

Mountain View Whisman School District

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Mariano Castro Elementary School



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2019-20 School Accountability Report Card

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District Mission Statement

We inspire, prepare and empower every student.

District Vision Statement

Every student, family, staff and community member is engaged and committed to learning in a collaborative, diverse and innovative partnership.

District Goals

- Student Achievement: Every student will be prepared for high school and 21st Century citizenship.
- Inclusive + Supportive Culture: All will feel valued and supported while working, learning, and partnering.
- Achievement Gap: Achievement gaps will be eliminated for all student groups in all areas.
- Human Capital: MVWSD will invest in teachers, leaders, and staff to ensure we are the place talented educators choose to work.
- Resource Stewardship: Stakeholders will have access to resources in a fiscally responsible manner.

District Administration

The district is led by Superintendent Dr. Ayindé Rudolph. Community members may contact Dr. Rudolph by either calling the district office at (650) 526-3500 or sending an email to supt@mvwsd.org. The district's leadership team consists of Chief Business Officer, Dr. Rebecca Westover; Chief Academic Officer, Cathy Baur; and Interim Chief Human Relations Officer, Tara Vikjord.

Dr. Rudolph has been the Superintendent since 2015. He has a Doctorate in Education in Leadership, Policy and Organizations from Vanderbilt University. He also holds an Educational Specialist degree in Educational Leadership and Administration as well as a Master of Education in Secondary Education from George Washington University. He earned his Bachelor of Arts in History from Wittenberg University.

Board of Education

The Mountain View Whisman School District's Board of Trustees functions as the legislative body of the district and establishes the vision, goals and policies by which the school district is operated. Residents of the District are eligible to run for election to overlapping four-year terms. Trustees are elected by the registered voters of the district. The elected members of the MVWSD Board of Trustees are here to serve the community. Community members may contact trustees by either calling (650) 526-3552 or sending an email to trustees@mvwsd.org. Laura Blakely, Christopher Chiang, Devon Conley, Jr., Laura Ramirez Berman, and Ellen Wheeler are serving as trustees for the Mountain View Whisman School District.

SARC Information

Every school in California is required by state law to publish a School Accountability Report Card (SARC) by February 1st of each year. 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 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 a 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 webpage at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>.
- For more information about the LCFF or LCAP, see the CDE LCFF Webpage at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/>.
- For additional information about the school, parents and community members should contact the school principal or the district office.
- To view our SARC online, please visit our website or scan the QR code to the right.

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, the county, and the state. 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) reflects California's new accountability and continuous improvement system and provides information about how districts and schools are meeting the needs of California's diverse student population. The Dashboard contains reports that display the performance of districts, schools, and student groups on a set of state and local measures to assist in identifying strengths, challenges, and areas in need of improvement. Senate Bill 98 suspended the reporting of state and local indicators on the 2020 California School Dashboard and only limited data and information will be posted for the 2020-21 school year. The Dashboard can be accessed at <https://www.caschooldashboard.org>.

Community & School Profile (School Year 2020-21)

Mountain View Whisman School District (MVWSD) is located in Mountain View, California, a suburban community of over 77,000 approximately 35 miles south of San Francisco. The award-winning district serves a diverse student population in preschool through eighth grade representing a wide range of ethnicities, languages, cultures, and economic status. The district serves more than 5,000 students in nine elementary schools and two middle schools. After graduating from middle school, students arrive prepared at the Mountain View-Los Altos Union High School District; one of the best in the state.

The District provides a broad curriculum that includes art, music (with community support from the Mountain View Educational Foundation), physical education, and specialized programs at some schools such as Spanish-English Dual Immersion (Mistral) and parent participation (Stevenson). Students and staff have ready access to technology in a 1:1 environment to enhance and support student learning as well as to support the work of teachers, principals, and district-level staff.

Within MVWSD, there is a culture of dedication and commitment to serving the students at all levels. The community is open and embraces the students, staff, and District. All stakeholders are willing to do what is required to improve students' learning experiences and outcomes. Our Profile of a Graduate seeks to capture what we want for our students as learners and citizens. The competencies and attributes are the center of our work and drive our teaching and learning experiences, community partnerships, and the key components of our strategic plan.

Community partnerships provide a wide range of support and enrichment for student learning including opportunities for after-school activities and field trips. A large percentage of parents are also engaged in supporting schools as volunteers, committee members, decision makers, and advocates for their children.

