
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	X			
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	X			R-102: 11. PAINT IS CHIPPING ON WINDOW FRAME
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	X			
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	X			

Overall Facility Rate

Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor
	X		

State Priority: Pupil Achievement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Pupil Achievement (Priority 4):

Statewide Assessments

(i.e., California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress [CAASPP] System includes the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments for students in the general education population and the California Alternate Assessments [CAAs] for English language arts/literacy [ELA] and mathematics given in grades three through eight and grade eleven. Only eligible students may participate in the administration of the CAAs. CAAs items are aligned with alternate achievement standards, which are linked with the Common Core State Standards [CCSS] for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities).

The CAASPP System encompasses the following assessments and student participation requirements:

1. **Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments and CAAs for ELA** in grades three through eight and grade eleven.
2. **Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments and CAAs for mathematics** in grades three through eight and grade eleven.
3. **California Science Test (CAST) and CAAs for Science** in grades five, eight, and once in high school (i.e., grade ten, eleven, or twelve).
4. **College and Career Ready**
The percentage of students who have successfully completed courses that satisfy the requirements for entrance to the University of California and the California State University, or career technical education sequences or programs of study.

SARC Reporting in the 2020-2021 School Year Only

Where the most viable option, LEAs were required to administer the statewide summative assessment in ELA and mathematics. Where a statewide summative assessment was not the most viable option for the LEA (or for one or more grade-level[s] within the LEA) due to the pandemic, LEAs were allowed to report results from a different assessment that met the criteria established by the State Board of Education (SBE) on March 16, 2021. The assessments were required to be:

- Aligned with CA CCSS for ELA and mathematics;
- Available to students in grades 3 through 8, and grade 11; and
- Uniformly administered across a grade, grade span, school, or district to all eligible students.

Options

Note that the CAAs could only be administered in-person following health and safety requirements. If it was not viable for the LEA to administer the CAAs in person with health and safety guidelines in place, the LEA was directed to not administer the tests. There were no other assessment options available for the CAAs. Schools administered the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments for ELA and mathematics, other assessments that meet the SBE criteria, or a combination of both, and they could only choose one of the following:

- Smarter Balanced ELA and mathematics summative assessments;
- Other assessments meeting the SBE criteria; or
- Combination of Smarter Balanced ELA and mathematics summative assessments and other assessments.

The percentage of students who have successfully completed courses that satisfy the requirements for entrance to the University of California and the California State University, or career technical education sequences or programs of study.

Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard on CAASPP

This table displays CAASPP test results in ELA and mathematics for all students grades three through eight and grade eleven taking and completing a state-administered assessment.

The 2020-21 data cells have N/A values because these data are not comparable to other year data due to the COVID-19 pandemic during the 2020-21 school year. Where the CAASPP assessments in ELA and/or mathematics is not the most viable option, the LEAs were allowed to administer local assessments. Therefore, the 2020-21 data between school years for the school, district, state are not an accurate comparison. As such, it is inappropriate to compare results of the 2020-21 school year to other school years.

Percentages are not calculated when the number of students tested is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

ELA and mathematics test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The “Percent Met or Exceeded” is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3-Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

Subject	School 2020-21	School 2021-22	District 2020-21	District 2021-22	State 2020-21	State 2021-22
English Language Arts/Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11)	N/A		N/A		N/A	
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	N/A		N/A		N/A	

2021-22 CAASPP Test Results in ELA by Student Group

This table displays CAASPP test results in ELA by student group for students grades three through eight and grade eleven taking and completing a state-administered assessment.

ELA test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The “Percent Met or Exceeded” is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3-Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

Double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

The number of students tested includes all students who participated in the test whether they received a score or not; however, the number of students tested is not the number that was used to calculate the achievement level percentages. The achievement level percentages are calculated using only students who received scores.

CAASPP Student Groups	CAASPP Total Enrollment	CAASPP Number Tested	CAASPP Percent Tested	CAASPP Percent Not Tested	CAASPP Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students					
Female					
Male					
American Indian or Alaska Native					
Asian					
Black or African American					
Filipino					
Hispanic or Latino					
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander					
Two or More Races					
White					
English Learners					
Foster Youth					
Homeless					
Military					
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged					
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services					
Students with Disabilities					

2021-22 CAASPP Test Results in Math by Student Group

This table displays CAASPP test results in Math by student group for students grades three through eight and grade eleven taking and completing a state-administered assessment.

