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File Structure: Public Schools and Districts

Definitions for all the elements included in the downloadable public schools and districts files.

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Field Name	Field Type	Width	Description
CDSCode	Character	14	This 14-digit code is the official, unique identification of a school within California. The first two digits identify the county, the next five digits identify the school district, and the last seven digits identify the school. Please note that a CDS code ending in '0000000' indicates a
			district record not a school.
NCESDist	Character	7	This field represents the 7-digit National Center for Educational Statistics (NCES) school district identification number. The first 2 digits identify the state and the last 5 digits identify the school district. Combined, they make a unique 7-digit ID for each school district.
NCESSchool	Character	5	This field represents the 5-digit NCES school identification number. The NCESSchool combined with the NCESDist form a unique 12-digit ID for each school.
StatusType	Character	50	 This field identifies the status of the district. Definitions of the valid status types are listed below: Active: The district is in operation and providing instructional services. Closed: The district is not in operation and no longer providing instructional services. Merged: The district has combined with another district or districts. Pending: The district has not opened for operation and instructional services yet, but plans to open within the next 9–12 months.

County	Character	15	County name.
District	Character	90	District or Administrative Authority name.
School	Character	90	School name.
Street	Character	211	The unabbreviated street (physical) address of this school, district, or administrative authority. Note: Some entities (primarily closed or retired schools) may not have data in this field.
StreetAbr	Character	201	The abbreviated street address of the school, district, or administrative authority's physical location. Note: Some records (primarily records of closed or retired schools) may not have data in this field.
City	Character	25	The city where the school, district, or administrative authority is physically located. Note: Some records (primarily records of closed or retired schools) may not have data in this field.
Zip	Character	10	The zip code associated with the street address of the school, district, or administrative authority's physical location. Note: Some records (primarily records of closed or retired schools) may not have data in this field.
State	Character	2	The state in which the school, district, or administrative authority is located.
MailStreet	Character	211	The unabbreviated mailing address of the school, district, or administrative authority (i.e., P.O. Box). Note: 1) Some entities (primarily closed or retired schools) may not have data in this field; 2) Many active entities have not provided a mailing street address. For your convenience we have filled the unpopulated MailStreet cells with Street data.
MailStrAbr	Character	201	The abbreviated mailing street address of the school, district, or administrative authority (i.e., P.O. Box).Note: Many active entities have not provided a mailing street address. For your convenience we have filled the unpopulated MailStrAbr cells with StreetAbr data.
MailCity	Character	25	The city associated with the mailing address of the school, district, or administrative authority. Note: Many entities have not provided a mailing address city. For your convenience we have filled the unpopulated MailCity cells with City data.

MailZip	Character	10	The zip code associated with the mailing address of the school, district, or administrative authority. Note: Many entit have not provided a mailing address zip code. For your convenience we have filled the unpopulated MailZip cells w Zip data.
MailState	Character	2	The state within the mailing address. For your convenience have filled the unpopulated MailState cells with State data.
Phone	Character	14	The area code and phone number of the school, district, or administrative authority.
Ext	Character	6	The phone number extension of the school, district, or administrative authority.
Website	Character	100	The website address of the school, district, or administrative authority.
OpenDate	Date	10	The date the school opened.
ClosedDate	Date	10	The date the school closed.
Charter	Character	1	This field identifies a charter school. The field is coded as follows: • Y = The school is a charter • N = The school is not a charter
CharterNum	Character	4	The charter school number, which is a 4-digit number assign to a charter school.
FundingType	Character	25	Indicates the charter school funding type. Values are as follows: Not in CS funding model Locally funded Directly funded

DOC	Character	2	The District Ownership Code (DOC) is the numeric code used to identify the category of the Administrative Authority. • 00 – County Office of Education • 02 – State Board of Education • 03 – Statewide Benefit Charter • 31 – State Special Schools • 34 – Non-school Location* • 52 – Elementary School District • 54 – Unified School District • 56 – High School District • 98 – Regional Occupational Center/Program (ROC/P) *Only the California Education Authority has been included in the non-school location category.
DOCType	Character	50	The District Ownership Code Type is the text description of the DOC category. (See text values in DOC field description above)
SOC	Character	2	The School Ownership Code is a numeric code used to identify the type of school. • 08 – Preschool • 09 – Special Education Schools (Public) • 10 – County Community • 11 – Youth Authority Facilities (CEA) • 13 – Opportunity Schools • 14 – Juvenile Court Schools • 15 – Other County or District Programs • 31 – State Special Schools • 60 – Elementary School (Public) • 61 – Elementary School in 1 School District (Public) • 62 – Intermediate/Middle Schools (Public) • 63 – Alternative Schools of Choice • 64 – Junior High Schools (Public) • 65 – K-12 Schools (Public) • 66 – High Schools (Public) • 67 – High Schools in 1 School District (Public) • 68 – Continuation High Schools • 69 – District Community Day Schools • 70 – Adult Education Centers • 98 – Regional Occupational Center/Program (ROC/P)

