Helms Middle School School Accountability Report Card Reported Using Data from the 2015-16 School Year Published During 2016-17

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.

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

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About This School

Contact Information (School Year 2016-17)

School Contact Infor	School Contact Information				
School Name	Helms Middle School				
Street	2500 Road 20				
City, State, Zip	San Pablo, CA 94806-5010				
Phone Number	(510) 231-1423				
Principal	Jessica Petrilli				
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CDS Code	07-61796-6057228				

District Contact Information				
District Name	West Contra Costa Unified School District			
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Superintendent	Matthew Duffy			
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Web Site	www.wccusd.net			

School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2016-17)

Helms is a Full Service Community School. It uses a House model to provide smaller learning communities within the school to better support their academic and social/emotional success at school.

VISION: all members of the Helms community will cooperate to strengthen our students' academic abilities and character for success in high school, college and beyond.

Mission #1: We will provide rigorous data-driven instruction for all students

Mission #2: Our staff will work consistently on improving their practice to best instruct all students

Mission #3: We will create an environment where staff, students, and families feel safe in and connected to their school and community

Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2015-16)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Grade 7	481
Grade 8	504
Total Enrollment	985

Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2015-16)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	10.2
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.2
Asian	4.5
Filipino	2.1
Hispanic or Latino	81.1
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.3
White	1.1
Two or More Races	0.1
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	95
English Learners	41.3
Students with Disabilities	12.2
Foster Youth	0.3

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

		District		
Teachers	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2016-17
With Full Credential	53	36	37.20	37.20
Without Full Credential	5	7	7	7
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	2	0	0

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	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.

Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers (School Year 2015-16)

Landing of Classes	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects					
Location of Classes	Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers				
This School	98.0	2.0				
All Schools in District	93.7	6.3				
High-Poverty Schools in District	93.5	6.5				
Low-Poverty Schools in District	97.2	2.8				

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 39 percent or less in the free and reduced price meals program.

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

Year and month in which data were collected: November 2016

Subject	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	Prentice Hall, Literature: Timeless Voices (gr 7-8) / 2001 National Geographic, Inside (ELD gr 7-8) / 2014 Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, (Intervention gr 7-8) Read 180 / 2011	Yes	0%

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

Subject	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Mathematics	Prentice Hall, Pre-Algebra CA / 2001 Glencoe McGraw Hill, Math Course 3 (gr 8) / 2014 McDougal Littell, CA Middle School Algebra 1 / 2012	Yes	0%
Science	Pearson/Prentice Hall, Focus on Life Science (gr 7) / 2008 Pearson/Prentice Hall, Focus on Physical Science (gr 8) / 2008	Yes	0%
History-Social Science	TCI, History Alive (gr 7-8) / 2004	Yes	0%
Foreign Language	Pearson Prentice Hall, Realidades (Spanish 1-3) / 2004	Yes	0%

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

Helms was built in 1952 and the new site was opened August 2010.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year) Year and month of the most recent FIT report: July 2016							
Contain linear arts d	Repair Status			Repair Needed and			
System Inspected	Good Fair		Poor	Action Taken or Planned			
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	X						
Interior: Interior Surfaces			х	Repair door stop of room C1-105, and by room C3- 112 Repair broken lexan at menu display Repair threshold of girls restroom C3-107			
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation		Х		Pigeons roosting by room C1-216, by lockers 2475 and 1273, and by room C1-218 Remove paper from ceiling in girls restroom by C1-115			
Electrical: Electrical			Х	Emergency lights are beeping site-wide Broken electric exit sign by storage room C1-216 Replace light switch in girls restroom by C1-115 Check light sensor in boys restroom by C2-105			

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year) Year and month of the most recent FIT report: July 2016								
Custom Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed and				
System Inspected	Good Fair Poor		Poor	Action Taken or Planned				
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/Fountains		X		Replace fire connection pipe cap close to gym at court yard Replace light switch and remove paper from ceiling in girls restroom by C1-115 Replace broken hand towel dispenser and check light sensor in boys restroom by C2-105 Drinking fountain not working in boys locker room Relocate soap dispenser and repair threshold in girls restroom C3-107 Replace sink button in boys locker room restroom				
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Х			Replace broken fire connection sign				
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	Х							
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	Х							

Overall Facility Rating (Most Recent Year)

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: July 2016							
	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor			
Overall Rating			Х				

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

CAASPP Test Results in English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) and Mathematics for All Students

		Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards (grades 3-8 and 11)							
Subject	Sch	ool	Dist	trict	State				
	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16			
English Language Arts/Literacy	26 23 33 35 44 48					48			
Mathematics	12	12 13 23 25 34 36							

Note: 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.