Mathematics test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The “Percent Met or Exceeded” is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3-Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

Double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

The number of students tested includes all students who participated in the test whether they received a score or not; however, the number of students tested is not the number that was used to calculate the achievement level percentages. The achievement level percentages are calculated using only students who received scores.

CAASPP Student Groups	CAASPP Total Enrollment	CAASPP Number Tested	CAASPP Percent Tested	CAASPP Percent Not Tested	CAASPP Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students					
Female					
Male					
American Indian or Alaska Native					
Asian					
Black or African American					
Filipino					
Hispanic or Latino					
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander					
Two or More Races					
White					
English Learners					
Foster Youth					
Homeless					
Military					
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged					
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services					
Students with Disabilities					

CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students

This table displays the percentage of all students grades five, eight, and High School meeting or exceeding the State Standard.

For any 2020–21 data cells with N/T values indicate that this school did not test students using the CAASPP for Science.

Subject	School 2020-21	School 2021-22	District 2020-21	District 2021-22	State 2020-21	State 2021-22
Science (grades 5, 8 and high school)						

2021-22 CAASPP Test Results in Science by Student Group

This table displays CAASPP test results in Science by student group for students grades five, eight, and High School. Double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students					
Female					
Male					
American Indian or Alaska Native					
Asian					
Black or African American					
Filipino					
Hispanic or Latino					
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander					
Two or More Races					
White					
English Learners					
Foster Youth					
Homeless					
Military					
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged					
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services					
Students with Disabilities					

B. Pupil Outcomes

State Priority: Other Pupil Outcomes

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Other Pupil Outcomes (Priority 8): Pupil outcomes in the subject area of physical education.

2021-22 California Physical Fitness Test Results

This table displays the percentage of students participating in each of the five fitness components of the California Physical Fitness Test Results. Due to changes to the 2021-22 PFT administration, only participation results are required for these five fitness areas. Percentages are not calculated and double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students tested is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

Grade Level	Component 1: Aerobic Capacity	Component 2: Abdominal Strength and Endurance	Component 3: Trunk Extensor and Strength and Flexibility	Component 4: Upper Body Strength and Endurance	Component 5: Flexibility
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C. Engagement

State Priority: Parental Involvement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Parental Involvement (Priority 3): Efforts the school district makes to seek parent input in making decisions regarding the school district and at each school site.

2022-23 Opportunities for Parental Involvement

Alta Sierra Intermediate School enjoys the benefits of a very supportive school community and provides a variety of options for parents who want to be involved. Alta Sierra Intermediate benefits from a strong parent advisory group, School Assessment Review Team, (SART,) which was established in 1973 to enable parents and community members to be a part of assessing the quality of programs and in decision-making processes at the school site. The SART committee does not duplicate or assume the functions of other school organizations.

- Other groups that parents may be involved with that are not a duplicate of SART are: The Buchanan Foundation (a 7-12 foundation) Intercultural Diversity Advisory Council (IDAC) School Site Council (SSC) English Language Advisory Council (ELAC).

Each of our parent groups play a critical role in the success of our school, and we encourage parent participation. Alta Sierra Intermediate annually seeks parents and volunteers to assist in classrooms and activities. This lends great support to the classrooms, operations and events at Alta Sierra Intermediate School.

For more information on how to become involved at Alta Sierra Intermediate School, please contact Jennifer Carter: Principal, at (559) 327-3500.

2021-22 Chronic Absenteeism by Student Group

Student Group	Cumulative Enrollment	Chronic Absenteeism Eligible Enrollment	Chronic Absenteeism Count	Chronic Absenteeism Rate
All Students				
Female				
Male				
American Indian or Alaska Native				
Asian				
Black or African American				
Filipino				
Hispanic or Latino				
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander				
Two or More Races				
White				
English Learners				
Foster Youth				
Homeless				
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged				
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services				
Students with Disabilities				

C. Engagement

State Priority: School Climate

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: School Climate (Priority 6):

- Pupil suspension rates;
- Pupil expulsion rates; and
- Other local measures on the sense of safety

Suspensions and Expulsions

This table displays suspensions and expulsions data collected between July through February, partial school year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The 2019-20 suspensions and expulsions rate data are not comparable to other year data because the 2019-20 school year is a partial school year due to the COVID-19 crisis. As such, it would be inappropriate to make any comparisons in rates of suspensions and expulsions in the 2019-20 school year compared to other school years.

