

Irving L. Branch Elementary School

School Accountability Report Card

Reported Using Data from the 2016-17 School Year

Published During 2017-18

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 2017-18)

School Contact Information	
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School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2017-18)

Branch Elementary School is part of the Muroc Joint Unified School District, which serves the Edwards Air Force Base and surrounding communities in California's Mojave Desert. Branch is one of two schools located on Edwards Air Force Base. Branch Elementary School serves approximately 760 students in grades K-6. Class size average in Kindergarten through 2nd grade is 23 students. Class size average in 3rd grade is 28, and the class size average in 4th - 6th grade is 29.

A district psychologist and nurse serve the Branch students on a regularly scheduled basis, or as needed for testing and intervention. The district Maintenance and Operations department provide facility maintenance and repair.

Most children are of military parents, many of whom have both mother and father as military members; because of this, the student population of Branch Elementary School is very mobile. Some students who attend Branch are citizens of other countries because much of the work at Edwards involves training military personnel of other allied countries. Military members and civilians who work at Edwards Air Force Base but live in the surrounding area bring their students due to their residency based on employment. Students leaving the 6th grade attend Desert Jr/Sr High School, a school on the base composed of grades 7-12.

MISSION STATEMENT

At Irving L. Branch Elementary School, we are endeavoring to incorporate new experiences and challenges, meeting every student's need for success by developing the whole child and preparing them for the challenges of the future.

Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2016-17)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	156
Grade 1	101
Grade 2	99
Grade 3	101
Grade 4	100
Grade 5	100
Grade 6	96
Total Enrollment	753

Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2016-17)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	8.4
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.5
Asian	0.9
Filipino	3.2
Hispanic or Latino	25.2
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.1
White	48.2
Two or More Races	13.4
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	20.3
English Learners	2.3
Students with Disabilities	9.8
Foster Youth	0.3

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			District
	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2017-18
With Full Credential	33	33	34	
Without Full Credential	0	3	4	
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	1	0	0	

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
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 2017-18)

Year and month in which data were collected: September 2017

Branch Elementary provides students with the necessary textbooks and instructional material. The school makes textbook materials readily available to all students. The Muroc School district will be adopting the New Common Core State Standards and as such will be adopting new Mathematics textbooks aligned to the new standards. The district is currently exploring the adoption of new Language Arts material and will be establishing a textbook adoption committee. The committee will evaluate all approved material and make a recommendation on the selection to the Board of Education.

Subject	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt: California Journeys- Adopted 2017	Yes	0
Mathematics	Go Math Houghton Mifflin Harcourt c. 2015 - Adopted 2015	Yes	0
Science	Discover Works c.2000, Harcourt Science c.2000, Science Voyages, c.2001 – Adopted 2004	Yes	0
History-Social Science	California Vistas c.2007 – Adopted 2007	Yes	0
Foreign Language		Yes	0
Health		Yes	0
Visual and Performing Arts		Yes	0
Science Laboratory Equipment (grades 9-12)		Yes	0

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

The Muroc School District has a Maintenance Department that ensures school facilities are kept in good working order. We have a work order procedure that notifies the Maintenance Department that something needs to be repaired. Any repair that is a safety concern for adults or students are handled immediately. They maintain the school grounds in good safe condition for all students to use on a daily basis.

Branch is currently involved in a new school/remodel project and is working closely with WLC Architects on this project.

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

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)				
Year and month of the most recent FIT report: June 2017				
System Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Good	Fair	Poor	
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	X			.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)
Year and month of the most recent FIT report: June 2017

System Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Good	Fair	Poor	
Interior: Interior Surfaces		X		Room 103: Faucet lose, stained tiles Room 105: Lights, loose ceiling tiles Room 106: Loose ceiling tiles Room 114: Sewer Collapsed Room 109: Lights out Room 112: Broken sink faucet, lights out Room 115: Stained ceiling tiles, AC not working Room 120: Sink off wall, torn wall paper Room 122: Lights out, missing outlet cover Room 123: Damaged floor tiles, sagging ceiling tile, broken light switch, switch won't shut off. Room 124: Rotted vanity. Light out. Room 5: Lights out Room 7: Wall needs repair under coat rack Room 8: Missing outlet cover Room 9: Plant growing out of drinking faucet, both leak, lights out Room 13: Loose fountain Cafeteria: Floor tile cracked Room 125: Fountain needs adjustment Forbes Office: Counselor's office outside wall leak EL Room: Ceiling stained Kitchen: East door lock malfunction
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/Vermin Infestation	X			Room 102: Mouse droppings. Room 106: Mouse droppings Room 107: Mouse droppings Room 4: Mouse droppings Room 8: Mouse droppings Room 10: Mouse droppings
Electrical: Electrical	X			Light out in office
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/Fountains		X		Restrooms by 101-103: Girls missing toilet seat. Boys is okay. Restroom West End: Girls bathroom: One sink inoperable. Boys is okay. Annex restrooms: Boys urinal running. Portable Girls Restroom: Girls closet floor tile missing, broken towel dispenser East End Restrooms: Boys partition lose top of boys bathroom. Girls is okay. Cafeteria: boys restroom wall water damage, girls okay.
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	X			
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	X			
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences			X	Blacktop cracks, grass areas need repair. Move sand under swings.