Principal's Message

The Mariano Castro School community empowers our diverse student population with the skills and knowledge to become lifelong learners prepared for the world ahead. Our Core Values are "Academic excellence through a culture of high expectations, strong community through a culture of collaboration, and broad worldview through a culture of respect." We provide a vital learning community so that every child succeeds every day.

School Attendance

Regular daily attendance is a priority at the school and is an important component of academic achievement. Attendance, tardy, and truancy policies are clearly stated and consistently enforced.

Parents are advised of their responsibilities, including proper notification of when and why students are absent. Attendance is monitored very closely with follow-up phone calls made by the school clerk. Parents are advised of excessive absences through letters and, if necessary, parent conferences. Those students who continue to exhibit excessive absences are directed to the appropriate authorities, including the local Student Attendance Review Board (SARB).

The COVID-19 pandemic has created the necessity of schools to provide students with a quality education while maintaining the health and safety of all students and school staff. Currently, schools are providing distance learning instruction to all students. Students work with teachers from their school online. Teachers provide daily live interaction with students, using a variety of tools to help students learn and complete their assignments. Students are responsible for participating in group classes as well as completing work on their own. They are expected to complete and turn in all assignments for grading.

School Enrollment

These charts display school enrollment broken down by grade and student group.

Enrollment Trend by Grade Level

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
K	34	44	49
1st	43	39	50
2nd	42	45	50
3rd	45	45	53
4th	45	48	67
5th	44	47	58
Total	253	268	327

Enrollment by Student Group

2019-20

	Percentage
Black or African American	0.9
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.3
Asian	4.0
Filipino	0.6
Hispanic or Latino	85.6
White	6.1
Two or More Races	2.1
EL Students	68.5
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	85.6
Students with Disabilities	15.6
Homeless	17.4

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 Assignment

The district recruits and employs qualified credentialed teachers. This chart shows information about teacher credentials.

	Teacher Credential Status			
	School			District
	18-19	19-20	20-21	20-21
Fully Credentialed	16	18	17	270
Without Full Credentials	0	0	0	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	0	0

Misassignments refers to the number of positions filled by teachers who lack legal authorization to teach that grade level, subject area, student group, etc. Teacher vacancies reflect the number of positions to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of the year for an entire semester or year.

Misassignments/Vacancies

	18-19	19-20	20-21
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0
Misassignments of Teachers (other)	0	0	0
Total Misassignments of Teachers	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0

School Facilities (School Year 2020-21)

Castro Elementary sits on 9.25 acres that is shared with Mistral and the preschool at Latham. It has 21 permanent rooms, a multi-use room, a library, two playgrounds, and front office space with a staff room.

Cleaning Process

The principal works with the custodial staff to ensure classrooms, restrooms, and campus grounds are kept clean, safe, and well-maintained.

The District provides comprehensive cleaning standards and prioritization guidelines. Each custodial staff member receives job training to attain a thorough understanding of their individual responsibilities regarding maintenance procedures, daily responsibilities, performance expectations, and safety measures.

The custodial staff and principal inspect facilities for safety hazards or other conditions that need attention. They communicate daily regarding campus maintenance and safety issues. Restrooms are checked periodically throughout the day and cleaned as needed. Daily housekeeping and cleaning takes place in the evening. When students and staff are on school break, custodial teams focus on deep cleaning of carpets, floors, windows, restrooms, and other major components of the campus.

Additionally, the school has a COVID-19 checklist and the principal updates the health and cleaning protocol every week. This document is uploaded on the school website.

Maintenance and Repair

District maintenance staff ensures that the repairs necessary to keep the school in good repair and working order are completed in a timely manner. A work order process is used to ensure efficient service with emergency repairs given the highest priority.

The District's maintenance department inspects facilities and operating systems at the school. A formal inspection report is prepared annually in accordance with Education Code §17592.72(c)(1). The Mountain View Whisman School District uses the Facilities Inspection Tool developed by the California Office of Public School Construction to assess current conditions of the campus and identify facilities improvement needs.

The chart shows the results of the most recent school facilities inspection (as of September 2020). While reviewing this report, please note that even minor discrepancies are reported in the inspection process. The items noted in the table have been corrected or are in the process of remediation.

