

Kennedy STEM Academy

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2018-19 School Accountability Report Card Published During the 2019-20 School Year



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School Description

In accordance with Proposition 98, every school in California is required to issue an Annual School Accountability Report Card. The main objective is to inform the community about conditions and progress being made at Kennedy STEM Academy.

In 2012, Kennedy received the CA Distinguished Schools Award for our efforts and programs to improve student achievement and increase physical fitness and healthy eating. In 2016, Kennedy received the CA Gold Ribbon School Award for our STEM program and the Title I Academic Achievement Award.

Kennedy STEM Academy has a population of approximately 470 students representing many different ethnic backgrounds, cultures, and at least 17 different languages. Our school has three special day classes for students identified as having special needs. Our school hosts a Head Start Program and Extended Day Care Program. This cosmopolitan character of our school creates an atmosphere of respect and appreciation for the diversity of the human experience.

Kennedy STEM Academy is a school community where the highest expectations are maintained. Kennedy utilizes available resources to enable students to become life-long learners who possess the ability to achieve their potential. We promote a safe, nurturing, and stimulating environment that invites students to actively participate in educational opportunities. Kennedy provides a welcoming atmosphere in which parents and community members are encouraged to become involved in students' educational endeavors. Individual academic and social needs of staff and students are met, creating a desirable environment where all participants are successful. One way to promote success for all is through a character education program. At Kennedy, we implement a self-designed character education program called "Kennedy's Kids of Character" that focuses on 10 character traits: respect, responsibility, caring, honesty, teamwork, fairness, courtesy, gratitude, integrity and self-control. Each month a new trait is highlighted. The entire school staff focuses activities and recognition of these traits.

"Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds" is a current focus at Kennedy. In 2010 - 2011, we received the Silver Level National Award from the Alliance for a Healthier Generation organization. We have worked on improving healthy eating and increasing physical activity for students and staff. Through a grant sponsored by the American Federation of Teachers Union, we have in place our A.I.M. Program (Active - Involved -Motivated). We have an established before and after school Clubs: Sports Club, Track Club, Rocket Club, Digital Music Club, Cheer leading Club, Art Club and Drama Club. Most activities are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Numerous students and staff participate regularly throughout the year. In addition, we offer a club to our English Learners, Imagine Learning Club in the morning.

We are committed to not only instructing rigorous academics, but also extending opportunities in the performing, as well. This is demonstrated by our music and dance program that our parents and PTA support, Kennedy's Kids. After a year of weekly practices and much preparation, this group presents a meticulously choreographed, school-wide musical performance for two nights. Previous show themes have included a tribute to Michael Jackson, "A Journey through Oz.", Dr. Seuss, classic rock-and-roll favorites, Step in Time, and I Love the 80's.

Vision Statement

Kennedy STEM Academy perseveres in cultivating people of character who become productive, responsible, lifelong learners through a respectful partnership with parents, students, staff, and the community.

Mission Statement

Kennedy STEM Academy....where a comprehensive curriculum develops a well-rounded child.

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	83
Grade 1	70
Grade 2	68
Grade 3	72
Grade 4	54
Grade 5	48
Grade 6	64
Total Enrollment	459

2018-19 Student Enrollment by Group

Group	Percent of Total Enrollment		
Black or African American	9.4		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.4		
Asian	14.4		
Filipino	11.8		
Hispanic or Latino	50.5		
White	8.9		
Two or More Races	3.3 54.2		
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged			
English Learners	19.2		
Students with Disabilities	15.3		
Foster Youth	0.4		
Homeless	1.1		

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 Kennedy STEM	17-18	18-19	19-20
With Full Credential	22	21	21
Without Full Credential	0	0	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	0

Teacher Credentials for ABC Unified School	17-18	18-19	19-20
With Full Credential	*	+	21
Without Full Credential	•	*	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	*	+	0

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions at Kennedy STEM Academy

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.

Types of Services Funded

The total district expenditures for all school sites for FY 2018-19 was \$238,852,566.89- The district spent \$8,145.82 per student. 61.89 cents of every dollar went to teacher salaries and 15.84 cents was spent for administration. The remainder 22.27 was for district support (instructional assistants, books, materials, supplies, equipment, student support staff, curriculum support, transportation, maintenance and operations of school buildings, grounds maintenance.

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.

