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Downieville Elementary School
School Accountability Report Card
Reported Using Data from the 2015-16 School Year
Published During 2016-17

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By February 1 of each year, every school in California is required by state law to publish a School Accountability Report Card (SARC). The SARC contains information about the condition and performance of each California public school. Under the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) all local educational agencies (LEAs) are required to prepare a Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP), which describes how they intend to meet annual school-specific goals for all pupils, with specific activities to address state and local priorities. Additionally, data reported in an LCAP is to be consistent with data reported in the SARC.

- For more information about SARC requirements, see the California Department of Education (CDE) SARC Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/.

- For more information about the LCFF or LCAP, see the CDE LCFF Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/.

- For additional information about the school, parents/guardians and community members should contact the school principal or the district office.

DataQuest
DataQuest is an online data tool located on the CDE DataQuest Web page at http://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).

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About This School

Contact Information (School Year 2016-17)

School Contact Information	
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School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2016-17)

Downieville is located on the western slopes of the Sierra Nevada and is the county seat. Its year-round population is approximately 325, but that number swells during the summer due to tourism. Presently, the chief employers in the community are the County of Sierra, Cal-Trans, tourist-related businesses and the schools. Along with recreation, the economy was formerly based in mining and forestry, but the last decade has seen an employment decline in these areas causing an exodus of families from the region. Many homes have been purchased as second homes and are only used during the summer tourist season.

Downieville Elementary School is a small community of two multi-grade classrooms. The first is a Kindergarten through second grade class and the second is a third through sixth combination. The school is located at the same site as the Junior-Senior High school. They share their site administrator, office, special education, facility, custodial and kitchen staff. Both classrooms have paraprofessionals (aides) available to the primary teachers. This highly unique school offers the students the opportunity to receive a lot of direct attention from either their certificated instructor or the aide in the classroom. The kids have an opportunity to work at their grade level or move up or down as needed to become successful. Downieville Elementary School has an API of 840.

The attendance area includes several small communities from Bassetts to Alleghany along the Highway 49 corridor.

Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2015-16)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	3
Grade 1	3
Grade 2	7
Grade 3	5
Grade 4	1
Grade 6	4
Total Enrollment	23

Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2015-16)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	0
American Indian or Alaska Native	4.3
Asian	4.3
Filipino	0
Hispanic or Latino	4.3
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
White	65.2
Two or More Races	4.3
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	52.2
English Learners	0
Students with Disabilities	13
Foster Youth	4.3

A. Conditions of Learning

State Priority: Basic

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the Basic State Priority (Priority 1):
- Degree to which teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area and for the pupils they are teaching;
- Pupils have access to standards-aligned instructional materials; and
- School facilities are maintained in good repair.

Teacher Credentials

Teachers	School			District
	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2016-17
With Full Credential	1	1	2	26
Without Full Credential	1	1	2	2
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	0	6

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments *	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0

Note: "Misassignments" refers to the number of positions filled by teachers who lack legal authorization to teach that grade level, subject area, student group, etc.

* Total Teacher Misassignments includes the number of Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners.

Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers (School Year 2015-16)

Location of Classes	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects	
	Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
This School	100.0	0.0
All Schools in District	72.2	27.8
High-Poverty Schools in District	66.7	33.3
Low-Poverty Schools in District	74.7	25.3

Note: High-poverty schools are defined as those schools with student eligibility of approximately 40 percent or more in the free and reduced price meals program. Low-poverty schools are those with student eligibility of approximately 39 percent or less in the free and reduced price meals program.

Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2016-17)

Year and month in which data were collected: 09/08/2008.

The main fact about textbooks that the Williams legislation calls for described whether schools have enough books in core classes for all students. The law also asks districts to reveal whether those books are presenting what is required by the California Content Standards.

Subject	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	SRA Open Court Reading 2nd Grade - SRA/McGraw-Hill Adopted 2002 Open Court Reading 3rd Grade - SRA/McGraw-Hill Adopted 2002 Open Court Reading 5th Grade - SRA/McGraw-Hill Adopted 2002 Open Court Reading 6th Grade - SRA/McGraw-Hill Adopted 2002	Yes	0
Mathematics	Math 2 - Saxon Adopted 2008 Math 3 - Saxon Adopted 2008 California Mathmatics concepts, skills - McGraw/Hill Adopted 2009 Problem solving 4th, 5th and 6th - McGraw/Hill Adopted 2009	Yes	0

Subject	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Science	Science CA. ED. 2nd Grade - Harcourt Adopted 2000 Science CA. ED. 3rd Grade - Harcourt Adopted 2000 Science CA. ED. 5th Grade - Harcourt Adopted 2000 Earth Science - Holt Adopted 2001	Yes	0
History-Social Science	History: Neighborhoods 2nd Grade - Houghton Mifflin Adopted 2007 History: Communities 3rd Grade - Houghton Mifflin Adopted 2007 History: US History 5th Grade - Houghton Mifflin Adopted 2007 Ancient Civilizations - Holt Adopted 2006	Yes	0
Health	Health Promotion Waves curriculum - Health Wave, 2010, all reproducible units.	Yes	0

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

To determine the condition of our facilities, our district sent experts from our facilities team to perform an inspection using a survey called the Facilities Inspection Tool, which is issued by the Office of Public School Construction.

