

School Accountability Report Card

Reported Using Data from the 2010-11 School Year

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Every school in California is required by state law to publish a School Accountability Report Card (SARC), by February 1 of each year. The SARC contains information about the condition and performance of each California public school.

- 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 additional information about the school, parents and community members should contact the school principal or the district office.

I. Data and Access

EdData Partnership Web Site

EdData is a partnership of the CDE, EdSource, and the Fiscal Crisis Management and Assistance Team (FCMAT) that provides extensive financial, demographic, and performance information about California's public kindergarten through grade twelve school districts and schools.

DataQuest

DataQuest is an online data tool located on the CDE DataQuest webpage 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., state Academic Performance Index [API], federal Adequate Yearly Progress [AYP]), test data, enrollment, high school graduates, dropouts, course enrollments, staffing, and data regarding English learners.

Internet Access

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II. About This School

Contact Information (School Year 2011-12)

School		District	
School Name	Sierra Ridge Middle School	District Name	Pollock Pines Elementary School District
Street	2700 Amber Trail	Phone Number	530.644.5417
City, State, Zip	Pollock Pines, CA 95726	Web Site	http://srms-ppesd-ca.schoolloops.com
Phone Number	530.644.2031	Superintendent	Kevin Monsma
Principal	Rich Callaghan	E-mail Address	kmonsma@ppesd.org
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School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2010-11)

This section provides information about the school, its programs and its goals.

We value the worth of each individual and every student's need to acquire confidence and self-assurance through educational and social success. Programs that are in place and programs that are planned for implementation in the future are designed to provide learning experiences for all students to:

- achieve academic excellence
- acquire mastery of basic knowledge and skills
- develop critical thinking and independent learning skills
- be prepared for future challenges of high school and beyond
- build higher feelings of self-worth and self-esteem
- develop a lifelong love of learning
- develop a compassion for life and nature
- develop a higher social conscience and an abiding commitment to make our world a better place in which to live

Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2010-11)

This section provides information on how parents can become involved in school activities, including contact information pertaining to organized opportunities for parent involvement.

Parents have many opportunities for involvement at Sierra Ridge Middle School. Opportunities range from participation on shared governance council like Sierra Ridge's School Site Counsel to our Sport Boosters and Music programs to volunteering in classes to attending class trip. Sierra Ridge is blessed to have parents wanting to participate in the life of the school.

Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2010-11)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Grade 5	76
Grade 6	72
Grade 7	82
Grade 8	81
Total Enrollment	311

Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2010-11)

Group	Percent of Total Enrollment	Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	1.3	White	83.6
American Indian or Alaska Native	4.5	Two or More Races	0
Asian	0.6	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	51.8
Filipino	0	English Learners	3.2
Hispanic or Latino	10	Students with Disabilities	10.6
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0		

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)

Grade Level	2008-09			2009-10			2010-11					
	Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms		
		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+
5								26.4	6	8	3	
6								27.1	3	14	1	
Other												

* Number of classes indicates how many classes fall into each size category (a range of total students per class).

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Secondary)

Subject	2008-09			2009-10			2010-11					
	Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms		
		1-22	23-32	33+		1-22	23-32	33+		1-22	23-32	33+
English	27.7	2	6	1								
Mathematics	29.4	0	6	1								
Science	28.1	1	4	2								
Social Science	28.1	1	5	2								

* Number of classes indicates how many classrooms fall into each size category (a range of total students per classroom). At the secondary school level, this information is reported by subject area rather than grade level.

III. School Climate

School Safety Plan (School Year 2010-11)

This section provides information about the school's comprehensive safety plan, including the dates on which the safety plan was last reviewed, updated, and discussed with faculty; as well as a brief description of the key elements of the plan.