^{*}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)

All students have equal access to state adopted, standards aligned textbooks and other instructional materials. Funds are appropriated according to the textbook adoption cycle. Additional supplemental materials are purchased and made available to students. All instructional materials are aligned to the standards and available for each student.

Textbooks and Instructional Materials

Year and month in which data were collected: October 2019

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/Year of Adoption				
Reading/Language Arts	K-6 McGrawHill: HM Reading: ELA/ELD:McGrawHill Readin K-6 McGrawHill: ELA:Maravillas, (Spanish) Reading Intervention: Reading Wonderworks Reading Intensive Intervention: The Sonday System	g, Wonders, A Reading/Language Arts Program.			
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:	Yes			
	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0%			
Mathematics	K-6 Pearson: enVision Math, CA Common Core				
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:	Yes			
	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0%			
Science	K-5 Macmillan/McGraw Hill: California Science Gr. 6 Pearson/Prentice Hall: Focus on Earth Science Gr 6: SCIENCE: STEMscopes: STEMscopedia 6th Grade, CA	Edition			
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:	Yes			
	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0%			
History-Social Science	K-5 Scott Foresman: History-Social Science California(Kinde Then & Now; Grade 3:Our Communities; Grade 4: Our Cali Gr. 6 McDougal Littell: World History: Ancient Civilizations	fornia; Grade 5: Our nation			
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:				
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	Yes			
Foreign Language	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	Yes			
Foreign Language	-	Yes			
Foreign Language	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: N/A The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:	Yes 0% Yes			
	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: N/A	Yes 0% Yes			
Foreign Language Health	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: N/A The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: K-6: Glencoe/McGraw Hill: Health: Teen health, Course 1 K-3: Health Wave, Inc: Health Promotion Wave	Yes 0% Yes			

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

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

Mobile cleaning teams have been used to provide in-depth cleaning assistance services at this school. Custodial Supervisors perform regular site inspections. ABC Unified School District employs an aggressive preventative maintenance program that ensures all schools are maintained at an efficient operating level. Custodial staff follow a detailed checklist to ascertain the condition of the school, make on the spot corrections, and schedule needed maintenance.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year) Year and month in which data were collected: 5/12/2019

System Inspected	Repair Status	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned	
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Good	None needed	
Interior: Interior Surfaces	Fair	None needed	
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	Good	None needed	

System Inspected	Repair Status	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned	
Electrical: Electrical	Good	None needed	
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	Good	None needed	
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Good	None needed	
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	Good	None needed	
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences		None needed	
Overall Rating	Good	Overall condition of the school can be described as 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	58	66	66	66	50	50
Math	43	53	54	55	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	School	District	District	State	State
	17-18	18-19	17-18	18-19	17-18	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	12.8	21.3	25.5

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	241	240	99.59	66.25
Male	128	127	99.22	65.35
Female	113	113	100.00	67.26
Black or African American	25	25	100.00	64.00
American Indian or Alaska Native			1	
Asian	33	33	100.00	81.82
Filipino	29	29	100.00	79.31
Hispanic or Latino	119	118	99.16	56.78
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander				
White	24	24	100.00	70.83
Two or More Races				
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	139	139	100.00	58.99
English Learners	71	71	100.00	69.01
Students with Disabilities	48	47	97.92	31.91
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.

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	241	239	99.17	53.14
Male	128	126	98.44	53.17
Female	113	113	100.00	53.10
Black or African American	25	24	96.00	20.83
American Indian or Alaska Native	1		1	
Asian	33	33	100.00	87.88
Filipino	29	29	100.00	75.86
Hispanic or Latino	119	118	99.16	39.83
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	-		-	
White	24	24	100.00	66.67
Two or More Races	-		-	
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	139	138	99.28	43.48
English Learners	71	71	100.00	60.56
Students with Disabilities	48	47	97.92	29.79
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	-		-	
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)

Parents and community members are very supportive of the educational program at Kennedy STEM Academy. Staff members and parents participate on various committees that make decisions regarding the priorities and directions of the educational plan to ensure instructional programs are consistent with student's needs and comply with ABC's Strategic Plan Goals.