CAASPP Test Results in ELA by Student Group

Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2015-16)

		Number	of Students	Percent	Percent of Students		
Student Group	Grade	Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Met or Exceeded		
All Students	7	506	485	95.8	21.7		
	8	511	498	97.5	24.6		
Male	7	252	241	95.6	18.6		
	8	251	243	96.8	19.7		
Female	7	254	244	96.1	24.8		
	8	260	255	98.1	29.3		
Black or African American	7	46	45	97.8	7.0		
	8	60	59	98.3	25.9		
American Indian or Alaska Native	7						
	8						
Asian	7	20	19	95.0	26.3		
	8	25	25	100.0	12.0		
Filipino	7						
	8	12	12	100.0	41.7		
Hispanic or Latino	7	413	400	96.8	23.0		
	8	407	396	97.3	24.0		
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	8						
White	7	11	10	90.9	20.0		
	8						
Two or More Races	7						
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	7	477	464	97.3	21.8		
	8	471	463	98.3	24.9		
English Learners	7	221	207	93.7	5.4		
	8	205	195	95.1	1.6		
Students with Disabilities	7	58	58	100.0			
	8	64	64	100.0	1.6		
Foster Youth	7						
	8						

Note: 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.

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.

CAASPP Test Results in Mathematics by Student Group Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2015-16)

		Number o	of Students	Percent of Students		
Student Group	Grade	Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Met or Exceeded	
All Students	7	507	495	97.6	10.7	
	8	511	506	99.0	14.3	
Male	7	252	247	98.0	11.6	
	8	251	247	98.4	14.4	
Female	7	255	248	97.3	9.8	
	8	260	259	99.6	14.2	
Black or African American	7	47	46	97.9	2.3	
	8	60	59	98.3	6.9	
American Indian or Alaska Native	7					
	8					
Asian	7	20	19	95.0	26.3	
	8	25	25	100.0	16.0	
Filipino	7					
	8	12	12	100.0	33.3	
Hispanic or Latino	7	413	406	98.3	10.8	
	8	407	403	99.0	14.9	
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	8					
White	7	11	11	100.0		
	8					
Two or More Races	7					
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	7	477	469	98.3	10.7	
	8	471	467	99.2	14.8	
English Learners	7	221	214	96.8	1.4	
	8	205	203	99.0	1.6	
Students with Disabilities	7	58	58	100.0		
	8	64	64	100.0	1.6	
Foster Youth	7					
	8					

Note: 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.

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CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students

	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)								
Subject		School		District			State		
	2013-14 2014-15 2015-16 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16					2015-16			
Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)	56	56 52 36 48 46 40 60 56 54						54	

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

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.

CAASPP Test Results in Science by Student Group Grades Five, Eight, and Ten (School Year 2015-16)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	# of Students with Valid Scores	% of Students with Valid Scores	% of Students Proficient or Advanced
All Students	512	498	97.3	36.4
Male	251	245	97.6	33.1
Female	261	253	96.9	39.5
Black or African American	60	57	95.0	43.9
Asian	25	25	100.0	32.0
Filipino	12	12	100.0	58.3
Hispanic or Latino	408	397	97.3	34.3
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	472	461	97.7	36.9
English Learners	205	198	96.6	8.1
Students with Disabilities	64	64	100.0	15.6

Note: 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.

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.

State Priority: Other Pupil Outcomes

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

• Pupil outcomes in the subject areas of physical education.

California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2015-16)

Grade	Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards						
Level	Four of Six Standards Five of Six Standards Six of Six Standards						
7	16.7	10.5	5.8				

Note: 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.

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)

Helms is a Full-Service Community School focused on connecting community partners and school programs with student and families. Services and programs include:

- Case Management: Site-based social worker who can work with families to support attendance at school Individual counseling.
- Student Success Team: Meeting held to support individual students which includes participation from parents, counselors, teachers, administration, student, and any other important adult in the child's life.
- Counselors: available daily for one-on one meetings with parents to discuss student concerns and needs.
- Families in Transition: Community School coordinator works with families in transition to get school uniform, food pantry support, clipper card (transportation), and other needs determined.
- Celebrations and Events: Helms hosts occasional events and celebrations that will invite parents to celebrate as part of the community, including Black History Month Night, Cultural Awareness Month and 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony
- Reading Literacy Night: educate parents how to help students improve their reading levels
- Parent Coffee Club: weekly meeting open to all parents.
- Parent Institute of Quality Education (PIQE) classes: parents take a ten week course designed to support them in being an advocate for their child to attend college.
- Parent University: series of workshops from the District's Parent Engagement Office to further assist parents support their student's academic success.
- Parent Support Night aimed at supporting parents of students with 3 or more F's.
- Parent Project: facilitated by San Pablo Police Department for parents to gain skills that help them support students with academic and behavioral challenges
- Cougar College: faculty designed and implemented 5 week series of night classes that help parents understand academics of middle school and help parents support their students to be ready for high school and beyond
- Student Attendance Review Team (SART): Invites parents of students with chronic absenteeism to attend a meeting to strategize how to improve attendance .
- Translation Services: bilingual community workers support translation needs for parents.
- School Psychologist and therapists support students and families with social-emotional needs.
- Mobile Health Van and Health educator onsite to support students and families with clinical health needs.
- School Site Council (SSC): three parents sit on this council and bring the concerns of parents and perspective of parents to the meeting.
- English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC): a group of parents that advice the principal and SSC on ways to support English
- After School Program provides many opportunities for parents through sports, dance, and other enrichment programs
- Parent Volunteer: after signing on to the "be a mentor" website, parents are invited to volunteer at school.
- Parents may contact the front office at (510)231-1423 in order to be directed to the proper contact for services or for information regarding how to become a volunteer or become involved in school activities.

