

New River Elementary School

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School Description

Welcome to New River Elementary School! In 2013-2014 our staff, students, and parents continued to create a climate and curriculum that ensures academic rigor and consistency across the grade levels.

New River Elementary is on the forefront of using technology as a learning tool. Our modernized computer lab is used by Kinder through fifth grades to learn technology skills and strengthen learning. Students have access to web-based programs to help them master Common Core State Standards in language arts and math. Teachers use computers to create lessons and presentations, and students use computers during the instructional day in small groups. Most classrooms use document cameras and LCD projectors to facilitate learning. In addition, we have iPads that students use for instructional purposes and for taking the new state test, the SBAC.

In addition to our core instruction, New River offers a "second dose" of reading instruction. In first and second grades, all students are challenged to reach their fullest potential as readers whether they are at, above, or below grade level in our Knights Achieving Reading Excellence (KARE) program. In third, fourth, and fifth grades extra support is offered to students who need additional work on reading skills through our Leveled Literacy Intervention (LLI) program. Our Reading Intervention Teacher coordinates these programs. Our school also offers after school support to our second through fifth grade students in our Knight's Academy Program. In addition to teaching academics, New River also believes that character education is critical to helping a child develop positive behavioral skills for life. We teach the traits of trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, and caring through the Character Counts curriculum. Our Behavior Intervention Teacher assists with our character education. We also believe that arts education is vital to all students. We offer the Meet the Masters program, which teaches students about the great masters of art. We also have a music program that teaches students in Kinder through fifth grades about the fundamentals of music. Our hope is to engage students more deeply in all areas and spark their love of learning. Please come and visit your child's classroom. We always welcome parents and volunteers

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 (562) 868-9848.

2013-14 Student Enrollment by Grade Level	
Grade Level	Number of Students
Kinder.	75
Gr. 1	81
Gr. 2	72
Gr. 3	93
Gr. 4	92
Gr. 5	79
Total	492

2013-14 Student Enrollment by Group	
Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	2.4
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.2
Asian	1.6
Filipino	2.8
Hispanic or Latino	85.4
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.6
White	4.7
Two or More Races	1.2
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	89.2
English Learners	29.9
Students with Disabilities	16.3

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			
New River Elementary School	12-13	13-14	14-15
Fully Credentialed	23	25	22
Without Full Credential	0	0	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	0
Norwalk-La Mirada 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			
New River Elementary School	12-13	13-14	14-15
Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments	0	0	
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	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	95.24	4.76
Districtwide		
All Schools	93.95	6.05
High-Poverty Schools	93.90	6.10
Low-Poverty Schools	95.05	4.95

* 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)

All textbooks meet the content standards for each of their curricular areas. These materials are supplemented with instructional materials aligned with the California Common Core State Standards.

Textbooks and Instructional Materials

Year and month in which data were collected: 2014

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	Grades K-5 English-language Arts: Houghton Mifflin Reading, adopted 2002 and Common Core aligned supplemental materials: Ready Common Core-Reading, Curriculum Associates – ELA
Mathematics The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0	Grades K-5 Mathematics: Houghton Mifflin - Math Expressions, adopted 2014
Science The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0	Grades K-5 Science: Macmillan/McGraw Hill – Science, adopted 2008
History-Social Science The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0	Grades K-5 Social Science: Pearson Scott Foresman – History, adopted 2006

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)

Year and month in which data were collected:

System Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Good	Fair	Poor	
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	[]	[]	[]	
Interior: Interior Surfaces	[]	[]	[]	
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	[]	[]	[]	
Electrical: Electrical	[]	[]	[]	
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	[]	[]	[]	
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	[]	[]	[]	
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	[]	[]	[]	
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	[]	[]	[]	
Overall Rating	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor
	[]	[]	[]	[]

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	54	59	54	53	56	55	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	49	52	51	52	54	54	54	56	55
Math	61	62	64	46	47	48	49	50	50
HSS				41	41	44	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	3	4	4
Similar Schools	3	4	5

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

2013-14 Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards

Grade Level	2013-14 Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	4 of 6	5 of 6	6 of 6
5	17.9	24.4	14.1

