## Mountain View Whisman School District

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# Isaac Newton Graham Middle 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 essence of culture at Graham Middle School is defined and formed by the following Five Essential Elements: I Belong, Do No Harm, Pursue Knowledge, Together We Can, and Take Pride. The school was named a California Distinguished School in 2019. We received the California Gold Ribbon Project Cornerstone Caring School Climate Award in the 2014 – 2015 school year. We work diligently to ensure that everyone feels, believes, and acts as part of our caring learning community. Our social emotional learning program consists of training for our students and staff to affirm, model, and reward positive behavior and to recognize and not harm anyone physically, verbally, emotionally, or academically. We provide training to staff, students and parents on what bullying is and how to identify it. Bullying of any form is not tolerated.



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Our staff models high expectations and believes that all students will grow in all academic areas. We encourage our students to pursue learning in areas that interest them by providing all students access to high quality electives. We collaborate and work as a team to achieve our goals and experience success. We have an active parent community that supports our work and partners with us to ensure success for all. We are diligent in our efforts to inspire all students to take pride in their school, their work, themselves, each other, and their community. The school receives students from all elementary schools in the district, but the major feeder schools are Bubb, Castro, Huff, and Landels. Graham Middle School students represent the diversity of the City of Mountain View; preparing them for a successful transition to high school, college, and life. The school is also a Project Cornerstone school

#### 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.

<b>Enrollment Trend by Grade Level</b>							
	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20				
6th	293	288	279				
7th	284	285	287				
8th	296	292	292				
Total	873	865	858				

Enrollment by Student Group								
2019-20								
	Percentage							
Black or African American	0.9							
Asian	16.1							
Filipino	1.6							
Hispanic or Latino	38.3							
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.2							
White	30.3							
Two or More Races	12.2							
EL Students	13.5							
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	33.1							
Students with Disabilities	10.4							
Foster Youth	0.3							
Homeless	2.4							

# **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	48	49	46	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)**

Graham Middle School sits on 16.87 acres that it shares with maintenance operations and transportation and the preschool at Graham and has 46 permanent rooms. It also has a multi-use room, library, auditorium, and front office space.

#### **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: 09/09/2020

Overall Summary of School Facility Conditions: Good

Data Collected: October, 2020

Items Inspected		ty Comp stem Sta		Deficiency & Remedial Actions Taken or Planned
	Good	Fair	Poor	
Systems (Gas Leaks, Mech/ HVAC, Sewer)	Х			No deficiencies observed
Interior		Х		CR 48: CARPET STAINS. CR 42: CHIPPED FLOOR TILE. CR 30: LOOSE LAMINATE ON COUNTER. CR 29 CR 37, CR 38, CR 40: PEELING WALLPAPER. LIBRARY, NURSES ROOM: WATER STAINED CEILING TILES.
Cleanliness (Overall Cleanliness, Pest/Vermin Infestation)	Х			No deficiencies observed
Electrical	x			CR 32: BROKEN OUTLET COVER. CR 30: DAMAGED OUTLET COVER. CR 36: HANGING ELECTRICAL WIRE. CR 31: LOOSE OUTLET COVER. CR 34: MISSING OUTLET COVER PLATE. STAFF LOUNGE: OUTLET COVER MISSING. CR 39 A, CR 39 B: OUTLET COVER MISSING BEHIND TV.
Restrooms/Fountains	Х			STAFF LOUNGE: FAUCET IS LEAKING. AUDITORIUM BOYS RESTROOMS: FIRST SINK FAUCET DOESN'T WORK.
Safety (Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials)	Х			No deficiencies observed
Structural (Structural Damage, Roofs)	Х			No deficiencies observed
External (Grounds, Windows, Doors, Gates, Fences)	x			CR 20: A COUPLE UPPER WINDOWS CRACKED. CR 34: HOLE IN CLOSET DOOR. CR 21, CR 23, CR 28: PAINT PEELING ON DOOR. CR 36: PEELING PAINT DOOR AND WINDOW. CR 19: PEELING PAINT DOOR CASING. CR 41: SCRATCHES ON GLASS. CR 23, CR 24, CR 25, CR 28: UPPER WINDOW CRACKED.