Sierra Ridge staff members make every effort to provide a safe, orderly, and disciplined campus atmosphere. Fifth through eighth grade teachers utilize school rules and consequences. A Parent-Student Handbook with school rules and policies goes home and is available on the school's website. Rules are enforced by all staff. The discipline program has had a positive impact on student behavior and school climate. In 2010, the suspension rate was 9% and the expulsion rate was .006%. In 2009, the suspension rate was 26.3% and the expulsion rate was 2.1%. In 2008, the suspension rate was 10.2% and the expulsion rate was 0.3%. In 2007, the rate of suspensions was 7.4% and the rate of expulsions was 1.6%.

These suspensions represent the four major areas of suspension in the Education Code. A variety of activities and programs provide Sierra Ridge students with special recognition and opportunities for enjoyment throughout the course of the school year. Students are encouraged to participate in as many special programs as possible. Many of the programs are listed below:

Wolverine Pride

- Athletic Awards Events
- Academic Excellence Award Assembly
- Perfect Attendance Awards
- "Jump Start" Academic after school intervention
- Beginning, Intermediate, and Advance Bands
- Jazz Band
- Choir
- Guitar Club
- D.C. Club (8th grade trip)
- 5th Grade Field Trips
- San Francisco (6th grade trip)
- Schoolwide Assemblies
- 6th Grade Activity Programs
- Sugarloaf Fine Arts Camp
- GATE Supplemental Activities
- Athletic Sports Teams
- Perfect Behavior Recognition
- Spelling Bee
- Student Council
- School Dances (7th/8th)
- Waterworld Trip (8th)
- Awards Assemblies
- Spirit Days/Prizes
- Robotics Club
- 8th Grade Honor Awards

In addition, teachers integrate positive recognition measures into their classroom procedures that promote high-quality learning experiences for their students.

Students in good standing regarding academics and behavior may attend after-school sports events and school dances. Other activities that motivate students and provide social opportunities include faculty-student games, student council activities, honor band, GATE, recycling, tutoring, music programs, and art activities. The staff recognizes the importance of students' emotional and social development in addition to focusing energies on basic subjects.

If you have any questions regarding the information presented in this report, please contact Rich Callaghan, Principal, at 644-2031. FAX: 644-0198.

Suspensions and Expulsions

Rate	School			District		
	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Suspensions	26.25	23.51	8.36	12.35	12.38	7.59
Expulsions	2.06	0.89	0.64	0.94	0.42	0.29

* The rate of suspensions and expulsions is calculated by dividing the total number of incidents by the total enrollment (and multiplying by 100).

IV. School Facilities

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (School Year 2011-12)

This section provides information from the most recent Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) data (or equivalent), including:

- Description of the safety, cleanliness, and adequacy of the school facility
- Description of any planned or recently completed facility improvements
- The year and month in which the data were collected
- Description of any needed maintenance to ensure good repair

Year and month in which data were collected: January 2012

Sierra Ridge students, staff, and the Pollock Pines community take pride in our school. All teachers have their own room. The multipurpose room supports the PE classes and two lunch periods each day. Outdoor blacktop areas provide basketball, volleyball, and other hard surface activities. A turf field provides additional PE activities and lunch time play. Boys and girls rest rooms are located on the upper and lower classroom levels. Rest room facilities for staff are located near the front office. Classrooms, rest rooms, multipurpose room, and office areas are cleaned and maintained on a daily basis. The campus is free of graffiti. An active recycling program is ongoing to help reduce trash and instill conservation behaviors in our students.

The school is well maintained and safe. Policies are in place regarding campus safety, fire drill exercises, earthquake preparedness instruction, and campus supervision. Our School Safety Plan is updated annually. A discipline plan is implemented yearly. Review of safety practices and procedures is ongoing. All efforts to ensure building safety, cleanliness, and adequacy have been successful.

