West Cottonwood Junior High School School Accountability Report Card Reported Using Data from the 2018-19 School Year

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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

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About This School

School Contact Information (School Year 2019-20)

Entity	Contact Information
School Name	West Cottonwood Junior High School
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County-District-School (CDS) Code	45-69955-6050207

Entity	Contact Information
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Superintendent	Mr. Douglas Geren
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School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2019-20)

As you read through our School Accountability Report Card for the year 2019-20, it will become evident that the Cottonwood community has a fine education program in place for their children. Our staff is dedicated to the improvement of student's academic growth by creating a friendly, safe, open learning environment for all of our district's children.

West Cottonwood continues to maintain a high quality academic program using highly qualified teachers and the California State Teaching Standards. We are fortunate to have a School Board, Superintendent, and an administrative and teaching staff that is dedicated to promoting a positive image and to the improvement and success of all students.

West Cottonwood has establishment of a comprehensive elective program that allows our students to participate in a variety of activities such as Intro to Cooking, Choir, Art, Makerspace, and Intro to Agriculture. In addition, 8th grade students are also eligible to earn high school credit for a foreign language (Spanish 1), and may participate in our FFA program.

Cottonwood Union School District is located in Shasta County and encompasses 200 square miles along the Shasta-Tehama County Line. Cottonwood Union School District is comprised of two schools, North Cottonwood Elementary School (K-4) and West Cottonwood Junior High School (5-8). The schools have consistently earn the reputation for high academic standards, extremely safe, well-disciplined campuses, and a school environment that is conducive to learning and parent participation.

Students at West Cottonwood Junior High School are guided by specific rules and classroom expectations that promote respect, communication, empowerment, and community. The school's discipline philosophy is based on a community-building approach to education, a partnership between students, parents, and the school, and a balance between support and accountability structures. Parents and students are informed of discipline policies through the student handbook, and other forms of written communication such as newsletters, emails, and notifications home. The principal meets with all new students and parents before they attend class and communicates to them the high standards of student behavior and the dress code. All staff members enforce the school rules in a fair and equitable manner and unacceptable behavior is quickly communicated to parents. A principal/counselor referral system in place to deal with serious and recurrent student management problems in a timely manner and in-house and/or at home suspension are used to handle aggressive student behavior.

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

Grade Level	Number of Students
Grade 5	129
Grade 6	85
Grade 7	100
Grade 8	90
Total Enrollment	404

Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2018-19)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	1
American Indian or Alaska Native	3.2
Asian	1.5
Filipino	0.2
Hispanic or Latino	14.6
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.5
White	74.5
Two or More Races	4.2
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	51.5
English Learners	2.2
Students with Disabilities	10.1
Foster Youth	1.2
Homeless	0.2

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	19	19	19	44
Without Full Credential	0	0	1	3
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: January 2017

Subject	Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials/year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	McGraw Hill 2016 Study Sync 2016	Yes	0
Mathematics	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Go Math (5-6) CPM (7-8)	Yes	0
Science	Stemscopes (5-8) Accelerated Learning	Yes	0
History-Social Science	History/Social Studies (5) Glenco McGraw Hill-Ancient Civilization (6) McDougal-Littel-World History-Medieval and Early Modern Times (7) Glenco-American Journey (8)	Yes	0

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

West Cottonwood Junior High School was built in 1957 and is currently comprised of 32 classrooms, a library, a computer lab, a staff lounge, a gym, a multipurpose room, a fitness room, swimming pool, and an all-weather track. Restrooms are located in the main hallway, library, and multipurpose room, and are in good working order.

A team of three full-time custodians ensures classrooms, and campus grounds are kept clean and safe. Cottonwood Union School District administers a scheduled maintenance program to guarantee the classrooms and facilities are maintained to a degree of adequacy that provides a suitable learning environment.

District maintenance staff ensures that the repairs necessary to keep the school in good repair and working order are complete in a timely manner. A work order process is used to provide efficient service and that emergency repairs are given the highest priority.

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: 6/12/2019

System Inspected	Rating	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Good	
Interior: Interior Surfaces	Good	
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	Good	
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	Good	
Overall Rating	Exemplary	

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)	46	46	49	49	50	50
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	43	44	47	46	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	418	402	96.17	3.83	46.27
Male	221	213	96.38	3.62	40.85
Female	197	189	95.94	4.06	52.38
Black or African American					
American Indian or Alaska Native	15	14	93.33	6.67	35.71
Asian					
Filipino					
Hispanic or Latino	59	54	91.53	8.47	40.74
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander					
White	309	300	97.09	2.91	48.00

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
Two or More Races	20	20	100.00	0.00	50.00
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	216	203	93.98	6.02	33.50
English Learners	14	11	78.57	21.43	36.36
Students with Disabilities	62	59	95.16	4.84	20.34
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.

