



Nelson Elementary School

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Principal's Message

Nelson Elementary School is a wonderfully diverse reflection of a vibrant neighborhood. Our community has a rich history and neighborly spirit that makes Nelson a warm, welcoming school. Children learn and play together while building the lifelong skills of understanding and cooperation. Nelson Roadrunners develop skills that propel them into successful leadership roles throughout their educational experience and beyond.

Six staff members have been honored with Clovis Unified School District (CUSD) Crystal Awards for working above and beyond what was required of them, and one was a top-three finalist with the Fresno County Office of Education for 2016 Employee of the Year. Monica Brewer, instructional assistant, received the distinguished Fresno County Barnett Community Service Award for 2016. Most recently, Mrs. Nicole Lack was named California League of Elementary Schools Educator of the Year for 2017-18. Nelson Elementary is also a Bonner Character Education Award recipient for our integrated focus on character development throughout our curriculum and school culture, and most recently was named a California Business for Educational Excellence (CBEE) Honor Roll School for 2018-19. Staff and students have also worked diligently to earn the Common Sense Media Digital Citizenship designation two years in a row.

Our award-winning staff meets weekly for 60-90 minutes to analyze student progress and create lessons that meet the needs of all students. Teachers plan and teach together to ensure that all students make strides toward grade-level proficiency. The success of this process was validated by the state assessments, which indicated school-wide growth in English language arts (ELA). Nelson Elementary had the highest rate of school-wide Growth over Expected in the Clovis West Area as measured on the 2016 through 2018 CAASPP. As a Title I school, we are very proud of the gains our students are making in academics. The kindergarten team ranked first in the district on student mastery of kindergarten standards, and the first grade and second grade programs had positive growth as well. We are so proud of our Roadrunners and their exceptional growth!

Beep! Beep! Dig Deep!
Kendra L. Matson

School Mission Statement

At Nelson Elementary School, we promote a nurturing environment that instills continuous learning. As a community of students, parents and staff, we create a partnership to build every student's success.

About the SARC

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.

2018-19 Student Enrollment by Grade Level

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	82
Grade 1	64
Grade 2	71
Grade 3	62
Grade 4	72
Grade 5	81
Grade 6	83
Total Enrollment	515

2018-19 Student Enrollment by Group

Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	7.8
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.8
Asian	6
Filipino	0.6
Hispanic or Latino	59.4
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.2
White	22.9
Two or More Races	2.3
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	67.6
English Learners	8.2
Students with Disabilities	11.1
Foster Youth	0.4

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 for Nelson Elementary	17-18	18-19	19-20
With Full Credential	24	22	
Without Full Credential	0	2	
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	

Teacher Credentials for Clovis Unified School	17-18	18-19	19-20
With Full Credential	♦	♦	1789
Without Full Credential	♦	♦	97
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	♦	♦	88

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions at Nelson Elementary School

Indicator	17-18	18-19	19-20
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)

Clovis Unified School District sets a high priority upon ensuring there are sufficient textbooks and materials to support the district's instructional program. CUSD Board Policy Number 3301 establishes criteria and procedures for the adoption of all textbooks. All K-8 textbooks purchased have been approved by the State Board of Education and adopted by the Clovis Unified Governing Board. Textbooks and instructional materials purchased for grades 9-12 are aligned to the state content standards and adopted by the Clovis Unified Governing Board.

The Department of Supplemental Services continues to support the school sites with funding that allows for the purchase of supplementary instructional material for our students, including English learners in grades K-12. The supplemental material is designed to accelerate pupils as rapidly as possible toward grade-level proficiency in the core subjects of English-language arts, math, social science and science. These supplemental materials are used in addition to the basic reading/language arts and other core materials provided for every student and are correlated to state content standards.

