

Downieville Elementary School

School Accountability Report Card

Reported Using Data from the 2018-19 School Year

Published During 2019-20

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

- For more information about SARC requirements, see the California Department of Education (CDE) SARC web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>.
- For more information about the LCFF or LCAP, see the CDE LCFF web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/>.
- For additional information about the school, parents/guardians and community members should contact the school principal or the district office.

DataQuest

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).

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About This School

School Contact Information (School Year 2019-20)

Entity	Contact Information
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School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2019-20)

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 three multi-grade classrooms. The first is a pre-K through first grade class until lunch when the pre-K and Kindergarten student's day is over and the first grade students join the second and third grade class. The fourth through sixth grade class makes up the remainder of the school. 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. All 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.

The mission of Downieville Elementary is to help all students achieve literacy and math skills at grade level. Teachers use the student's CAASPP scores as well as their own formal assessments to determine whether students are meeting these standards.

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

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

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	4
Grade 1	3
Grade 2	7
Grade 3	2
Grade 4	0
Grade 5	7
Grade 6	5
Total Enrollment	28

Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2018-19)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	3
Hispanic or Latino	20
White	70
Two or More Races	3
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	67.9
English Learners	7.1
Students with Disabilities	30
Homeless	

A. Conditions of Learning

State Priority: Basic

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Basic (Priority 1):

- Degree to which teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area and for the pupils they are teaching;
- Pupils have access to standards-aligned instructional materials; and
- School facilities are maintained in good repair

Teacher Credentials

Teachers	School 2017-18	School 2018-19	School 2019-20	District 2019-20
With Full Credential	2	2	3	
Without Full Credential	1	1	0	
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	0	

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments*	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0

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

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

Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2019-20)

Year and month in which data were collected: 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 Other Instructional Materials/year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	<p>Wonders k-5 - McGraw-Hill Adopted 2016</p> <p>My Math k-5 - McGraw-Hill</p> <p>Open Court Reading 5th Grade - SRA/McGraw-Hill Adopted 2002</p> <p>Open Court Reading 6th Grade - SRA/McGraw-Hill Adopted 2002</p>	Yes	0
Mathematics	<p>Math 2 - Saxon Adopted 2008</p> <p>Math 3 - Saxon Adopted 2008</p> <p>California Mathematics concepts, skills - McGraw/Hill Adopted 2009</p> <p>Problem solving 4th, 5th and 6th - McGraw/Hill Adopted 2009</p>	Yes	0
Science	<p>Science CA. ED. 2nd Grade - Harcourt Adopted 2000</p> <p>Science CA. ED. 3rd Grade - Harcourt Adopted 2000</p> <p>Science CA. ED. 5th Grade - Harcourt Adopted 2000</p> <p>Earth Science - Holt Adopted 2001</p>	Yes	0
History-Social Science	Pearson MyWorld 2019	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)

Using the **most recently collected** FIT data (or equivalent), provide the following:

- Determination of repair status for systems listed
- Description of any needed maintenance to ensure good repair
- The year and month in which the data were collected
- The overall rating

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: 11/12/2019

System Inspected	Rating	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Good	
Interior: Interior Surfaces	Fair	Planned future repair of interior carpets
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	Good	
Electrical: Electrical	Good	
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	Fair	
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Good	
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	Fair Poor	Repair needed for gutters, trim, and roof edge in one area near classrooms exterior. Exterior lawnmower shed melting into ground and dry rot at nw corner.
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	Good	
Overall Rating	Good	

B. Pupil Outcomes

State Priority: Pupil Achievement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Pupil Achievement (Priority 4):

- **Statewide assessments** (i.e., California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress [CAASPP] System, which includes the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments for students in the general education population and the California Alternate Assessments [CAAs] for English language arts/literacy [ELA] and mathematics given in grades three through eight and grade eleven. Only eligible students may participate in the administration of the CAAs. CAAs items are aligned with alternate achievement standards, which are linked with the Common Core State Standards [CCSS] for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities); and
- The percentage of students who have successfully completed courses that satisfy the requirements for entrance to the University of California and the California State University, or career technical education sequences or programs of study.

CAASPP Test Results in ELA and Mathematics for All Students

Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven

Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard

Subject	School 2017-18	School 2018-19	District 2017-18	District 2018-19	State 2017-18	State 2018-19
English Language Arts/Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11)	43	29	44	44	50	50
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	21	8	35	37	38	39

Note: Percentages are not calculated when the number of students tested is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

Note: ELA and mathematics test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The "Percent Met or Exceeded" is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3-Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

CAASPP Test Results in ELA by Student Group

Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2018-19)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	14	14	100.00	0.00	28.57
Male	--	--	--	--	--
Female	--	--	--	--	--
Black or African American	--	--	--	--	--
American Indian or Alaska Native					
Filipino					
Hispanic or Latino	--	--	--	--	--
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander					
White	--	--	--	--	--
Two or More Races					

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	--	--	--	--	--
English Learners					
Students with Disabilities	--	--	--	--	--
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services					
Foster Youth					
Homeless					

Note: ELA test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The "Percent Met or Exceeded" is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3-Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

Note: Double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

Note: The number of students tested includes all students who participated in the test whether they received a score or not; however, the number of students tested is not the number that was used to calculate the achievement level percentages. The achievement level percentages are calculated using only students who received scores.

