Crespi Junior High

California Department of Education School Accountability Report Card

Reported Using Data from the 2016-17 School Year

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 <u>CDE DataQuest Web page</u> 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.

About This School

Contact Information (School Year 2017-18)

District Contact Inform	District Contact Information (School Year 2017-18)					
District Name	West Contra Costa Unified					
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School Contact Information	on (School Year 2017-18)
School Name	Crespi Junior High
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County-District-School (CDS) Code	07617966061170

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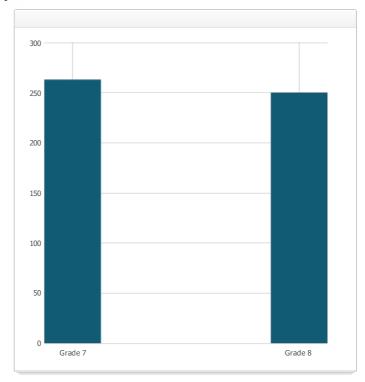
School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2017-18)

Juan Crespi Middle School follows the District Mission that contends that all students will be treated with equity and have the opportunity for a quality education. Juan Crespi's School Vision states, "Crespi Middle School will foster students' love for learning, cultivate students' confidence in their own abilities to learn and grow, and equip students with the tools, skills, and habits to navigate high school and beyond." As an educational community, we are dedicated to reaching our full potential, and we believe that learning requires self-esteem, personal effort, mutual respect, a safe and orderly environment, adequate resources and clear goals. Together we work to develop a rigorous curriculum, a variety of school activities, and a network of support services so that "all students may achieve academic and personal success as they prepare to become lifelong learners and productive citizens in our democratic society." As a Professional Learning Community, we are in the implementation stage in adopting the Common Core State Standards in our instruction and assessment practice including the goals of increased use of Close Reading strategies, Student Discourse, and Authentic Assessments. As a learning community, we revisit our vision yearly to determine if we need to add any additional goals for our students.

With the vision in mind, the Crespi educational program is based on the traditional six-subject day. There is a full range of special education and ELD services as well as the regular education program. GATE and advanced students are offered advanced English, history, science and foreign language classes. The school also offers beginning and advanced band. Juan Crespi Middle School is one of two schools in the district with a Junior National Honor Society. As incentives, Juan Crespi Middle School Leadership students host Renaissance celebrations for students achieving a 2.5 GPA and above with good standing in terms of student condect. Special celebrations are held for Perfect Attendance and Straight "A" quarter reports. Most Improved Students are also recognized on a regular basis to encourage effort and achievement.

Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2016-17)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Grade 7	263
Grade 8	250
Total Enrollment	513



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Student Enrollment by Student Group (School Year 2016-17)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	22.6 %
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.2 %
Asian	15.0 %
Filipino	5.7 %
Hispanic or Latino	43.5 %
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	1.0 %
White	9.4 %
Two or More Races	1.4 %
Other	1.2 %
Student Group (Other)	Percent of Total Enrollment
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	79.7 %
English Learners	24.8 %
Students with Disabilities	15.4 %
Foster Youth	1.0 %

A. Conditions of Learning

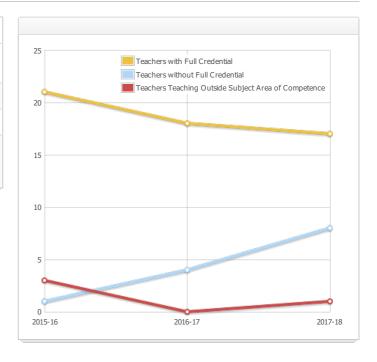
State Priority: Basic

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Basic (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

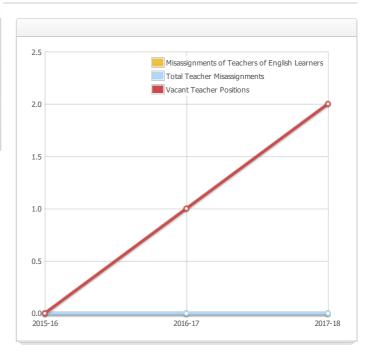
Teachers		School		District
	2015- 16	2016- 17	2017- 18	2017- 18
With Full Credential	21	18	17	1192
Without Full Credential	1	4	8	155
Teachers Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	3	0	1	14



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Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2015- 16	2016- 17	2017- 18
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments*	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	1	2



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.