SOCType	Character	50	The School Ownership Code Type is the text description of the type of school. (See text values in SOC field description above)
EdOpsCode	Character	20	The Education Option Code is a short text description of the type of education offered. ALTSOC – Alternative School of Choice COMM – County Community School COMMDAY – Community Day School CON – Continuation School JUV – Juvenile Court School OPP – Opportunity School YTH – Youth Authority School SSS – State Special School SPEC – Special Education School TRAD – Traditional ROP – Regional Occupational Program HOMHOS – Home and Hospital SPECON – District Consortia Special Education School
EdOpsName	Character	100	The Educational Option Name is the long text description of the type of education being offered. (See text values in EdOPsCode field description above)
EILCode	Character	50	The Educational Instruction Level Code is a short text description of the institution's type relative to the grade range served. A – Adult ELEM – Elementary ELEMHIGH – Elementary-High Combination HS – High School INTMIDJR – Intermediate/Middle/Junior High PS – Preschool UG – Ungraded
EILName	Character	50	The Educational Instruction Level Name is the long text description of the institution's type relative to the grade range served. (See text values in EILCode field description above)

GSoffered	Character	101	The grade span offered is the lowest grade and the highest grade offered or supported by the school, district, or administrative authority. This field might differ from the grade span served as reported in the most recent certified California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement (CALPADS) Fall 1 data collection. For example XYZ School might display the following data: GSoffered = P-Adult GSserved = K-12
GSserved	Character	101	This field represents the grade span served. It is the lowest grade and the highest grade of student enrollment as reported in the most recent certified CALPADS Fall 1 data collection. Only K–12 enrollment is reported through CALPADS. This field may differ from the grade span offered. Note: Special programs at independent study, alternative education, and special education schools will often exceed the typical grade span for schools of that type (i.e., a high school might serve grades three through twelve).

Virtual	Character	1	This field identifies the type of virtual instruction offered by t school. Virtual instruction is instruction in which students an teachers are separated by time and/or location, and interac occurs via computers and/or telecommunications technolog. The field is coded as follows:
			 F = Exclusively Virtual – The school has no physical building where students meet with each other or with teachers, all instruction is virtual. V = Primarily Virtual – The school focuses on a systematic program of virtual instruction but includes some physical meetings among students or with teachers. C = Primarily Classroom – The school offers virtual courses but virtual instruction is not the primary mean of instruction. N = Not Virtual – The school does not offer any virtual instruction. P = Partial Virtual – The school offers some, but not a instruction through virtual instruction. Note: This value was retired and replaced with the Primarily Virtual an Primarily Classroom values beginning with the 2016-school year.
Magnet	Character	1	This field identifies whether a school is a magnet school an provides a magnet program. Additional information on mag schools may be obtained from the CDE Magnets web page. The field is coded as follows: • Y = Magnet - The school is a magnet school and/or offers a magnet program. • N = Not Magnet - The school is not a magnet school and/or does not offer a magnet program. Note: Preschools and adult education centers do not contain magnet school indicator.
Latitude	Decimal	10	The angular distance (expressed in degrees) between the location of the school, district, or administrative authority and the equator measured north to south.

Longitude	Decimal	10	The angular distance (expressed in degrees) between the location of the school, district, or administrative authority and the prime meridian (Greenwich, England) measured from west to east.
AdmFName1	Character	20	The superintendent's or principal's first name. Only active and pending districts and schools will display administrator information, if applicable.
AdmLName1	Character	40	The superintendent's or principal's last name. Only active and pending districts and schools will display administrator information, if applicable.
AdmEmail1	Character	50	The superintendent's or principal's e-mail address. Only active and pending districts and schools will display administrator information, if applicable.
AdmFName2	Character	20	The second principal's first name (optional). Only active and pending school records will display principal information, if applicable.
AdmLName2	Character	40	The second principal's last name (optional). Only active and pending school records will display principal information, if applicable.
AdmEmail2	Character	50	The second principal's e-mail address (optional). Only active and pending school records will display principal information, if applicable.
AdmFName3	Character	20	The third principal's first name (optional). Only active and pending school records will display principal information, if applicable.
AdmLName3	Character	40	The third principal's last name (optional). Only active and pending school records will display principal information, if applicable.
AdmEmail3	Character	50	The third principal's e-mail address (optional). Only active and pending school records will display principal information, if applicable.
LastUpDate	Date	10	The date the record was last updated.

Note: A value of "No Data" indicates that the data element does not apply to that specific entity, or that data was not reported for the entity. Reasons why data may not have been reported for the entity may be that the entity is not required to report the data, the entity is closed, or the entity is new and has not yet reported the data. Some of the elements in this file are specific to schools, therefore, districts and county offices of education, will not have data in the school specific fields.

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