Pleasant Grove Middle School School Accountability Report Card Reported Using Data from the 2018-19 School Year Published During 2019-20

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, 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 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 <u>https://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/</u> 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).

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About This School

School Contact Information (School Year 2019-20)

Entity	Contact Information
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School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2019-20)

Since opening on August 18, 2003, Pleasant Grove has established a reputation for academic excellence and is a source of community pride. Pleasant Grove is located thirty miles east of Sacramento, California in the beautiful foothills of El Dorado County and is currently enrolled with 487 sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students.

At Pleasant Grove, our primary goal is to help all of our students be successful. All programs and policies are established to accomplish this goal. In order to support this, Pleasant Grove couples our certified school-wide AVID program and practices with Positive Behavior Incentives and Supports (PBIS). To support students on a path of career and college readiness, AVID brings research-based strategies and curriculum to educational institutions in elementary, secondary, and higher education. As a result, policymakers and educators now consider AVID's mission to be an essential strategy for closing the achievement gap and for making college access and success available to all students. By implementing school-wide AVID strategies, we provide all students with methodologies that develop their critical thinking, literacy, and math skills across all content areas. Our AVID program focuses on skills and behaviors that promote academic success and provide intensive support with tutorials and strong student/teacher relationships, while also supporting peer collaboration, and a rigorous education. Our PBIS program, helps to foster and develop student's social emotional skills and successes. For example, students are recognized and rewarded for their positive choices, taught or re-taught social skills as needed, and provided with various types of behavior supports. The school-wide AVID and PBIS programs work together to develop the whole child both academically and socially.

In order to support the transition into middle school sixth grade from elementary, we core our students together. Core scheduling allows sixth graders to have the same teacher for history and language arts, the same teacher for math and science, and an additional teacher for PE. This reduces the amount of transitions and teachers from six different teachers down to three to four depending on each sixth graders' schedule.

The school day is broken up into seven 50 minute periods of Math, Science, English, History, Physical Education, an elective and a lunch period. Elective options include: Band, Choir, Computer Science, Spanish, Leadership, Speech/Drama, Health and Fitness, Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Design and Modeling, PLTW Medical Detectives, Game Design, Art Exploration, Math or Reading Intervention, Study Hall and Advancement via Individual Determination (AVID). The staff has high expectations for the quality of work from students. Each student can expect to be treated fairly, to work and socialize in a safe environment, to be challenged, and to be properly instructed and evaluated by highly qualified, caring teachers. Middle school students rely heavily upon social affiliation during a period of rapid physical and socio-emotional development as they establish a sense of self, while still needing adult guidance and connection. We believe that middle school students are highly malleable, so they need adults with whom they can connect and who lead them in a positive direction by tapping into their interests to motivate positive relationships and strong educational habits.

Students with special needs are provided specialized academic instruction through several support programs. The Resource Specialist Program provides help for students in the areas of mathematics, reading and language arts, history, science, and electives. This support is provided through multiple pedagogical practices: direct instruction, collaboration with the classroom teacher, team teaching, and paraprofessional support integrated throughout the school day and disciplines. Special Day Classes (SDC) also serve our students who meet certain special education criteria. The class size in our SDC program is small to allow for individual attention; however, students can be fully integrated into mainstream PE and some elective classes with their general education peers.

Additional support is provided by a full-time counselor, a nurse, a full-time psychologist, a district EL Coordinator, and a county speech/language specialist (2 days/week). A Learning Support Team is in place to support students who may be struggling academically or socially. Tutorial instruction is available during lunch periods and intervention aide supports are integrated into the classroom setting to provide support for students within the general education classroom setting.

To support our English Learner students we meet with each student one-on-one, each trimester, to establish and reflect on goals and discuss needs, areas of improvement and growth. In addition, aide support is available within the general classroom setting, as our English Learner students are fully integrated into general education classes.