Textbooks and Instructional Materials

Year and month in which data were collected: October 9, 2019

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/Year of Adoption
Reading/Language Arts	Benchmark Education Company, Adopted 2017 A Legacy of Literacy, Houghton Mifflin, Adopted 2003 California Collections, Houghton Mifflin, Adopted 2017 The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0%
Mathematics	Illustrative Math, McGraw Hill, Grade 6 Ready Math, Curriculum Associates, 2019, Grades 1-5 My Math, McGraw-Hill (K-5), Adopted 2014 California Mathematics, Glencoe/McGraw-Hill (6-8), Adopted 2014 The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0%
Science	California Science, Scott Foresman, Adopted 2008 California Science, Houghton Mifflin, Adopted 2009 Focus on Earth Sciences, McDougal Littell, Adopted 2009 The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0%
History-Social Science	Discovering Our Past: Ancient Civilizations, Glencoe/McGraw-Hill, Adopted 2006 Learn and Work, Scott Foresman, Adopted 2007 Time and Place, Scott Foresman, Adopted 2007 Reflections, Houghton Mifflin, Adopted 2007 The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0%

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

Nelson Elementary provides a clean and safe learning environment. Students, staff and parents take pride in the upkeep of the campus and its buildings. Students report vandalism and help support efforts to maintain a clean campus. Our custodial staff consists of one daytime custodian and two evening custodians. Our two full-time and one half-time custodians perform basic cleaning operations daily and maintain the grounds and buildings. Grounds crews from the district provide weekly landscaping and outside maintenance support. In addition, we conduct deep cleaning twice a year at each site. Our SART committee conducts eight clean-campus inspections each year. This committee of parents inspects the campus grounds and restrooms on a regular basis to provide feedback to our student body. Through increased community awareness, pride and an open-campus policy, we hope to keep vandalism and burglary to an all-time low.

There are 20 permanent classrooms on five separate wings located on the Nelson campus. In addition, there are four portable classrooms: three accommodate special programs and ASES, and one accommodates the school's music programs. Additionally, the campus consists of an administration office, Library Media Center and computer lab, teacher workroom, multipurpose building, kindergarten building, conference room and snack-bar facility.

As a result of bond measures passed over the last decade, Nelson Elementary has benefitted from classroom modernizations, updated the HVAC system to a more efficient one, upgraded internet wiring and ports, replaced the cafeteria flooring, brought the facility to be current with the most recent Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance requirements, added new paint and trim on building exteriors, upgraded the boiler, replaced security cameras with high-definition versions, laid new carpet in classrooms and office, and improved drainage on campus. Additionally, the site was part of the district-wide solar project to install panels on campus during the 2012-13 school year. In 2017-18, the school blacktop was given a slurry coat and the playing courts repainted. Modernization of the landscaping around campus continued throughout the school year.

The district believes schools are the hub of their neighborhoods. As a result, a high priority is placed on building and maintaining excellent facilities as economically as possible. The school facilities are made available to community groups for a variety of uses, and these reciprocal relationships strengthen community and school.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year) Year and month in which data were collected: 10/2/2018

System Inspected	Repair Status	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Good	
Interior: Interior Surfaces	Fair	P-21: Water Damage To Main Beam; R-12: Water Stains Ceiling Tiles; R-11: Ceiling Tile Has Hole; R-5: Ceiling Tile Is Cracked
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	Good	
Electrical: Electrical	Good	Kitchen: Light Diffuser Is Cracked
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	Good	
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Good	R-10: Items Are Stacked On Shelves (Earthquake Hazard); Girls Rr: Paint Is Chipping On Storage Door; R-8: Boxes Stacked On Top Of Shelves Above 6 Ft./ Earthquake Hazard
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	Good	
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	Good	Library/Media: Trip Hazard On Walkway To Play Ground; P-24: Trip Hazard At Ramp Entry; R-5: Trip Hazard On Walkway By Storage
Overall Rating	Good	

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 17-18	School 18-19	District 17-18	District 18-19	State 17-18	State 18-19
ELA	60	59	71	73	50	50
Math	48	49	58	59	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 Science for All Students

Grades Five, Eight, and Ten

Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard

Subject	School 17-18	School 18-19	District 17-18	District 18-19	State 17-18	State 18-19
Science	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 area of physical education

2018-19 Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards

Grade Level	4 of 6	5 of 6	6 of 6
5	12.9	22.4	48.2

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.

School Year 2018-19 CAASPP Assessment Results - English Language Arts (ELA)
Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	308	307	99.68	58.82
Male	137	136	99.27	54.81
Female	171	171	100.00	61.99
Black or African American	28	27	96.43	44.44
American Indian or Alaska Native	--	--	--	--
Asian	12	12	100.00	41.67
Filipino	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	188	188	100.00	56.15
White	68	68	100.00	72.06
Two or More Races	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	233	232	99.57	51.95
English Learners	40	40	100.00	35.00
Students with Disabilities	36	36	100.00	16.67
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.