School Facility Good Repair Status (School Year 2011-12)

This section provides information from the most recent Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) data (or equivalent), including:

- Determination of repair status for systems listed
- Description of any needed maintenance to ensure good repair
- The Overall Rating (bottom row)

System Inspected	Repair Status				Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor	
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	[]	[X]	[]	[]	Plugged sewer pipe repaired in early December
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]	[]	[]	Some loose fence posts around turf field repaired over break
Overall Rating	[X]	[]	[]	[]	

V. Teachers

Teacher Credentials

Teachers	School			District
	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11
With Full Credential	15	15	15	34
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	0	---

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Misassignments of 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.

** "Vacant Teacher Positions" refer to positions not filled by a single designated teacher assigned to teach the entire course at the beginning of the school year or semester.

Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers (School Year 2010-11)

The Federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), also known as No Child Left Behind (NCLB), requires that core academic subjects be taught by Highly Qualified Teachers, defined as having at least a bachelor's degree, an appropriate California teaching credential, and demonstrated core academic subject area competence. For more information, see the CDE *Improving Teacher and Principal Quality* webpage at: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/nclb/sr/tq/>

Location of Classes	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects Taught by	
	NCLB Compliant Teachers	Non-NCLB Compliant Teachers
This School	100	0
All Schools in District	100	0
High-Poverty Schools in District	100	0
Low-Poverty Schools in District	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 25 percent or less in the free and reduced price meals program.

VI. Support Staff

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2010-11)

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor		
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)		---
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)		---
Library Media Services Staff (paraprofessional)		---
Psychologist		---
Social Worker		---
Nurse		---
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist		---
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)		---
Other		---

* 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.

VII. Curriculum and Instructional Materials

Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2011-12)

This section describes whether the textbooks and instructional materials used at the school are from the most recent adoption; whether there are sufficient textbooks and instructional materials for each student; and information about the school's use of any supplemental curriculum or non-adopted textbooks or instructional materials.

Year and month in which data were collected:

The staff at Sierra Ridge is intimately involved in the selection of our textbooks.

All textbooks are state adopted and aligned with the State Standards. The ratio of textbooks to students is 1.2 to 1 in all academic subjects that allow a classroom set to be kept at school and issued books to be kept at home.

In 1997-98, a computer lab was established adjacent to the library. The lab is grant funded with Windows computers (PCs) and is available to teachers and students. The school has been wired for Internet access. Students' use will be carefully monitored as responsible Internet usage is emphasized. The music department has added a video projection system and a computer with instructional music software that has MIDI capabilities. A wireless, mobile computer lab containing 30 laptops is available in addition to the 32-station stationary computer lab.

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	Holt (2003), Spotlight on Literature, grades 6-8; SRA/McGraw-Hill (2002), SRA Open Court Reading, grade 5.	Yes	0
Mathematics	Holt (2008), Holt, California Algebra Readiness, grade 8 (2008); Holt, California Mathematics, grades 6-8; Houghton Mifflin (2009); Houghton Mifflin Mathematics, grade 5.	Yes	0
Science	Prentice Hall (2008), grades 6-8; Scott Foresman (2008), grade 5.	Yes	0
History-Social Science	Glencoe/McGraw-Hill (2006), grade 8; Prentice Hall (2006), grades 6-7; Harcourt (2006), grade 5.	Yes	0
Foreign Language		Yes	
Health		Yes	
Visual and Performing Arts		Yes	

VIII. School Finances

Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2009-10)

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Supplemental/Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Basic/Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	\$8,124	\$2,042	\$6,082	\$63,545
District	---	---	\$5,941	\$62,835
Percent Difference: School Site and District	---	---	2.37%	0.65%
State	---	---	\$5,455	\$57,071
Percent Difference: School Site and State	---	---	-0.2%	-6.1%

* **Supplemental/Restricted** expenditures come from money whose use is controlled by law or by a donor. Money that is designated for specific purposes by the district or governing board is not considered restricted.

** **Basic/Unrestricted expenditures** are from money whose use, except for general guidelines, is not controlled by law or by a donor.

