

Bear Mountain Elementary School

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2015-16 School Accountability Report Card Published During the 2016-17 School Year



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School Description

Known as the "Garden in the Sun," Arvin is located just 18 miles from Bakersfield in the San Joaquin Valley. Nationally known as a rich agricultural area, Arvin offers a warm climate and a friendly small town atmosphere. Established in 1991, Bear Mountain Elementary School is one of four schools in the Arvin Union School District.

The list below identifies learning opportunities for students. These opportunities include, but are not limited to:

- Gate Enrichment activities
- Dual Immersion Program (Spanish/English)
- Arvin Advantage Extending Learning Program
- Weekend and Afterschool Programs
- Summer School
- Parent Education Classes
- English Language Development Curriculum (for English Learners)
- School-wide AVID
- Migrant Education
- SES Tutoring

In addition to high academic standards, the use of educational technology to enhance curriculum is prevalent across the school. Each teacher has a laptop computer, an LCD projector and a SMART board in the classroom. Used together, these tools provide a dynamic learning environment bringing audio-visual stimuli into most lessons. In addition to the four computer labs on campus, computers are available for student use in every classroom through the use of rolling labs provided to each grade level.

Teachers meet every Monday afternoon for "Professional Learning Community" meetings during which teachers focus on the continuous academic growth of all students. Currently, the school-wide focus is on building students' reading comprehension skills through close and analytical reading of text. This focus is outlined in the School Implementation Plan developed by the site Leadership Team to provide a strategic and focused approach to increasing student achievement.

Working together with all stakeholders, Bear Mountain Elementary School proudly builds upon the academic and social potential of every student.

We ensure:

Every child learning, every day, no matter what it takes!

About the SARC

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.

2015-16 Student Enrollment by Grade Level	
Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	135
Grade 1	90
Grade 2	121
Grade 3	95
Grade 4	89
Grade 5	122
Grade 6	92
Grade 7	2
Grade 8	3
Total Enrollment	749

2015-16 Student Enrollment by Group	
Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	0.8
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.1
Asian	0.1
Filipino	0
Hispanic or Latino	96.1
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
White	2.7
Two or More Races	0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	96.3
English Learners	70.9
Students with Disabilities	9.9
Foster Youth	0.4

A. Conditions of Learning

State Priority: Basic

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the Basic State Priority (Priority 1):

- Degree to which teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area and for the pupils they are teaching;
- Pupils have access to standards-aligned instructional materials; and
- School facilities are maintained in good repair.

Teacher Credentials			
Bear Mountain Elementary School	14-15	15-16	16-17
With Full Credential	39	31	28
Without Full Credential	0	0	4
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	0
Arvin Union Elementary School District	14-15	15-16	16-17
With Full Credential	♦	♦	108
Without Full Credential	♦	♦	23
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	♦	♦	0

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions at this School			
Bear Mountain Elementary	14-15	15-16	16-17
Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	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. Total Teacher Misassignments includes the number of Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners.

Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers

2015-16 Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers		
Location of Classes	Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
This School	100.0	0.0
Districtwide		
All Schools	96.0	4
High-Poverty Schools	96.0	4
Low-Poverty Schools	0.0	0.0

* High-poverty schools are defined as those schools with student eligibility of approximately 40 percent or more in the free and reduced price meals program. Low-poverty schools are those with student eligibility of approximately 39 percent or less in the free and reduced price meals program.

Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2016-17)

Arvin Union School District held a Public Hearing on September 20, 2016, 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 Language Learners (ELL), are given their own individual standards-aligned textbooks to 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.

Arvin Union School District staff members are actively involved in the selection process of materials and textbooks. The selection process involves teachers, administrators, district support personnel, and parents. The district follows the State of California's Textbook Adoption Cycle. 100% of students were provided textbooks as evidenced by the most recent September 2016 Williams Review.

Textbooks and Instructional Materials	
Year and month in which data were collected: December, 2016	
Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/Year of Adoption
Reading/Language Arts	Benchmark ELD/ELA/ 2017, Read 180 Intervention Program / 2017 The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0%
Mathematics	Houghton Mifflin, Math Expressions /2014 The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0%
Science	Pearson Scott Foresman/2008 The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0%
History-Social Science	K-5 -Pearson Scott Foresman/2006 6 – Pearson Prentice Hall/2006 The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0%

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

Bear Mountain Elementary School consists of 42 classrooms, a library, a multipurpose room/cafeteria, a staff room, three playgrounds, and an administrative office. The facility strongly supports teaching and learning through its ample classroom and playground space.