## **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					
6th-8th	English/Language Arts	McGraw-Hill	StudySync	2016	Yes	0.0%					
6th-8th	Mathematics	Eureka Math	Eureka Math	2015	Yes	0.0%					
6th-8th	Science	Teacher's Curriculum Institute	Bring Science Alive! Middle School Integrated Science	2020	Yes	0.0%					
6th-8th	Social Science/History	Teacher's Curriculum Institute	History Alive! California Middle Schools Program	2019	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)	66	68	69	66	68	71	48	50	50
Mathematics (Grades 3-8 and 11)	65	66	62	62	64	64	36	38	39
Science (Grades 5, 8, and 10)			54			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**

**English-Language Arts** Mathematics % Met or % Met or Total Number Percent Number Percent Percent Percent **Student Groups Exceeded CA Exceeded CA Enrollment** Tested Tested **Not Tested** Tested Tested **Not Tested** Standard Standard 3.38 All Students 887 857 96 62 68 84 873 98 42 1.58 61 63 Male 465 450 96 77 3 23 65 56 462 99 35 0.65 62 55 60.58 Female 422 407 96.45 3.55 72.48 411 97.39 2.61 Black or African 11 11 100.00 0.00 54.55 11 100.00 0.00 54.55 American Asian 124 121 97.58 2 42 89.26 124 100.00 0.00 85.48 14 14 100.00 0.00 92.86 14 100.00 0.00 57.14 Filipino 95.21 Hispanic or Latino 355 338 4.79 39.94 349 98.31 1.69 28.37 White 267 96.74 270 97.83 276 3.26 87.64 2.17 85.93 99.01 Two or More Races 101 100 0.99 91.00 99 98.02 1.98 84.85 Socioeconomically 294 94.23 5 77 306 98.08 25.49 312 37.76 1 92 Disadvantaged 286 267 93.36 30.71 280 97.90 2.10 23.21 **English Learners** 6.64 Students with

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

2.25

10.34

86

96.63

3.37

9.30

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**

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Disabilities

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

97.75

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- 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				
7	15.2%	25.9%	34.8%				

<sup>\*</sup>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, Graham Middle School benefits greatly from the involvement of parents and local community partnerships. There are several avenues in which parents may become involved: School Site Council (SSC), Parent Teacher Association (PTA), English Learners Advisory Committee (ELAC), Graham Performing Arts Council (GPAC), Volunteering time through the PTA, Virtual assemblies and community events, parent education classes, and at school events. We also have a full-time School Community Engagement Facilitator (SCEF) who facilitates parental involvement at Graham. Our SCEF works with school parents to help with navigating the distance learning process, completing surveys, and setting meetings with teachers to discuss student engagement.

Graham also partners with New Generations to provide classroom and after-school tutors. Other community partners are the City of Mountain View, Police Athletic League (PAL), Safe Moves (bicycle safety), the Challenge Team, the Community Health Awareness Council (CHAC), and Foothill College.

Project Cornerstone staff and parent volunteers are actively engaged in bringing Project Cornerstone to Graham. We have a designated room called "The Lounge" where Project Cornerstone volunteers host before school and lunchtime events for students in a "zen" inspired environment. Until we return to campus fully, these events will be virtual. Students make friends, hang out, draw, and talk with caring adults and friends while listening to calming music. We are collaborating with parents to offer online clubs as well.

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 Graham Middle School are guided by specific rules and classroom expectations that promote respect, cooperation, courtesy and acceptance of others. Student behavior policies are sent home with students at the beginning of the school year as well as highlighted in the behavior assembly held during the first week of school. Throughout the year, behavior and discipline policies are reviewed in the weekly bulletins, School Assemblies, Welcome Week, Bear Tracks, and morning announcements.

#### 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										
	Sı	uspensio	ns	Expulsions						
	17-18	18-19	19-20	17-18	18-19	19-20				
School	2.33	2.10	1.76	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 Graham Middle 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 by the School Site Council and teacher representatives. All revisions are communicated with 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 by the principal, assistant principal, teachers on yard duty, noon-duty aides, and at-risk supervisor. Noon-duty aides, the at-risk coordinator, the principal, or the assistant principal provide supervision during lunch. 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 Graham Middle School is a responsibility shared among district administration, the principal, instructional staff, students, and parents. At Graham, the Principal and the Assistant Principal work together to share all responsibilities. For 2020-2021 school year, our at-risk counselors and SCEF are responsible for supporting students in attendance and engagement. The Principal of the site works closely with parents and runs Principal's coffee to provide updates to community members. The Principal is responsible for communicating the site's Vision and Mission. The Principal also meets with instructional coaches weekly to plan professional development.

