

# **Downieville Elementary School**

## **School Accountability Report Card**

### **Reported Using Data from the 2019-2020 School Year**

#### **Published During 2020-2021**

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 and access to prior year reports, 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 the LCAP, see the CDE LCFF webpage 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).

#### **California School Dashboard**

The California School Dashboard (Dashboard) <https://www.caschooldashboard.org/> reflects California's new accountability and continuous improvement system and provides information about how LEAs and schools are meeting the needs of California's diverse student population. The Dashboard contains reports that display the performance of LEAs, schools, and student groups on a set of state and local measures to assist in identifying strengths, challenges, and areas in need of improvement.

## About This School

### School Contact Information (School Year 2020-2021)

Entity	Contact Information
School Name	Downieville Elementary School
Street	130 School St.
City, State, Zip	Downieville, CA 95936-0396
Phone Number	530.289.3473
Principal	James Berardi
Email Address	jberardi@spjUSD.org
Website	<a href="https://sierracountyofficeofeducation.org/SPJUSD/">https://sierracountyofficeofeducation.org/SPJUSD/</a>
County-District-School (CDS) Code	46701776050611

### District Contact Information (School Year 2020-2021)

Entity	Contact Information
District Name	Sierra-Plumas Joint Unified School District
Phone Number	530-993-1660
Superintendent	James Berardi
Email Address	jberardi@spjUSD.org
Website	<a href="http://www.sierracountyofficeofeducation.org">www.sierracountyofficeofeducation.org</a>

### School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2020-2021)

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 the Downieville Schools is to provide all students with opportunities, encouragement, and support needed for a successful transition into the 21st Century job market and community. This will be achieved through the collaboration of all stakeholders--staff, students, parents, and community members.

The vision of the Downieville Schools is to provide students with a standards-based curriculum and extra curricular program with academic rigor, creativity, and a safe learning environment. Students from Downieville will be productive, compassionate, & responsible citizens of the global community.

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

### Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2019-2020)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	2
Grade 1	5
Grade 2	3
Grade 3	9
Grade 4	3
Grade 5	1
Grade 6	8
<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>31</b>

### Student Enrollment by Student Group (School Year 2019-2020)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	3.2
Hispanic or Latino	16.1
White	71
Two or More Races	3.2
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	54.8
English Learners	6.5
Students with Disabilities	19.4
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 2018-19	School 2019-20	School 2020-21	District 2020-21
With Full Credential	1	1	3	27
Without Full Credential	2	2	0	6
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	0	4

## Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
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 Other Instructional Materials (School Year 2020-2021)

Year and month in which data were collected: 12/02/2020.

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
<b>Reading/Language Arts</b>	Wonders K-5 - McGraw-Hill Adopted 2016  6th grade: Windows and Mirrors Levels 1 & 2 , EMC Publishing LLC, 2016, Adopted 2016	Yes	0
<b>Mathematics</b>	K-5 My Math-McGraw Hill- Adopted 2016  6th Course 1 Common Core- Prentice Hall Adopted 2016	Yes	0
<b>Science</b>	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
<b>History-Social Science</b>	Pearson MyWorld 2019	Yes	0
<b>Health</b>	Health Promotion Waves curriculum - Health Wave, 2010, all reproducible units.	Yes	0

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

## School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements

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

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 rate for each system inspected
- 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
<b>Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer</b>	Good	
<b>Interior: Interior Surfaces</b>	Fair	Planned future repair of interior carpets
<b>Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation</b>	Good	
<b>Electrical: Electrical</b>	Good	
<b>Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains</b>	Fair	
<b>Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials</b>	Good	
<b>Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs</b>	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.
<b>External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences</b>	Good	
<b>Overall Rating</b>	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 2018-19	School 2019-20	District 2018-19	District 2019-20	State 2018-19	State 2019-20
English Language Arts/Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11)	29	N/A	44	N/A	50	N/A
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	8	N/A	37	N/A	39	N/A

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

Note: The 2019-2020 data are not available. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order N-30-20 was issued which waived the requirement for statewide testing for the 2019-2020 school year.

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 2019-2020)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Female	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Black or African American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian or Alaska Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Filipino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic or Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
Two or More Races	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
English Learners	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students with Disabilities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Foster Youth	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Homeless	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

Note: The 2019-2020 data are not available. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order N-30-20 was issued which waived the requirement for statewide testing for the 2019-2020 school year.

