

**U.S. Department of Education**  
**2012 National Blue Ribbon Schools Program**  
**A Public School - 12CA6**

School Type (Public Schools): ☐ Charter ☐ Title 1 ☐ Magnet ☐ Choice  
(Check all that apply, if any)

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I have reviewed the information in this application, including the eligibility requirements on page 2 (Part I - Eligibility Certification), and certify that to the best of my knowledge all information is accurate.

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(Principal's Signature) Date \_\_\_\_\_

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(Superintendent's Signature) Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School Board President/Chairperson: Mrs. Christy Smith

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(School Board President's/Chairperson's Signature) Date \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Non-Public Schools: If the information requested is not applicable, write N/A in the space.*

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## PART I - ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATION

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The signatures on the first page of this application certify that each of the statements below concerning the school's eligibility and compliance with U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (OCR) requirements is true and correct.

1. The school has some configuration that includes one or more of grades K-12. (Schools on the same campus with one principal, even K-12 schools, must apply as an entire school.)
2. The school has made adequate yearly progress each year for the past two years and has not been identified by the state as "persistently dangerous" within the last two years.
3. To meet final eligibility, the school must meet the state's Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) requirement in the 2011-2012 school year. AYP must be certified by the state and all appeals resolved at least two weeks before the awards ceremony for the school to receive the award.
4. If the school includes grades 7 or higher, the school must have foreign language as a part of its curriculum and a significant number of students in grades 7 and higher must take foreign language courses.
5. The school has been in existence for five full years, that is, from at least September 2006.
6. The nominated school has not received the Blue Ribbon Schools award in the past five years: 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 or 2011.
7. The nominated school or district is not refusing OCR access to information necessary to investigate a civil rights complaint or to conduct a district-wide compliance review.
8. OCR has not issued a violation letter of findings to the school district concluding that the nominated school or the district as a whole has violated one or more of the civil rights statutes. A violation letter of findings will not be considered outstanding if OCR has accepted a corrective action plan from the district to remedy the violation.
9. The U.S. Department of Justice does not have a pending suit alleging that the nominated school or the school district as a whole has violated one or more of the civil rights statutes or the Constitution's equal protection clause.
10. There are no findings of violations of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act in a U.S. Department of Education monitoring report that apply to the school or school district in question; or if there are such findings, the state or district has corrected, or agreed to correct, the findings.

## PART II - DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

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All data are the most recent year available.

### DISTRICT

1. Number of schools in the district 10 Elementary schools (includes K-8)  
(per district designation): 0 Middle/Junior high schools  
0 High schools  
0 K-12 schools  
10 Total schools in district
2. District per-pupil expenditure: 7778

### SCHOOL (To be completed by all schools)

3. Category that best describes the area where the school is located: Suburban
4. Number of years the principal has been in her/his position at this school: 5
5. Number of students as of October 1, 2011 enrolled at each grade level or its equivalent in applying school:

Grade	# of Males	# of Females	Grade Total			# of Males	# of Females	Grade Total
PreK	0	0	0		6	92	61	153
K	43	46	89		7	0	0	0
1	59	66	125		8	0	0	0
2	64	77	141		9	0	0	0
3	71	58	129		10	0	0	0
4	70	67	137		11	0	0	0
5	80	85	165		12	0	0	0
Total in Applying School:								939

6. Racial/ethnic composition of the school: 0 % American Indian or Alaska Native  
21 % Asian  
3 % Black or African American  
15 % Hispanic or Latino  
0 % Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander  
55 % White  
6 % Two or more races  
100 % Total

Only the seven standard categories should be used in reporting the racial/ethnic composition of your school. The final Guidance on Maintaining, Collecting, and Reporting Racial and Ethnic data to the U.S. Department of Education published in the October 19, 2007 *Federal Register* provides definitions for each of the seven categories.

7. Student turnover, or mobility rate, during the 2010-2011 school year: 4%

This rate is calculated using the grid below. The answer to (6) is the mobility rate.

(1)	Number of students who transferred <i>to</i> the school after October 1, 2010 until the end of the school year.	25
(2)	Number of students who transferred <i>from</i> the school after October 1, 2010 until the end of the school year.	19
(3)	Total of all transferred students [sum of rows (1) and (2)].	44
(4)	Total number of students in the school as of October 1, 2010	985
(5)	Total transferred students in row (3) divided by total students in row (4).	0.04
(6)	Amount in row (5) multiplied by 100.	4

8. Percent of English Language Learners in the school: 9%  
 Total number of ELL students in the school: 81  
 Number of non-English languages represented: 16  
 Specify non-English languages:

Armenian, Bengali, Cantonese, Farsi, Filipino, Gujarati, Hindi, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin, Chinese, Punjabi, Russian, Spanish, Vietnamese, Teluga

9. Percent of students eligible for free/reduced-priced meals: 3%

Total number of students who qualify: 27

If this method does not produce an accurate estimate of the percentage of students from low-income families, or the school does not participate in the free and reduced-priced school meals program, supply an accurate estimate and explain how the school calculated this estimate.

10. Percent of students receiving special education services: 7%

Total number of students served: 68

Indicate below the number of students with disabilities according to conditions designated in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Do not add additional categories.

<u>12</u> Autism	<u>1</u> Orthopedic Impairment
<u>0</u> Deafness	<u>4</u> Other Health Impaired
<u>0</u> Deaf-Blindness	<u>9</u> Specific Learning Disability
<u>0</u> Emotional Disturbance	<u>37</u> Speech or Language Impairment
<u>0</u> Hearing Impairment	<u>1</u> Traumatic Brain Injury
<u>4</u> Mental Retardation	<u>0</u> Visual Impairment Including Blindness
<u>0</u> Multiple Disabilities	<u>0</u> Developmentally Delayed

11. Indicate number of full-time and part-time staff members in each of the categories below:

	Number of Staff	
	<b><u>Full-Time</u></b>	<b><u>Part-Time</u></b>
Administrator(s)	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>
Classroom teachers	<u>36</u>	<u>2</u>
Resource teachers/specialists (e.g., reading specialist, media specialist, art/music, PE teachers, etc.)	<u>3</u>	<u>9</u>
Paraprofessionals	<u>0</u>	<u>25</u>
Support staff (e.g., school secretaries, custodians, cafeteria aides, etc.)	<u>5</u>	<u>16</u>
Total number	<u>46</u>	<u>52</u>

12. Average school student-classroom teacher ratio, that is, the number of students in the school divided by the Full Time Equivalent of classroom teachers, e.g., 22:1: 25:1

13. Show daily student attendance rates. Only high schools need to supply yearly graduation rates.

	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007
Daily student attendance	98%	97%	98%	97%	98%
High school graduation rate	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

14. **For schools ending in grade 12 (high schools):**

Show what the students who graduated in Spring 2011 are doing as of Fall 2011.

