

MOUNTAIN AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

School Accountability Report Card

Reported Using Data from the 2011–12 School Year

Published During 2012–13

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 Web page 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

Ed-Data Partnership Web Site

Ed-Data is a partnership of the CDE, EdSource, and the Fiscal Crisis and Management 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 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., 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

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.

II. About This School

Contact Information (School Year 2012–13)

School		District	
School Name	Mountain Avenue Elementary	District Name	Glendale Unified
Street	2307 Mountain Ave.	Phone Number	(818) 241-3111
City, State, Zip	La Crescenta, CA, 91214-3135	Web Site	www.gusd.net
Phone Number	(818) 248-7766	Superintendent	Dr. Richard Sheehan
Principal	Rebeca Witt, Principal	E-mail Address	dsheehan@gusd.net
E-mail Address	rwitt@gusd.net	CDS Code	19645686013809

School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2011–12)

Mountain Avenue, a partnership of caring students, families, staff, and community, through effective and innovative child-centered approaches, will empower students to develop their unique talents, respect themselves and others, embrace learning, manifest responsibility, and succeed in their changing world.

Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2011–12)

We offer ample opportunities for parents to be involved in our school. Parents volunteer as room parents, art docents, science lab, computer, library, and traffic volunteers. They also chaperone field trips, including our weeklong sixth grade trip to Washington DC. We are proud to count on our parents as an active component of our decision-making team from our school.

Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2011–12)

Grade Level	Number of Students	Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	60	Grade 8	0
Grade 1	66	Ungraded Elementary	0
Grade 2	85	Grade 9	0
Grade 3	72	Grade 10	0
Grade 4	73	Grade 11	0
Grade 5	76	Grade 12	0
Grade 6	80	Ungraded Secondary	0
Grade 7	0	Total Enrollment	512

Student Enrollment by Student Group (School Year 2011-12)

Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	0.4%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.8%
Asian	27.1%
Filipino	1.8%
Hispanic or Latino	8.8%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.2%
White	56.6%
Two or More Races	4.3%
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	3.9%
English Learners	16.0%
Students with Disabilities	6.3%

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)

Grade Level	Avg. Class Size	2009–10 Number of Classes*			Avg. Class Size	2010–11 Number of Classes*			Avg. Class Size	2011–12 Number of Classes*		
		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+
K	20	3	1	0	23.3	1	2	0	22.0	2	1	0
1	20	4	0	0	24.0	0	3	0	24.0	0	2	0
2	19	3	0	0	24.0	0	3	0	24.3	0	3	0
3	20	3	0	0	23.7	0	3	0	24.0	0	3	0
4	34	0	0	2	35.0	0	0	2	36.5	0	0	2
5	36	0	0	2	33.5	0	0	2	32.5	0	1	1
6	32	0	3	0	35.3	0	0	3	30.3	0	3	0
Other												

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

III. School Climate

School Safety Plan (School Year 2011–12)

Student safety is a primary concern at Mountain Avenue Elementary and is monitored constantly by every staff member. Our head custodian arrives at 6:30 a.m., and his first duty is to walk the perimeter of our campus. Our doors and gates lock as soon as the tardy bell rings. All visitors to the campus must report to the front office, sign in, and obtain a visitor's pass that must be displayed at all times.

Our Safety Plan is evaluated and revised bi-annually every autumn and spring by members of the School Site Council and Emergency Preparedness team. These revisions are shared with all staff as well as our parent community. The key elements of our School Safety Plan is to create a safe and secure environment that promotes good attendance; create a physical environment that communicates respect for learning and for individuals; and use scientifically research-based program relating to violence and substance abuse to educate our students.

We have created detailed maps for egress/ingress in case of emergencies. Each classroom is equipped with walkie-talkies to communicate with our office, custodian, and administrator. These are kept on in case of emergencies, and are used during the monthly drills as well. Each month we conduct a self-inspection of our facilities and grounds and use that information to maintain our campus safe and clean.

Suspensions and Expulsions

Rate*	School 2009–10	School 2010–11	School 2011–12	District 2009–10	District 2010–11	District 2011–12
Suspensions	1	0	1	24	6	6
Expulsions	0	0	0	0	0	0

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

IV. School Facilities

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (School Year 2012–13)

Our buildings were originally constructed in 1967. Measure K projects were completed in 2005 and include a new building we call The Lodge (that houses our first and third grade classrooms), and new roofing was installed in the kindergarten classrooms. In 2008, green turf was added to our Kindergarten playgrounds, 10 LCD projectors were installed in classrooms, and document cameras purchased for classrooms. Our school grounds are well maintained, and the grass and foliage on our grounds are well kept and manicured.

School Facility Good Repair Status (School Year 2012–13) as of: 1/24/13

System Inspected	Repair Status				Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Exemplary	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		X			

Note: Cells shaded in black do not require data.

V. Teachers

Teacher Credentials

Teachers	School 2009–10	School 2010–11	School 2011–12	District 2011–12
With Full Credential	21	20	21	1,110
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	1
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	0	44

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2010–11	2011–12	2012–13
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	3	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments*	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0

Note: "Misassignments" refers to the number of positions filled by teachers who lack legal authorization to teach that grade level, subject area, student group, etc.

* Total Teacher Misassignments includes the number of Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners.

Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers (School Year 2011–12)

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* Web page at: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/nclb/sr/tq/>

Location of Classes	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
This School	100.00%	0.00%
All Schools in District	99.45%	0.55%
High-Poverty Schools in District	99.77%	0.23%
Low-Poverty Schools in District	98.69%	1.31%

Note: 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 2011–12)

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)	.45	
Psychologist	.3	
Social Worker		

Nurse	.2	
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	1	
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	1	
Other	.4	

Note: Cells shaded in black do not require data.

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

VII. Curriculum and Instructional Materials

Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2012–13)

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 instruction 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: November 2012

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and instructional materials/year of adoption	From most recent adoption?	Percent students lacking own assigned copy
Reading/Language Arts	McDougall Littell-The Language of Literature/2003 Harcourt Publishers-HSP California Excursions/2012	Yes	0%
Mathematics	MacMillian McGraw-Hill-Everyday Mathematics/1997	Yes	0%
Science	MacMillan McGraw-Hill-California Science/ 2007	Yes	0%
History-Social Science	McMillan McGraw-Hill-California Vistas/2006	Yes	0%

VIII. School Finances

Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2010–11)

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Supplemental / Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Basic / Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	\$4,739	\$910	\$3,829	\$72,740
District			\$4,101	\$70,145
Percent Difference – School Site and District			-7%	4%
State			\$5,455	\$68,835
Percent Difference – School Site and State			-30%	6%

Note: Cells shaded in black do not require data.

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* 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>.

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2011–12)

A combination of state and federal funding is used to cover all aspects of our instructional program. Strong PTA and school foundation support is evident in many of our schools' supplemental activities. All Glendale Unified schools benefit from the support of the Glendale Educational Foundation, which offers enhanced programs in visual and performing arts, science and technology, and health and fitness.

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2010–11)

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$42,451	\$41,455
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$65,170	\$66,043
Highest Teacher Salary	\$88,157	\$85,397
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$106,154	\$106,714
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$118,692	\$111,101
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$128,189	\$121,754
Superintendent Salary	\$259,000	\$223,357
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	41.00%	39.00%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	5.00%	5.00%

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

IX. Student Performance

Standardized Testing and Reporting Program

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	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)								
	School			District			State		
	2009–10	2010–11	2011–12	2009–10	2010–11	2011–12	2009–10	2010–11	2011–12
English-Language Arts	87%	89%	89%	66%	68%	71%	52%	54%	56%
Mathematics	89%	89%	89%	63%	64%	67%	48%	50%	51%
Science	89%	95%	95%	68%	72%	73%	54%	57%	60%
History-Social Science	0%	0%	0%	60%	63%	61%	44%	48%	49%

Note: Scores are not shown when the number of students tested is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

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	71%	67%	73%	61%
All Students at the School	89%	89%	95%	0%
Male	87%	91%	95%	0%
Female	91%	88%	94%	0%
Black or African American	0%	0%	0%	0%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0%	0%	0%	0%
Asian	94%	96%	96%	0%
Filipino	0%	0%	0%	0%
Hispanic or Latino	79%	82%	0%	0%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander				
White	88%	88%	96%	0%
Two or More Races	91%	91%	0%	0%
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	67%	73%	0%	0%
English Learners	63%	80%	0%	0%
Students with Disabilities	72%	69%	0%	0%

Students Receiving Migrant Education Services				
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Note: Scores are not shown when the number of students tested is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2011–12)

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* Web page 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	11.40%	17.70%	70.90%
7	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
9	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

Note: Scores are not shown when the number of students tested is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

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 Web page* 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	2009	2010	2011
Statewide	10	10	10
Similar Schools	8	7	9

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

Group	Actual API Change 2009–10	Actual API Change 2010–11	Actual API Change 2011–12
All Students at the School	7	6	3
Black or African American			
American Indian or Alaska Native			
Asian	8	16	8
Filipino			
Hispanic or Latino			
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander			
White	6	-2	0
Two or More Races			
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged			
English Learners	3	18	-2
Students with Disabilities			

Note: "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 – 2012 Growth API Comparison

This table displays, by student group, the number of students included in the API and the 2012 Growth API at the school, LEA, and state level.

Group	2012 Growth API					
	Number of Students	School	Number of Students	LEA	Number of Students	State
All Students at the School	378	952	19,456	858	4,664,264	788
Black or African American	1		238	836	313,201	710
American Indian or Alaska Native	3		41	840	31,606	742
Asian	107	981	2,376	946	404,670	905
Filipino	8		1,308	895	124,824	869
Hispanic or Latino	28	908	4,395	790	2,425,230	740
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0		21	888	26,563	775
White	220	944	10,834	862	1,221,860	853
Two or More Races	11	952	204	921	88,428	849

Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	15	828	9,348	808	2,779,680	737
English Learners	71	915	7,710	783	1,530,297	716
Students with Disabilities	32	822	1,684	658	530,935	607

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)

For detailed information about AYP, including participation rates and percent proficient results by student group, see the CDE *AYP Web page* at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/>.

Adequate Yearly Progress Overall and by Criteria (School Year 2011–12)

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

Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2012–13)

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 Web page*: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/tidetermine.asp>.

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status		In PI
First Year of Program Improvement		2011-2012
Year in Program Improvement		Year 2
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement		12
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement		37.5%

Note: Cells shaded in black do not require data.

XI. Instructional Planning and Scheduling

Professional Development

This section provides information on the annual number of school days dedicated to staff development for the most recent three-year period.

3 school days are dedicated for staff development.