The district governing board has adopted cleaning standards for all schools in the district. A summary of these standards is available upon request from the district MOT office. The principal works closely with the Lead Maintenance person and custodial staff of three to develop cleaning schedules to ensure a clean and safe school.

District maintenance staff ensures that the repairs necessary to keep the school in good repair and working order are completed in a timely manner. An online work order process is used to ensure efficient service and that emergency repairs are given the highest priority. A complete repaint of the school and a new roof were completed during the summer of 2016 along with an electrical modernization project which was completed in the cafeteria during the 2015-2016 school year. Solar panels are being constructed and expected to be completed in early 2017.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)				
Year and month in which data were collected: August 23, 2016				
System Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Good	Fair	Poor	
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	X			
Interior: Interior Surfaces	X			
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	X			
Electrical: Electrical	X			
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	X			
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	X			
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	X			
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	X			
Overall Rating	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor
	X			

B. Pupil Outcomes

State Priority: Pupil Achievement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Pupil Achievement (Priority 4):

- Statewide assessments (i.e., California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress [CAASPP] System, which includes the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments for students in the general education population and the California Alternate Assessments [CAAs] for English language arts/literacy [ELA] and mathematics given in grades three through eight and grade eleven. The CAAs have replaced the California Alternate Performance Assessment [CAPA] for ELA and mathematics, which were eliminated in 2015. Only eligible students may participate in the administration of the CAAs. CAA items are aligned with alternate achievement standards, which are linked with the Common Core State Standards [CCSS] for students with significant cognitive disabilities); and
- The percentage of students who have successfully completed courses that satisfy the requirements for entrance to the University of California and the California State University, or career technical education sequences or programs of study

2015-16 CAASPP Results for All Students						
Subject	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards (grades 3-8 and 11)					
	School		District		State	
	14-15	15-16	14-15	15-16	14-15	15-16
ELA	20	19	22	25	44	48
Math	15	14	14	17	34	36

* 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.

2015-16 CAASPP Results by Student Group Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)				
Group	Number of Students		Percent of Students	
	Enrolled	with Valid Scores	w/ Valid Scores	Proficient or Advanced
All Students	131	131	100.0	26.7
Male	61	61	100.0	19.7
Female	70	70	100.0	32.9
Hispanic or Latino	126	126	100.0	25.4
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	121	121	100.0	26.5
English Learners	81	81	100.0	12.4
Students with Disabilities	25	25	100.0	20.0
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	24	24	100.0	37.5

* Science test results include CSTs, CMA, and CAPA in grades five, eight, and ten. The "Proficient or Advanced" is calculated by taking the total number of students who scored at Proficient or Advanced on the science assessment divided by the total number of students with valid scores. Scores are not shown when the number of students tested is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

CAASPP Results for All Students - Three-Year Comparison									
Subject	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)								
	School			District			State		
	13-14	14-15	15-16	13-14	14-15	15-16	13-14	14-15	15-16
Science	21	15	27	38	43	34	60	56	54

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

Grade Level	2015-16 Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	4 of 6	5 of 6	6 of 6
5	14.7	17.8	24.8

* 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.

**School Year 2015-16 CAASPP Assessment Results - English Language Arts (ELA)
Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven**

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students	
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Met or Exceeded
All Students	3	97	96	99.0	6.3
	4	92	91	98.9	20.9
	5	129	129	100.0	23.3
	6	91	91	100.0	24.2
Male	3	47	46	97.9	13.0
	4	46	46	100.0	15.2
	5	59	59	100.0	15.3
	6	48	48	100.0	18.8
Female	3	50	50	100.0	
	4	46	45	97.8	26.7
	5	70	70	100.0	30.0
	6	43	43	100.0	30.2
Hispanic or Latino	3	91	90	98.9	5.6
	4	84	83	98.8	22.9
	5	124	124	100.0	23.4
	6	88	88	100.0	25.0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	3	91	90	98.9	5.6
	4	90	90	100.0	21.1
	5	119	119	100.0	22.7
	6	87	87	100.0	24.1
English Learners	3	77	76	98.7	4.0
	4	53	53	100.0	5.7
	5	79	79	100.0	2.5
	6	42	42	100.0	4.8
Students with Disabilities	5	23	23	100.0	
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	3	23	23	100.0	
	4	14	14	100.0	
	5	23	23	100.0	21.7
	6	13	13	100.0	53.9

ELA test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The "Percent Met or Exceeded" is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments. Double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy. 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.