School Year 2018-19 CAASPP Assessment Results - Mathematics
Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	308	307	99.68	49.19
Male	137	136	99.27	50.00
Female	171	171	100.00	48.54
Black or African American	28	27	96.43	40.74
American Indian or Alaska Native	--	--	--	--
Asian	12	12	100.00	50.00
Filipino	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	188	188	100.00	43.09
White	68	68	100.00	63.24
Two or More Races	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	233	232	99.57	41.81
English Learners	40	40	100.00	32.50
Students with Disabilities	36	36	100.00	13.89
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.

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.

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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)

Nelson Elementary School is proud of its parent involvement and has been fortunate to have parental support in all aspects of the school. We encourage all parents to become active in some capacity on campus, which includes the following:

- Classroom volunteers
- Co-curricular programs
- School Assessment Review Team (SART)
- School Site Council (SSC)
- English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC)
- Intercultural and Diversity Advisory Council (IDAC)
- School Carnival
- Parent Teacher Club (PTC)
- PTC Family Fun Nights
- Annual Title I Parent Meeting
- Family Nights for math, art and technology

If you have any questions or would like further details on how to become involved at Nelson Elementary School, please contact Parent Teacher Club President Mrs. Robin Berberian, our Resource Teacher Mrs. Mau, or Principal Kendra Matson at (559) 327-7600.

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.

School Safety Plan

Nelson has a school safety plan along with a School Crisis Intervention Plan on file; both are available to all parents as well as the general public. Staff and parents review and update the school plans annually. Safety procedures were updated and reviewed with the staff in September 2019, and the final plan for the school year will be reviewed and shared with all staff in December 2019, after approval by the School Site Council. The staff developed safety procedures and the school safety plan with input from parents and community members to ensure a safe and nonviolent environment. The school plan features specific areas of focus, coupled with appropriate strategies to address concerns.

Each month, staff and students participate in fire, earthquake and evacuation drills as part of the safety plan for preparedness. Staff has also trained with district, Clovis and Fresno police departments in safety matters. The school actively promotes a safe environment using the Character Counts program and anti-bullying strategies. Teachers refer students and parents to support groups facilitated by the school psychologist and trained teachers in the CUSD Support & Intervention program. Groups are based on student need and include grief-support groups and anger-management groups. The six-week sessions provide students with a safe place to share their feelings, needs and frustrations and receive positive coaching and coping strategies from a trained facilitator. Students needing further intervention are referred to the school psychologist. Our students are also supported through counseling services provided on-campus by Fresno County Mental Health Services and Fresno County Comprehensive Youth Services.

An instructional aide trained in social-emotional learning uses Second Step curriculum to support our students. The Transition Program (SOAR), resulting from the LCAP process with parent input, provides support in navigating the education institution and helps struggling students build academic behaviors needed for their success. Teachers have access to executive functioning skills and SEL curriculum through PureEdge.org. Staff training in Trauma-Informed Schools and Trust-Based Relational Intervention continues monthly as we build greater understanding and relationships between staff, students and families.

Staff, administration and campus monitors provide supervision during recesses and before- and after-school periods at Nelson Elementary. The number of adults on duty exceeds the state requirements. Suspension and expulsion procedures comply with District Board policy and state Education Code. Students are provided with retraining prior to a suspension and upon return to school after a suspension.

Suspensions and Expulsions for the School	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Suspensions Rate	1.8	4.0	5.3
Expulsions Rate	0.0	0.0	0.0

Suspensions and Expulsions for the District	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Suspensions Rate	4.3	3.9	3.7
Expulsions Rate	0.1	0.1	0.1

Suspensions and Expulsions for the State	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Suspensions Rate	3.6	3.5	3.5
Expulsions Rate	0.1	0.1	0.1

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.

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

Title	Ratio
Academic Counselor*	.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 Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	
Psychologist	
Social Worker	
Nurse	
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	2.5
Other	

* 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 (Elementary)

Grade Level	2016-17 Average Class Size	2016-17 # of Classes* Size 1-20	2016-17 # of Classes* Size 21-32	2016-17 # of Classes* Size 33+	2017-18 Average Class Size	2017-18 # of Classes* Size 1-20	2017-18 # of Classes* Size 21-32	2017-18 # of Classes* Size 33+	2018-19 Average Class Size	2018-19 # of Classes* Size 1-20	2018-19 # of Classes* Size 21-32	2018-19 # of Classes* Size 33+
K	21	1	4		21	1	3		21	1	3	
1	23		3		24		3		21		3	
2	24		3		23		3		24		3	
3	26		3		24		3		21	2	1	
4	33			2	35			2	30		2	
5	33		1	1	34			3	31		2	1
6	34		1	2	28		3		28		3	
Other**												

*Number of classes indicates how many classes fall into each size category (a range of total students per class).