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

Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2017-18)

Year and month in which the data were collected: October 2017

Subject	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	McGraw Hill StudySync, c2017 - adopted 2017 National Geographic Inside, ELD, c2014 - adopted 2014 Scholastic Read 180, Intervention, c2011 - adopted 2011	Yes	0.0 %
Mathematics	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Big Ideas Math, grades 7-8, c2015 - adopted 2017 Pearson Algebra 1, c2015 - adopted 2017 Key Curriculum Press Discovering Geometry, c2008	Yes	0.0 %
Science	Pearson Science 6-8, c2008 - adopted 2008	Yes	0.0 %
History-Social Science	TCI History Alive, c2005 - adopted 2005	Yes	0.0 %
Foreign Language	EMC T'es Branche, (French 2) c2014 - adopted 2014 EMC Exploring Spanish, (Intro to Spanish) c2008 - adopted 2018 Prentice Hall Realidades, (Spanish 1-2) c2004 - adopted 2004	Yes	0.0 %
Health	N/A		0.0 %
Visual and Performing Arts	N/A		0.0 %
Science Lab Eqpmt (Grades 9-12)	N/A	N/A	0.0 %

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School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements

WCCUSD takes great efforts to ensure that all schools are clean, safe, and functional. To assist in this effort, the school uses the Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) developed by the State of California OPSC. Maintenance staff ensures that the repairs necessary to keep the school in good repair and working order are completed in a timely manner. A work order process is used to ensure efficient service and that emergency repairs are given the highest priority. The school personnel also works daily with the custodial staff to develop cleaning schedules to ensure a clean and safe school.

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School Facility Good Repair Status

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: July 2017

System Inspected	Rating	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Good	The following action/s was/will be taken to ensure:
		There is no odor that would indicate a gas leak. Gas pipes are not broken and appear to be in good working order. The HVAC system is operable. There are no obvious signs of flooding caused by sewer line backup in the facilities or on the school grounds.
Interior: Interior Surfaces	Poor	Interior surfaces appear to be clean, safe, and functional.
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/Vermin Infestation	Good	School grounds, buildings, common areas, and individual rooms appear to have been cleaned regularly. The following action/s was/will be taken to ensure:
		There is no evidence of a major pest or vermin infestation.
Electrical: Electrical	Good	The following action/s was/will be taken to ensure: There is no evidence that any
		portion of the school has a power failure. There are no exposed electrical wires. Electrical equipment is properly covered and secured from pupil access.
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/Fountains	Fair	Restrooms in the vicinity of the area being evaluated appear to be accessible during school hours, clean, functional and in compliance with SB 892 (EC Section 35292.5). Drinking fountains appear to be accessible and functioning as intended.
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Good	The following action/s was/will be taken to ensure:
		The fire sprinklers appear to be in working order (e.g., there are no missing or damaged sprinkler heads). Emergency alarms appear to be

functional.

Emergency exit signs function as designed, exits are unobstructed. Hazardous chemicals, chemical waste, and flammable materials are stored properly (e.g. locked and labeled properly).

Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs

Good

The following action/s was/will be taken to ensure:

Severe cracks are not evident.
Ceilings & floors are not sloping or sagging beyond their intended design.

Posts, beams, supports for portable classrooms, ramps, and other structural building members appear to be intact, secure and functional as designed.

There is no visible evidence of severe cracks, dry rot, mold, or damage that undermines the structural components.

External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/Doors/Gates/Fences Good

The playground equipment and school grounds in the vicinity of the area being evaluated appear to be clean, safe, and functional.

The following action/s was/will be taken to ensure:

There is no exposed broken glass accessible to pupils and staff.

Exterior doors and gates are functioning and do not pose a security risk.