For detailed information on school expenditures for all districts in California, see the CDE Current Expense of Education & Per-pupil Spending webpage 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 webpage 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>.

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2010-11)

This section provides specific information about the types of programs and services available at the school that support and assist students. For example, this narrative may include information about supplemental educational services related to the school's federal Program Improvement (PI) status.

Special programs offered include the resource Specialist Program, Speech/Language Program, and the school psychologist.

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2009-10)

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$40,425	\$38,744
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$54,066	\$55,509
Highest Teacher Salary	\$71,185	\$70,567
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$97,521	\$92,338
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$97,521	\$96,427
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$0	\$94,401
Superintendent Salary	\$139,171	\$109,381
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	40%	37%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	11%	7%

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

IX. Student Performance

The Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program consists of several key components, including:

- California Standards Tests (CSTs), which include English-language arts (ELA) and mathematics in grades two through eleven; science in grades five, eight, and nine through eleven; and history-social science in grades eight, and nine through eleven.
- California Modified Assessment (CMA), an alternate assessment that is based on modified achievement standards in ELA for grades three through eleven; mathematics for grades three through seven, Algebra I, and Geometry; and science in grades five and eight, and Life Science in grade ten. The CMA is designed to assess those students whose disabilities preclude them from achieving grade-level proficiency on an assessment of the California content standards with or without accommodations.
- California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA), includes ELA and mathematics in grades two through eleven, and science for grades five, eight, and ten. The CAPA is given to those students with significant cognitive disabilities whose disabilities prevent them from taking either the CSTs with accommodations or modifications or the CMA with accommodations.

The assessments under the STAR Program show how well students are doing in relation to the state content standards. On each of these assessments, student scores are reported as performance levels.

For detailed information regarding the STAR Program results for each grade and performance level, including the percent of students not tested, see the CDE STAR Results Web site at <http://star.cde.ca.gov>.

Standardized Testing and Reporting Results for All Students - Three-Year Comparison

Subject	School			District			State		
	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
English-Language Arts	56	60	65	57	58	60	49	52	54
Mathematics	47	51	48	56	58	55	46	48	50
Science	67	68	66	66	68	66	50	54	57
History-Social Science	48	49	70	47	49	70	41	44	48

* 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.

Standardized Testing and Reporting Results by Student Group - Most Recent Year

Group	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced			
	English-Language Arts	Mathematics	Science	History-Social Science
All Students in the LEA	60	55	66	70
All Student at the School	65	48	66	70
Male	60	46	69	73
Female	71	49	63	66
Black or African American	0	0	0	0
American Indian or Alaska Native	67	42	0	0
Asian	0	0	0	0
Filipino	0	0	0	0
Hispanic or Latino	57	44	57	0
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander				
White	66	49	69	71
Two or More Races				
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	60	41	63	67
English Learners	0	0	0	0
Students with Disabilities	52	54	0	0
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services				

* 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.

California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2010-11)

The California Physical Fitness Test (PFT) is administered to students in grades five, seven, and nine only. This table displays by grade level the percent of students meeting the fitness standards for the most recent testing period. For detailed information regarding this test, and comparisons of a school's test results to the district and state, see the CDE PFT webpage at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/pf/>.

Grade Level	Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	Four of Six Standards	Five of Six Standards	Six of Six Standards
5	26.3	26.3	28.9
7	23.5	11.8	51.8

* 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.

X. Accountability

Academic Performance Index

The Academic Performance Index (API) is an annual measure of state academic performance and progress of schools in California. API scores range from 200 to 1,000, with a statewide target of 800. For detailed information about the API, see the CDE API webpage at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ap/>.

Academic Performance Index Ranks - Three-Year Comparison

This table displays the school's statewide and similar schools' API ranks. The **statewide API rank** ranges from 1 to 10. A statewide rank of 1 means that the school has an API score in the lowest ten percent of all schools in the state, while a statewide rank of 10 means that the school has an API score in the highest ten percent of all schools in the state.