** "Other" category is for multi-grade level classes.

Professional Development provided for Teachers

Measure	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Number of school days dedicated to Staff Development and Continuous Improvement	5 days	5 days	5 days

The Nelson staff remains current in the field of education through the professional learning community (PLC) process and the opportunity to attend conferences, workshops, in-services and staff development. Professional development is ongoing to ensure teachers keep abreast of new learning strategies, innovative teaching techniques and applied technology in the field of education. Nelson staff currently partners with Curriculum Services and Innovation to provide staff development activities focusing on a math series pilot in Grade 4. Teachers in grade 6 have worked closely with a math curriculum specialist while implementing a new math series, Illustrative Math. All grade 1-5 staff are training in the new ELA series, Benchmark. Site Administration provides staff development through workshops by the district, and site-specific topics are addressed in monthly in-services, on early release Wednesdays and supported by our full-time resource teacher, Mrs. Jennie Mau. Over the past five years, Nelson Elementary teachers and staff have been trained in English language development (ELD) and daily vocabulary development (Kinsella), effective feedback (Hattie), Close Reading and collaborative Writing processes (Fisher), and developing Growth Mindset (Dweck). Beginning in the fall of 2017, the Clovis west area, including Nelson Elementary, began training with the Kagan group to enhance student engagement through interactive, structured and collaborative approaches to learning. Most recently, the staff has been training in Social-Emotional Learning and Trauma Informed School practices. The PLC process measures teaching effectiveness on a biweekly basis. We use student progress, as measured by comparison of pre- and post-assessments on specific skills and standards, to guide planning, teaching strategies and staff development.

The district focused all professional development activities around five identified needs: first time best instruction, mastery learning, multi-tiered system of supports, implementation of the California Content Standards and NGSS Standards, and cultural relevant understanding. In the 2018-19 school year, the district dedicated five professional development days for certificated staff. Teachers were offered professional development opportunities on staff development days, substitute release days, and on early release days. A variety of after-school workshops were also offered throughout the school year. One hundred mentors and one hundred and thirty-five participating teachers received ongoing professional development and classroom coaching through the CUSD Induction program. In addition, all certificated teachers participated in site-based training and district sponsored training that included: curriculum training, utilization of AVID strategies, Visible Learning, multi-tiered systems of support, and culturally relevant instructional practices.

FY 2017-18 Teacher and Administrative Salaries

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$40,914	\$48,612
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$64,773	\$74,676
Highest Teacher Salary	\$87,991	\$99,791
Average Principal Salary (ES)	\$109,974	\$125,830
Average Principal Salary (MS)	\$113,593	\$131,167
Average Principal Salary (HS)	\$124,720	\$144,822
Superintendent Salary	\$230,000	\$275,796

Percent of District Budget	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Teacher Salaries	34%	34%
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 2017-18 Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries

Level	Total	Restricted	Unrestricted	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	\$5,712	\$608	\$5,104	73,201.44
District	N/A	N/A	\$5,290	\$70,643.00
State	N/A	N/A	\$7,506.64	\$82,403.00

Percent Differences	Unrestricted	Average Teacher Salary
School Site/District	-3.6	3.6
School Site/ State	-38.1	-11.8

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

"Children Are Our Most Precious Resource"

On an annual basis, Clovis Unified School District (CUSD) submits the Application for Funding Consolidated Application and Reporting System for Categorical Aid Programs commonly called CARS. The application is submitted in two (2) parts: Part I, which contains program and demographic information, is submitted by June 1 each year; and Part II, which contains the budget information and additional program data, is submitted by January 31 each year. The categorical programs included in the application are Title I, Part A – Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged Improving, Title I, Part C – Migrant Education, Title II, Part A – Preparing, Training and Recruiting High Quality Teachers and Principals, and Title III – Language Instruction for Limited English Proficient and Immigrant Students. Essentially, these funds are designed to assist students in mastering state standards.

