

Walnut Elementary School

School Accountability Report Card

Reported Using Data from the 2015-16 School Year

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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

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About This School

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

MISSION STATEMENT

Walnut's mission statement, "Academic Excellence in a Safe, Enriching Environment," provides a guiding light for our instructional, cultural, and fiscal decisions. Our motto, "Dedicated to the BEAT 2 (Bringing Education, Art, and Technology Together)," explains our investment in both the arts as well as digital fluency, and all stakeholders work together to develop well-rounded students equipped to thrive in the 21st century. The mutual efforts of staff, students, parents, and community members all contribute to Walnut's success.

SCHOOL DESCRIPTION

Walnut Elementary is a neighborhood school serving approximately 350 students, TK-5th grade, in picturesque Newbury Park, CA. We value the family feel on our campus, and we are proud of our multicultural student body. Our most important goals at Walnut are the academic and social development of our students. Walnut's devoted staff members share a common philosophy of excellence in instruction, high expectations, and the belief that the elementary experience sets the foundation for a lifetime of learning. As the recipient of a Title 1 grant, Walnut benefits from extra federal funding which is used to increase student achievement, including hiring additional credentialed teachers to provide additional intervention and enrichment. In the spirit of collaboration, all teachers meet regularly in professional learning communities for professional development, data analysis, and discussions pinpointing how to better meet students' academic and behavioral needs. The teaching staff has implemented a school-wide intervention program called Target Time, which provides 30 minutes of targeted, small group intervention for every student. These skills-based groups are determined by assessment data and reevaluated quarterly. Each small group is taught by a credentialed teacher using research-based curriculum, providing a "just right" fit of remediation, deeper practice, or enrichment. In order to support students needing social support, our school counselor uses Target Time once per week to offer flexible social skills groups. Additional interventions on campus include before and after school classes, designated instruction in English, and individualized computer programs that may be accessed anywhere online. A strong, integrated visual and performing arts program enhances the core curriculum. Walnut invests in specialists to teach art, music, computer technology, and physical education classes for additional enrichment. Students gain digital fluency working with a variety of digital devices, and our after-school Coding Club is extremely popular. This year, a Create Club recess option was added which allows students to use their imaginations to create art projects with recycled materials.

Walnut provides a nurturing, disciplined, and caring learning community. All staff members have been trained in the CHAMPS Positive Behavior Intervention System, which is evident campus-wide in classrooms and common areas. Students follow our Guidelines for Success: "Be Safe, Be Respectful, and Be Prepared." The STAND PROUD program, created by CVUSD elementary school counselors, is taught throughout the year to fifth grade students and promotes positive character traits including responsibility, acceptance, and trustworthiness. This year, all students and staff members have received instruction in Bucket Filling 101, based on the book, "Have You Filled a Bucket Today?", by Lisa Grimes. In addition to the intrinsic reward gained by filling each others' emotional buckets, students receive positive reinforcement for their acts of kindness at awards assemblies and drawings at our monthly Wildcat Pride Gatherings.

Walnut School values the surrounding community and celebrates partnerships with local groups including the Assistance League, CSVP Senior Volunteers, Delta Kappa Gamma, and LightShine Community Church. These community members support Walnut's students by providing classroom assistance, extra school supplies, donated books for students to take home, and after-school homework assistance. LightShine has also "adopted" families in need at the holidays and volunteered on weekends for campus beautification. We always enjoy working with surrounding Newbury Park cluster schools, especially welcoming Walnut alumni back on campus. Students from Sequoia Middle School and Newbury Park High School regularly volunteer at school events and participate in after-school learning activities, such as homework help and Coding Club.

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

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	84
Grade 1	52
Grade 2	40
Grade 3	64
Grade 4	51
Grade 5	45
Total Enrollment	336

Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2015-16)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	0.3
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.3
Asian	10.4
Filipino	0.6
Hispanic or Latino	47.9
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.6
White	34.8
Two or More Races	5.1
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	47.3
English Learners	28.6
Students with Disabilities	5.7
Foster Youth	0.6

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	17	17	20	859
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	0	15

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	100.0	0.0
High-Poverty Schools in District	100.0	0.0
Low-Poverty Schools in District	100.0	0.0

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: November 2016

All K-12 students have current standards-based textbooks in math, science and history/social science and English/Language Arts. With each curricular cycle established by the State of California, the Conejo Valley USD Board of Education adopts textbooks within the timeline provided. Standards-aligned books for grades 9-12 are approved locally. Textbooks in Grades K-8 are selected from lists of books and materials approved by the State Board of Education. Sufficient standards-based textbooks and instructional materials have been purchased for all students in English, Math, History/Social Science, Science, Health and Foreign Language. In addition, annually, sites receive specific science supplementary funds to be used for consumable laboratory expenses and/or equipment.