Parents are encouraged to participate in the following committees or organizations:

- School Site Council/English Language Advisory Committee
- Volunteering in and out of the classrooms
- Student Success Teams
- PTΔ
- Volunteering for our A.I.M. Program clubs

The School Site Council, consisting of school staff, parents, and community members, is a major governing body that meets regularly to address programs and components that make up the school, to discuss the effectiveness of the various programs in relation to student achievement, and to act as a liaison between the community and the school.

PTA meets monthly and plans various events throughout the year. Parents are encouraged to attend these events with their child. All parents are welcome to assist PTA at any time and in any capacity available.

Throughout the year, we plan with PTA a Family Fun Night at a business in our community (ie. McDonald's, Chuck E. Cheese, Brusters, etc.). The funds we raise with the company's assistance are used to provide student assemblies during the school day, increase our Emergency Preparedness Supplies, and field trips. Families have consistently commented positively on these events and enjoy the opportunity to socialize with other families and staff from our school.

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

Kennedy STEM Academy provides a safe, clean environment for students, staff and volunteers. The school in consultation with the Los Angeles County Office of Education has developed a comprehensive Safe School Plan. The safety plan provides students and staff with procedures ensuring a safe and orderly learning environment.

The plan includes:

- Current status of school crime
- Child abuse reporting procedures
- Disaster procedures: routing and emergency
- Notification to teachers
- Sexual harassment policy
- Provision of a school-wide dress code
- Safe ingress and egress of pupils and school employees to and from school
- Safe and orderly school environment
- School rules and procedures

The school evaluates the plan annually and updates it as needed with the approval of the School Site Council. An updated copy is available to the public in the school office.

Kennedy STEM Academy is a closed campus. During school hours, the entrance is secured to ensure that visitors check in with the office. All visitors are required to sign in and wear visitors' badges during their stay. While the school welcomes visits by parents and community members, anyone wishing to be on campus during school hours should notify school staff ahead of time. Visits are restricted at certain times such as SBAC testing, during lunch, breaks, before and after school. Supervisors and teachers monitor both students and the campus as a whole.

Date of Last Review/Update: August, 2019
Date Last Reviewed with Staff: September, 2019

Suspensions and Expulsions for the School	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Suspensions Rate	0.4	0.4	0.8
Expulsions Rate	0.0	0.0	0.0

Suspensions and Expulsions for the District	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Suspensions Rate	1.7	1.9	1.6
Expulsions Rate	0.0	0.0	0.0

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)	1.0
Other	2.0

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.

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+
К	23		4		25		4		21	2	2	
1	23		3		27		2		23		3	
2	25		2		25		3		27		2	
3	18	1	2		19	1	2		22	1	3	
4	32		2		25		2		32		1	
5	32		2		32		2		32		2	
6	24	1	2		21	1	2		24	1	2	
Other**	11	1			8	1						

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

Professional Development provided for Teachers

Measure	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Number of school days dedicated to Staff Development and Continuous Improvement		11	13

Our teachers actively seek opportunities for professional growth to provide effective instruction with the focus on student learning. Staff development is based on the assessed needs of the school personnel. Staff members work collaboratively to determine the school's needs and take direction from District and State requirements when establishing professional development goals for the school year. Schoolwide training focus areas include technology, differentiation, PBIS, Common Core ELA and Math, and using data to drive instruction. Staff members build teaching skills and concepts by participating in many conferences and workshops throughout the year and by sharing their experiences and knowledge with colleagues. The District offers professional development funds to school sites for professional development activities. S.T.E.M and Common Core are examples of professional development areas teachers have attended workshops on.

^{** &}quot;Other" category is for multi-grade level classes.

FY 2017-18 Teacher and Administrative Salaries

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category	
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$53,310	\$51,374	
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$76,353	\$80,151	
Highest Teacher Salary	\$103,681	\$100,143	
Average Principal Salary (ES)	\$126,865	\$126,896	
Average Principal Salary (MS)	\$126,865	\$133,668	
Average Principal Salary (HS)	\$145,416	\$143,746	
Superintendent Salary	\$243,357	\$245,810	

Percent of District Budget	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Teacher Salaries	38%	35%
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	6004	214.54	5789.37	82459
District	N/A	N/A	6155	\$82,836.00
State	N/A	N/A	\$7,506.64	\$82,031.00

Percent Differences	Unrestricted	Average Teacher Salary
School Site/District	-6.1	0.0
School Site/ State	-26.9	1.7

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.