Clovis Unified Schools are committed to establishing a true partnership with all facets of the Clovis Learning Community. CUSD values feedback and input. Parents continue to make positive differences in the lives of the children we all support. We know from research that participation in your child's education will not only bring success to your child but other children in the school. Our parents truly make a difference in the lives of Clovis kids!

CUSD is pleased and proud to offer a variety of parent involvement opportunities that improve our overall program. Depending on the type of categorical funding a site may receive, district or school parent councils and committees are required under certain requirements and guidelines. Such advisory committees in the CUSD include:

- School Site Council (SSC)
- English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC)
- District Advisory Committee (DAC) and School Advisory Committee (SAC)
- District Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC)
- District Migrant Education Parent Advisory Committee (DMEPAC)
- District Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee (IPAC)
- School and District level School Assessment Review Team (SART)
- Intercultural and Diversity Advisory Council (IDAC)
- Local Control Accountability Plan Public Forums (LCAP)

We encourage all parents and guardians to become involved with their child's education at the classroom level the school-wide level as well as the district level. Each school's School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) describes the school's basic educational program and the categorical supplementary programs/services that are designed to support student achievement of each and every student. Parental involvement is a necessary and vital part of developing the SPSA as well as our overall program. At the district level, parent committees provide input into each of the site's SPSA and to the District's Local Education Agency Plan (LEAP). If you would like additional information on any of the District Parent Councils or Committees, please call your child's school. The Principal, Learning Director, or Guidance Instructional Specialist (GIS) would be happy to assist you, or go to <http://www.cusd.com/supplementalservices>.

Listed below are several parent committees that assist with categorical programs and funding.

School Site Council (SSC): All schools receiving categorical funds are required to form a SSC. The SSC is composed of parents, students at the secondary level and school personnel. It is responsible for developing, implementing and evaluating the School Plan for Student Achievement programs. Members serve for two years and are elected by their peers.

District Advisory Committee (DAC) & School Advisory Committee (SAC): The entirety of the SSC acts as the SAC. The SAC serves as an advisory committee for the purpose of advising schools regarding supplemental education programs and acting as a liaison for their school community. They serve to share information and comments both at the district and site level. These education programs are supplemental education opportunities that provide services to students who are disadvantaged, English learners, foster youth and/or at-risk. The SSC has approved to designate our SSC pursuant to California Education Code (EC) Section 52852 to function as the School Advisory Committee.

English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC): All schools enrolling 21 or more English learners are required to form an ELAC. The ELAC is composed of parents and school personnel. The ELAC provides input and makes recommendations to the principal, staff and SSC regarding services for English learners and conducts an annual survey. Members serve for two years.

District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC): Whenever there are 51 or more EL students in the district, there shall be a functioning District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC). It is important that each school site ELAC elect a DELAC representative and arrange to have that representative attend every DELAC meeting. Currently the DELAC bylaws require each DELAC representative to be 1) a parent/guardian of an EL or former EL (i.e., a reclassified fluent English proficient student) currently enrolled at the site he/she represents, and 2) elected to serve as the DELAC representative by the site's ELAC.

District Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee (IPAC): The CUSD Native American Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee meets four times a year to discuss program issues, services provided, and other needs related to the student achievement of our students, community agencies and outreach programs. CUSD Indian Education Program addresses the needs of American Indian and Alaskan Native students in grades K - 12. The program assists eligible students to achieve at the same challenging state performance standards expected of all students in grades pre-K -12.

Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Forums: CUSD develops an LCAP annually that works to better align the academic plan with the district expenditure plan that is approved by our CUSD Governing Board each June. Parents and other stakeholder groups are invited to participate in the development of the LCAP through participation of school and district committee meetings and community forums. LCAP School, District Meetings and Community Forums are exciting opportunities for all stakeholders and school committees to engage with the District and share their ideas on how CUSD can provide quality opportunities and support for CUSD youth and schools. Community participation and feedback in the forums will inform the District's LCAP's funding priorities over the next several years.

These forums are designed to provide an opportunity for school communities to hear about CUSD's current efforts to support youth and families and to provide input and feedback on future plans and opportunities. Sites also have an opportunity to work together in teams to share new ideas to support identified groups and to plan for site engagement and implementation.

The following is an overview of the categorical funding and programs in CUSD. These funds are further discussed and outlined in each school's SPSA and at the committee meetings.