The **similar schools API rank** reflects how a school compares to 100 statistically matched "similar schools." A similar schools rank of 1 means that the school's academic performance is comparable to the lowest performing ten schools of the 100 similar schools, while a similar schools rank of 10 means that the school's academic performance is better than at least 90 of the 100 similar schools.

API Rank	2008	2009	2010
Statewide	7	7	7
Similar Schools	3	3	3

Academic Performance Index Growth by Student Group - Three-Year Comparison

Group	Actual API Change		
	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
All Students at the School	4	16	23
Black or African American			
American Indian or Alaska Native			
Filipino			
Hispanic or Latino			
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander			
White	12	4	24
Two or More Races	N/D		
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	-2	39	19
English Learners			
Students with Disabilities			

* "N/D" means that no data were available to the CDE or LEA to report. "B" means the school did not have a valid API Base and there is no Growth or target information. "C" means the school had significant demographic changes and there is no Growth or target information.

Academic Performance Index Growth by Student Group - 2011 Growth API Comparison

This table displays, by student group, the number of students included in the API and the 2011 Growth API at the school, LEA, and state level.

Group	2011 Growth API					
	School		LEA		State	
	# of Students	Growth API	# of Students	Growth API	# of Students	Growth API
All Students at the School	299	826	507	821	4,683,676	778
Black or African American	9		13	781	317,856	696
American Indian or Alaska Native	12	807	19	803	33,774	733
Asian	1		2		398,869	898
Filipino	1		3		123,245	859
Hispanic or Latino	27	788	54	760	2,406,749	729
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0		0		26,953	764
White	249	833	416	831	1,258,831	845
Two or More Races	0		0		76,766	836
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	151	796	250	787	2,731,843	726
English Learners	7		16	638	1,521,844	707
Students with Disabilities	34	749	76	730	521,815	595

Adequate Yearly Progress

The federal ESEA requires that all schools and districts meet the following Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) criteria:

- Participation rate on the state's standards-based assessments in ELA and mathematics
- Percent proficient on the state's standards-based assessments in ELA and mathematics
- API as an additional indicator
- Graduation rate (for secondary schools)

Detailed information about AYP, including participation rates and percent proficient results by student group, can be found at the CDE Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) webpage at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/>.

Adequate Yearly Progress Overall and by Criteria (School Year 2010-11)

AYP Criteria	School	District
Made AYP Overall	No	No
Met Participation Rate: English-Language Arts	Yes	Yes
Met Participation Rate: Mathematics	Yes	Yes
Met Percent Proficient: English-Language Arts	Yes	Yes
Met Percent Proficient: Mathematics	No	No
Met API Criteria	Yes	Yes
Met Graduation Rate (if applicable)	N/A	N/A

Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2011-12)

Schools and districts receiving federal Title I funding enter Program Improvement (PI) if they do not make AYP for two consecutive years in the same content area (ELA or mathematics) or on the same indicator (API or graduation rate). After entering PI, schools and districts advance to the next level of intervention with each additional year that they do not make AYP. For detailed information about PI identification, see the CDE PI Status Determinations webpage: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/tidetermine.asp>.

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status		Not In PI
First Year of Program Improvement		
Year in Program Improvement		
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	---	1
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	---	50

XI. Instructional Planning and Scheduling

Professional Development

This section provides information on the number of days provided for professional development and continuous professional growth in the most recent three year period. Questions that may be answered include:

- What are the primary/major areas of focus for staff development and specifically how were they selected? For example, were student achievement data used to determine the need for professional development in reading instruction?
 - What are the methods by which professional development is delivered (e.g., after school workshops, conference attendance, individual mentoring, etc.)?
 - How are teachers supported during implementation (e.g., through in-class coaching, teacher-principal meetings, student performance data reporting, etc.)?
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The 2010-11 school year calendar included three staff development days.