Based on that survey, we've answered the questions you see on this report. Please note that the information reflects the condition of our buildings as of the date of the report. Since that time, those conditions may have changed.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year) Year and month of the most recent FIT report: October 2016				
System Inspected	**Repair Status**			**Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned**
	Good	**Fair**	**Poor**	
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	X			
Interior: Interior Surfaces		X		
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	X			
Electrical: Electrical	X			

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year) Year and month of the most recent FIT report: October 2016				
System Inspected	**Repair Status**			**Repair Needed and** **Action Taken or Planned**
	Good	**Fair**	**Poor**	
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains		X		
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	X			
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	X			
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	X			

Overall Facility Rating (Most Recent Year)

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: October 2016				
	Exemplary	**Good**	**Fair**	**Poor**
Overall Rating		X		

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. The CAAs have replaced the California Alternate Performance Assessment [CAPA] for ELA and mathematics, which were eliminated in 2015. Only eligible students may participate in the administration of the CAAs. CAA items are aligned with alternate achievement standards, which are linked with the Common Core State Standards [CCSS] for students with 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 English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) and Mathematics for All Students

Subject	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards (grades 3-8 and 11)					
	School		**District**		**State**	
	2014-15	**2015-16**	**2014-15**	**2015-16**	**2014-15**	**2015-16**
English Language Arts/Literacy	54	--	45	44	44	48
Mathematics	23	--	34	41	34	36

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.

C. Engagement

State Priority: Parental Involvement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the Parental Involvement State Priority (Priority 3):

• Efforts the school district makes to seek parent input in making decisions for the school district and each schoolsite.

Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2016-17)

Parents are a welcome asset to our school. They play a very important role through their active participation and involvement in the Site Council, Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), Sports Booster Club, and serving as volunteers in the classrooms. These services are invaluable in assisting us to meet our goal of providing a positive learning environment for our children. Our annual events include open house, back to school night, halloween carnival and sporting events. These programs and activities are what help establish our school culture. We ask that parents that wish to volunteer on a regular basis have their fingerprints cleared through the district office. Any questions, concerns or inquiries about our school and activities should be directed to Dr. Merrill M. Grant, Superintendent, at (530) 289-3473.

State Priority: School Climate

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the School Climate State Priority (Priority 6):

• Pupil suspension rates;
• Pupil expulsion rates; and
• Other local measures on the sense of safety.

Suspensions and Expulsions

Rate	School			District			State		
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Suspensions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	4.4	3.8	3.7
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1

School Safety Plan (School Year 2016-17)

Downieville Elementary is situated in the small rural town of Downieville, California. Although, due to its small size, Downieville does not have a lot of crime that you would see in much larger suburban areas we still consider the safety of students and staff a priority. The Leadership team of the Sierra-Plumas Joint Unified School District has a Safety Plan in place. Our Safety Plan is based on the National Emergency Management System and is reviewed by the Board of Education annually.

All students are under constant adult supervision by a school employee. In their classroom, there is always a certificated teacher and or a classified aide with the children at all times. During outside activities, recess and lunch times the school provides a dedicated aide to be with the children.

Being very small and intimate, the staff is very familiar with all of the parents, guardians and other family members of our children. This unique situation allows us to keep track of who is on our campus much easier. This, however, does not mean that visitors do not have to check in at the front office.

The School Safety Plan has been given to all certificated staff members to be kept in a binder in their classrooms. The school runs practice "safety drills" several times a year on a surprise basis to monitor the effectiveness of each drill. This includes a week-long safety training for all staff and students.

The site administrator is in contact with the Sierra County Sheriff's Office on a regular basis. They have been invited to have an officer attend extra-curricular activities as well as have an officer come on campus at any time. Their presence is and will always be welcome.

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.

Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2016-17)

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status	Not in PI	Not In PI
First Year of Program Improvement		
Year in Program Improvement*		
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	0
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	.0

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

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)

Grade Level	2013-14				2014-15				2015-16			
	Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes		
		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+
K	13	1			17	1			17	1		
6	16	1			13	1			13	1		

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

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2015-16)

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor	0.0	0
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	0.0	N/A
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	0.0	N/A
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	0.16	N/A
Psychologist	0.0	N/A
Social Worker	0.0	N/A
Nurse	0.0	N/A
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	0.0	N/A
Resource Specialist	0.5	N/A
Other	2.90	N/A

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

*One Full Time Equivalent (FTE) equals one staff member working full time; one FTE could also represent two staff members who each work 50 percent of full time.

Expenditures per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2014-15)

Level	Expenditures Per Pupil			Average Teacher Salary
	Total	Supplemental/ Restricted	Basic/ Unrestricted	
School Site	$13,917	$679	$13,238	43,725
District	N/A	N/A	$13,303	$58,162
Percent Difference: School Site and District	N/A	N/A	-0.5	-24.8
State	N/A	N/A	$9,867	$73,659
Percent Difference: School Site and State	N/A	N/A	34.2	-40.6

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

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2015-16)

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2014-15)

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	$34,346	$40,430
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	$52,425	$58,909
Highest Teacher Salary	$74,075	$77,358
Average Principal Salary (High)	$101,919	$100,453
Superintendent Salary	$139,446	$123,728
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	29%	32%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	5%	6%

For detailed information on salaries, see the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/.

Professional Development (Most Recent Three Years)

Teachers take some time each year to improve their teaching skills and to extend their knowledge of the subjects they teach. Here you'll see the amount of time each year we set aside for their continuing education and professional development.