

Washington Elementary School

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Principal's Message

We are proud to present our annual report for the 2012-13 year. We publish this report every year to share important facts about our school with the public we serve. It is our goal to present a clear picture of our students' academic achievements as well as the facts about our teachers and support staff who help make learning possible. In this report, you will find information about our teachers, students, test scores, resources, and finances. Many qualities contribute to making a public school successful, and no single report can fully describe them all. We've done our best to present a wide range of facts, and, when possible, we feature this data alongside data for other schools at the same grade level in the district and state. We believe that viewing the facts about our school compared to other schools in the district and state provides the most insight.

To provide insight into our school's learning environment, we share facts about our students, and the education and experience level of our teachers. You'll also find estimates of how well prepared our teachers are. At the end of the report, we shed some light on our district's spending— including how much we spend per student compared to other districts like ours in the state. Open communication between our school and our public is something we value highly, and it's a responsibility we take seriously. We hope this report will generate a dialogue between members of our community and school leadership. We invite you to join us in this discussion. To get involved at our school, please contact our school office.

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About the SARC

Every school in California is required by state law to publish a School Accountability Report Card (SARC), by February 1 of each year. 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 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, see the California Department of Education (CDE) SARC Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>.
- View this SARC online at the school and/or LEA Web sites.
- For more information about the LCFF or LCAP, see the CDE LCFF Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/>.
- For additional information about the school, parents and community members should contact the school at (510) 644-6310.

2013-14 Student Enrollment by Grade Level	
Grade Level	Number of Students
Kinder.	99
Gr. 1	77
Gr. 2	82
Gr. 3	73
Gr. 4	82
Gr. 5	58
Total	471

2013-14 Student Enrollment by Group	
Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	15.3
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0
Asian	7.9
Filipino	1.1
Hispanic or Latino	11.7
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.4
White	49.9
Two or More Races	11.9
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	30.6
English Learners	11.3
Students with Disabilities	7.6

A. Conditions of Learning

State Priority: Basic

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the Basic State Priority (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.

Teacher Credentials			
Washington Elementary School	12-13	13-14	14-15
Fully Credentialed	22	22	
Without Full Credential	0	0	
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence			
Berkeley Unified School District	12-13	13-14	14-15
Fully Credentialed	♦	♦	
Without Full Credential	♦	♦	
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	♦	♦	

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions at this School			
Washington Elementary School	12-13	13-14	14-15
Teachers of English Learners	0		
Total Teacher Misassignments	0		
Vacant Teacher Positions	0		

* "Misassignments" refers to the number of positions filled by teachers who lack legal authorization to teach that grade level, subject area, student group, etc. Total Teacher Misassignments includes the number of Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners.

Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers

2013-14 Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers		
Location of Classes	Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
This School	100.00	0.00
Districtwide		
All Schools	99.86	0.14
High-Poverty Schools	99.68	0.32
Low-Poverty Schools	100.00	0.00

* High-poverty schools are defined as those schools with student eligibility of approximately 40 percent or more in the free and reduced price meals program. Low-poverty schools are those with student eligibility of approximately 39 percent or less in the free and reduced price meals program.

Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2014-15)

Williams legislation calls for the schools to have enough books in core classes for all students and asks districts to reveal whether those books are presenting information outlined in the California content standards. Textbook materials are adopted by the school board following a rotating adoption cycle for subject specific state adopted textbooks and instructional materials.

Textbooks and Instructional Materials		Year and month in which data were collected:
Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/Year of Adoption	
Reading/Language Arts The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0%	Teachers College Reading and Writing Project Adopted 2011 & Lesson Study by Lucy Caulkins Adopted 2014	
Mathematics The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: No Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0%	A Story of Units (eureka Math) Pilot 2013-14	
Science The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0%	Full Option Science System (FOSS) (Foss Delta Education) Adopted in 2007	
History-Social Science The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0%	History Social Science for California (Scott Foresman) Adopted in 2006	

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

The district administers a scheduled maintenance program to ensure that all classrooms and facilities are well maintained and in good repair. A work order process alerts district personnel of any maintenance needed to be performed and ensures that emergencies are given the highest priority.

Safety issues are the top priority for Maintenance and Operations. District maintenance supervisors inspect school sites continually and complete repairs in a timely manner. They use a work order process to ensure an efficient, prioritized repair process. The district maintenance staff has indicated that 100% of all toilets on school grounds are in working order.

To determine the condition of our facilities, our district sent experts from our facilities team to perform an inspection using a survey called the Facilities Inspection Tool, which is issued by the Office of Public School Construction.

Based on that survey, we've answered the questions you see on this report. Please note that the information reflects the condition of our buildings as of the date of the report. Since that time, those conditions may have changed.