School Facility Conditions				
Date of Last Inspection: 09/14/2020				
Overall Summary of School Facility Conditions: Good				
Data Collected: October, 2020				
Items Inspected	Facility Component System Status			Deficiency & Remedial Actions Taken or Planned
	Good	Fair	Poor	
Systems (Gas Leaks, Mech/ HVAC, Sewer)	X			No deficiencies observed
Interior		X		CR 14: CEILING TILE FALLING. CR 13, CR 15: WATER STAIN CEILING TILE.
Cleanliness (Overall Cleanliness, Pest/Vermin Infestation)	X			No deficiencies observed
Electrical	X			No deficiencies observed
Restrooms/Fountains	X			STAFF RESTROOM: HOT WATER NOT WORKING.
Safety (Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials)	X			No deficiencies observed
Structural (Structural Damage, Roofs)	X			No deficiencies observed
External (Grounds, Windows, Doors, Gates, Fences)	X			CR 17: LOOSE SCREWS ON DOOR PLATE.

Instructional Materials (School Year 2020-21)

The school district held a public hearing on September 17, 2020, and determined that each school within the district had sufficient and good quality textbooks, instructional materials, or science lab equipment pursuant to the settlement of Williams vs. the State of California. All students, including English Learners, are given their own individual standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials, or both, in core subjects for use in the classroom and to take home.

Textbooks and supplementary materials are adopted according to a cycle developed by the California Department of Education, making the textbooks used in the school the most current available. Materials approved for use by the State are reviewed by all teachers and a recommendation is made to the School Board by a selection committee composed of teachers, parents, and administrators. All recommended materials are available for parent examination at the district office prior to adoption.

The table displays information collected in September 2020 about the quality, currency, and availability of the standards-aligned textbooks and other instructional materials used at the school.

District-Adopted Textbooks						
Data Collected: September, 2020						
Grade Levels	Subject	Publisher	Series	Adoption Year	From Most Recent Adoption	% Lacking
TK-5	English/Language Arts	Benchmark Education Company	Benchmark Advance	2016	Yes	0.0%
TK-5	History/Social Studies	Teacher's Curriculum Institute	Social Studies Alive! California Series	2020	Yes	0.0%
TK-5	Mathematics	Eureka Math	Eureka Math	2015	Yes	0.0%
TK-5	Science	Teacher's Curriculum Institute	Bring Science Alive! Exploring Science	2020	Yes	0.0%

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

California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress

The California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) includes computer-based and paper-pencil assessments. The computer-based assessments are the Smarter Balanced English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) and Mathematics tests, administered to grades three through eight and eleven. There is also an optional Standards-based Test in Spanish (STS) for Reading/Language Arts (RLA). Additionally, the new California Science Test (CAST) based on the Next Generation Science Standards for California Public Schools (CA NGSS) was first administered operationally in the 2018–2019 school year.

The Smarter Balanced Assessment System utilizes computer-adaptive tests and performance tasks that allow students to show what they know and are able to do. Smarter Balanced summative assessment results include student scores, achievement levels, and descriptors that describe performance. These assessment results are only one of several tools used to measure a student's academic performance in ELA/Literacy and mathematics. Smarter Balanced assessment results are most appropriately interpreted alongside other available information about a student's academic achievement, including such measures as District assessments, classroom assignments and grades, classrooms tests, report cards, and teacher feedback.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order N-30-20 was issued in the spring of 2020. This order waived the requirement for statewide academic testing of Mathematics, English Language Arts, and Science for the 2019–2020 school year. The most current data available to report is from the 2018-19 school year and is reflected in the tables.

The first table displays the percent of students who met or exceeded state standards in English Language Arts/Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11), Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11), and Science (Grades 5, 8, and high school).

California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress									
Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards									
Subject	School			District			State		
	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019
English Language Arts/Literacy (Grades 3-8 and 11)	45	47	48	66	68	71	48	50	50
Mathematics (Grades 3-8 and 11)	41	39	33	62	64	64	36	38	39
Science (Grades 5, 8, and 10)	--	--	25	--	--	54	--	--	30

The second table displays information on overall student achievement of the school by subject for student groups with all grade levels combined.