Communication with parents is a key component to student academic success. It is critical to provide a format where students, teachers, and parents can communicate to support the development of student-centered learning and student self-advocacy. Pleasant Grove uses an online grading program, Jupiter Grades, and a classroom informational system, Google Classroom, to provide a format for more effective communication between all stakeholders. Through these interactive and engaged practices, parents have access to up-to-date information on student grades and upcoming assignments to support their student's academic success. Additionally, progress reports are available three times a year through the Aeries Portal mid-trimester and report card grades are available through the Aeries Portal at the end of each trimester.

Pleasant Grove promotes a positive learning environment where all students are held to high academic standards and are recognized for positive behavior and hard work. Positive behavior and achievement are recognized through honor roll, student recognition assemblies (Student of the Trimester), compliment calls and letters home to parents/guardians, PUMA Pride Awards, and presidential awards. There are also opportunities for all students to participate in the California Junior Scholastic Federation and to be a member of the school's W.E.B. team (Where Everyone Belongs) to facilitate student leadership and to help to maintain a positive school climate.

Grade Level	Number of Students
Grade 6	166
Grade 7	185
Grade 8	161
Total Enrollment	512

Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2018-19)

Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2018-19)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	0.4
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.2
Asian	1.6
Filipino	1
Hispanic or Latino	22.1
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.2
White	73
Two or More Races	1.6
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	29.1
English Learners	7.4
Students with Disabilities	16
Foster Youth	0.2
Homeless	1.8

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

Teacher Credentials

Teachers		School 2018-19	School 2019-20	District 2019-20
With Full Credential	29	25	25	176
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	0	0

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments*	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0

Note: "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.

Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2019-20)

Year and month in which data were collected: 1/15/2018

Subject	Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials/year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	McGraw Hill: ConnectED StudySync	Yes	0
Mathematics	6-8 Houghton Mifflin Harcourt: Big Ideas Math - 2014	Yes	0
Science	Prentice Hall: Science Explorer Grades 6-8	Yes	0
History-Social Science	Grades 6-8: TCI	Yes	0
Health	Botvin's LifeSkills Grades 6-8	Yes	0

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

School buildings and grounds at Pleasant Grove provide a clean, positive environment that is conducive to teaching, instruction, and learning. Staff and student restrooms are clean and well maintained. Floors, walls, roofs, and plumbing are maintained on a regular schedule. All efforts to ensure building safety, cleanliness, and adequacy have been successful. Rescue School District custodial and maintenance personnel work hard to keep the campus clean, safe, and in good working order.

While our facility is still fairly new and in good working order, a district deferred maintenance program is in place to repair or replace major areas of the campus, such as roofs, black top, carpet, stucco, and heating/air conditioning units when eventually needed.

The facilities at Pleasant Grove Middle School are in very good condition. Recently added garden area was completed, courtesy of an Eagle Scout Project and a grant.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)

Using the most recently collected FIT data (or equivalent), provide the following:

- Determination of repair status for systems listed
- Description of any needed maintenance to ensure good repair
- The year and month in which the data were collected
- The overall rating

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: 1/14/20

System Inspected	Rating	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Good	
Interior: Interior Surfaces	Poor	Replace failed windows
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	Good	
Electrical: Electrical	Good	
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	Good	
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Good	
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	Poor	Many small roof leaks, replace stucco
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	Poor	Repair window sills after windows are replaced
Overall Rating		

B. Pupil Outcomes

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, which 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); and
- 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.

CAASPP Test Results in ELA and Mathematics for All Students Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven

Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard

Subject	School 2017-18	School 2018-19	District 2017-18	District 2018-19	State 2017-18	State 2018-19
English Language Arts/Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11)	72	70	74	74	50	50
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	53	51	66	65	38	39

Note: 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.

Note: 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.