Overall Facility Rating (Most Recent Year)

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: June 2017				
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. 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 English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) and Mathematics for All Students
Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven**

Subject	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards (grades 3-8 and 11)					
	School		District		State	
	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17
English Language Arts/Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11)	55	56	46	46	48	48
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	45	45	34	34	36	37

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 2016-17)**

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	406	402	99.01	55.72
Male	197	194	98.48	50
Female	209	208	99.52	61.06
Black or African American	38	37	97.37	51.35
American Indian or Alaska Native	--	--	--	--
Filipino	13	13	100	46.15
Hispanic or Latino	107	105	98.13	49.52
White	194	194	100	58.25
Two or More Races	51	50	98.04	66
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	90	88	97.78	48.86
English Learners	12	12	100	25
Students with Disabilities	45	45	100	20
Foster Youth	--	--	--	--

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 2016-17)**

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	406	401	98.77	44.89
Male	197	193	97.97	48.19
Female	209	208	99.52	41.83
Black or African American	38	37	97.37	43.24
American Indian or Alaska Native	--	--	--	--
Filipino	13	13	100	46.15
Hispanic or Latino	107	105	98.13	40
White	194	193	99.48	47.15
Two or More Races	51	50	98.04	48
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	90	87	96.67	42.53
English Learners	12	12	100	16.67
Students with Disabilities	45	44	97.78	15.91
Foster Youth	--	--	--	--

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.

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**CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students
Grades Five, Eight, and Ten**

Subject	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced					
	School		District		State	
	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16
Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)	58	65	60	61	60	56

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.

Note: The 2016-17 data are not available. The California Department of Education is developing a new science assessment based on the Next Generation Science Standards for California Public Schools (CA NGSS). The new California Science Test (CAST) was piloted in spring 2017. The CST and CMA for Science will no longer be administered.

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 2016-17)

Grade Level	Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	Four of Six Standards	Five of Six Standards	Six of Six Standards
5	25.8	29.9	27.8

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 State priority: Parental Involvement (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 2017-18)

Branch Elementary School provides many opportunities and activities to enhance parent and community awareness, participation, and rapport. Periodic evaluation of the following parent/community activities will determine present effectiveness and future needs. These include but are not limited to:

Back to School Night
On-going Parent Conferences
On-going Parent Visitation/Observation
School Site Council
English Learner Advisory Committee
Parent Volunteers
Classroom Programs
Branch School Website
Vocal Music Presentations
Student Musicals (grades 4-6)
Personal Correspondences to Community
Progress Reports to Parents
Open House
Class Field Trips
Student Assistant Team
Principal's A.R. Club
Parent Library Materials
Weekly reports to students/parents
Quarterly Reports to Students/Parents
Parent Guest Speakers/Performers
Parent/Teacher Surveys
Award Ceremonies (Spirit Tree, Student of the Month/Quarter, Citizen of the Quarter)
Activity Day
Pen Pals
Grade Level/Cross Grade Level Buddy Program
Book It Program
Read Aloud Program
Multi-Cultural Activities & Program
District Parent Leader Meeting
Silent Sustained Reading
Branch Booster Club
Fall Festival

Read Across America
 Grade Level Handbooks
 Oral Language Festival
 Spelling Bee
 ASB
 Toys for Tots Drive
 Science Fair
 Science Carnival

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			District			State		
	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Suspensions	1.4	1.4	1.4	2.5	4.6	5.4	3.8	3.7	3.6
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

School Safety Plan (School Year 2017-18)

The school safety plan is reviewed and updated annually. Teachers and students participate in emergency preparedness drills on a monthly basis. Teachers also receive information at Monthly Staff meetings. All school staff have participated in Active Shooter training drills and we are currently training our students. Security Forces participated in the training at the school sites as a collaborative effort to ensure safety precautions and preventative measures are in place. Some of the key features in our School plan include, Status on School Crime, Child Abuse reporting procedures, Suspension and Expulsion policies, Safe Ingress and Egress Procedures, Discrimination and Harassment policy, as well as Emergency Preparedness Plan.

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 2017-18)

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status		In PI
First Year of Program Improvement		2012-2013
Year in Program Improvement*		Year 2
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	1
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	50

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

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)

Grade Level	2014-15				2015-16				2016-17			
	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	1	5		19	4	3		22	1	6	
1	22	1	4		22		5		19	3	2	
2	20	3	3		22	1	4		20	4	1	
3	28		4		27		4		25		4	
4	28		4		27		4		25		4	
5	29		3		28		3		27		3	
6	27		4		29		4		27		4	
Other	6	1			10	1			8	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 2016-17)

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor	0	N/A
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	.5	N/A
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	0	N/A
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	1	N/A
Psychologist	.5	N/A
Social Worker	0	N/A
Nurse	0	N/A
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	3	N/A
Resource Specialist	.5	N/A
Other	0	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 2015-16)

Level	Expenditures Per Pupil			Average Teacher Salary
	Total	Supplemental/Restricted	Basic/Unrestricted	
School Site	3509	376	3133	62729
District	N/A	N/A	3677	\$64,747
Percent Difference: School Site and District	N/A	N/A	-14.8	-2.2
State	N/A	N/A	\$6,574	\$69,649
Percent Difference: School Site and State	N/A	N/A	-44.8	-6.9

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

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2016-17)

Supplemental services include the use of Accelerated Math and Reading, STAR Math and Reading Assessments through Renaissance Learning, and LEXIA.

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2015-16)

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$36,546	\$44,144
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$65,504	\$69,119
Highest Teacher Salary	\$86,159	\$86,005
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$89,392	\$106,785
Average Principal Salary (Middle)		\$111,569
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$102,134	\$121,395
Superintendent Salary	\$147,000	\$178,104
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	33%	34%
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 have received professional development in Common Core Instruction and Explicit Direct Instruction. Our district embraced the new Common Core State Standards and began implementation in the 2014-2015 school year. Branch Elementary has already implemented teacher grade level collaboration days in an effort to professional development to teachers on the new standards. Teacher grade level representatives attended Common Core and Direct Explicit Instruction professional development sessions. Teachers review student assessments as an indicator of student growth and progress and make instructional decisions to meet students needs. Teachers are supported through coaching support by the site Learning Director and grade level collaboration meetings.