Graduating class size:	<u>0</u>
Enrolled in a 4-year college or university	<u>0%</u>
Enrolled in a community college	<u>0%</u>
Enrolled in vocational training	<u>0%</u>
Found employment	<u>0%</u>
Military service	<u>0%</u>
Other	<u>0%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u><b>0%</b></u>

15. Indicate whether your school has previously received a National Blue Ribbon Schools award:

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, what was the year of the award? Before 2007

## PART III - SUMMARY

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Our mission at Stevenson Ranch School is to insure that every child masters the challenging California standards. We define our expectations through our vision:

Staff will treat everyone with respect; insure that rigorous California Content Standards and District Performance Standards are mastered by using research-based strategies to meet individual needs in a safe environment; and collaborate in grade level and multi-grade level teams to examine assessments, reflect about learning, and take responsibility for results.

Students will generate high quality standards-mastery work that shows a sense of pride; actively participate in their own learning; share knowledge and divergent views in a safe, supportive environment; make meaningful connections between curriculum and their own experiences; and develop character through school experiences.

Community will: support, model, and instill the drive to work hard and the value of continued education; embrace and include the school in significant partnerships; and participate in goal setting and goal achievement.

Stevenson Ranch School is located in Stevenson Ranch, California, a suburban area 30 miles north of Los Angeles. Built in 1995, the school houses 910 general education students in kindergarten through sixth grade and 32 moderate level special education students in three Special Day Classes. The school and community support the values of honesty, responsibility, and patriotism. We are proud to be named a 1998, 2004, and 2008 California Distinguished School, 2001 National Blue Ribbon School, and a California Business for Education Excellence Foundation and California Just for Kids 2007 - 2010 Honor Roll School.

Our students' academic successes are a result of our teachers' skills, our Response to Intervention implemented in 2004-05, and our Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) created in 2007-08. In 2003-04, before the implementation of Response to Intervention (RTI) our Academic Performance Index (API) was 901. Our 2010-11 API is 977, and at our most recent State ranking, we are in the 10<sup>th</sup> decile for achievement among all schools in California and 10<sup>th</sup> decile among similar schools.

Trends identified at PLC meetings define the focus of professional development and parent education including: academic vocabulary strategies, text structure identification for reading comprehension, Thinking Maps for text organization, Newhall School District Coherent Writing program, and use of Depth and Complexity Icons to promote thinking and lesson differentiation.

Additional quality review involves our Site Council in examination of student work, writing rubrics, assessment data, and professional development in its relationship to instructional improvement. Results of that analysis inform the direction for site funding choices.

Our Education Foundation funds programs that support our vision. Their emphasis is science, technology, fitness, and art. In the past eight years they have funded construction of a science lab to inspire scientific curiosity, a running track to develop fitness patterns for life, an art studio to develop creativity, and SMART technology in our classrooms to provide interactive 21<sup>st</sup> century learning opportunities. Since building the science lab in 2004, the percentage of students scoring advanced or proficient on the State science test has increased from 53% to 99%.

Student leadership contributes to a sense of community. Sixth graders partner with kindergartners to support literacy and numeracy in extended day programs. Fifth and sixth graders, in Peace Patrol, recognize primary students who use conflict-resolution strategies on the playground. Fifth graders lead a schoolwide recycling program that funds their field trip. Fourth through sixth graders are elected to Student Council and organize activities like the Annual Used Book Sale. Before school, third through sixth graders participate in a Star Student program to welcome those entering the campus, and sixth graders participate in Wrangler Singers, singing birthday wishes to staff members and assisting during schoolwide flag ceremonies.

Student achievement, character, and commitment to fitness are celebrated through incentive clubs including: first graders' 200 Sight Word Club, third graders' Mathemagicians to recognize math fact mastery, Keyboarding Hall of Fame honoring third through sixth graders technology skills, and Runner's Club. Citizenship and effort are recognized at flag ceremonies. Our spelling bee honors accurate spelling. The geography bee encourages global awareness. The Science Fair values using the scientific method, while our variety show, orchestra, chorus, class plays, and art program encourage creativity.

Our school's purposeful, child-centered environment, conducive to learning, and welcoming towards all, does not reflect the problems generally associated with a large population. The spirit on campus remains intimate through our traditions. Our school carnival is attended by hundreds of our families.

Grandparents/VIP Day brings over 700 guests to classrooms. Camp Read Aloud and Lingo Bingo emphasize language arts. We have three shifts for "Science Night with Dads" to accommodate all the families interested in this hands-on academic evening.

Parents, community members, and staff work closely together to exemplify for our children that school is a learning community for all. It is in this caring environment that a rich, thinking curriculum unfolds each day, and children, parents, and staff learn together.



### 1. Assessment Results:

A. The standardized assessment administered at Stevenson Ranch School is part of the California Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) program. Students in grades two through six are assessed. We have given three assessments as part of that program.

1. The California Standards Test (CST) is given to our general education students.
2. The California Modified Assessment (CMA) is given to learning disabled, mainstreamed students who receive Resource Specialist and Speech Pathologist (processing, not articulation) support. Their programs are governed under an Individualized Education Plan (IEP), and the students must have performed at the below basic or far below basic level for two years to qualify for this assessment. In the past three years, we have given this assessment to one student in reading and three students in math. Prior to that time, the assessment was being field tested and performance levels were not assigned to students in the pilot years.
3. The California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA) is given to those students who are moderately to severely disabled and who participate in special education, Special Day Classes (SDCs) for more than 50% of their day. We have three SDCs that serve students whose disabilities include, but are not limited to, Down Syndrome, intellectually disabled, autism, and traumatic brain injury.

There are five performance levels for all tests: advanced (A), proficient (P), basic (B), below basic (BB), and far below basic (FBB). The California Department of Education has determined that students at the proficient level are meeting California standards and that an API of 800, on a scale of 1,000, signifies a high performing school. Our first API in 1999 was 837. Our current API is 977.

B. ELA assessment data in grades 3-6 reveals the following comparisons from 2007 to 2011: the percent of all advanced/proficient students increased from 87% to 94%; the percent of English Learner advanced/proficient students increased from 73% to 92%; the percent of Socio-economically Disadvantaged advanced/proficient students remained the same at 96%; the percent of Hispanic or Latino advanced/proficient students increased from 87% to 94%; the percent of Special Education advanced/proficient students increased from 65% to 83%; the percent of African American advanced/proficient students increased from 69% to 90%; and the percent of White advanced/proficient students increased from 87% to 93%.

Math assessment data in grades 3-6 reveals the following comparisons from 2007 to 2011: the percent of all advanced/proficient students increased from 89% to 95%; the percent of English Learner advanced/proficient students increased from 88% to 92%; the percent of Socio-economically Disadvantaged advanced/proficient students increased from 92% to 100%; the percent of Hispanic or Latino advanced/proficient students increased from 89% to 96%; the percent of Special Education advanced/proficient students increased from 76% to 80%; the percent of African American advanced/proficient students increased from 69% to 86%; and the percent of White advanced/proficient students increased from 89% to 94%.