California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress

Student Groups	English-Language Arts					Mathematics			
	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	% Met or Exceeded CA Standard	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	% Met or Exceeded CA Standard
All Students	155	141	90.97	9.03	48.23	141	90.97	9.03	48.23
Male	73	64	87.67	12.33	46.88	64	87.67	12.33	46.88
Female	82	77	93.90	6.10	49.35	77	93.90	6.10	49.35
Hispanic or Latino	128	118	92.19	7.81	43.22	118	92.19	7.81	43.22
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	135	124	91.85	8.10	44.35	124	91.85	8.05	44.35
English Learners	131	118	90.08	9.92	42.37	118	90.08	9.92	42.37
Students with Disabilities	25	25	100.00	0.00	20.00	25	100.00	0.00	20.00

Note: ELA and Mathematics test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the California Alternate Assessment. 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.

State Priority: Other Pupil Achievement

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

- Pupil outcomes in the subject area of physical education

Physical Fitness (School Year 2019-20)

In the spring of each year, all California schools are required by the state to administer a physical fitness test to students in the fifth, seventh, and ninth grades. The physical fitness test is a standardized evaluation that measures each student’s ability to perform fitness tasks in six major areas. Students who meet or exceed the standards in all six fitness areas are considered to be physically fit or in the “Healthy Fitness Zone” (HFZ).

The table displays the percent of students at the school meeting fitness standards by grade level, for the most recent testing period. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order N-56-20 was issued. This order waived the requirement to administer the physical fitness performance test results for the 2019–2020 school year. The most current data available to report is from the 2018-19 school year and is reflected in the table. Detailed information regarding this test may be found at the CDE website at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/pf/>.

Percentage of Students in Healthy Fitness Zone			
2018-19			
Grade Level	Four of Six Standards	Five of Six Standards	Six of Six Standards
5	21.3%	27.7%	27.7%

**Scores are not disclosed when fewer than 10 students are tested in a grade level and/or subgroup.*

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 school site.

Parent Involvement (School Year 2020-21)

In typical school years, Castro Elementary School has a very strong and active parent community. There are several avenues for parents to become involved:

- Curricular Support
- School Site Council (SSC)
- PTA
- English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC)

The School Site Council involves parents and staff in program evaluation and improvement. The PTA is very active in providing classroom and school materials and equipment, training volunteers, providing parent education classes, and in fundraising for the school.

The school enjoys partnerships with the following community members and organizations:

- City of Mountain View Bookmobile
- Community Services of Mountain View
- Mountain View Police PAL Program
- Area High Schools
- Mentor Tutor Connection
- YMCA
- Reading Partners
- Playworks
- Community Health Awareness Council (CHAC)
- CSMA (Community School of Music and Art)

This year, the school is following guidelines in order to best replicate parent and community volunteerism while adhering to current COVID-19 restrictions.

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.

Discipline & Climate for Learning

Students at Castro Elementary School are guided by specific rules and classroom expectations that promote respect, responsibility, perseverance, and safety. Students are explicitly taught the schoolwide and classroom expectations at the beginning of the year and periodically throughout the year. Parents and students are informed of schoolwide expectations and discipline policies at Back-To-School Night at the start of the school year. Throughout the year, behavior and discipline policies are reviewed in school newsletters, and parent emails, Open Houses, and classroom discussions. All the schools in our district have initiated positive school climate procedures that include specific anti-bullying activities.

Suspensions & Expulsions

The table displays the suspension and expulsion rates at the school, in the district, and throughout the state. Expulsions occur only when required by law or when all other alternatives are exhausted. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2019–2020 suspensions and expulsions rate data are not comparable to prior year data. Since there was not in-person learning for the entire 2019–2020 school year, it would be inappropriate to make any comparisons of the suspensions and expulsions rates in the 2019–2020 school year to the rates in prior school years. Additionally, please note that the suspension and expulsion rate for the state was not available at time of publication.

	Suspensions & Expulsions					
	Suspensions			Expulsions		
	17-18	18-19	19-20	17-18	18-19	19-20
School	0.68	1.30	1.07	0.00	0.00	0.00
District	1.05	1.30	0.86	0.00	0.00	0.00
State	3.51	3.50	N/A	0.08	0.10	N/A

Safe School Plan (School Year 2020-21)

The safety of students and staff is a primary concern of Castro Elementary School. The school is always in compliance with all laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to hazardous materials and state earthquake standards. The School Site Safety plan is reviewed and updated annually in the spring by the School Site Council, parents, and staff. The plan was most recently updated and reviewed in March 2020.