CAASPP Test Results in Mathematics by Student Group Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2018-19)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	14	14	100.00	0.00	7.69
Male	--	--	--	--	--
Female	--	--	--	--	--
Black or African American	--	--	--	--	--
American Indian or Alaska Native					
Filipino					
Hispanic or Latino	--	--	--	--	--
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander					
White	--	--	--	--	--
Two or More Races					
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	--	--	--	--	--
English Learners					
Students with Disabilities	--	--	--	--	--
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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**CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students
Grades Five, Eight, and Ten
Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard**

Subject	School 2017-18	School 2018-19	District 2017-18	District 2018-19	State 2017-18	State 2018-19
Science (grades 5, 8 and high school)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

Note: This is a placeholder for the California Science Test (CAST) which was administered operationally during the 2018-19 school year. However, these data are not available for inclusion in the 2018-19 SARC posting due February 1, 2020. These data will be included in the 2019-20 SARC posting due February 1, 2021.

State Priority: Other Pupil Outcomes

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Other Pupil Outcomes (Priority 8):

- Pupil outcomes in the subject areas of physical education.

California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2018-19)

Grade Level	Percentage of Students Meeting Four of Six Fitness Standards	Percentage of Students Meeting Five of Six Fitness Standards	Percentage of Students Meeting Six of Six Fitness Standards
5	--	--	--

Note: Percentages are not calculated and double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students tested is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

C. Engagement

State Priority: Parental Involvement

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

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

Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2019-20)

Parents 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, October 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 James Berardi, Superintendent, at (530) 289-3473.

State Priority: School Climate

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

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

Suspensions and Expulsions

Rate	School 2016-17	School 2017-18	School 2018-19	District 2016-17	District 2017-18	District 2018-19	State 2016-17	State 2017-18	State 2018-19
Suspensions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.6	3.5	3.5
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1

School Safety Plan (School Year 2019-20)

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. In addition staff is undergoing ALICE training to be prepared for any active shooter situation if it were to occur.

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 school is revising their staff training in regard to safety drills and will be annually conducting a safety week the first week of each new school year where all staff is retrained annually on all drills and safety alerts.

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.

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)

Grade Level	2016-17	2016-17	2016-17	2016-17	2017-18	2017-18	2017-18	2017-18	2018-19	2018-19	2018-19	2018-19
	Average Class Size	# of Classes* Size 1-20	# of Classes* Size 21-32	# of Classes* Size 33+	Average Class Size	# of Classes* Size 1-20	# of Classes* Size 21-32	# of Classes* Size 33+	Average Class Size	# of Classes* Size 1-20	# of Classes* Size 21-32	# of Classes* Size 33+
K	12	1							6	1		
1									12	1		
2									12	1		
3									12	1		
4									12	1		
5									12	1		
6					12	1			12	1		
Other**	11	1			15	1						

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

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

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

Title	Ratio
Academic Counselors*	.0

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

Student Support Services Staff (School Year 2018-19)

Title	Number of FTE* Assigned to School
Counselor (Academic, Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	.17
Psychologist	.17
Social Worker	
Nurse	
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	
Other	2.9

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

Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2017-18)

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	19464.01	3131.78	16332.23	45827.50
District	N/A	N/A	10021.88	\$60,488.00
Percent Difference - School Site and District	N/A	N/A	63.0	-26.8
State	N/A	N/A	\$7,506.64	\$64,732.00
Percent Difference - School Site and State	N/A	N/A	148.4	-26.5

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

The California Department of Education issued guidance to LEAs on August 1, 2018, regarding how to calculate school-level per-pupil expenditures that will be reported on 2018-19 report cards.

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2018-19)

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2017-18)

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$36,965	\$43,574
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$56,422	\$63,243
Highest Teacher Salary	\$83,759	\$86,896
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$91,805	\$103,506
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$0	\$108,961
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$92,418	\$108,954
Superintendent Salary	\$146,418	\$136,125
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	27%	30%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	5%	6%

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

Professional Development (Most Recent Three Years)

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

For the 2018-19 school year, SPJUSD has continued early release Wednesdays, which will focus on professional development and MTSS activities. During the past few years, we have spent time at Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) and faculty meetings on school-wide literacy systems such as note taking strategies, writing across the curriculum, academic vocabulary development, and reading. Additionally, teaching and learning have been enhanced by implementation of Marzano (Art and Science of Teaching and Learning) frameworks. Also, the staff has begun to narrow curricular focus to essential standards. This is also guided by the Marzano Laboratories. In addition, the district has promoted the use of technology by purchasing smart boards, computers, and other technology for classrooms and offering multiple in-service programs on their use and the development of classroom activities to support new standards.

Student data is the beginning point of all planning each school year. In addition to test scores, the staff looks at grades and attendance data to plan for the success of each student in meeting individual goals. This data drives the direction the school takes in professional development, support services, and school goals for each year. School funds have been available for staff to attend a variety of subject specific or general professional development programs during the school year and summers. There is a provision in the certificated contract to pay stipends to teachers for attending in-service programs during holidays or school vacations. Release time is provided for programs offered during the school year. Administration makes every effort to encourage and support professional development.