Contact Information for Parental Involvement: Staff Community Engagement Office - 510-307-4526

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.

Suspensions and Expulsions

	School			District			State		
Rate	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Suspensions	17.8	14.7	10.0	6.6	6.2	6.3	4.4	3.8	3.7
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1

School Safety Plan (School Year 2016-17)

Approved January 2015 by Elizabeth MontesNation - Coordinator, Disaster Preparedness and Safety

Safety and emergency procedures are reviewed at the beginning of the school year and throughout the year as necessary. Emergency drills are conducted at least once per month, with a fire drill conducted twice per semester. The administrators maintain close and regular contact with the San Pablo PD, the City of San Pablo, and other community organizations to maintain a safe campus. Helms has site supervision by four Campus Safety Officers from 7:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., and an SRO from San Pablo PD. We lock our gates and require visitors to sign in at the main office. Helms is monitored by security cameras throughout campus, and several staff members communicate via 2-way hand held radios, and bullhorns as necessary. The campus has an AED with staff trained to use it. Helms Middle School has ID checks daily.

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.

Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2016-17)

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status	Not in PI	In PI
First Year of Program Improvement		2004-2005
Year in Program Improvement*		Year 3
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	20
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	71.4

Note: Cells with N/A values do not require data.

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Secondary)

		2013-14				2014-15			2015-16			
Subject	Avg.	Numb	er of Clas	srooms	Avg.	Numb	er of Clas	srooms	Avg.	Numb	er of Clas	srooms
0,000	Class Size	1-22	23-32	33+	Class Size	1-22	23-32	33+	Class Size	1-22	23-32	33+
English	20	37	27		24	17	40		23	20	35	1
Mathematics	22	24	28		24	17	30		25	9	31	
Science	22	25	32		24	14	42		26	5	39	1
Social Science	23	9	33		23	13	32		25	5	34	

Note: 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.

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2015-16)

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor	4	303
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	0	N/A
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	1	N/A
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	0	N/A
Psychologist	.50	N/A
Social Worker	0	N/A
Nurse	0	N/A
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	0	N/A
Resource Specialist	2.00	N/A
Other	0	N/A

Note: Cells with N/A values do not require data.

Expenditures per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2014-15)

		Expenditures Per Pupil				
Level	Total	Supplemental/ Restricted	Basic/ Unrestricted	Teacher Salary		
School Site	7259.52	4120.72	3138.80	96149.70		
District	N/A	N/A	6412.40	65071.41		
Percent Difference: School Site and District	N/A	N/A	-51.1	47.8		
State	N/A	N/A	\$5,677	\$75,837		
Percent Difference: School Site and State	N/A	N/A	-44.7	26.8		

Note: Cells with N/A values do not require data.

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2015-16)

Programs and services available at Helms Middle School include:

CENTRAL SUPPLEMNTL/CONCENTRATION
EDUCATION PROTECTION ACCOUNT
IASA-TITLE I BASIC
SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GRANT
SP ED IDEA BASIC LOCAL ENTITL
HEALTHY START-ASLSNPP
SPECIAL ED - E
QUALITY EDUCATION INVESMNT ACT
PROJECT READ
PARCEL TAX
MRAD
CHEVRON
GEAR UP
SITE SUPPLEMNTL/CONCENTRATION

^{*}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.

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2014-15)

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$38,699	\$45,092
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$59,640	\$71,627
Highest Teacher Salary	\$79,951	\$93,288
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$91,385	\$115,631
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$96,869	\$120,915
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$108,183	\$132,029
Superintendent Salary	\$231,795	\$249,537
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	31%	37%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	5%	5%

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

Professional Development (Most Recent Three Years)

At Helms Middle School, our professional development focus is on implementation of the Common Core standards, reading comprehension strategies, and community building to improve both teacher instruction and student learning. Professional development includes full day trainings and collaboration time before the start of the school year as well as monthly trainings. Additionally, we provide individual teacher coaching, monthly collaboration time for teacher leaders, and monthly collaboration time for professional learning communities. Teachers also share best practices with each other monthly and attend district workshops to learn new instructional strategies. Beyond the content areas, professional development is provided in English Language Development by a district coach, and onsite support is provided in classroom management, differentiated instruction, and educational technology. A primary goal of the professional development program is ensuring that all students are served by skilled, highly qualified teachers and that teachers are supported by strong, knowledgeable instructional leaders.