In reading and math, all groups showed an increase except for socio-economically disadvantaged students in reading who remained the same at 96%. The greatest increase is 19 percentage points among English language learners in reading and 17 percentage points among African Americans in math.

While still achieving a substantial increase, the gap between all students and our special education students achieving proficiency is 11 percentage points in reading and 15 in math. By definition, to be placed in special education, students are, at a minimum, two years behind grade level and have an identified processing disability that complicates their learning. We provide multiple, targeted interventions that have enabled many of them to reach proficiency despite their disabilities.

Our increased achievement is the result of our Academic Support (AS) program initiated in 2005 and our PLCs initiated in 2007. In AS, we include all students who have not reached proficiency and those who are proficient or advanced on the CST but who have gaps in specific subtest standards. Our focus for reading AS is comprehension of text, and in math AS, it is number sense.

The research reported in Building Academic Background Knowledge, (Robert Marzano) suggests that increasing academic vocabulary will enable students to access text. For that reason, **vocabulary attack**, using word parts, context clues, and word placement in the sentence, and **vocabulary retention**, using background knowledge, drawings, and play-acting strategies are cornerstones of our program.

In her book, Reading-Writing Connections - From Theory to Practice, Mary Heller identified seven text structures that comprise the majority of informational text: definition, description, comparison and contrast, process, classification, analysis, and persuasion. When students identify the text structure, it supports understanding the author's purpose. If the structure is analysis, the student asks what is being analyzed. In addition, our expository text comprehension goals include differentiating fact from opinion, identifying facts and details, and analyzing them for commonalities to determine main ideas.

Our narrative text focus is to analyze story elements including setting, protagonist and wish, antagonist and conflict, the rising action sequence, resolution, and falling action. Character decision points and the motivations for and consequences of the actions are analyzed to determine theme and character growth over time.

Math AS focuses on number sense through number line use to 1) compare integers, fractions, decimals, and percents and 2) to round and estimate. Number manipulation patterns support students in creating formulas.

## **2. Using Assessment Results:**

A. Our data analysis for planning, monitoring, and improving our program is extensive and pivotal in improving teaching and learning. Analyzing data to determine instructional weakness promotes reflection. As a result, teachers actively seek out colleagues' advice, share effective instruction, and request meaningful professional development.

In August, teachers, in grade level PLCs, analyze prior year STAR data by subtests and subgroups. They compare those results with data from the district's third trimester summative tests in writing, English language arts, and math. Teachers examine individual, classroom, team, and school trends to inform program improvement. Using those data sources, English language development tests, anecdotal information from parents, and report card information, teachers analyze their current year's students. They clarify trends to separate program weaknesses, requiring reteaching for significant numbers of students, from individual student weaknesses where student placement in AS is warranted.

After identifying relative strengths and weaknesses in the instructional programs, the teams collaborate in developing yearlong SMART (specific, measurable, attainable, results-bound, and time-oriented) goals in English language arts and mathematics. Next, grade level PLC teams develop yearlong pacing guides for instruction. A minimum of three times a year, these teams meet with administration to discuss curricular goals, professional development needs, and refine direction for AS.

The State framework and content standards define the core of our academic program. State released test questions, annotated student writing, and writing rubrics set performance standards and guide us in understanding the multiple contexts and applications intended for each standard. That analysis is the foundation for teacher and administrator committees to design formative assessments given weekly in math, three times a trimester in English language arts, and three times a year in writing.

As part of ongoing efforts to determine students progress toward short and long term goals, a dedicated database program, *Measures Aligned*, allows teachers and administrators to load and sort assessment data by student and standard. Data drives the pace of instruction and determines when and how students receive classroom intervention, school academic support, or classroom extension. Before beginning a teaching cycle, teams baseline assess to determine students' background knowledge. Students are flexibly grouped within the classroom according to progress toward standards. Students needing significant, foundational support are placed in supplemental AS. Students at mastery are given extension projects to deepen and broaden their standards application.

**B.** Annually, Stevenson Ranch updates its Single Plan for Student Achievement (SSP). The plan includes assessment results over time, yearly school improvement goals, and budget information. The plan is reviewed by district level staff, presented to the governing board, and shared with the community. The School Accountability Report Card is available for public view via the Internet and school office. Our Site Council performs a Program Quality Review (PQR) each spring to assess student achievement based on money allocated through site funds. Their report becomes part of their minutes and is posted in the office.

Stevenson Ranch teachers host a yearly Back to School Night to support parent understanding of specific grade level content standards and expectations for the school year. Teachers review multiple measures, including students' daily work and formative assessments, which are used to communicate student performance to families.

The principal gives a yearly State of the School presentation each August to share STAR assessment results with the school community and to outline academic focuses, program offerings, and student and parent leadership opportunities. This information is also included in the principal's monthly newsletter.

Parent education presentations are held annually. Sample topics include: interpreting our standards-based report card, eliminating bullying through effective bystander rules, Depth and Complexity Icon use for comprehension, writing summaries, narratives, and literary responses, using text types and Thinking Maps for comprehension, and partner reading at home.

Parents and teachers communicate continuously through notes, websites, e-mail, and telephone; however, there are several formal schoolwide communication methods. Parent-teacher conferences are held in November and March to update learning progress. Special education teachers attend their students' conferences. In addition, special education students' parents meet annually with the site team to review and develop goals for children's IEPs. Parents of children who scored BB and FBB on the STAR meet privately with teachers and administrators three times a year to review STAR and formative data for progress toward Individualized Learning Plan (ILP) goals. When a child is initially identified as at-risk academically, socially or emotionally, parents are invited to meet with our Student Success Team (SST) to devise intervention structures for school and home. Parents of our Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) students meet with teachers three times a year. Students share their ILP goals with their parents and present pre-test data, work samples, and their reflection summaries to outline progress toward their goals.

In May, at Open House, all families come to the school to examine student work.

### **3. Sharing Lessons Learned:**

Stevenson Ranch Elementary teachers collaborate with staff members within and outside of the district. Teachers at our site serve on many district committees including: Curriculum Council, Guiding Coalition, GATE Advisory Council, and the Writing Committee. Curriculum Council members analyze standards and district assessments. They share best practices for teaching strategies which enhance students' academic success. The Guiding PLC Coalition examines student data across the district and analyzes trends. These trends are then shared at site PLCs. The GATE Advisory Council discusses ways in which to meet the unique academic needs of the district's gifted and high-achieving population. The Writing Committee continues to examine and refine our writing program and plans the delivery of our grade-level writing trainings held each year. During the summer break, teachers throughout the district join committees in which current district grade level assessments are reviewed and modified based on the committee's evaluation. All teachers in the district meet together at district-wide staff development meetings and share best teaching strategies with their colleagues.