Subject	School 2019-20	District 2019-20	State 2019-20
Suspensions			
Expulsions			

This table displays suspensions and expulsions data collected between July through June, each full school year respectively. Data collected during the 2020-21 school year may not be comparable to earlier years of this collection due to differences in learning mode instruction in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Subject	School 2020-21	School 2021-22	District 2020-21	District 2021-22	State 2020-21	State 2021-22
Suspensions						
Expulsions						

2021-22 Suspensions and Expulsions by Student Group

Student Group	Suspensions Rate	Expulsions Rate
All Students		
Female		
Male		
American Indian or Alaska Native		
Asian		
Black or African American		
Filipino		
Hispanic or Latino		
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander		
Two or More Races		
White		
English Learners		
Foster Youth		
Homeless		
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged		
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services		
Students with Disabilities		

2022-23 School Safety Plan

Alta Sierra Intermediate has a School Safety Plan and a School Crisis Intervention Plan on file, and both are available to all parents and the general public. Staff, parents and the community review and update the school plans on an annual basis. Most recently, the plan was updated in December 2022. The staff develops both plans with input from parents and community members to ensure a safe and nonviolent environment. The School Safety Plan includes information on communication with outside organizations, police and fire protection. It also includes response to school crises; loss of a faculty member or student; as well as safety drills, including evacuation, facility alert, lock down, earthquake, and power outages, which are practiced on a monthly basis. Lessons are conducted annually in classrooms by the administration team discussing school rules, climate and goals with students, as well as expected student behavior.

2019-20 Secondary Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution

This table displays the 2019-20 average class size and class size distribution. The columns titled “Number of Classes” indicates how many classes fall into each size category (a range of total students per classroom). At the secondary school level, this information is reported by subject area rather than grade level.

Subject	Average Class Size	Number of Classes with 1-22 Students	Number of Classes with 23-32 Students	Number of Classes with 33+ Students
English Language Arts				
Mathematics				
Science				
Social Science				

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Subject	Average Class Size	Number of Classes with 1-22 Students	Number of Classes with 23-32 Students	Number of Classes with 33+ Students
English Language Arts				
Mathematics				
Science				
Social Science				

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Subject	Average Class Size	Number of Classes with 1-22 Students	Number of Classes with 23-32 Students	Number of Classes with 33+ Students
English Language Arts				
Mathematics				
Science				
Social Science				

2021-22 Ratio of Pupils to Academic Counselor

This table displays the ratio of pupils to Academic Counselor. One full time equivalent (FTE) equals one staff member working full time; one FTE could also represent two staff members who each work 50 percent of full time.

Title	Ratio
Pupils to Academic Counselor	

2021-22 Student Support Services Staff

This table displays the number of FTE support staff assigned to this school. One full time equivalent (FTE) equals one staff member working full time; one FTE could also represent two staff members who each work 50 percent of full time.

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School
Counselor (Academic, Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	
Psychologist	
Social Worker	
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	

2020-21 Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries

This table displays the 2020-21 expenditures per pupil and average teacher salary for this school. Cells with N/A values do not require data.

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	\$6,052.90	\$21.18	\$6,031.72	\$77,752.30
District	N/A	N/A	\$5,734.66	
Percent Difference - School Site and District	N/A	N/A	5.0	5.1
State	N/A	N/A		
Percent Difference - School Site and State	N/A	N/A	-33.3	-8.5