Date of Last Inspection: October 4, 2011

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)					Year and month in which data were collected: January, 2014
System Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned	
	Good	Fair	Poor		
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	[X]	[]	[]	No apparent problems	
Interior: Interior Surfaces	[X]	[]	[]	No apparent problems	
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	[X]	[]	[]	No apparent problems	
Electrical: Electrical	[X]	[]	[]	No apparent problems	
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	[X]	[]	[]	No apparent problems	
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	[X]	[]	[]	No apparent problems	
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	[X]	[]	[]	Six old portable buildings were replaced with new ones in summer of 2014	
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	[X]	[]	[]	No apparent problems	
Overall Rating	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor	No apparent problems
	[]	[X]	[]	[]	

B. Pupil Outcomes

State Priority: Pupil Achievement

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

- Statewide assessments (i.e., California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress and its successor the Standardized Testing and Reporting Program);
- The Academic Performance Index; and
- The percentage of pupils 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.

CAASPP Results for All Students - Three-Year Comparison									
Subject	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)								
	School			District			State		
	11-12	12-13	13-14	11-12	12-13	13-14	11-12	12-13	13-14
Science	53	63	69	63	65	64	60	59	60

* Science (grades 5, 8, and 10) assessments include California Standards Tests (CSTs), California Modified Assessment (CMA), and California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA). Scores are not shown 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.

STAR Results for All Students - Three-Year Comparison									
Subject	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)								
	School			District			State		
	10-11	11-12	12-13	10-11	11-12	12-13	10-11	11-12	12-13
ELA	62	65	71	60	64	64	54	56	55
Math	75	72	82	53	56	57	49	50	50
HSS				45	47	50	48	49	49

* STAR Program was last administered in 2012-13. 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.

Academic Performance Index Ranks - Three-Year Comparison			
API Rank	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
Statewide	7	6	8
Similar Schools	4	1	6

* For 2014 and subsequent years, the statewide and similar schools ranks will no longer be produced.

Grade Level	2013-14 Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	4 of 6	5 of 6	6 of 6
5	15.4	26.9	46.2

* 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.

2013-14 CAASPP Results by Student Group	
Group	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced
	Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)
All Students in the LEA	64
All Student at the School	69
Male	65
Female	72
Black or African American	
American Indian or Alaska Native	
Asian	
Filipino	
Hispanic or Latino	
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	
White	80
Two or More Races	
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	47
English Learners	36
Students with Disabilities	
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	

* CAASPP includes science assessments (CSTs, CMA, and CAPA) in grades 5, 8, and 10. Scores are not shown 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.

API Growth by Student Group – Three-Year Comparison			
Group	Actual API Change		
	10-11	11-12	12-13
All Students at the School	-1	-22	43
Black or African American			
American Indian or Alaska Native			
Asian			
Filipino			
Hispanic or Latino			
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander			
White	-20	-1	30
Two or More Races			
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	-17	-38	29
English Learners			
Students with Disabilities			

* "N/D" means that no data were available to the CDE or LEA to report. "B" means the school did not have a valid API Base and there is no Growth or target information. "C" means the school had significant demographic changes and there is no Growth or target information

C. Engagement

State Priority: Parental Involvement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the Parental Involvement State Priority (Priority 3):

- Efforts the school district makes to seek parent input in making decisions for the school district and each schoolsite.

Opportunities for Parental Involvement

Parents are welcome to assist teachers in the classroom, events and field trips. They also participate on our School Governance Council (SGC) and English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC). Contact Principal Rita Kimball, 644-4545, Chairpersons Eva Klein and Jamie Almanzan, for SGC and ELAC information. Our active PTA holds community-building events, like the Spring Fair and silent auction, raising money to support our school's field trips, resources, and educational equity efforts. PTA President is Caryn Pelegrino, chpelegrino@yahoo.com or 415-244-5676. Our PTA committees, organize classroom parents and community project days. There is also a new active Green Team of parents and teachers concentrating on recycling. Kidz Club, our after school program, welcomes parent participation. Adults in the Berkeley Community who would like to volunteer at Washington must contact Berkeley School Volunteers for sign-up and training at 510-644-8833 or email bsv@berkeley.net. In addition, Washington has an all-volunteer Quick Reads program for adults who enjoy working with one or two students to build fluency and vocabulary. Contact the office for training information. Many University of Berkeley Volunteer groups work with students after school. Organizations that support our students are BUILD for Literacy Tutoring (1:1 literacy mentoring) and Sage Mentoring (1:1 mentoring or homework help). The Music Connection works with students who wish to enhance their music skills. BEAM (activity-based science/engineering) also works with after-school students. Youth Impact (community service-learning) is another group that teaches how to volunteer and support others.

State Priority: School Climate

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

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

School Safety Plan

Berkeley's first Solar School, Washington Elementary was constructed in 1952, and has since received extensive remodeling and retrofitting. The campus covers two acres and consists of 17 permanent classrooms, three portables, a library, two staff rooms, a cafeteria, a playground, a science room, a cooking room, and music room. During the summer of 2008 efficient energy producing solar panels were installed on the roof of the main building. This provides up to 75% of Washington's electricity. The facility strongly supports teaching and learning through its ample classroom and playground space.