The Newhall School District Writing program was developed and piloted at Stevenson Ranch School. Several years ago, the current principal (a teacher at the time), created the program and trained other teachers who became coaches for the district. This coherent writing program spans from kindergarten to sixth grade. All teachers within the district are trained in the NSD Writing program. The success of the program has been noted by other districts, and today, more than 12 districts in the state have been trained in the program. Currently, there are four writing trainers on-site. In addition, the principal continues to present writing staff development in other districts and presents at local events, such as the recent Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) "Meet the Pros" seminar.

Stevenson Ranch continues to pilot reading strategies which then become a focus of staff development for the entire district. These reading strategies are intended to support the writing program. Students learn to use these strategies when reading both expository and narrative text which, in turn, improves both their reading comprehension and their writing.

Local and surrounding district teachers and administrators, including our local high school staff, have chosen to observe aspects of our programs such as: AS, PLCs, classroom instruction, and writing trainings. We welcome the opportunity to share and collaborate.

### **4. Engaging Families and Communities:**

The school has a web of organizations and opportunities for families to become involved in supporting student learning.

The Education Foundation raises money for capital improvements in the area of science, technology, fitness, and art. In the past ten years, they have raised funds to build a technology lab and re-outfit it twice, a science lab, a 200 meter running track, fitness stations with climbing walls, an art studio, and the installation of SMARTboards in 29 classrooms and visual presenters in 40 classrooms. The Foundation also pays for the salaries of one science and three P.E. specialists.

Our Parent-Teacher Organization raises money and provides volunteers to run programs that enrich the educational experience for children. They fund our grade level field trips that support our social studies and science curriculums. They organize Grandparents/VIP Day, an opportunity for students to share their school day with those closest to them, generating investment and goodwill toward the school. They organize Science Night with Dads (an evening of science experiments), the Science Fair (an opportunity for students to create and display an experiment for review), Lingo Bingo (a vocabulary evening), Family Game Night, Camp Read Aloud, 6th Grade Promotion, The Book Fair, and Helping Hands (a supply, toy, and food drive to benefit the needy of the community). They participate in Art Appreciation, a program

where volunteers, under the guidance of our district art teacher, assist with lessons in the art studio. They publish the school yearbook and manage the Student Store.

Our Site Council oversees our Site-Based Coordinated Funds which pay for our AS program. Members participate in a PQR each year to determine if the funds are meeting the targeted goals.

Our English Language Learner Advisory Council (ELLAC) meets four times a year. Agenda items include school attendance importance, our English language program outline, results of the California English Language Development Test, reading strategies to use when reading with children at home, and ways to help grow vocabulary at home.

Each classroom has a room parent and that parent schedules volunteers to help in the classroom on a rotating basis.

Parent education evenings are held each year. Past topics included: effective bystander rules to prevent bullying, how to interpret your child's standards-based report card, the NSD writing program, Depth and Complexity Icon use, and text structure use to promote text understanding.

## 1. Curriculum:

We provide students with an academic experience based on current research and aligned with California State Standards. District-adopted textbooks are augmented by research-based resources.

The Houghton Mifflin Reading Program series is used by all grade levels and is supplemented with materials to target skill deficits. The materials include: *Write Source Language Series*, *Bellwork: Reading and Language*, *Mountain Language*, *SRA Comprehension Labs*, *Strategies to Achieve for Reading Success*, *Comprehensive Assessment of Reading Strategies*, *Focus On Reading Strategies*, *Milestones*, *Passageways*, *Macmillan Spelling Series*, *Wordly Wise*, *Write Traits Instructional Resource Kits*, *SRA Science Laboratory*, and *National Geographic History/Social Science and Science Kits*. Teachers provide differentiated instruction based on student performance data. Students are taught to identify text structures and organize information onto Thinking Maps in order to critically analyze and evaluate their reading.

The reading and writing programs at Stevenson Ranch are integrated to provide a solid foundation in language arts. The cohesive writing program begins at the kindergarten level. Students continue to develop more sophisticated writing skills each year through sixth grade. The following domains are the focus of each grade level: Oral Summary of a Narrative (Kindergarten), Opinion (Kindergarten), Narrative (K-6), Description (Grade 1), Summary of a Narrative (Grades 1-4), Summary of Expository Text (Grades 2-4), Response to Literature (Grades 4-6), and Persuasive (Grades 5-6). We have begun our study of the Common Core Standards, and we are realigning our writing program to include opinion writing in all grades. As we learn more about the Common Core Standards, we will continue making adjustments to our entire curricular program.

Our math program includes the strands of estimation, number sense, computation, problem solving, understanding patterns, algebra, measurement, statistics, geometry, and spatial sense. The district's current math adoption is Macmillan McGraw-Hill. Supplementary materials are used to target skill deficits, including: *Bellwork: Mathematics*, *Comprehensive Assessment of Math Strategies*, and *Mountain Math*. Students are assessed at the outset of each unit and differentiation is provided accordingly. Students who show mastery on the baseline assessment are given enrichment activities that require them to use the skill in a deeper and broader way.

The *Harcourt California Science* series focuses on the application of the scientific method and using investigations during instruction. Predicting, data collecting, hypothesizing, summarizing, inferring, drawing conclusions, mapping, charting, and graphing are skills that are integrated throughout the lessons, both in class and in our science lab. Currently, students in grades 4-6 participate in weekly lab investigations led by a curriculum specialist.

The district-adopted *Harcourt California Reflections* series emphasizes interpreting and drawing meaning from events in history to deepen students' understanding of the world. Assessments are performance-based and are rooted in content standards.

The Newhall School District employs one visual arts teacher. He works with students in grades 4-5. In addition, he creates standards-based lessons which he presents to volunteers who help K-3 and 6th grade teachers teach lessons in the art studio. K-3 students also receive music instruction from music teachers. Students in grades 4-6 are given the opportunity to join orchestra or chorus. In addition, classroom plays integrate grade level science or social studies standards with performing arts standards.

The Sports, Play and Active Recreation for Kids (SPARK) program is used by our teachers and three physical education instructors to deliver California fitness standards. Our voluntary Wrangler Runners' Club encourages students to run on our track during recess.

The district technology plan is supported by two computer labs. Students practice skills in word processing, publishing, presentations, and Internet use. Technology is integrated in the classroom using visual presenters, SMARTboards, CD players, and multimedia workstations. Video cameras and scanners are also available in central locations.

## **2. Reading/English:**

Our reading program combines an emphasis on reading comprehension and writing skills. Current research indicates that in order for students to successfully access text in a meaningful way, they must be fluent readers and that all students need to be taught specific reading strategies and thinking skills.

In kindergarten and first grade, teachers focus on building reading fluency. Sixth grade Letter Leaders come to kindergarten classrooms several times a week to work with struggling students on letter recognition and sounds. Kindergarten students also have several small group sessions focusing on skill deficits with their classroom teacher, a credentialed curriculum specialist, and parent volunteers. In first grade, a small RTI group is led by our Resource teacher to practice blending. Sixth grade Literacy Leaders are paired with struggling first graders to practice sight words and reading fluency in an extended day program three times a week under the leadership of a Stevenson Ranch kindergarten teacher.