School Year 2015-16 CAASPP Assessment Results - Mathematics
Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students	
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Met or Exceeded
All Students	3	97	96	99.0	12.5
	4	92	91	98.9	16.5
	5	129	129	100.0	10.8
	6	90	90	100.0	17.8
Male	3	47	46	97.9	10.9
	4	46	46	100.0	19.6
	5	59	59	100.0	10.2
	6	47	47	100.0	12.8
Female	3	50	50	100.0	14.0
	4	46	45	97.8	13.3
	5	70	70	100.0	11.4
	6	43	43	100.0	23.3
Hispanic or Latino	3	91	90	98.9	12.2
	4	84	83	98.8	18.1
	5	124	124	100.0	11.3
	6	88	88	100.0	18.2
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	3	91	90	98.9	11.1
	4	90	90	100.0	16.7
	5	119	119	100.0	10.9
	6	86	86	100.0	18.6
English Learners	3	77	76	98.7	11.8
	4	53	53	100.0	5.7
	5	79	79	100.0	1.3
	6	42	42	100.0	2.4
Students with Disabilities	5	23	23	100.0	
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	3	23	23	100.0	8.7
	4	14	14	100.0	7.1
	5	23	23	100.0	8.7
	6	13	13	100.0	38.5

Mathematics test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The "Percent Met or Exceeded" is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments. Double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy. 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.

C. Engagement

State Priority: Parental Involvement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the Parental Involvement State Priority (Priority 3):

- Efforts the school district makes to seek parent input in making decisions for the school district and each schoolsite.

Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2016-17)

The staff at Bear Mountain Elementary is aware of the positive correlation between parent and community involvement and the success of students. Parents and community members are encouraged to join teachers and administrators in the activities, programs, and organizations that support our students. Formal committees include School Site Council, English Language Advisory Council (ELAC), and Parent Teacher Association (PTA). Parents are also invited to contact their child teacher in order to volunteer in classrooms and to participate in Parent Workshops and attend student performances or events.. The site also has a Parent Center led by the site Student Success Facilitator and Categorical Clerk which is open daily with resources to help families support their child's education.

Parents or community members who wish to participate on leadership teams, school committees, take part in school activities, or become a volunteer are encouraged to make contact through the Bear Mountain Elementary School office. Our contact phone number is 661-854-6590. Please ask to speak to Candi Huizar, Principal.

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.

School Safety Plan

Bear Mountain Elementary School's Comprehensive School Site Safety Plan was last revised on January 26, 2016, by school administrators, staff representatives, and community members, to ensure the protection of students, staff, school property, and to establish a climate that is conducive to learning. All staff members and parents have access to the plan and annually review the school site safety policies. Key elements of the safety plan include: developing consistency in behavior expectations, site safety and maintenance, and training in disaster response.

The school is in compliance with all laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to hazardous materials and state earthquake standards. Fire and/or earthquake drills are held once a month. In the event of an emergency, the school's Disaster Preparedness Plan has clearly defined procedures to accommodate crisis situations and emergency supplies are available.

Students are supervised throughout the day by classified employees and teachers. There is a designated area for student drop-off and pick-up in front of the school. All visitors must register in the office and must wear a visible Visitor's Pass while on campus.

Suspensions and Expulsions			
School	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Suspensions Rate	0.9	0.6	0.8
Expulsions Rate	0.0	0.0	0.1
District	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Suspensions Rate	4.6	3.4	2.4
Expulsions Rate	0.3	0.3	0.2
State	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Suspensions Rate	4.4	3.8	3.7
Expulsions Rate	0.1	0.1	0.1

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.

2016-17 Federal Intervention Program		
Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status	In PI	In PI
First Year of Program Improvement	2003-2004	2004-2005
Year in Program Improvement	Year 5	Year 3
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	3	
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	75.0	

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff at this School	
Number of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)	
Academic Counselor	0
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	0
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	0
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	1
Psychologist	.5
Social Worker	0
Nurse	1
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	1
Resource Specialist	1
Other	3.6
Average Number of Students per Staff Member	
Academic Counselor	0