The process of selecting textbooks and materials involves the formation of a committee charged with the responsibility of reviewing state current standards and frameworks, analyzing student data, writing courses of study, as required, and selecting and maintaining current instructional materials. The goal of such district-wide committees, comprised of teachers and administrators representing all targeted grade levels, is to achieve high academic standards for all of our TK-12 students. Each major subject area, such as math, science, history/social science, foreign language and English/language arts, is reviewed and adopted under the guidance of the California Department of Education and State Board of Education. The committee submits its recommendations to the Board of Education for final approval. The recommendation to the Board includes the basic textbook materials as well as supplementary materials within the subject. CVUSD is currently working within the adoption process for Math and ELA at grades 6-12. On October 18, 2016, the CVUSD Board of Education approved a resolution for the 2016-2017 school year declaring that the Conejo Valley Unified School District has provided each pupil with sufficient standards-based textbooks and instructional materials consistent with the cycles and content of the curriculum frameworks.

Subject	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	<p>Kindergarten: Macmillan-McGraw Hill: California Treasures Reading Practice Book; Treasures Student Activity Book; Core Literature: The Little Engine that Could by Watty Piper, Goldilocks and the Three Bears by Jan Brett, The Little Red Hen by Paul Galdone, The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle, The Three Billy Goats Gruff by Paul Galdone, The Grouchy Ladybug by Eric Carle, Stone Soup by Marcia Brown</p> <p>Grade 1: Macmillan-McGraw Hill: California Treasures Student Edition Books 1-6; Core Literature: The Grouchy Ladybug by Eric Carle, Stone Soup by Marcia Brown, Ira Sleeps Over by Bernard Waber, The Tale of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter, The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse by Lorinda Cauley, A Bargain for Frances by Russell Hoban, Frog and Toad are Friends by Arnold Lobel</p> <p>Grade 2: Macmillan-McGraw Hill: California Treasures Student Edition 1-2; Core Literature: A Bargain for Frances by Russell Hoban, Frog and Toad are Friends by Arnold Lobel, Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst, Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig, Too Many Tamales by Gary Soto, Annie and the Old One by Miska Miles, Miss Rumphius by Barbara Cooney</p> <p>Grade 3: Macmillan-McGraw Hill: California Treasures Student Edition Books 1-2; Core Literature: Annie and the Old One by Miska Miles, Miss Rumphius by Barbara Cooney, The Velveteen Rabbit by Margery Williams, Charlotte’s Web by E.B. White, Ramona Quimby, Age 8 by Beverly Cleary</p> <p>Grade 4: McGraw Hill: California Treasures Student Edition; Core Literature: Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O’Dell, By the Great Horn Spoon by Sid Fleischman, The Little House in the Big Woods by Laura Ingalls Wilder, Ben and Me by Robert Lawson, Hatchet by Gary Paulsen,</p> <p>Grade 5: Macmillan-McGraw Hill: California Treasures Student Edition; Core Literature: Ben and Me by Robert Lawson, Hatchet by Gary Paulse, Sign of the Beaver by Elizabeth Speare, In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson by Betty Bao Lord, From the Mixed Up Files of Basil E. Frankweiler by E.L. Konigsburg, The Cay by Theodore Taylor, Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor</p> <p>2008 State Adoption, 2012 Local Adoption K-5, 2010 Edition</p>	Yes	0

Subject	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Mathematics	Kindergarten: Houghton -Mifflin; Go Math! California Student Resource Package (Multi-Volume) Grade 1-5: Houghton -Mifflin; Go Math! California Student Resource Package 2014 State Adoption K-8, 2016 Local Adoption K-8, 2015 Edition	Yes	0
Science	Kindergarten - 5: FOSS Science Kits 2006 State Adoption (New State adopted materials not ready at this time), 2007 Local Adoption, 2007 Edition	Yes	0
History-Social Science	Kindergarten - 5 Pearson/Scott Foresman: History/Social Science for California Learn and Work Box 2005 State Adoption (New State adopted materials not ready at this time), 2006 Local Adoption, 2006 Edition	Yes	0
Health	Grades K-3: Health Wave Grades 4-5: Healthy You!		0
Visual and Performing Arts	MUSIC: McGraw Hill: Share the Music ART: Portfolio: A State of the Art by Barrett Kendall		0