Rationale

General District funds provide support for the District's base/core curriculum program. Some children have special characteristics, not reflective of the general school population, that affect their success in the base/core programs. Some come from economically disadvantaged homes; some are educationally disadvantaged or lack English language proficiency because they have a primary language other than English. Children, such as those described above, require supplemental services and materials not generally provided through the base/core curriculum program. The needs of our children are identified and supplemental services and materials are planned and targeted to meet their special needs. Categorical funds are to be used to provide the financial support to meet these special needs.

Philosophy

All CUSD schools offer students with special needs the same kinds of high quality learning opportunities and access to the core curriculum in all curricular areas. Categorical funds are designed to support additional assistance to help students succeed in the regular classroom program (base/core curriculum) and address any learning gaps. The focus is on the effective utilization of supplementary materials, personnel, and staff development. Staff development activities are used to improve instructional practices and strategies to increase the ability of teachers and other staff to challenge and assist all students to reach their fullest potential.

Categorical Program Descriptions

After School Safety and Education Funds (ASES): This state funded and administered program provides three-year grant funding to establish or expand after school programs that provide students with academic support and intervention, enrichment opportunities and supportive services to help the students meet state and local standards in core content areas. The purpose of the ASES program is to create additional educational and recreational opportunities for students within the learning community while providing a safe environment for students. The goals of this program are to: 1) improve academic achievement, and 2) provide enrichment opportunities that reinforce and complement the academic program.

1. Title I, Part A (Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged): A federal-funded program to provide high-quality opportunities for students in high-poverty schools to meet district and state content and performance standards.
2. Title I, Part A, Title X, Part C, Education for Homeless Children and Youths: Title I, Part A funds provide comparable services to homeless children that assist them to effectively take advantage of educational opportunities as provided to children in schools funded under Title I, Part A. These comparable services shall be provided to homeless children in public and private schools, shelters and other locations where children may live, institutions for neglected children and, where appropriate, local institutions such as local community day school programs.
3. Title I, Part A Equity Performance and Improvement Program: Designed to support and build capacity within school districts and schools to promote equity for disadvantaged student populations in California schools. The CEPIP will build the capacity of school districts and schools in order to implement proven or promising evidence-based program and practices, specially targeted at building equity and narrowing the achievement and opportunity gaps for all underserved students.

4. Title I, Part C (Migrant Education Program): A federal-funded program focused on providing services for migratory students and their families.
5. Title II, Part A (Preparing, Training and Recruiting High Quality Teachers and Principals): A federal-funded program focused on teacher and principal training and recruitment programs.
6. Title III (Language Instruction for English Learners (ELs) and Immigrants): A federal-funded program focused on assisting school districts in teaching English to limited English proficient students (English learners) and immigrants and helping these students meet the same challenging State standards required of all other students.
7. Title IV, Part A Student Support and Academic Enrichment: The Student Support and Academic Enrichment program under Title IV, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) is a federal categorical program contained in the Consolidated Application. These funds are intended to increase the capacity of local education agencies (LEAs) to meet the goals of the ESSA by providing all students with access to a well-rounded education, improving school conditions for student learning, and improving use of technology in order to improve the academic achievement and digital literacy of all students
8. Title VI (Indian Education Formula Grant): A federal-funded program focused on helping Native American/Alaskan Native students meet the same challenging state standards required of all other students.

The goal of the CUSD staff is to create and maintain the best educational environment possible. This can be accomplished with your support and input. If you have any questions, concerns, or would like to become more involved in the educational process at your school, please contact your school principal. Your school can assist you in learning more about categorical programs. You may want to become involved in your school's School Site Council (SSC), English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) and/or attend the Annual Title I Parent Meeting. During the fall, each school will send you additional information about these activities. At the district level, we encourage you to become involved with our DELAC. We encourage and look forward to your involvement in the programs we offer our learning community. If you have any questions, please call your child's school or the CUSD Department of Supplemental Services @ 327.0661, additional information may be found @ <http://www.cusd.com/supplementalservices>.

DataQuest

DataQuest is an online data tool located on the CDE DataQuest web page at <https://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/> 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).

Internet Access

Internet access is available at public libraries and other locations that are publicly accessible (e.g., the California State Library). Access to the Internet at libraries and public locations is generally provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Other use restrictions may include the hours of operation, the length of time that a workstation may be used (depending on availability), the types of software programs available on a workstation, and the ability to print documents.