CAASPP Test Results in ELA by Student Group

Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2018-19)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	512	500	97.66	2.34	70.20
Male	250	244	97.60	2.40	66.39
Female	262	256	97.71	2.29	73.83
Black or African American					
American Indian or Alaska Native					
Asian					
Filipino					
Hispanic or Latino	111	105	94.59	5.41	56.19
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander					
White	373	368	98.66	1.34	73.91

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
Two or More Races					
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	154	148	96.10	3.90	52.03
English Learners	45	39	86.67	13.33	33.33
Students with Disabilities	76	72	94.74	5.26	18.06
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services					
Foster Youth					
Homeless					

Note: 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.

Note: 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.

Note: 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.

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	511	498	97.46	2.54	50.91
Male	249	243	97.59	2.41	54.13
Female	262	255	97.33	2.67	47.84
Black or African American					
American Indian or Alaska Native					
Asian					
Filipino					
Hispanic or Latino	111	105	94.59	5.41	32.38
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander					
White	372	366	98.39	1.61	55.62
Two or More Races					
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	154	147	95.45	4.55	32.19
English Learners	45	39	86.67	13.33	20.51
Students with Disabilities	76	72	94.74	5.26	13.89
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services					

CAASPP Test Results in Mathematics by Student Group Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2018-19)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
Foster Youth					
Homeless					

Note: 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.

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CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students

Grades Five, Eight, and Ten

Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard

Subject	School	School	District	District	State	State
	2017-18	2018-19	2017-18	2018-19	2017-18	2018-19
Science (grades 5, 8 and high school)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Note: Cells with N/A values do not require data.

Note: This is a placeholder for the California Science Test (CAST) which was administered operationally during the 2018-19 school year. However, these data are not available for inclusion in the 2018-19 SARC posting due February 1, 2020. These data will be included in the 2019-20 SARC posting due February 1, 2021.

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 areas of physical education.

California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2018-19)

Grade Level	Grade LevelPercentage of StudentsGrade LevelMeeting Four of SixFitness Standards		Percentage of Students Meeting Six of Six Fitness Standards
7	14.8	16.9	45.4

Note: 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.

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 for the school district and each school site.

Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2019-20)

Parent support of the school is very high. Parent involvement includes, but is not limited to: Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC), English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC), School Site Council, Music Boosters, Honor Society, chaperoning dances and field trips, volunteering within the classrooms, and assisting in promotion activities. Monthly parent newsletters are emailed home and posted electronically to the school's webpage (mypleasantgrove.com). Communication with parents regarding the school and individual students is maintained through telephone calls, our marquee, progress reports, letters, conferences, press releases and special flyers, JupiterGrades, the ParentLink automated call/email program, and our school and district websites.

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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

Rate	School 2016-17	School 2017-18	School 2018-19	District 2016-17	District 2017-18	District 2018-19	State 2016-17	State 2017-18	State 2018-19
Suspensions	4.5	4.8	3.0	2.4	2.0	1.2	3.6	3.5	3.5
Expulsions	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

School Safety Plan (School Year 2019-20)

Parents and students believe that Pleasant Grove provides a positive learning environment and the students are challenged in all academic areas. Positive behavior and achievement are recognized by positive telephone calls, e-mails, and messages sent home by the teacher, vice principal, and principal. Staff members nominate "Students of the Trimester" three times per year. These students are acknowledged for their special achievement. Academic achievement is recognized through the Honor Roll. Eighth grade students are eligible for Presidential Awards for Academic Excellence. A committee of parents, teachers, students and administrators reviewed other middle school discipline policies and created a parent/student handbook for Pleasant Grove. Again this year, the committee will review the existing policy and may recommend additional revisions.

In addition to academic recognitions, students are recognized for positive behavior with our Puma Pride Awards. This is part of our Positive Behavior Intervention Supports program also known as PBIS. Additionally, through PBIS, students with qualifying merit counts are recognized at various times throughout the year. The PBIS program is in the initial phase of incorporating Best Practice Rules lessons to establish positive, clear, and regularly communicated expectations for students.