The school's disaster preparedness plan includes steps for ensuring student and staff safety during a disaster. Fire and disaster drills are conducted on a regular basis throughout the school year. Students are supervised before school by yard duty personnel and the principal. After-school supervision is provided by yard duty personnel with noon supervisors covering during lunch, and teachers supervising during recess. The school enforces a closed-campus policy during school hours to ensure student safety. Visitors must sign in at the office, wear a visitor's badge at all times while on campus, and sign out upon leaving the school.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, protecting the health and safety of our staff, students and families is a priority. MVWSD has created comprehensive health and safety protocols which include: cleaning, disinfecting and sanitizing, use of personal protective equipment, symptom screening, social distancing, hygiene practices, testing, and responding to positive cases.

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.

School Leadership

Leadership at Castro Elementary School is a responsibility shared between district administration, the principal, instructional staff, students, and parents.

Leadership opportunities at Castro Elementary School include the School Leadership Team and various school and district committee positions. Parent leadership opportunities are abundant at Castro. PTA, School Site Council (SSC), and English Language Advisory Council (ELAC) meet regularly and sponsor numerous student and family events.

Class Size

The table indicates the average class size by grade level, as well as the number of classrooms that fall into each size category.

Class Size Distribution												
Average Class Size			Classrooms Containing:									
			1-20 Students			21-32 Students			33+ Students			
18	19	20	18	19	20	18	19	20	18	19	20	
By Grade Level												
K	17	22	25	2	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-
1	22	20	25	1	1	-	1	1	2	-	-	-
2	21	23	25	1	-	-	1	2	2	-	-	-
3	23	23	27	-	-	-	2	2	2	-	-	-
4	23	24	22	-	-	1	2	2	2	-	-	-
5	22	24	29	-	-	-	2	2	2	-	-	-
Other	-	-	15	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-

Counseling & Support Staff (School Year 2019-20)

It is the goal of Castro Elementary School to assist students in their social and personal development as well as academics. The school gives special attention to students who experience academic achievement struggles, difficulty coping with personal and family problems, trouble with decision-making, or handling peer pressure. The Community Health Awareness Council (CHAC) provides four counseling interns to assist students with their emotional needs. Currently, Castro Elementary School employs a School and Community Engagement Facilitator and two At-Risk Supervisors who proactively assist students and families with academic, social and emotional struggles.

The table lists the support service personnel available to students at Castro Elementary School. Note: 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.

Counseling & Support Services Staff		
	Number of Staff	Full Time Equivalent
At-Risk Intervention Supervisor	1	1.0
Community Engagement Facilitator	1	1.0
Library Technician	1	0.5
Nurse	1	As Needed
Paraprofessional	5	3.75
Psychologist	1	As Needed
Resource Specialist Program (RSP) Teacher	1	1.0
Response to Instruction Teacher (CERT)	2	2.0
Speech Pathologist	1	As Needed
Teacher on Special Assignment	1	0.5

GATE

With the implementation of the Local Control Funding Formula, the state of California no longer provides specific funding for Gifted and Talented Education (GATE). Consequently, the District no longer formally assesses its students for GATE qualification. Nevertheless, MVWSD is committed to providing challenging and inspiring opportunities for gifted and talented students. Each school site receives District funding to support enrichment and extracurricular activities designed to challenge students.

Castro Elementary School offers enrichment programs to identified students. Parents take the lead in developing enrichment activities.

Individualized Instruction

Special Education students receive support from a Resource Specialist Teacher and/or Aide as determined by their Individualized Education Plan (IEP). Teachers and assistants work with the special education students on a pull-out basis as well as within their classrooms.

English Language Learners

English Language Learners (ELL) receive specialized services and instruction in an environment conducive to maximizing English learning. Students are provided designated and integrated language instruction in learning groups defined by their English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC) level. All teachers are trained in the Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol and provide integrated English Language Development opportunities throughout the school day.