The safety of students and staff is our primary concern. A variety of people visit the campus to volunteer in the classroom and participate in school events. During lunch, recesses, and before-and-after school, staff members, administrators, and safety officers supervise students and school grounds to ensure an orderly, safe environment. The school is always fully compliant with all rules, laws, and regulations concerning state earthquake standards and hazardous materials. Earthquake and fire drill are held monthly, and intruder drills are held at least once a year.

Safety procedures, including elements of our Comprehensive Safe School Plan, are reviewed with school and district staff at the start of each school year. The plan was last updated and reviewed with school staff in spring 2014. It contains information for the health and safety of students and includes emergency plans and procedures, as well as contact information, goals, and student expectations.

Suspensions and Expulsions			
School	11-12	12-13	13-14
Suspensions Rate	0.0	0.4	0.4
Expulsions Rate	0.0	0.0	0.0
District	11-12	12-13	13-14
Suspensions Rate	4.8	3.9	3.0
Expulsions Rate	0.1	0.0	0.1
State	11-12	12-13	13-14
Suspensions Rate	5.7	5.1	4.4
Expulsions Rate	0.1	0.1	0.1

* The rate of suspensions and expulsions is calculated by dividing the total number of incidents by the total enrollment x 100.

D. Other SARC Information

The information in this section is required to be in the SARC but is not included in the state priorities for LCFF.

2013-14 Adequate Yearly Progress Overall and by Criteria		
AYP Criteria	School	District
Made AYP Overall		
Met Participation Rate: English-Language Arts		
Met Participation Rate: Mathematics		
Met Percent Proficient: English-Language Arts		
Met Percent Proficient: Mathematics		
Met API Criteria		

2014-15 Federal Intervention Program		
Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status	In PI	In PI
First Year of Program Improvement	2012-2013	2004-2005
Year in Program Improvement	Year 1	Year 3
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	13	
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	76.5	

* DW (determination waiver) indicates that the PI status of the school was carried over from the prior year in accordance with the flexibility granted through the federal waiver process.

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff at this School	
Number of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)	
Academic Counselor	0
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	0
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	0
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	0.8
Psychologist	.25
Social Worker	0
Nurse	0
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	1
Resource Specialist	2
Other	0
Average Number of Students per Staff Member	
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.

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution												
Average Class Size				Number of Classrooms*								
				1-20			21-32			33+		
Grade	12	13	14	12	13	14	12	13	14	12	13	14
Kinder.	20.2	18	20	5	6	4	0		1	0		
Gr. 1	18.8	21	19	5	2	4	0	2		0		
Gr. 2	19.8	18	21	4	4	2	0		2	0		
Gr. 3	19.7	19	18	3	2	4	0	2		0		
Gr. 4	28	28	41	0			2	2	3	0		1
Gr. 5	27	26	39	0			3	2	2	0		1

* Number of classes indicates how many classrooms 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.

FY 2012-13 Teacher and Administrative Salaries		
Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$39,459	\$41,243
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$66,101	\$64,893
Highest Teacher Salary	\$82,022	\$83,507
Average Principal Salary (ES)	\$113,018	\$103,404
Average Principal Salary (MS)	\$118,605	\$109,964
Average Principal Salary (HS)	\$142,697	\$120,078
Superintendent Salary	\$205,985	\$183,557
Percent of District Budget		
Teacher Salaries	36	40
Administrative Salaries	7	6

* For detailed information on salaries, see the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits webpage at www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/.

FY 2012-13 Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries				
Level	Expenditures Per Pupil			Average Teacher Salary
	Total	Restricted	Unrestricted	
School Site	\$9,381	\$3,068	\$6,313	\$62,595
District	♦	♦	\$5,852	\$68,192
State	♦	♦	\$4,690	\$67,762
Percent Difference: School Site/District			7.9	-8.2
Percent Difference: School Site/ State			34.6	-7.6

Types of Services Funded at Washington Elementary School

Teachers have received grants from the Berkeley Public Education Foundation, In Dulce Jubilo and the Berkeley Schools Excellence Project. Grant money has been used to support school counselors, AmeriCorps volunteers, field trips, and much more.

Professional Development provided for Teachers at Washington Elementary School

Administrators and teachers take time each year to improve their teaching skills and to extend their knowledge of the subjects they teach. During the last three school-years, each school in the Berkeley Unified School District dedicated 3 days annually for teacher and administrator professional development. During 2013-14, 100% of all Berkeley K-5 teachers and site administrators participated in four-days of Common Core State Standards Professional Development for their K-5 classrooms. A site literacy coach provides ongoing support for teachers to improve literacy instruction to students. A math teacher-leader at the site participates in monthly District trainings, and supports math professional development and collaboration at the site. New teachers participate in a rigorous District BTSA program. Teacher-initiated professional development is supported through local funds earmarked for this purpose.