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

Each Fall, all schools in the Conejo Valley Unified School District are inspected by a team which consists of all or many of the following personnel: Site Administrator, Executive Director of Maintenance, Planning and Technology, Director of Maintenance & Operations, Director of Planning, and the Assistant Superintendent. A facilities evaluation is completed documenting the condition of the school in a variety of areas, including the cleanliness of restrooms, condition of roofs, paving and walkways, HVAC systems, landscape maintenance, etc. Any condition observed that represents a concern to the health and safety of students and staff is annotated for immediate correction. Items noted which could improve the utility, appearance or safety of the school are recorded and evaluated for potential placement on the District's annual Major Projects List. The projects included on the final Major Projects List are based upon a priority assessment of all identified District school needs, and the funds available to address those needs. The final list is approved by the Board of Education in the Spring, with the majority of projects completed the following Summer.

The District has been fortunate to have strong support from the community. A recently passed \$197 million bond measure is currently in place to address safety and security, upgrade instructional technology and modernization of the facilities, including updating of science, math, and career prep labs. Projects are on-going and will continue for the next 10 years.

The District provides 1.75 full-time custodians at Walnut Elementary School, and they follow District-defined cleaning standards and schedules to ensure that the school provides our students and staff with clean, healthy and attractive learning environments.

Walnut Elementary School opened in 1961 on a 9.3 acre site and has a capacity of 503 students. The school has 24 classrooms, a multipurpose room, a library and an administration building. The campus underwent modernization in 2000, replacing and upgrading underground utilities, restrooms, doors, and improving accessibility under ADA.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)

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Year and month of the most recent FIT report: September 26, 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		Interior of facility requires modernization. Needs are being addressed as resources allow.
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/Vermin Infestation	X			
Electrical: Electrical	X			
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			Room 25 siding needs replacing as resources allow.

Overall Facility Rating (Most Recent Year)

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: September 26, 2016				
Overall Rating	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor
		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	44	51	64	66	44	48
Mathematics	39	40	57	58	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.

**CAASPP Test Results in ELA by Student Group
Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2015-16)**

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students	
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Met or Exceeded
All Students	3	65	61	93.8	44.3
	4	54	53	98.2	45.3
	5	47	45	95.7	66.7
Male	3	34	32	94.1	43.8
	4	27	26	96.3	42.3
	5	20	19	95.0	57.9
Female	3	31	29	93.5	44.8
	4	27	27	100.0	48.1
	5	27	26	96.3	73.1
Black or African American	3	--	--	--	--
Asian	3	--	--	--	--
	4	--	--	--	--
	5	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	3	31	29	93.5	27.6
	4	26	26	100.0	23.1
	5	16	15	93.8	33.3
White	3	26	25	96.2	64.0
	4	23	23	100.0	65.2
	5	24	23	95.8	82.6
Two or More Races	3	--	--	--	--
	5	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	3	33	31	93.9	29.0
	4	23	23	100.0	30.4
	5	23	22	95.7	63.6
English Learners	3	22	20	90.9	10.0
	4	13	13	100.0	15.4
	5	--	--	--	--
Students with Disabilities	3	--	--	--	--
	4	--	--	--	--
	5	--	--	--	--
Foster Youth	3	--	--	--	--
	4	--	--	--	--
	5	--	--	--	--

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 on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

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 2015-16)**

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students	
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Met or Exceeded
All Students	3	65	61	93.8	47.5
	4	54	53	98.2	30.2
	5	47	46	97.9	42.2
Male	3	34	32	94.1	43.8
	4	27	26	96.3	42.3
	5	20	19	95.0	47.4
Female	3	31	29	93.5	51.7
	4	27	27	100.0	18.5
	5	27	27	100.0	38.5
Black or African American	3	--	--	--	--
Asian	3	--	--	--	--
	4	--	--	--	--
	5	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	3	31	29	93.5	37.9
	4	26	26	100.0	19.2
	5	16	16	100.0	20.0
White	3	26	25	96.2	64.0
	4	23	23	100.0	43.5
	5	24	23	95.8	60.9
Two or More Races	3	--	--	--	--
	5	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	3	33	31	93.9	38.7
	4	23	23	100.0	17.4
	5	23	23	100.0	36.4
English Learners	3	22	20	90.9	25.0
	4	13	13	100.0	7.7
	5	--	--	--	--
Students with Disabilities	3	--	--	--	--
	4	--	--	--	--
	5	--	--	--	--
Foster Youth	3	--	--	--	--

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students	
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Met or Exceeded
	4	--	--	--	--
	5	--	--	--	--

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 on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

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 Science for All Students

Subject	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)								
	School			District			State		
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)	76	65	58	81	80	77	60	56	54

Note: Science test results include California Standards Tests (CSTs), California Modified Assessment (CMA), and California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA) in grades five, eight, and ten.