Overall Facility Rate

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: July 2017

Overall Rating Fair Last updated: 1/23/2018

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. Only eligible students may participate in the administration of the CAAs. CAAs items are aligned with alternate achievement standards, which are linked with the Common Core State Standards [CCSS] for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities); 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 ELA and Mathematics for All Students

Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2016-17)

	Per	Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards						
	School		District		State			
Subject	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17		
English Language Arts / Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11)	41%	32%	35%	35%	48%	48%		
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	21%	20%	25%	25%	36%	37%		

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 2016-17)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	504	494	98.02%	32.19%
Male	269	264	98.14%	28.41%
Female	235	230	97.87%	36.52%
Black or African American	107	105	98.13%	23.81%
American Indian or Alaska Native				
Asian	76	76	100.00%	52.63%
Filipino	30	30	100.00%	60.00%
Hispanic or Latino	221	216	97.74%	24.54%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander				
White	46	44	95.65%	40.91%
Two or More Races				
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	408	402	98.53%	26.62%
English Learners	193	190	98.45%	17.89%
Students with Disabilities	77	75	97.40%	10.67%
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	0	0		
Foster Youth				

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 (i.e., achieved Level 3–Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

Note: 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 2016-17)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	503	493	98.01%	20.08%
Male	269	264	98.14%	22.35%
Female	234	229	97.86%	17.47%
Black or African American	107	105	98.13%	10.48%
American Indian or Alaska Native				
Asian	76	76	100.00%	39.47%
Filipino	30	30	100.00%	33.33%
Hispanic or Latino	220	215	97.73%	14.42%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander				
White	46	44	95.65%	31.82%
Two or More Races				
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	407	401	98.53%	15.46%
English Learners	193	190	98.45%	9.47%
Students with Disabilities	77	75	97.40%	8.00%
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	0	0		
Foster Youth				

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 (i.e., achieved Level 3–Alternate) 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

Grades Five, Eight and Ten

		Percentage of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced					
	School		District		State		
Subject	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16	
Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)	63.0%	66.0%	46.0%	40.0%	56%	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.

Note: The 2016-17 data are not available. The California Department of Education is developing a new science assessment based on the Next Generation Science Standards for California Public Schools (CA NGSS). The new California Science Test (CAST) was piloted in spring 2017. The CST and CMA for Science will no longer be administered.

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Courses for University of California (UC) and/or California State University (CSU) Admission

UC/CSU Course Measure	Percent
2016-17 Pupils Enrolled in Courses Required for UC/CSU Admission	37.4%
2015-16 Graduates Who Completed All Courses Required for UC/CSU Admission	0.0%

State Priority: Other Pupil Outcomes

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

• Pupil outcomes in the subject area of physical education

California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2016-17)

Percentage of Students Meeting Fitness Standards						
Grade Level	Four of Six Fitness Standards	Five of Six Fitness Standards	Six of Six Fitness Standards			
7	14.1%	30.5%	28.1%			

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 State priority: Parental Involvement (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 2017-18)

We welcome parental involvement in a number of ways. Regular messages go home informing parents of upcoming events and academic milestones. Parents are invited to visit classes in session with appropriate notice and grade reports are sent home twice each quarter. We have two School Community Outreach Workers, one of whom is bilingual in English and Spanish, who lead parent outreach efforts, communicate daily with students and parents, and interface daily with all stakeholder groups. Parents of struggling students are invited to conferences with all of the child's teachers to discover solutions. The ELAC Committee is made up of parents of English Learners and makes recommendations about how funds will be spent to provide the best possible educational opportunities for those students in the ELD program. The Parents Club assists both faculty and students. Among their activities are the 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony, Teacher Appreciation Luncheon, Renaissance Fair. We present parent and family involvement evenings focused on our core academic areas.

Every school must have a School Site Council composed equally of school staff and parents or students. Members of the SSC are elected by their peers (e.g., teachers, classified employees, parents). School staff membership must include a majority of classroom teachers and at least one staff member who is neither the principal nor a teacher. The minimum number of SSC members for a middle school is ten. A community member may take the place of a parent if chosen by parents of students currently attending the school (Education Code Section 52852). Juan Crespi has a duly elected and fully functioning School Site Council with meetings to address needs of the student population of the school. Parent Volunteers are welcome at Juan Crespi to assist with daily activities and special programs approved and presented throughout the year.