“Children Are Our Most Precious Resource” On an annual basis, Clovis Unified School District (CUSD) submits our funding Application through the Consolidated Application and Reporting System commonly called the ConApp. The application is submitted in two (2) parts: Part I, which contains program and demographic information, submitted by June 30th each year; and Part II, which contains budget information and program data submitted by January 31 each year. The categorical programs included in the application are Title I, Part A - Improving Academic Achievement. Title II, Part A - Supporting Effective Instruction and Title III - English Learner (EL), and Immigrant Programs and Title IV, Part A - Student Support and Academic Enrichment. Essentially, these funds are designed to assist students in mastering state standards. Clovis Unified Schools are committed to establishing a true partnership with all facets of the Clovis Learning Community. CUSD values feedback and input. Parents continue to make positive differences in the lives of the children we all support. We know from research that participation in your child’s education will not only bring success to your child but other children in the school. Our parents truly make a difference in the lives of Clovis kids! CUSD is pleased and proud to offer a variety of parent involvement opportunities that improve our overall program. Depending on the type of categorical funding a site may receive, district or school parent councils and committees are required under certain requirements and guidelines. Such advisory committees in the CUSD include: School Site Council (SSC) English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) District Advisory Committee (DAC) and School Advisory Committee (SAC) District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) District Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee (IPAC) School and District level School Assessment Review Team (SART) Intercultural and Diversity Advisory Council (IDAC) Local Control Accountability Plan Public Forums (LCAP) We encourage all parents and guardians to become involved with their child’s education at the classroom level, the school-wide level, as well as the district level. Each school’s School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) describes the school’s basic educational program and the categorical supplementary programs/services that are designed to support student achievement. Parental involvement is a necessary and vital part of developing the SPSA as well as our overall program. At the district level, parent committees provide input into each of the site’s SPSA. If you would like additional information on any of the District Parent Councils or Committees, please call your child’s school. The Principal, Learning Director, or Guidance Instructional Specialist (GIS) would be happy to assist you. Listed below are several parent committees that assist with categorical programs and funding. School Site Council (SSC): All schools that operate a categorical program funded through the consolidated application (ConApp) shall establish a school site council (SSC). The SSC shall develop the content of the SPSA. The SPSA shall be reviewed annually and updated, including proposed expenditure of funds allocated to the school through the ConApp and the local control and accountability plan (LCAP), if any, by the SSC. The SSC is composed of parents, students at the secondary level and school personnel. It is responsible for developing, implementing and evaluating the School Plan for Student Achievement programs. Members serve for two years and are elected by their peers. District Advisory Committee (DAC) & School Advisory Committee (SAC): The entirety of the SSC acts as the SAC. The SAC serves as an advisory committee for the purpose of advising schools regarding supplemental education programs and acting as a liaison for their school community. They serve to share information and comments both at the district and site level. These education programs are supplemental education opportunities that provide services to students who are disadvantaged, English learners, foster youth and/or at-risk. The SSC has approved to designate our SSC pursuant to California Education Code (EC) Section 52852 to function as the School Advisory Committee. English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC): All schools enrolling 21 or more English learners are required to form an ELAC. The ELAC is composed of parents and school personnel. The ELAC advises the principal, staff and SSC regarding services for English learners and assists in the development of the annual survey. Members serve for two years. Each ELAC shall have the opportunity to elect at least one member to the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC). District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC): Whenever there are 51 or more EL students in the district, there shall be a functioning District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC). It is important that each school site ELAC elect a DELAC representative and arrange to have that representative attend every DELAC meeting. Currently the DELAC bylaws require each DELAC representative to be 1) a parent/guardian of an EL or former EL (i.e., a reclassified fluent English proficient student) currently enrolled at the site he/she represents, and 2) elected to serve as the DELAC representative by the site’s ELAC. District Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee (IPAC): The CUSD Native American Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee meets four times a year to discuss program issues, services provided, and other needs related to the student achievement of our students, community agencies and outreach programs. CUSD Indian Education Program addresses the needs of American Indian and Alaskan Native students in grades K - 12. The program assists eligible students to achieve at the same challenging state performance standards expected of all students in grades pre-K -12. Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Forums: CUSD develops an LCAP annually that works to better align the academic plan with the district expenditure plan that is approved by our CUSD Governing Board each June. Parents and other stakeholder groups are invited to participate in the development of the LCAP through participation of school and district committee meetings and community forums. LCAP School, District Meetings and Community Forums are exciting opportunities for all stakeholders and school committees to engage with the District and share their ideas on how CUSD can provide quality opportunities and support for CUSD youth and schools. Community participation and feedback in the forums will inform the District’s LCAP’s funding priorities over the next several years. These forums are designed to provide an opportunity for school communities to hear about CUSD’s current efforts to support youth and families and to provide input and feedback on future plans and opportunities. Sites also have an opportunity to work together in teams to share new ideas to support identified groups and to plan for site engagement and implementation. The following is an overview of the categorical funding and programs in CUSD. These funds are further discussed and outlined in each school’s SPSA and at the committee meetings. Rationale General District funds provide support for the District’s base/core curriculum program. Some children have special characteristics, not reflective of the general

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school population, that affect their success in the base/core programs. Some come from economically disadvantaged homes; some are educationally disadvantaged or lack English language proficiency because they have a primary language other than English. Children, such as those described above, require supplemental services and materials not generally provided through the base/core curriculum program. The needs of our children are identified, and supplemental services and materials are planned and targeted to meet their special needs. Categorical funds are to be used to provide the financial support to meet these special needs. Philosophy All CUSD schools offer students with special needs the same kinds of high-quality learning opportunities and access to the core curriculum in all curricular areas. Categorical funds are designed to support additional assistance to help students succeed in the regular classroom program (base/core curriculum) and address any learning gaps. The focus is on the effective utilization of supplementary materials, personnel, and staff development. Staff development activities are used to improve instructional practices and strategies to increase the ability of teachers and other staff to challenge and assist all students to reach their fullest potential. Categorical Program Descriptions