Staff Development

All training and professional development at Mountain View Whisman School District revolve around providing the best education and comprehensive support for all students. The district sponsors six full staff development days annually where teachers and support staff are offered a broad-based variety of professional growth opportunities to enhance their teaching and support practices. As part of the growth process, additional opportunities for training and staff development are provided at both the district and individual school sites to both certificated and classified staff throughout the school year as well as during non-contracted times. Teaching skills are built and educational concepts developed by staff participating in many conferences and workshops throughout the year, and then sharing their experiences and knowledge with district colleagues. Staff members are encouraged to attend district sponsored training and professional development programs.

Topics for continuous development and learning available to staff during the 2020-21 school year include:

General Education

- SIOP for new teachers and administrators
- Distance Learning : Overview, Expectations, Implementation
- Health and Safety Guidelines
- Virtual Assessment Protocol
- Using Securly - Device Management
- Learning Management System - Google Classroom
- Instructional Technology Trainings: Seesaw 101, Zoom, Kami
- TechSmart Coding Training
- Enhancing Student Engagement over Virtual Platforms
- STEM Connect - Discovery Education Training for Instructional Coaches, STEAM teachers, and administrators
- Digging Deeper into iReady Training for Instructional Coaches, Site Administrators
- Supporting ELs - Small group instruction, RTI, Vocabulary, Designated ELD
- TCi Social Studies Curriculum Training for middle and elementary school teachers
- TCi Science Curriculum Training for elementary school teachers
- Building Inquiry through 5Es Across Content Areas for middle school teachers

Special Education

- Desired Results Developmental Profile training for Preschool
- Goalbook Toolkit training for all staff
- Individual Education Plans and IEP Manual training for all staff
- Social Skills Development for Speech Therapists
- Special Education Services Referral Protocols for all staff
- STAR-SOLS Training for teachers of students with autism
- SPIRE Training for Education Specialists
- Legal Training for all staff
- Beginning Technology training for Instructional Assistants
- Deeper Dive into Technology in the classroom for Instructional Assistants
- CPR Certification for Instructional Assistants
- Data Collection training for Instructional Assistants
- Facilitated IEP process for School Psychologists

Classified Staff

Secretaries

- Attendance and Engagement protocols
- COVID-19 training and compliance
- Daily Screeners
- Protocols
- Reporting
- Budget and Purchasing

Food Service

- COVID-19 training and compliance
- Safety

Maintenance, Operations and Transportation

- COVID-19 training and compliance
- Scenario based maintenance and grounds training
- Transportation Training
- Custodian cleaning and safety training

Librarians

- Advanced training on the library catalog system as well as ebook management

The table displays the number of full days that a professional development opportunity was available. Many professional development opportunities are offered during portions of other days. Not all staff will attend each professional development opportunity. Different opportunities are offered to staff throughout the year based on job description and duties of individual sites and departments.

Professional Development			
	18-19	19-20	20-21
Number of school days dedicated to Staff Development and Continuous Improvement	6	6	6

Curriculum Development

All curriculum development at Castro Elementary School is based on the California Common Core Standards. Teachers align classroom curriculum to ensure that all students either meet or exceed state proficiency levels.

Faculty, subcommittees, the School Site Council, Parent Focus Groups, English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC), and the principal evaluate Castro Elementary School's curriculum continuously using assessment data, district benchmarks, and pacing guides. Each day, Mariano Castro Elementary School provides dedicated time for intervention and enrichment through the school's Response to Instruction program. The District provides two additional teachers to support this initiative.

Student progress is monitored through ongoing assessment and is conveyed to parents in a variety of ways including: during parent/teacher conferences held in January, through report cards that are sent home at the end of each trimester as well as through the parent portal where parents can view assessment results at the end of each trimester. The principal and individual staff members also discuss student's assessment data as needed and appropriate.

Extracurricular Activities

Students are encouraged to participate in the school's additional academic and extracurricular activities, which are an integral part of the educational program. Castro Elementary School's PTA sponsors a range of activities on a fee basis, but all students who sign up are included if paid enrollments are sufficient to cover the instructors' fees.

The PTA works to assure that every class that is advertised is offered, and raises funds to cover unmet costs. A sample of what Castro Elementary offers its students:

- Chess Club
- Folklorico Dance
- Garden Club
- Chorus
- Coding
- Writing
- Art
- Lego Engineering
- Yoga
- Theaterworks

In addition to what is offered by PTA, Castro also offers after-school classes in coding and STEAM activities.