All teachers build on students' background knowledge and develop academic vocabulary to help students to access grade level text. Beginning in second grade, students are taught strategies to determine the meaning of unknown words by targeting word parts, using context clues, and looking at a word's placement within a sentence. Students practice summarizing expository text orally and in writing. The text structure of each paragraph is analyzed in order to think deeply and deliberately about the information, and the overall text type is determined to establish the main idea. Thinking Maps and Depth and Complexity Icons are used by students to organize the information found within the text.

Students in 1st-6th grades with deficits in foundational reading skills are targeted in second reading groups. This instruction is provided in addition to the small reading group instruction delivered by the classroom teacher and occurs during the students' independent work time, ensuring that students never miss direct instruction. Credentialed curriculum specialists provide additional practice with vocabulary attack skills, identifying text types and main idea, determining the author's purpose, and organizing information in Thinking Maps.

Writing is integrated into all areas of the curriculum and builds upon skills from year to year. Rubrics are clear and include evaluation of content, organization, language, and mechanics. Writing samples are scored by grade level teachers several times during the year. Teachers analyze and use this data to inform instruction for individual students and to develop instructional goals.

## **3. Mathematics:**

The math program at Stevenson Ranch is based on the California State Standards and includes instruction in computation skills, math concepts, and problem solving. At the beginning of each school year, all students are given a baseline assessment. This data is analyzed by grade level PLC teams and areas of strength and weakness are determined. Teachers use this information to plan differentiation, generate instructional goals, and create pacing guides to ensure that all grade level math standards are mastered by the end of the school year.

Assessments are given throughout the year and this information is analyzed by teachers in order to adjust their instructional goals and pacing. Newhall School District weekly math tests are short assessments which include questions from the previous grade and the current grade. Trimester tests are given before each grading period and allow teachers to identify areas of strength and weakness.

At the beginning of each unit, teachers give an assessment to determine students' prior knowledge of the skill. Students who show mastery of the skill before the unit is taught are given math extension activities which allow them to apply the concept in a deeper and broader way. Students who do not show mastery are shown the concept using concrete examples. Teachers use the discovery method to allow students to determine formulas and relationships in order to solve problems. Strategies to improve reading comprehension are designed to also strengthen skills in solving word problems.

In addition to providing extension activities for students who have mastered skills early, Stevenson Ranch offers an extended day math enrichment class for students in grades 4-6 who had a perfect score in the previous year on the math portion of the California Standards Test (CST). In this class, students work in teams to solve challenging math problems.

Differentiation is provided to students who have not yet mastered specific skills. After delivering a math lesson, teachers pull small groups to provide additional assistance and reinforcement. Students in third grade who have not memorized their multiplication and division facts are invited to an extended day program to practice these skills three days a week for 40 minutes each day. In grades 4-6, students who struggle with specific grade level concepts are also invited to an extended day program in the mornings. Grade level skills are practiced in a small group setting to provide students with the additional support they need.

#### **4. Additional Curriculum Area:**

The State calls for effective science programs to: 1-include the teaching of investigation and experimentation with direct instruction and reading; 2-use multiple strategies with multiple opportunities to master standards; 3-use technology to teach and assess students, develop information resources, and enhance computer literacy; 4-develop academic language of science; and 5-make connections between core subjects to reinforce science learning.

Students must experiment and interact with science systems to process and retain concepts. In-school, hands-on investigations motivate students to continue exploration outside the classroom. Our Education Foundation funded a laboratory, opened in November 2004, to inspire students' curiosity and involvement in standards-based science investigations. Our success is reflected by student proficiency on the science CST, given only in 5th grade and containing 4th and 5th grade standards. In 2004, 6% of our students were advanced and 53% advanced/proficient. That increased in 2011 to 83% advanced and 99% advanced/proficient.

In the lab, students learn to: ask questions, differentiate observations from interpretation, justify predictions, conduct trials to test predictions, draw conclusions, and construct and interpret graphs about the data explored in the experiments.

In designing our lab and responding to the State's technology criteria, each station is equipped with a microscope, stereoscope, wireless computer, mouse, and keyboard. The lab contains a SMARTboard, visual presenter, and a microscope capable of displaying images on the SMARTboard.

Responding to the State's cross-curricular criteria, students examine science weather patterns and geology of geographic areas in relation to the social studies topics of colonization and civilization. Combining science and math, students apply fractions, decimals, and percents in examining weather, plant growth, or



era longevity patterns. Combining health and science, students analyze cell health with factors that contribute to illness and graph heart rates and amounts of exercise.

We responded to the State's goals of using multiple strategies and giving multiple opportunities for students to master standards and develop the academic language of science in several ways. In 2008, we purchased science content expository passages, and in 2010, wrote additional passages with more science vocabulary for our academic support (AS) program.

In further response to the State's goal for direct instruction in reading to promote investigation, in 2008, we provided site staff development in the use of Depth and Complexity Icons. These icons direct students to look for trends, patterns, and parallels among science concepts in reading and in investigations. They also spark curiosity for unanswered questions.

## **5. Instructional Methods:**

Lessons are differentiated throughout the day so that students are challenged at their level toward proficiency.

In kindergarten, students experience flexible and differentiated small group math instruction and reading instruction with two teachers presenting the groups. Readers work on complex phonics and comprehension; while nonreaders work on simpler phonics to achieve decoding skills. Additionally, there is a 30 minute RTI block where two teachers support students who need significant remediation or extension. A further program, called Letter Leaders, pairs sixth graders with struggling kindergarteners for 10 minutes three times a week to practice letter sounds.

In 1st-6th grades, students needing extra reading support attend supplemental reading groups focused on expository comprehension and vocabulary attack strategies. Identified sixth graders attend an extended day program for extra reading support. Push in support is also given to identified students in fluency, narrative comprehension, and writing.

Extended day math support is provided for 3rd-6th graders. In addition, identified students receive push-in math support in grades 2-6.

Further targeted classes include: one group of 1st graders for phonics, one group of 4th and 5th graders for vocabulary support, and one group of 4th graders who need support in identifying cause and effect relationships.

GATE students participate in an extended day literary response writing, art, and i-movie program; while our highest achieving 4th-6th grade math students receive an enrichment program.

A procedure at our school to facilitate classroom differentiation begins with baseline assessing. Students who show substantial knowledge of a particular concept receive extension activities to provide application of standards in deeper and broader contexts. Use of Depth and Complexity Icons promote critical thinking across curricular areas.

In addition to our classroom differentiation and AS programs, students on IEPs participate in small special education classes for support.

All lessons follow researched- based best practices. Objectives are clear and students identify progress toward them throughout the lesson. Lesson relevancy is established by students connecting the lessons to their lives and sharing their background knowledge.

Peer-scaffolding for concept processing is established by using the think-pair-share model. Non-linguistic representations are used to illustrate concepts. Information is sorted on Thinking Maps. Students act-out processes and vocabulary words. They draw pictures, create chants, and use realia and manipulatives to solidify understanding. SMARTboards create virtual environments and allow students to interact with and manipulate numbers, graphs, shapes, and equations. Predicting, estimating, and summarizing are commonplace.