1. After School Safety and Education Funds (ASES): This state-administered funded program is a result of the voter approved Proposition 49; provides three-year grant funding for afterschool programs that align with the core instructional day and have the following components: educational and literacy element (tutoring/ homework assistance); educational enrichment element (Additional program/activities that reinforce what is learned in the core instructional day); and provide a nutritious snack or meal that conforms to California State Education Code requirements. The purpose of the ASES Program is to create additional educational and recreational opportunities for students within the learning community while providing a safe environment for students. The goals of this program are to: 1) improve academic achievement, and 2) provide enrichment opportunities that reinforce and complement the academic program.
2. Title I, Part A (Improving Academic Achievement): A federal-funded program to provide high-quality opportunities for students in high-poverty schools to meet district and state content and performance standards.
3. Title I, Part A, Title X, Part C, Education for Homeless Children and Youths: Title I, Part A funds provide comparable services to homeless children that assist them to effectively take advantage of educational opportunities as provided to children in schools funded under Title I, Part A. These comparable services shall be provided to homeless children in public and private schools, shelters and other locations where children may live, institutions for neglected children and, where appropriate, local institutions such as local community day school programs.
4. Title II, Part A (Preparing, Training and Recruiting High Quality Teachers and Principals): A federal-funded program focused on teacher and principal training and recruitment programs.
5. Title III (Language Instruction for English Learners (ELs) and Immigrants): A federal-funded program focused on assisting school districts in teaching English to limited English proficient students (English learners) and immigrants and helping these students meet the same challenging State standards required of all other students.
6. Title VI (Indian Education Formula Grant): A federal-funded program focused on helping Native American/Alaskan Native students meet the same challenging state standards required of all other students. The goal of the CUSD staff is to create and maintain the best educational environment possible. This can be accomplished with your support and input. If you have any questions, concerns, or would like to become more involved in the educational process at your school, please contact your school principal. Your school can assist you in learning more about categorical programs. You may want to become involved in your school's School Site Council (SSC), English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) and/or attend the Annual Title I Parent Meeting. During the fall, each school will send you additional information about these activities. At the district level, we encourage you to become involved with our DELAC. We encourage and look forward to your involvement in the programs we offer our learning community. If you have any questions, please call your child's school. Additional information may be found @ <http://www.cusd.com/supplementalservices>.

2020-21 Teacher and Administrative Salaries

This table displays the 2020-21 Teacher and Administrative salaries. For detailed information on salaries, see the CDE Certification Salaries & Benefits web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/csl/>.

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts in Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary		
Mid-Range Teacher Salary		
Highest Teacher Salary		
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)		
Average Principal Salary (Middle)		
Average Principal Salary (High)		
Superintendent Salary		
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries		
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries		

Professional Development

School site administration and teachers plan and implement effective staff development and curriculum improvement. We are implementing the California State Standards, and our teaching staff is ensuring all students strive toward high, rigorous learning goals. Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment (BTSA) exists to ensure the proper support and training of our new teachers. We continue to offer advanced training in utilizing data to drive instruction coupled with a Professional Learning Community (PLC) approach to all curriculum areas, as well as technology integration, reading strategies, writing across the curriculum, student support services and strategies to focus instruction on the California State Standards.

Our entire staff continues training in the best practices of a Professional Learning Community, coupled with the California state standards. A schoolwide system for supporting discipline plays a major role in the school's behavior intervention and positive school culture. Through these programs, standards-aligned formative assessment data are gathered, analyzed and used to support all students academically. Our schoolwide system for academic intervention MTSS (Multi-Tiered System of Support) during the school day continues to help all students succeed academically, socially and emotionally.

Professional Learning Community activities and department meetings occur every Tuesday and Wednesday morning during collaboration times. Additionally, "release time" is provided by the school site and district administration to ensure that on-going, meaningful, professional development takes place on a regular basis.

The district focused all professional development activities around five identified needs: first time best instruction, mastery learning, multi-tiered system of supports, implementation of the California Content Standards and NGSS Standards, and cultural relevant understanding.

In the 2022-23 school year, the district dedicated two professional development days for certificated staff. Teachers were offered additional professional development opportunities throughout the year as requested in the areas of curriculum training, utilization of AVID strategies, multi-tiered systems of support, and culturally relevant instructional practices.

This table displays the number of school days dedicated to staff development and continuous improvement.

Subject	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Number of school days dedicated to Staff Development and Continuous Improvement	4	2	2