### CAASPP Test Results in Mathematics by Student Group Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2019-2020)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Female	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Black or African American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian or Alaska Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Filipino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic or Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Two or More Races	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
English Learners	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students with Disabilities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Foster Youth	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Homeless	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

Note: The 2019-2020 data are not available. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order N-30-20 was issued which waived the requirement for statewide testing for the 2019-2020 school year.

**CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students  
Grades Five, Eight, and High School  
Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard**

Subject	School 2018-19	School 2019-20	District 2018-19	District 2019-20	State 2018-19	State 2019-20
Science (grades 5, 8 and high school)	--	N/A	28	N/A	30	N/A

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

Note: The 2019-2020 data are not available. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order N-30-20 was issued which waived the requirement for statewide testing for the 2019-2020 school year.

Note: The new California Science Test (CAST) was first administered operationally in the 2018-2019 school year.

**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 2019-2020)**

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	N/A	N/A	N/A
7	N/A	N/A	N/A
9	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

Note: The 2019–2020 data are not available. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order N-56-20 was issued which waived the requirement to administer the physical fitness performance test for the 2019–2020 school year.

**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 2020-2021)**

Parents are a welcome asset to our school. They play a very important role through their active participation and involvement in the school. The Covid-19 pandemic has severely altered the way in which parents can be engaged and involved with their students. This year we have created a new school website and parent newsletter to keep parents engaged in the school; we also held virtual PTO, Booster, and Site Council meetings monthly to include parent voices and experiences while in-person visits remain prohibited for safety. We have held 2 community forums to address parent concerns and needs during the distance learning and pandemic issues and provided parent and student orientations for distance learning in person and virtually.

Many of our event shave been postponed this year but we have been active in sharing pictures and updates on Facebook and are coordinating virtual events and galleries when possible. 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

(data collected between July through June, each full school year respectively)

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

### Suspensions and Expulsions for School Year 2019-2020 Only

(data collected between July through February, partial school year due to the COVID-19 pandemic)

Rate	School 2019-20	District 2019-20	State 2019-20
Suspensions	0.0	0.0	
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0

Note: The 2019-2020 suspensions and expulsions rate data are not comparable to prior year data because the 2019-2020 school year is a partial school year due to the COVID-19 crisis. As such, it would be inappropriate to make any comparisons in rates of suspensions and expulsions in the 2019-2020 school year compared to prior years.

### School Safety Plan (School Year 2020-2021)

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	2017-18	2017-18	2017-18	2017-18	2018-19	2018-19	2018-19	2018-19	2019-20	2019-20	2019-20	2019-20
	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					7	1						
3					9	1						
6	12	1			11	1						
Other**	15	1							10	3		

\*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 Pupils to Academic Counselor (School Year 2019-2020)

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 2019-2020)

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

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

### Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2018-2019)

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	19,464.01	3,131.78	16,332.23	\$45,827.50
District	N/A	N/A	10,021.88	\$61,814
Percent Difference - School Site and District	N/A	N/A	47.9	-29.7
State	N/A	N/A	\$7,750	\$68,990
Percent Difference - School Site and State	N/A	N/A	71.3	-40.3

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

## Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2019-2020)

According to the goals in our LCAP, budgeted funds were used to support students in the following programs and positions: District-wide intervention coordinator, RTI teacher, Intervention Aides, EIA/EL Aide to assist English Learners with core classes, Library Aide, athletics, and advanced placement and on-line classes (Fuel Ed). AP Exams are purchased for each student enrolled in AP coursework. In addition, funding was provided for the purchase of technology to assist in our educational goals. Funding is also provided for professional development to keep teachers and administrators up to date in methods and curriculum. Classroom furniture updates are currently underway.

## Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2018-2019)

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$37,704	\$44,318
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$57,550	\$67,053
Highest Teacher Salary	\$85,434	\$90,163
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$97,387	\$106,389
Average Principal Salary (Middle)		\$113,976
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$101,958	\$114,214
Superintendent Salary	\$152,934	\$141,066
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	28.0	29.0
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	5.0	6.0

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	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Number of school days dedicated to Staff Development and Continuous Improvement	39	39	43

For the 2019-20 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.