## **6. Professional Development:**

The staff at Stevenson Ranch School feels that continuous staff development is essential to ensuring that optimal instruction and student learning takes place each year. Staff members participate in staff development which is regularly provided on-site and also take part in district staff development opportunities. Much of our staff development has focused on writing, reading comprehension, and math.

The Newhall School District Cohesive Writing Program was developed at Stevenson Ranch School. District trainers on-site have provided staff trainings on summarizing expository text, responding to literature, narrative writing, and persuasive writing. Additionally, staff was trained to identify text structures in expository text and use that information to determine the author's purpose and the main idea of the piece. Our writing trainers continue to provide staff development for other schools inside and outside of the district.

Thinking Maps and Depth and Complexity Icons help students organize ideas and think critically about text in order to improve reading comprehension. Trainings have been held both on-site and at the district level. Robert Marzano's research regarding instruction of academic vocabulary has been the topic of staff development on-site, and those strategies are used to help students determine the meaning of unknown words. The Grammar Game was developed by a Stevenson Ranch staff member. Teachers write a sentence for all students to see, and students share everything that they know about that sentence including punctuation, word placement, parts of speech, spelling, and sentence structure.

In math, teachers have been encouraged to use a number line when introducing math concepts to create number sense. Research shows that this increases student understanding and retention of new concepts. The discovery method has also been introduced to teachers so that students are given the opportunity to determine relationships and formulas by identifying patterns. The Math Game, developed at our site, provides students with an opportunity to discuss everything that they know about a math concept.

Teacher leaders at Stevenson Ranch have attended PLC conferences and engage in collaboration to improve instruction and optimize student learning. Teachers meet regularly to analyze student data in order to refine teaching strategies and target specific students and skills.

Many teachers have also attended Guided Language Acquisition and Development (GLAD) trainings provided by the district. This technique integrates listening, speaking, reading, and writing activities across the curriculum to develop high level academic language and literacy skills.

## **7. School Leadership:**

The leadership philosophy at Stevenson Ranch is that all children will learn given the appropriate time and support. Regardless of contributing factors, it is our responsibility to ensure student progress. Leadership at Stevenson Ranch is based on current educational research, and student performance data informs school structures and learning strategies. Our philosophy has been influenced by the writings of Richard DuFour, Robert Eaker, Douglas Reeves, Michael Fallon, and Robert Marzano.

Leadership is a partnership between staff and administration. PLC leaders are vital to program decisions. Teachers work within their PLCs examining data and discussing student motivations to determine focus areas. Teachers with the most success share their techniques. Assessment results motivate staff requests for professional development, peer and administrator observations, and lesson modeling.

Focusing on results, the principal coaches staff to build and sustain trust, resolve conflict, persevere, and embrace accountability. In August, in meetings between the principal, assistant principal, and teachers, individually and in PLC teams, classroom and grade level goals and the direction of AS are determined. Throughout the year, at grade level PLC meetings, data from formative assessments is examined. Administrators meet with PLC leaders at least three times a year and meet again formally with grade level PLCs in February and May. Teacher observations promote research-based best practices implementation. During all communication opportunities, teams and individuals propose ideas to support student progress. The principal procures resources and personnel to meet needs.

Cross grade level collaboration happens formally several times a year and informally daily. Teachers articulate foundational skills that the subsequent grade level considers essential for promotion.

Administrators train AS curriculum specialists. This insures specific vocabulary attack, vocabulary retention, and narrative and expository text comprehension strategies are the focus of reading AS, and number line use forms the foundation of math AS.

To truly understand the challenges teachers and students face, site administrators periodically teach AS and classroom lessons. The principal stays current with site and district teachers' opinions by participating on the district Curriculum Council and Guiding PLC Coalition, and by collaborating with teachers to score writing and refine district assessments.

The principal regularly meets with district leadership and the governing board to report progress and present school improvement initiatives. The principal understands and models innovative thinking to address problems and implement solutions. The principal created the Newhall School District Coherent Writing Program, and through researching several comprehension studies, developed the comprehension strategies that are used throughout our district.

# PART VII - ASSESSMENT RESULTS

## STATE CRITERION-REFERENCED TESTS

Subject: Mathematics

Grade: 3 Test: California Standardized Testing and Reporting

Edition/Publication Year: CA  
STAR/2006-2011

Publisher: Educational Testing Service/California Department  
of Education

	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007
Testing Month	May	May	May	May	May
<b>SCHOOL SCORES</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	98	92	96	92	90
Advanced	89	75	80	69	70
Number of students tested	128	162	139	157	155
Percent of total students tested	96	98	98	97	95
Number of students alternatively assessed	5	4	3	5	9
Percent of students alternatively assessed	4	2	2	3	5
<b>SUBGROUP SCORES</b>					
<b>1. Free/Reduced-Price Meals/Socio-economic Disadvantaged Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient					
Advanced					
Number of students tested	7	4	2	7	6
<b>2. African American Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient					
Advanced					
Number of students tested	1	6	5	5	4
<b>3. Hispanic or Latino Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	100	83	100	92	94
Advanced	83	67	58	85	75
Number of students tested	18	18	12	13	16
<b>4. Special Education Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	90	73	83	64	89
Advanced	80	47	50	50	56
Number of students tested	10	15	12	14	18
<b>5. English Language Learner Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	100	84		77	85
Advanced	93	79		54	69
Number of students tested	14	19	5	13	13
<b>6. white</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	97	95	91	91	80
Advanced	91	76	78	67	47
Number of students tested	79	100	97	105	114
<b>NOTES:</b> Alternative assessment is the California Alternate Performance Assessment. The Individual Education Plan team recommends the CAPA for our students who are in our moderate disability special day classes. Stevenson Ranch School provides the special day classes for students in our district who have moderate disabilities. In 2008-2009 1 student met the criteria for taking the California Modified Assessment (CMA) in math, and the IEP team recommended that assessment.					