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

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)												
Grade	Average Class Size			Number of Classrooms*								
				1-20			21-32			33+		
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
K	25	19	19		4	4	6	2	2			
1	20	20	20	4	1	1	1	5	5			
2	19	19	19	4	5	5	1					
3	22	17	17		5	5	5					
4	23	27	27				3	4	4			
5	26	23	23	1	1	1	3	3	3			
6	23	20	20	2	1	1	3	4	4			
Other	12	14	14	2	1	1	1					

Professional Development provided for Teachers

Staff members build teaching skills and concepts by participating in conferences and workshops as needed throughout the year. The topics for professional development are determined by needs of the site gathered from data recorded during classroom walk-throughs. Some topics have included: AVID, Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports, Close reading, student engagement strategies, writing structures, and English Language Development,. We have also provided staff development at the site to enhance the teachers' capability to use the programs (some technological) that are available for student use in the classroom such as iReady for English Language Arts and Math. The site Academic Coach and district Teachers on Special Assignment also provide staff development throughout the year on topics that are relevant to staff, as well as in-class coaching.

Additional profession development opportunities are determined by the district based on district identified needs. The district offers two staff development days annually where teachers are offered a variety of professional growth opportunities in curriculum, teaching strategies, and methodologies. The focus for the 2016-2017 school year included professional development for instructional staff on the newly adopted English Language Arts/ELD Benchmark curriculum and Read 180 Intensive Intervention curriculum based on current assignment. District professional development for recent years has included training on the new math adoption, and common core standards for ELA and math. Staff development has been scheduled on Saturdays and after school as well as during the school day once a month to include instructional assistants. BTSA, Intern, and PIP mentors are provided to new teachers assigned to school sites.

FY 2014-15 Teacher and Administrative Salaries		
Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$44,352	\$44,507
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$67,390	\$68,910
Highest Teacher Salary	\$81,942	\$88,330
Average Principal Salary (ES)	\$106,717	\$111,481
Average Principal Salary (MS)	\$109,470	\$115,435
Average Principal Salary (HS)		\$113,414
Superintendent Salary	\$153,398	\$169,821
Percent of District Budget		
Teacher Salaries	35%	39%
Administrative Salaries	5%	6%

* For detailed information on salaries, see the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits webpage at www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/.

Types of Services Funded

The picture of funding within the Arvin Union School District changed in the 2015-2016 school year with the continued implementation of Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) funds. Supplemental and concentration funds, above and beyond base funding, provided monies for the district and sites to focus on expanding and improving instructional programs to support academic achievement, improving student attendance, training staff to support building respectful and positive relationships, expanding intervention programs and wrap-around services, and facilities improvement for the most needy school sites. Funds specifically targeted to the school site included action steps for library books, intervention teachers and intervention computer programs, student success facilitators, elementary PE teachers, social work interns, district teachers on special assignment for teacher support, field trips to expand the horizons of our students, GATE focus activities, and professional development. These funds are in addition to Federal ESEA (No Child Left Behind Funds) including Title 1 funds with set-asides for Supplemental Education Services and Parent Involvement. Supplemental Education Funds are allocated to each site and students are selected based by application and need. Parent Involvement funds allow us to continually build our outreach and training services for parents. District and site based intervention programs and staff are also funded out of Title I. Title II supports one additional teacher for class size reduction and Title III provides an aide specifically for our campus as well as support staff and professional development for teachers and aides. Special Education funds, supported with general funds, provide a strong SDC, RSP, and Speech program for students with special needs at our site including teachers and instructional assistants. After-School grant funds allow us to serve a large number of students in our daily Arvin Advantage Extended Learning Program. State preschool funds provide both AM and PM classes at our site to support student readiness for school. First 5 monies fund a district preschool and summer session at another site that our students may attend.

Each of these programs provides targeted or general services to students with all intents to ensure equity for all student groups.

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).

Internet Access

Internet access is available at public libraries and other locations that are publicly accessible (e.g., the California State Library). Access to the Internet at libraries and public locations is generally provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Other use restrictions may include the hours of operation, the length of time that a workstation may be used (depending on availability), the types of software programs available on a workstation, and the ability to print documents.

FY 2014-15 Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries				
Level	Expenditures Per Pupil			Average Teacher Salary
	Total	Restricted	Unrestricted	
School Site	\$7042.97	\$1771.74	\$5271.23	\$71,279
District	♦	♦	\$5084.44	\$69,546
State	♦	♦	\$5,677	\$71,610
Percent Difference: School Site/District			3.7	2.5
Percent Difference: School Site/ State			-7.1	-0.5

* Cells with ♦ do not require data.