During the COVID-19 pandemic extracurricular activities are limited to those that can be done safely, while adhering to current COVID-19 restrictions.

Student Recognition

It is Castro Elementary School's goal to recognize students for their good work and to reinforce those behaviors which contribute to a positive learning community. Castro Elementary recognizes students within their classrooms as well as at school and district events. Student Recognition Assemblies are held monthly.

Technology Resources

Every student in grades TK-8 has been issued a touch-screen Chromebook. Students in grades TK-2 have Chromebook carts in the classroom that they can use when they are at school. Students in grades 3-8 bring their Chromebook to and from school. Every classroom teacher has an Apple MacBook Air laptop and an iPad. Every classroom has a 75-80 inch TV with a wireless presentation device that teachers or students can connect to from a variety of devices. Every classroom has a 801.11 AC wireless access point to provide wireless access to the network. Students and teachers access District software through a centralized single sign on (SSO) portal. Students in grades TK-2 can use QR code badges to quickly sign in to the portal.

Library Information

Castro Elementary School's library, staffed by a part-time library technician, is stocked with more than 14,000 books in English and Spanish that are available for students and parents to check out. Students visit the library once a week with their class. The library is also open to students and parents during recess and after school, at scheduled times. The library also contains computers for student use. Mountain View Public Library provides a Book Mobile to Castro on Tuesdays from 4:30-6pm. These services have no cost for Castro students.

Additional Internet Access/Public Libraries

For additional research materials and Internet availability, students are encouraged to visit the Mountain View Public Library, which contains numerous computer workstations.

District Revenue Sources (Fiscal Year 2019-20)

In addition to general state funding, Mountain View Whisman School District receives state and federal funding for the following categorical, special education, and support programs:

- Title I
- Title II, Part A (Teacher & Principal Training & Recruiting)
- Title III, Part A (English Language Acquisition, Language Enhancement, and Academic Achievement Act)
- Title IV

District Expenditures (Fiscal Year 2018-19)

The table provides a comparison of a school's per pupil funding from unrestricted sources with other schools in the district and throughout the state. Supplemental/Restricted expenditures come from money whose use is controlled by law or donor. Money designated for specific purposes by the district or governing board is not considered restricted. Basic/Unrestricted expenditures, except for general guidelines, are not controlled by law or donor. The California Department of Education issued guidance to the district in August 2018 regarding how to calculate school-level per-pupil expenditures.

For detailed information on school expenditures for all districts in California, see the CDE Current Expense of Education & Per-pupil Spending Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/ec/>. For information on teacher salaries for all districts in California, see the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/>. To look up expenditures and salaries for a specific school district, see the Ed-Data Web site at: <http://www.ed-data.org>.

Expenditures per Pupil	
School	
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$9,395
From Supplemental/Restricted Sources	\$1,884
From Basic/Unrestricted Sources	\$7,511
District	
From Basic/Unrestricted Sources	\$6,913
Percentage of Variation between School & District	8.7%
State	
From Basic/Unrestricted Sources	\$7,750
Percentage of Variation between School & State	-3.1%

Teacher & Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2018-19)

This table displays district salaries for teachers, principals, and superintendents, and compares these figures to the state averages for districts of the same type and size. The table also displays teacher and administrative salaries as a percent of the district's budget, and compares these figures to the state averages for districts of the same type and size. Detailed information regarding salaries may be found at the California Department of Education's website www.cde.ca.gov.

Average Salary Information		
Teachers - Principal - Superintendent		
2018-19		
	District	State
Beginning Teachers	\$63,980	\$50,574
Mid-Range Teachers	\$93,562	\$76,649
Highest Teachers	\$114,705	\$98,993
Elementary School Principals	\$166,366	\$125,150
Middle School Principals	\$174,648	\$129,394
High School Principals	-	\$122,053
Superintendent	\$246,477	\$193,925
Salaries as a Percentage of Total Budget		
Teacher Salaries	33.0%	34.0%
Administrative Salaries	7.0%	6.0%

School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2018-19)

State law requires comparative salary and budget information to be reported to the general public. The table illustrates the average teacher salary at the school and compares it to the average teacher salary at the district and state.

Average Teacher Salaries	
School & District	
School	\$86,839
District	\$88,471
Percentage of Variation	-1.8%
School & State	
All Elementary School Districts	\$80,565
Percentage of Variation	7.8%