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
All Students	418	404	96.65	3.35	44.06
Male	221	214	96.83	3.17	44.39
Female	197	190	96.45	3.55	43.68
Black or African American					
American Indian or Alaska Native	15	14	93.33	6.67	57.14
Asian					
Filipino					
Hispanic or Latino	59	56	94.92	5.08	32.14
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander					
White	309	300	97.09	2.91	46.67
Two or More Races	20	20	100.00	0.00	35.00
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	216	205	94.91	5.09	30.73
English Learners	14	13	92.86	7.14	15.38
Students with Disabilities	62	59	95.16	4.84	16.95
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services					

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 <i>Level</i>	Percentage of Students Meeting Four of Six Fitness Standards	Percentage of Students Meeting Five of Six Fitness Standards	Percentage of Students Meeting Six of Six Fitness Standards		
5	18.0	25.0	31.2		
7	12.7	26.5	33.3		

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)

Parents and the community are very supportive of the education programs at West Cottonwood Junior High School. Parents volunteer in classrooms, for special events, for fund raisers, on field trips as chaperones, and on various school district committees such as School Site Council and Parent Club. Parents also have the opportunity to participate by attending Back to School Night, Open House, Parent Nights, Superintendents Dessert, LCAP Advisory Meetings, as well as Site Council and School Board Meetings.

The Cottonwood Foundation for Excellent Schools (CFES) is a non-profit organization that provides a network of community support for the Cottonwood School District and raised funds that will help enhance the learning and offer more educational opportunities for students.

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	6.6	7.3	4.9	2.4	2.6	1.9	3.6	3.5	3.5
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1

School Safety Plan (School Year 2019-20)

The School Site Safety Plan is reviewed and revised annually. The Safety Plan is revised by the Safety Committee, which consists of the Superintendent, site administrators, clerical staff, and parents, and is approved by our School Site Council. The school safety plan includes steps for ensuring students and staff safety during a disaster. Emergency drills are conducted on a regular basis throughout the school year.

The safety of students and staff is a primary concern of Cottonwood Union School District, and West Cottonwood Junior High provides a safe and clean environment for students. Highly visible, organized, and professional adult supervision is provided by teachers, paraprofessionals, and administrative staff to ensure the campuses are safe and well supervised so all students can achieve social, academic, physical, and moral excellence.

The school is in compliance will all laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to hazardous materials and state earthquake standards.

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Secondary)

Subject	Average	# of	# of	# of	Average	# of	# of	# of	Average	# of	# of	2018-19 # of Classes* Size 33+
English	25	4	12		21	6	12		22	5	12	
Mathematics	25	4	10	2	24	2	14		24	4	12	
Science	31		4	2	31		6		27	1	4	2
Social Science	26	1	5	1	18	5	5		27	1	4	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.

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

Title	Ratio
Academic Counselors*	404.0

^{*}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	
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	\$8,358	\$1,903	\$6,454	\$67,477
District	N/A	N/A	\$7,796	\$66,734.00
Percent Difference - School Site and District	N/A	N/A	-18.8	1.1
State	N/A	N/A	\$7,506.64	\$64,941.00
Percent Difference - School Site and State	N/A	N/A	-15.1	3.8

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)

West Cottonwood provides Advisory classes for all students grades 5-8 who struggle. 8th grade students are also offer a Credit Recover Program to help complete graduation requirements. West Cottonwood also offers electives for all grades (5th-8th). Electives include Makerspace, Intro to Cooking, Intro to Farm and Garden, Chess, Jewelry Making, Conversational Spanish, Choir, Exploring Movies, Indoor/Outdoor Games,Ink Drawing, Photo Walks, World Cultures, Leadership, Line Dancing, Assembly Entertainment, Swimming, Guitar, Cards, Puzzles, and Games, Community Service, Art, Keyboarding, and Cartooning. Additionally, 8th grade student may take Spanish 1 for high school credit. After school care is also provided through Project Share.

In addition to these services, we provide counseling, Special Education services, after school sports, English Learner liaison and parent support meetings, interventions and tutoring.

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2017-18)

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$43,912	\$45,252
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$63,217	\$65,210
Highest Teacher Salary	\$81,570	\$84,472
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$98,019	\$107,614
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$92,363	\$112,242
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$0	\$
Superintendent Salary	\$119,600	\$124,686
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	33%	31%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	6%	7%

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	30	30	30

Staff members build teaching skills and concepts through participation in conferences and workshops throughout the year. The district offers two collaboration days per month where teachers are offered a broad based variety of professional growth opportunities in curriculum, teaching strategies, and methodologies.

In addition, staff members are encourage to attend workshops and conferences. All teachers have the opportunity to participate in district and school sponsored in-service training and in outside training of their own choosing.

Cottonwood Union School District offers programs to support new and veteran teachers in their classroom skills and to ensure continued professional development. Cottonwood Union School District has two full time Curriculum Support coaches for academic subjects and classroom management support. Alliance for Teacher Excellence (ATE), a State sponsored program, is designed for first and second-year credentialed teachers to provide skills assistance over a two-year period.