Each year, Pleasant Grove's Safety Committee reviews policies, assesses needs, and explores ways to make our school a safer place and improve the physical and cultural climates. The Pleasant Grove Safety Committee consists of ten members: Both classified and certificated staff. The school Safety committee meets tri-annually throughout the school year and the plan was last reviewed and updated in November 2019. Our school Safety Plan is also reviewed by our school's Site Council. Physical improvements, leading to a safer school environment, have been made to our parking lot, asphalt courts, and play fields and we have evaluated, revised, and improved policies related to campus supervision, anti-bullying programs, and positive recognition events.

Pleasant Grove has several programs to further promote a positive climate and help students feel more connected to the school and their community. A WEB (Where Everybody Belongs) program is in place to assist all new students in a positive transition to our school. Pleasant Grove students function in a safe, positive environment. Pleasant Grove recognizes that positive behavior and appropriate activities will stimulate a healthy, productive school climate.

Subject	Average	# of	# of	2017-18 Average Class Size	# of		# of	Average	# of	# of	# of
English	22	5	14	20	8	11		19	8	13	
Mathematics	8	5		20	10	8		19	7	12	
Science	24	4	15	26	2	12		24	2	12	
Social Science	26	2	14	26	1	13		25	1	13	

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Secondary)

*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.

Ratio of Academic Counselors to Pupils (School Year 2018-19)

Title	Ratio
Academic Counselors*	512.0

*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.

Student Support Services Staff (School Year 2018-19)

Title	Number of FTE* Assigned to School
Counselor (Academic, Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	1.0
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	
Psychologist	.6
Social Worker	
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	

*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.

Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2017-18)

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	\$10,953.00	\$2,904.00	\$8,049.00	\$80,211.00
District	N/A	N/A	\$7,332.00	\$78,162.00
Percent Difference - School Site and District	N/A	N/A	9.3	2.6
State	N/A	N/A	\$7,506.64	\$77,619.00
Percent Difference - School Site and State	N/A	N/A	7.0	3.3

Note: Cells with N/A values do not require data.

The California Department of Education issued guidance to LEAs on August 1, 2018, regarding how to calculate school-level per-pupil expenditures that will be reported on 2018-19 report cards.

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2018-19)

All Rescue schools receive equal allocations, per student, of LCFF Base Funding. This funding helps support students by providing instructional materials, supplies and other needs. Funding for support services, such as maintenance of buildings and grounds, utilities, and student transportation, is budgeted for at the district level and provided to each school site based on the varying needs of the individual school.

In addition to the Base Funding described above, schools in the Rescue Union School District receive Supplemental funding roughly proportional to the number of unduplicated pupils (English Learners, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, and Foster/Homeless Youth) they serve. Furthermore, school sites receive allocations from other state and federal categorical programs, including Title I and Title II. The purpose of these categorical programs range from improving the quality of the total instructional program for all students to addressing the unique needs of special groups of students.

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$50,536	\$49,378
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$72,114	\$77,190
Highest Teacher Salary	\$94,100	\$96,607
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$118,074	\$122,074
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$120,219	\$126,560
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$0	\$126,920
Superintendent Salary	\$181,800	\$189,346
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	39%	36%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	7%	6%

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2017-18)

For detailed information on salaries, see the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits web page at https://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/.

Professional Development (Most Recent Three Years)

Measure	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Number of school days dedicated to Staff Development and Continuous Improvement			

Thirty Eight Early Release Professional Development/Teacher Collaboration Wednesdays are scheduled throughout the school year. During these meetings, teachers work to analyze assessment data and target key standards. In addition, they plan, develop and improve effective instructional strategies. Staff development related to instructional practices, curriculum, technology, Common Core State Standards, and other educationally related matters are provided for all teachers.

Teachers receive professional development and will work collaboratively on a regular, ongoing basis to target key standards, analyze formative assessment data and develop effective instructional practices. Teachers and administrators regularly attend conferences and workshops to learn about and implement the most effective instructional practices.

Additionally, we provide two days for parent conferences, one and a half days for report card preparation and collaboration, and IEP/504 transition and collaboration days between the middle school and high school.