Teacher leadership is an essential component to the Graham culture. Teachers participate and assume leadership roles on Grade-Level Teams, Department Teams, Curriculum Committees, Leadership Team, and the School Site Council (SSC).

Non-teacher support staff also participate in leadership roles as representatives to the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC), and to the School Site Council (SSC). The School Site Council is comprised of teachers, support staff, and parents/community members.

#### **Class Size**

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

Class Size Distribution												
		Classrooms Containing:										
		Average Class Size		1-20 Students		21-32 Students			33+ Students			
	18	19	20	18	19	20	18	19	20	18	19	20
By Grade Level												
6	22	24	19	21	16	58	43	51	51	9	7	10
			E	By Su	bject	Area						
English	19	23	27	20	12	16	14	17	15	-	4	5
Mathematics	28	25	31	2	6	2	13	16	15	5	1	6
Science	22	27	27	14	4	2	14	21	18	1	2	1
Social Science	26	30	28	8	2	-	14	12	20	-	5	-

## Counseling & Support Staff (School Year 2019-20)

It is the goal of Graham Middle 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 two counseling interns to assist students with their emotional needs. Currently, Graham Middle 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 Graham Middle 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.

Academic Counselor to Student Ratio					
2019-20					
	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor				
Academic Counselor(s)	858				

Counseling & Support Services Staff							
	Number of Staff	Full Time Equivalent					
Community Engagement Facilitator	1	1.0					
Counselor (Academic, Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	1	1.0					
Library Technician	2	1.125					
Nurse	1	As Needed					
Paraprofessional	12	9.125					
Psychologist	1	As Needed					
Resource Specialist Program (RSP) Teacher	3	3.0					
Speech Pathologist	1	As Needed					
Teacher on Special Assignment	3	2.0					

#### **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.

#### Individualized Instruction

Special Education students receive support from a Resource Specialist Teacher and/or Aide, Special Day Class Teacher and/or Aide, a psychologist, and/or other specialists as determined by their Individualized Education Plan (IEP). Resource teachers co-teach with English Language Arts and Math teachers to better support students with IEPs.

## **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 Graham Middle School revolves around the California Common Core Standards and Frameworks. 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 Graham Middle School's curriculum continuously using assessment data, district benchmarks, and pacing guides. All students have access to the core curriculum.

Student progress is monitored through ongoing assessments and is conveyed to parents every six weeks through progress reports. Additionally, report cards are sent home at the end of each trimester. Parents can also view assessment results through the parent portal after 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. Graham Middle School offers the following activities for its students:

- Academic Recovery
- After-school Dance
- After-school sports
- AVID
- Before-school Choir
- Chess Club
- GMS TV
- Jazz band
- Knitting Club
- Lego Club
- Lunchtime activities
- Math Club
- Pokémon Club
- Robotics
- School Dances
- School play
- The BEAT
- Zero period

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

## **Student Recognition**

Graham Middle School students are outstanding young people with a great variety of talents and strengths. It is Graham Middle School's goal to recognize students for their good work and to reinforce those behaviors which contribute to a positive learning community.

Graham Middle School offers the following recognition programs for its students: Awesome Acts, where students receive slips of paper that can be redeemed for prizes (when we are on campus); GMSTV student recognition, students can earn points toward their Block G for citizenship, community service, and the GOAL program where students earn rewards for academics, attendance, and behavior.

# **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.

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## **Library Information**

Graham Middle School's library, staffed by one full-time library technician is stocked with more than 30,000 books that are available for students to check out. During Distance Learning, Graham school has increase ebooks to make books accessible at home. The Library Technician also runs virtual book clubs to keep students engaged in reading. We have a web page dedicated to updating information about book recommendations for students and online reading resources our families can access. The Library has a modified schedule during distance learning and students can participate in a curbside pick up program.

When we are on campus, the library will be open to students from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

#### **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
- 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	\$7,633
From Supplemental/Restricted Sources	\$961
From Basic/Unrestricted Sources	\$6,672
District	
From Basic/Unrestricted Sources	\$6,913
Percentage of Variation between School & District	-3.5%
State	
From Basic/Unrestricted Sources	\$7,750
Percentage of Variation between School & State	-13.9%

## **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 Salarie	s			
School & District				
School	\$89,605			
District	\$88,471			
Percentage of Variation	1.3%			
School & State				
All Elementary School Districts	\$80,565			
Percentage of Variation	11.2%			

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