Note: Scores are not shown 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.

CAASPP Test Results in Science by Student Group Grades Five, Eight, and Ten (School Year 2015-16)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	# of Students with Valid Scores	% of Students with Valid Scores	% of Students Proficient or Advanced
All Students	47	45	95.7	57.8
Male	20	19	95.0	73.7
Female	27	26	96.3	46.2
Hispanic or Latino	16	16	100.0	31.3
White	24	22	91.7	68.2
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	23	23	100.0	52.2

Note: Science test results include CSTs, CMA, and CAPA in grades five, eight, and ten. The "Proficient or Advanced" is calculated by taking the total number of students who scored at Proficient or Advanced on the science assessment divided by the total number of students with valid scores.

Note: Scores are not shown 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.

State Priority: Other Pupil Outcomes

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

- Pupil outcomes in the subject areas of physical education.

California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2015-16)

Grade Level	Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	Four of Six Standards	Five of Six Standards	Six of Six Standards
5	17.4	17.4	13

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)

At Walnut, we are committed to providing multiple entry points for parents to be involved in the life of their child's school. In fact, one of the three goals in our Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) is dedicated to increasing parent involvement. Parents are encouraged to volunteer in classrooms, in the library, on field trips, and at special events. The Parent Teacher Association (PTA), School Site Council (SSC) and English Learner Advisory Council (ELAC) are active, organized groups that meet monthly and invite parent participation. Our Odyssey of the Mind student teams, which compete at the regional level each year, are coached by parents. Our bilingual school outreach assistant, Ana Blasi, is on campus daily to help families feel a part of the Walnut community. Mrs. Blasi can be reached at (805) 498-3608, and she is able to help families get involved on campus and also connect them with community resources as needed. Walnut offers multiple parent education classes each year, including English classes and topical classes such as Triple P Parenting, Safety in the Home, and 1,2,3 Magic Parenting. In October of 2016, Walnut held its first Family Symposium, during which families shared a meal together, students participated in fun activities, and parents chose two workshops to attend from a variety of choices. Classes were offered in both English and Spanish, and they covered a variety of topics including Mindfulness, Emergency Preparedness, Work-Life Balance, and Emotional Regulation for children.

Walnut staff members and the PTA host multiple community-building opportunities throughout the year which welcome parent participation. Families enjoy annual events such as Family Reading Night, Monster Mash, International Dinner, Walnut Strut, and an End-of-the-Year Bash. Many parents also make homemade crafts to donate to the Holiday Shop each December, the proceeds of which purchase food and clothing for needy families in the community. Parents are encouraged to attend presentations about Walnut's educational programs, such as Back-to-School Night, Title I Informational Meetings, Open House, GATE Parent Meetings, and Parent-Teacher Conferences. All School Site Council and English Language Advisory Council meetings are advertised in advance and open to all parents. Families are kept up-to-date about events, classes, and school programs through the digital newsletter, "What's New at Walnut?" (offered in English and Spanish), the digital marquee, Facebook and Twitter posts, paper flyers, and the Blackboard All-Call system which contacts parents by telephone and email. We believe in open communication, and all parents are welcome at Walnut! For further information regarding parent involvement and volunteer opportunities, you are welcome to contact Walnut's Principal, Aileen Wall, at (805) 498-3608.

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	1.9	2.2	1.1	3.1	2.8	2.5	4.4	3.8	3.7
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1

School Safety Plan (School Year 2016-17)

Site specific District Disaster Preparedness Plans and School Safety Plans are developed, revised and updated each year through a collaborative process obtaining appropriate approvals. Safety plans address: a) child neglect and abuse reporting; b) disaster procedures; c) policies and procedures regarding dangerous students and bullying/harassment d) sexual harassment & nondiscrimination policies; e) dress code; f) safe ingress/egress; g) school rules related to discipline and safe schools. Likewise, all school sites routinely practice Fire, Earthquake and Lock Down drills throughout the school year. District policies and administrative regulations are reviewed and updated on a regular basis to remain present-day and consistent with current law.

Walnut's School Safety Plan was updated in the fall of 2016 and approved by the School Site Council on October 1st.