* 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	55	
All Student at the School	54	
Male	50	
Female	61	
Black or African American		
American Indian or Alaska Native		
Asian		
Filipino		
Hispanic or Latino	54	
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander		
White		
Two or More Races		
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	56	
English Learners		
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	23	29	-9
Black or African American			
American Indian or Alaska Native			
Asian			
Filipino			
Hispanic or Latino	25	33	0
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander			
White			
Two or More Races			
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	27	35	-6
English Learners	14	25	5
Students with Disabilities	55		

* "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

We have many ways for parents to participate in school activities, and we depend on parents to provide input on how our programs can best support our students. Parents can join our SDM, which works with staff and administration to help make financial decisions that affect student achievement. Parents of English learners are vital to our ELAC committee and to our outreach efforts for new families. Parent workshops are held through out the year on a variety of topics, including academics and other topics as requested by parents. Parent volunteers help with special projects in the classroom and to chaperone field trips and other school activities. We ask for parents' support with our PTA activities and fund-raisers that are held throughout the year. In addition, we ask all parents to attend Back-to-School Night in the fall, Open House in the spring, and parent-teacher conferences twice yearly. We are always in need of more volunteers! For information about participating at our school, please contact our Parent Liaison in the school office at (562) 868-9848.

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

Safety is a priority at all times at New River. Staff monitors the school grounds for thirty minutes before school and twenty minutes after school, as well as, at all recess and lunchtimes. Teachers regularly review the rules for safe, responsible behavior in school and on the playground. Our Recess Coach provides structured play activities that promote pro-social behavior and that gets our students physically active! Students are provided with ample play equipment, and we reward them for respectful behavior with Knightly Notes and other positive incentives. Visitors must enter the school through the main gate and sign in at the office, where they receive a visitor's badge to wear throughout their stay.

We revise our Safe School Plan annually. The plan includes procedures for emergencies, exit routes, and inventories of emergency supplies. We keep a copy in the office for parents to view. We share the plan with all staff during a school-wide staff meeting. We practice fire, earthquake and lock-down drills on a regular basis and hold training for staff on an as-needed basis. Our Safety Committee conducts school-wide reviews to submit to our district three times per year in December, March and June.

Suspensions and Expulsions

School	11-12	12-13	13-14
Suspensions Rate	2.5	2.6	0.2
Expulsions Rate	0	0	0.0
District	11-12	12-13	13-14
Suspensions Rate	5	5.7	3.6
Expulsions Rate	0.1	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	2009-2010	2009-2010
Year in Program Improvement	Year 4	Year 3
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement		16
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement		94.1

* 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)	
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	
Psychologist	
Social Worker	
Nurse	
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	1
Resource Specialist	1
Other	
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.	25.3	24	19	0	1	1	3	3	3	0		
Gr. 1	25.6	20	16	0	1	3	5	3	2	0		
Gr. 2	22.7	19	14	1	2	4	5	3	1	0		
Gr. 3	26.3	13	12	0	5	5	3	2	3	0		
Gr. 4	24	14	18	1	4	3	3	2		0		2
Gr. 5	24.5	17	16	1	3	3	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	\$44,764	\$41,318
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$69,406	\$65,615
Highest Teacher Salary	\$91,049	\$84,981
Average Principal Salary (ES)	\$117,028	\$107,624
Average Principal Salary (MS)	\$120,045	\$112,817
Average Principal Salary (HS)	\$120,189	\$121,455
Superintendent Salary	\$205,000	\$206,292
Percent of District Budget		
Teacher Salaries	39	40
Administrative Salaries	5	5

* 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	9172.46	3386.66	5785.80	80609.39
District	♦	♦	6057.23	\$72,884
State	♦	♦	\$4,690	\$69,360
Percent Difference: School Site/District			-4.5	10.6
Percent Difference: School Site/ State			23.4	16.2

Types of Services Funded at New River Elementary School

Professional Development provided for Teachers at New River Elementary School

This year the teaching staff at New River continue to focus their staff development to further their understanding of the new Common Core State Standards in the content areas of Language Arts, Math, and English Language Development (for students who are second language learners).

Teachers work in collaborative grade-level teams to dive deeper into the content standards two times per month. Administration and Common Core Teachers lead the majority of staff meetings. Teacher release time is offered to all grade level teams to develop expertise in their subjects.

In addition to the site professional development, the district offers training for teachers from grades Kinder through fifth grades in the areas of Language Arts, Math, and Writing. The training is on-going through out the school year.