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## STATE CRITERION-REFERENCED TESTS

Subject: Reading

Grade: 3 Test: California Standardized Testing and Reporting

Edition/Publication Year: CA

Publisher: Educational Testing Service/California Department of Education

STAR/2006-2011

	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007
Testing Month	May	May	May	May	May
<b>SCHOOL SCORES</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	90	89	89	64	70
Advanced	57	58	56	41	49
Number of students tested	128	162	139	156	155
Percent of total students tested	96	98	98	97	95
Number of students alternatively assessed	5	4	3	5	9
Percent of students alternatively assessed	4	2	2	3	5
<b>SUBGROUP SCORES</b>					
<b>1. Free/Reduced-Price Meals/Socio-economic Disadvantaged Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient					
Advanced					
Number of students tested	7	4	2	7	5
<b>2. African American Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient					
Advanced					
Number of students tested	1	6	5	5	4
<b>3. Hispanic or Latino Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	94	78	92	92	88
Advanced	56	44	50	54	56
Number of students tested	18	18	12	13	16
<b>4. Special Education Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	80	47	75	62	67
Advanced	60	47	33	38	44
Number of students tested	10	15	12	13	18
<b>5. English Language Learner Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	100	74		31	69
Advanced	93	42		23	46
Number of students tested	14	19	5	13	13
<b>6. white</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	87	92	90	86	78
Advanced	54	65	55	44	47
Number of students tested	79	100	97	104	114
<b>NOTES:</b> Alternative assessment is the California Alternate Performance Assessment. The Individual Education Plan team recommends the CAPA for our students who are in our moderate disability special day classes. Stevenson Ranch School provides the special day classes for students in our district who have moderate disabilities. In 2008-2009 1 student met the criteria for taking the California Modified Assessment (CMA) in ELA, and the IEP team recommended that assessment.					

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## STATE CRITERION-REFERENCED TESTS

Subject: Mathematics

Grade: 4 Test: California Standardized Testing and Reporting

Edition/Publication Year: CA

Publisher: Educational Testing Service/California Department

STAR/2006-2011

of Education

	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007
Testing Month	May	May	May	May	May
<b>SCHOOL SCORES</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	97	98	92	92	89
Advanced	85	88	75	75	66
Number of students tested	159	150	152	147	141
Percent of total students tested	96	98	97	95	96
Number of students alternatively assessed	6	3	5	8	6
Percent of students alternatively assessed	4	2	3	5	4
<b>SUBGROUP SCORES</b>					
<b>1. Free/Reduced-Price Meals/Socio-economic Disadvantaged Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient			100		
Advanced			60		
Number of students tested	6	3	10	9	5
<b>2. African American Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient					
Advanced					
Number of students tested	7	4	5	5	6
<b>3. Hispanic or Latino Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	100	100	93	88	89
Advanced	80	81	62	81	44
Number of students tested	19	21	13	16	18
<b>4. Special Education Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	92	90	57	87	85
Advanced	62	70	43	73	31
Number of students tested	13	10	14	15	13
<b>5. English Language Learner Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	100		91		
Advanced	78		55		
Number of students tested	18	6	11	9	8
<b>6. white</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	96	97	90	92	91
Advanced	87	87	77	74	71
Number of students tested	98	91	102	105	95
<b>NOTES:</b> Alternative assessment is the California Alternate Performance Assessment. The Individual Education Plan team recommends the CAPA for our students who are in our moderate disability special day classes. Stevenson Ranch School provides the special day classes for students in our district who have moderate disabilities.					

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## STATE CRITERION-REFERENCED TESTS

Subject: Reading

Grade: 4 Test: California Standardized Testing and Reporting

Edition/Publication Year: CA

Publisher: Educational Testing Service/California Department of Education

STAR/2006-2011

	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007
Testing Month	May	May	May	May	May
<b>SCHOOL SCORES</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	97	98	94	95	91
Proficient	79	85	69	80	67
Number of students tested	159	150	152	147	141
Percent of total students tested	96	98	97	95	96
Number of students alternatively assessed	6	3	5	8	6
Percent of students alternatively assessed	4	2	3	5	4
<b>SUBGROUP SCORES</b>					
<b>1. Free/Reduced-Price Meals/Socio-economic Disadvantaged Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient			100		
Proficient			50		
Number of students tested	6	3	10	9	5
<b>2. African American Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient					
Proficient					
Number of students tested	7	4	5	5	6
<b>3. Hispanic or Latino Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	95	100	100	94	95
Proficient	58	81	54	88	61
Number of students tested	19	21	13	16	18
<b>4. Special Education Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	85	80	64	87	60
Proficient	62	70	29	67	15
Number of students tested	13	10	14	15	13
<b>5. English Language Learner Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	100		73		
Proficient	67		45		
Number of students tested	18	6	11	9	8
<b>6. white</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	97	97	93	94	89
Proficient	86	84	71	79	73
Number of students tested	98	91	102	105	95
<b>NOTES:</b> Alternative assessment is the California Alternate Performance Assessment. The Individual Education Plan team recommends the CAPA for our students who are in our moderate disability special day classes. Stevenson Ranch School provides the special day classes for students in our district who have moderate disabilities.					

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## STATE CRITERION-REFERENCED TESTS

Subject: Mathematics

Grade: 5 Test: California Standardized Testing and Reporting

Edition/Publication Year: CA

Publisher: Educational Testing Service/California Department of Education

STAR/2006-2011

	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007
Testing Month	May	May	May	May	May
<b>SCHOOL SCORES</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	98	85	94	88	94
Proficient	90	59	68	58	68
Number of students tested	151	154	149	144	120
Percent of total students tested	97	97	94	97	96
Number of students alternatively assessed	4	5	9	5	5
Percent of students alternatively assessed	3	3	6	3	4
<b>SUBGROUP SCORES</b>					
<b>1. Free/Reduced-Price Meals/Socio-economic Disadvantaged Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient		82			
Proficient		64			
Number of students tested	5	11	7	5	2
<b>2. African American Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient					
Proficient					
Number of students tested	6	5	7	5	3
<b>3. Hispanic or Latino Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	100	78	93	94	
Proficient	83	57	64	59	
Number of students tested	24	23	14	17	9
<b>4. Special Education Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient		43	100	54	80
Proficient		29	67	46	60
Number of students tested	8	14	12	13	10
<b>5. English Language Learner Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient		69			
Proficient		62			
Number of students tested	6	13	8	9	2
<b>6. white</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	98	85	93	87	93
Proficient	90	54	68	53	67
Number of students tested	88	91	107	99	90
<b>NOTES:</b> Alternative assessment is the California Alternate Performance Assessment. The Individual Education Plan team recommends the CAPA for our students who are in our moderate disability special day classes. Stevenson Ranch School provides the special day classes for students in our district who have moderate disabilities. In 2008-09 1 student met the criteria for taking the California Modified Assessment (CMA) in math, and the IEP team recommended that assessment.					

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## STATE CRITERION-REFERENCED TESTS

Subject: Reading

Grade: 5 Test: California Standardized Testing and Reporting

Edition/Publication Year: CA

Publisher: Educational Testing Service/California Department of Education

STAR/2006-2011

	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007
Testing Month	May	May	May	May	May
<b>SCHOOL SCORES</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	96	92	91	91	91
Advanced	82	62	61	58	60
Number of students tested	151	154	150	144	120
Percent of total students tested	97	97	95	97	96
Number of students alternatively assessed	4	5	8	5	5
Percent of students alternatively assessed	3	3	5	3	4
<b>SUBGROUP SCORES</b>					
<b>1. Free/Reduced-Price Meals/Socio-economic Disadvantaged Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient		91			
Advanced		55			
Number of students tested	5	11	7	5	2
<b>2. African American Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient					
Advanced					
Number of students tested	6	5	7	5	3
<b>3. Hispanic or Latino Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	92	91	93	100	
Advanced	71	65	64	59	
Number of students tested	24	23	14	17	9
<b>4. Special Education Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient		57	92	54	60
Advanced		36	50	31	50
Number of students tested	8	14	12	13	10
<b>5. English Language Learner Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient		85			
Advanced		54			
Number of students tested	6	13	8	9	2
<b>6. white</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	96	91	90	88	91
Advanced	83	62	60	60	59
Number of students tested	88	91	107	99	90
<b>NOTES:</b> Alternative assessment is the California Alternate Performance Assessment. The Individual Education Plan team recommends the CAPA for our students who are in our moderate disability special day classes. Stevenson Ranch School provides the special day classes for students in our district who have moderate disabilities.					