A well-planned communication equipment system consisting of intra-district two-way radios and walkie-talkies is located at all sites for daily use and in preparation for possible emergency use. Moreover, local bond dollars support needed physical and safety upgrades at all school sites.

The District's Human Resources department provides training on an ongoing basis to certificated and classified staff. Each year, new employees are offered CPR and First Aid Training through organizations such as the American Red Cross and American Lung Association. The District has also installed Automated External Defibrillators in nearly all facilities.

The District also has partnered with the City of Thousand Oaks, the Conejo Recreation and Park District and the Ventura County Sheriff's & Fire Departments for coordinating response and resource allocations in major emergencies. Additionally, with the generous support of the City of Thousand Oaks each comprehensive high school enjoys the services of a full-time Student Resource Officer (TOPD). The NPHS Student Resource Officer checks in regularly with Walnut and provides site support when needed.

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	In PI	In PI
First Year of Program Improvement	2010-2011	2010-2011
Year in Program Improvement*	Year 3	Year 3
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	4
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	14.8

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	22		3		22		4		21	2	2	
1	21		3		21	1	1		24		2	
2	20	3			20	3			21		2	
3	19	3			21	1	2		21		3	
4	28		2		28		1		32		2	
5	28		3		27		3		33		2	

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		
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	0.2	N/A
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)		N/A
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	0.6	N/A
Psychologist	0.5	N/A
Social Worker		N/A
Nurse	0.2	N/A
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	0.5	N/A
Resource Specialist		N/A
Other	7.3	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	\$6,525	\$696	\$5,829	\$66,187
District	N/A	N/A	\$5,542	\$76,224
Percent Difference: School Site and District	N/A	N/A	5.2	-13.2
State	N/A	N/A	\$5,677	\$74,216
Percent Difference: School Site and State	N/A	N/A	2.7	-10.8

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

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2015-16)

Per pupil expenditures include funds expended for all instructional services. These include transportation, food services, health services, counseling services / mental health services, instructional materials and maintenance. The Local Control Funding Formula provides the bulk of funding for nearly all programs with the exceptions of federal categorical allocations and state and local grants.

Categorical funding provides support for Special Education Services – (All Schools), Title I Services - PI transportation (school choice) and Alternative Support Services (Six elementary schools), Title IIA – Professional Development (All Schools) and Title III - English Language Learners / LEP and Immigrant (All Schools) and Perkins – Career Technology Education (High Schools). Community and parent support groups bolster many programs and services across the district. The Conejo Schools Foundation, PTA’s and Booster Clubs contribute significantly to activities such as performing arts, athletics, academic competitions, etc.

Conejo Valley Unified also receives additional financial support through grant funding such as: College Readiness Block Grant - Tobacco Use Prevention Education Program (TUPE) - (Middle and High schools) and Career Technology Education – Ventura County Innovates (CTE) – (Middle Schools & High Schools).

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2014-15)

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$44,131	\$44,958
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$71,801	\$70,581
Highest Teacher Salary	\$90,881	\$91,469
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$113,041	\$113,994
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$115,934	\$120,075
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$124,276	\$130,249
Superintendent Salary	\$192,503	\$218,315
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	43%	38%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	5%	5%

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)

The Conejo Valley Unified School District is committed to providing professional development activities for all teachers and administrators. Both groups continue to enhance the skills necessary to deliver effective instruction through the implementation of Common Core Standards and beyond. A robust professional development effort includes opportunities in researched-based instructional strategies, technological competencies, and Professional Learning Communities.

Professional development strategies such as workshops, institutes and academies, as well as job-embedded activities are related to College and Career Readiness, Smarter Balanced Assessments and other proficiencies required to meet the needs of all students. Professional development topics are aligned with District and school site needs identified through and outlined within the district and schools' LCAP goals. Professional development for high school faculty and staff members are also aligned with each school's WASC action plan.

The District also provides, at no cost to teachers, an induction program (New Teacher Induction) for first year and second year teachers, as well as both a voluntary and required Peer Assistance Review program.

The Ventura County Superintendent of Schools Office offers a professional development series that is specifically designed for district and site administrators. Administrators attend workshops in Common Core Standards, Multi-Tiered System of Supports, performance assessment, literacy intervention technology, supervision, evaluation, and leadership.

In addition to professional development activities offered to the District's teachers and administrators, classified employees receive training that is specific to their assignments.

The District is committed to providing professional development activities to every educator to improve the instructional process and enhance student achievement. The District provides all teachers with 18 hours per year of staff development related to curriculum, instructional technology, assessment, report cards, instructional strategies and using data to close the achievement gap.