

Escalona Elementary School

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School Description

Welcome to Escalona Elementary School, where students soar on the wings of success! Escalona Elementary is a kindergarten through grade five neighborhood school in La Mirada, California where staff and community take pride in enriching the lives of our students.

At Escalona School we take strong action to positively influence a quality instructional program that promotes student success and focuses on improving student learning. We provide an education that is based on the Common Core State Standards and that encourages creativity, communication, collaboration and critical thinking. Our school culture is one of diversity, inclusion, and possibility; qualities that provide support for student learning. Our culture sets the tone for our students' success and achievement and provides the rallying point for our staff, students, parents, businesses, and neighbors.

Teachers, students, parents, and the community all work together to foster an appreciation of each child's uniqueness as a member of a diverse multiethnic, multicultural society. To increase our effectiveness as teachers, administrators, and staff, we share leadership, promote collegiality, continuously learn and apply new strategies, establish standards of professional performance, and take risks to try new ideas.

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 (714) 521-0970.

2013-14 Student Enrollment by Grade Level	
Grade Level	Number of Students
Kinder.	75
Gr. 1	85
Gr. 2	84
Gr. 3	93
Gr. 4	96
Gr. 5	100
Total	533

2013-14 Student Enrollment by Group	
Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	1.5
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.6
Asian	4.1
Filipino	4.3
Hispanic or Latino	64.5
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.2
White	22.0
Two or More Races	2.8
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	49.5
English Learners	1.9
Students with Disabilities	12.4

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			
Escalona Elementary School	12-13	13-14	14-15
Fully Credentialed	25	25	25
Without Full Credential	0	1	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			
Escalona 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	100.00	0.00
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: 12/10/14

System Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Good	Fair	Poor	
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	[X]	[]	[]	
Interior: Interior Surfaces	[X]	[]	[]	
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	[X]	[]	[]	
Electrical: Electrical	[X]	[]	[]	
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	[X]	[]	[]	
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	[X]	[]	[]	
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	[X]	[]	[]	
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	[X]	[]	[]	
Overall Rating	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor
	[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	72	74	77	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	78	79	76	52	54	54	54	56	55
Math	81	83	84	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	9	9	9
Similar Schools	9	9	10

* 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	19.0	30.0	36.0

* 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	77	
Male	76	
Female	78	
Black or African American		
American Indian or Alaska Native		
Asian		
Filipino		
Hispanic or Latino	70	
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander		
White	85	
Two or More Races		
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	69	
English Learners		
Students with Disabilities	67	
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	2	14	3
Black or African American			
American Indian or Alaska Native			
Asian			
Filipino			
Hispanic or Latino	4	22	12
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander			
White	-23	18	-11
Two or More Races			
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	10	21	27
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

Escalona maintains two active parent/teacher support groups: the PTA and the School Site Council. Parents and community members are actively involved with teachers and staff in decision making. Our school encourages parent and community involvement in the classroom in order to serve our students. Parents and community members regularly volunteer in the classroom, supervise field trips, and provide supplementary instruction for students. Escalona's monthly Parent Newsletter, weekly grade-level newsletters, and the Web site help keep parents informed of schoolwide activities and programs.

Through fund-raisers, Escalona's PTA has brightened Escalona with colorful murals, a double-sided marquee, backpack racks for each classroom, playground equipment in the kindergarten yard, and a permanent shade structure over the lunch area. The PTA also funds the Meet the Masters art appreciation program, the Reading Eagles are Dynamite (READ) Home Reading Program, various school assemblies and transportation for field trips.

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

Staff and parent volunteers monitor the school grounds for 15 minutes before and after school as well as at all recesses and at lunch time. Teachers regularly review the rules for safe and responsible behavior in school and on the playground. We have a closed campus that is fully fenced and visitors must enter the school through the school office to sign in and obtain a visitor badge that must be worn throughout their stay.

Escalona's School Safety Committee updates the School Safety Plan annually each October and trains the staff on safety procedures at that time. The plan includes information on disaster drills, evacuation routes, disaster teams, and the location of first-aid supplies. The School Site Council reviews, revises, and approves the School Safety Plan annually. It is available for review in the school's main office. We practice fire drills each month, lockdown drills each trimester and Earthquake drills twice each year. We maintain a storage shed that houses school-wide disaster supplies. Additionally, each classroom is equipped with a bucket that holds emergency equipment. Supply and equipment inventories are conducted annually by the School Safety Committee. The emergency supply of food and water is replaced per their expiration dates.

Suspensions and Expulsions

School	11-12	12-13	13-14
Suspensions Rate	0.7	0.2	0.4
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
First Year of Program Improvement		2009-2010
Year in Program Improvement		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)	0
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	0
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	1
Psychologist	1
Social Worker	0
Nurse	0
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	1
Resource Specialist	1
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.	27	21	19	0	1	1	4	3	3	0		
Gr. 1	27.3	20	21	0	1	1	3	3	3	0		
Gr. 2	24.2	23	17	1	1	2	5	3	3	0		
Gr. 3	24.8	18	23	0	2	1	4	3	3	0		
Gr. 4	25.7	20	24	1	2	1	0	1	3	2	2	
Gr. 5	35.5	23	25	0	1	1	0	3	1	2		2

* 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	8421.78	2606.37	5815.41	74692.13
District	♦	♦	6057.23	\$72,884
State	♦	♦	\$4,690	\$69,360
Percent Difference: School Site/District			-4.0	2.5
Percent Difference: School Site/ State			24.0	7.7

Types of Services Funded at Escalona Elementary School

Professional Development provided for Teachers at Escalona Elementary School

During the 2013-2014 school year, Escalona staff participated in professional development opportunities designed to clarify and facilitate the transition from curriculum and instruction based on California State Standards to the new curriculum and instructional strategies based on Common Core Standards. Common Core is a set of standards developed by the federal government in the hopes of unifying educational standards nationwide. The professional development at Escalona highlighted the instructional shifts in English Language Arts, Mathematics, Writing and the Integration of Technology Skills within the instructional content.