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## STATE CRITERION-REFERENCED TESTS

Subject: Mathematics

Grade: 6 Test: California Standardized Testing and Reporting

Edition/Publication Year: CA

Publisher: Educational Testing Service/California Department of Education

STAR/2006-2011

	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007
Testing Month	May	May	May	May	May
<b>SCHOOL SCORES</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	88	92	90	86	84
Proficient	59	71	58	61	49
Number of students tested	153	147	149	128	120
Percent of total students tested	97	94	97	97	93
Number of students alternatively assessed	5	10	5	4	9
Percent of students alternatively assessed	3	6	3	3	7
<b>SUBGROUP SCORES</b>					
<b>1. Free/Reduced-Price Meals/Socio-economic Disadvantaged Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient		100			82
Proficient		91			64
Number of students tested	8	11	6	3	11
<b>2. African American Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient					
Proficient					
Number of students tested	7	2	5	2	3
<b>3. Hispanic or Latino Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	86	90	88		83
Proficient	45	72	41		61
Number of students tested	22	21	17	9	18
<b>4. Special Education Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	60	77	57		43
Proficient	33	62	21		43
Number of students tested	15	13	14	9	14
<b>5. English Language Learner Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	67				
Proficient	58				
Number of students tested	12	7	7	2	3
<b>6. white</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	85	90	91	85	80
Proficient	58	67	60	60	41
Number of students tested	89	98	103	94	85
<b>NOTES:</b> Alternative assessment is the California Alternate Performance Assessment. The Individual Education Plan team recommends the CAPA for our students who are in our moderate disability special day classes. Stevenson Ranch School provides the special day classes for students in our district who have moderate disabilities. One student in 2008-09 and one student in 2009-2010 met the criteria for taking the California Modified Assessment (CMA) in math, and the IEP team recommended that assessment, and in 2009-2010 one student .					

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## STATE CRITERION-REFERENCED TESTS

Subject: Reading

Grade: 6 Test: California Standardized Testing and Reporting

Edition/Publication Year: CA

Publisher: Educational Testing Service/California Department of Education

STAR/2006-2011

	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007
Testing Month	May	May	May	May	May
<b>SCHOOL SCORES</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	93	92	94	94	88
Proficient	66	71	63	72	62
Number of students tested	153	148	150	128	120
Percent of total students tested	97	94	97	97	93
Number of students alternatively assessed	5	9	5	4	9
Percent of students alternatively assessed	3	6	3	3	7
<b>SUBGROUP SCORES</b>					
<b>1. Free/Reduced-Price Meals/Socio-economic Disadvantaged Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient		100			91
Proficient		91			64
Number of students tested	8	11	6	3	11
<b>2. African American Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient					
Proficient					
Number of students tested	7	2	5	2	3
<b>3. Hispanic or Latino Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	95	86	94		83
Proficient	55	72	53		61
Number of students tested	22	21	17	9	18
<b>4. Special Education Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	87	77	53		64
Proficient	40	62	33		50
Number of students tested	15	13	15	9	14
<b>5. English Language Learner Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	83				
Proficient	42				
Number of students tested	12	7	7	2	3
<b>6. white</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	92	91	92	95	85
Proficient	67	68	68	70	61
Number of students tested	89	98	103	94	85
<b>NOTES:</b> Alternative assessment is the California Alternate Performance Assessment. The Individual Education Plan team recommends the CAPA for our students who are in our moderate disability special day classes. Stevenson Ranch School provides the special day classes for students in our district who have moderate disabilities.					

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# STATE CRITERION-REFERENCED TESTS

Subject: Mathematics      Grade: Weighted Average

	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007
Testing Month					
<b>SCHOOL SCORES</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	95	91	92	89	89
Advanced	80	73	70	66	63
Number of students tested	591	613	589	576	536
Percent of total students tested	96	96	96	96	95
Number of students alternatively assessed	20	22	22	22	29
Percent of students alternatively assessed	3	3	3	3	5
<b>SUBGROUP SCORES</b>					
<b>1. Free/Reduced-Price Meals/Socio-economic Disadvantaged Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	100	93	100	87	91
Advanced	84	79	64	74	79
Number of students tested	26	29	25	24	24
<b>2. African American Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	85	76	95	82	68
Advanced	57	47	40	29	37
Number of students tested	21	17	22	17	16
<b>3. Hispanic or Latino Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	96	87	92	85	88
Advanced	72	69	55	69	60
Number of students tested	83	83	56	55	61
<b>4. Special Education Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	80	69	72	66	74
Advanced	58	50	44	56	47
Number of students tested	46	52	52	51	55
<b>5. English Language Learner Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	92	84	92	90	88
Advanced	78	80	68	75	73
Number of students tested	50	45	31	33	26
<b>6.</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	93	91	91	88	85
Advanced	81	71	70	63	56
Number of students tested	354	380	409	403	384
<b>NOTES:</b>					

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# STATE CRITERION-REFERENCED TESTS

Subject: Reading

Grade: Weighted Average

	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007
Testing Month					
<b>SCHOOL SCORES</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	94	92	92	85	84
Advanced	71	68	62	62	59
Number of students tested	591	614	591	575	536
Percent of total students tested	96	96	96	96	95
Number of students alternatively assessed	20	21	21	22	29
Percent of students alternatively assessed	3	3	3	3	5
<b>SUBGROUP SCORES</b>					
<b>1. Free/Reduced-Price Meals/Socio-economic Disadvantaged Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	96	93	96	95	95
Advanced	92	76	64	58	66
Number of students tested	26	29	25	24	23
<b>2. African American Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	90	88	86	88	62
Advanced	71	58	36	29	37
Number of students tested	21	17	22	17	16
<b>3. Hispanic or Latino Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	93	89	94	90	87
Advanced	60	66	55	63	57
Number of students tested	83	83	56	55	61
<b>4. Special Education Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	82	63	69	70	63
Advanced	54	52	35	48	39
Number of students tested	46	52	53	50	55
<b>5. English Language Learner Students</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	93	84	84	69	73
Advanced	70	60	45	48	46
Number of students tested	50	45	31	33	26
<b>6.</b>					
Advanced/Proficient	93	92	91	90	85
Advanced	73	69	63	63	59
Number of students tested	354	380	409	402	384
<b>NOTES:</b>					

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