Contact Information for Parental Involvement: Crespi Main Office (510) 231-1447

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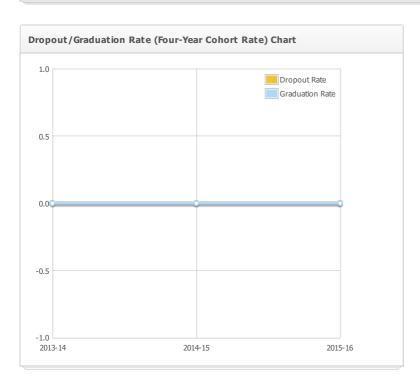
State Priority: Pupil Engagement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Pupil Engagement (Priority 5):

- High school dropout rates; and
- High school graduation rates

Dropout Rate and Graduation Rate (Four-Year Cohort Rate)

	School				District		State		
Indicator	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Dropout Rate	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	11.5%	10.7%	9.7%
Graduation Rate	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	77.7%	84.7%	83.1%	81.0%	82.3%	83.8%



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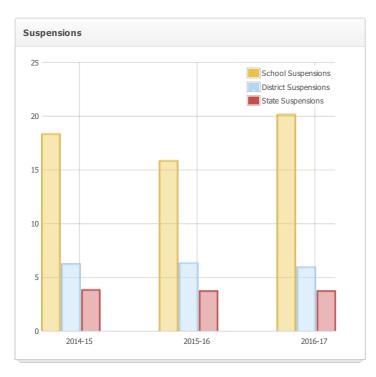
State Priority: School Climate

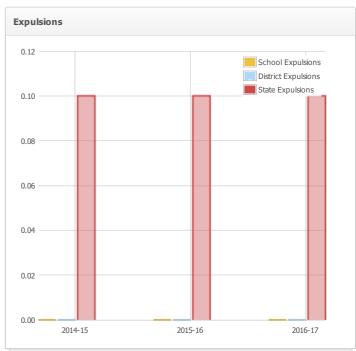
The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: School Climate (Priority 6):

- Pupil suspension rates;
- Pupil expulsion rates; and
- Other local measures on the sense of safety

Suspensions and Expulsions

	School				District			State		
Rate	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	
Suspensions	18.3%	15.8%	20.1%	6.2%	6.3%	5.9%	3.8%	3.7%	3.7%	
Expulsions	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	





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School Safety Plan (School Year 2017-18)

Last revised 2/2/2016 by Elizabeth Montes-Nation

Safety Plan Overview: The emergency organizational structure identified in the school site's plan is consistent with the federally mandated National Incident Management System (SIMS), and the State of California's Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS), and it effectively structures emergency response at all levels in compliance with the Incident Command System.

Preparedness efforts include the assignment of Disaster Service Workers and their responsibilities, routine earthquake and fire drills, review of Emergency Response roles/actions, evacuation procedures, as well as bomb threat procedures, reunification procedures, provision of emergency supplies, exercise drills such as lockdowns and shelter-in-place, and WCCUSD's Guidelines for Threat Assessment and Management Process.

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 2017-18)

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status	In PI	In PI
First Year of Program Improvement	2017-2018	2004-2005
Year in Program Improvement	Year 1	Year 3
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	20
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	60.6%

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Secondary)

2014-15			2015-16			2016-17						
		Numb	er of Clas	sses *		Numb	er of Clas	ses *		Numb	er of Clas	sses *
Subject	Average Class Size	1-22	23-32	33+	Average Class Size	1-22	23-32	33+	Average Class Size	1-22	23-32	33+
English	28.0	7	7	11	25.0	9	9	7	26.0	11	3	11
Mathematics	31.0	2	8	9	28.0	4	6	7	28.0	3	7	7
Science	29.0	3	14	4	23.0	9	13	0	30.0	3	5	9
Social Science	31.0	3	7	12	32.0	3	8	10	30.0	4	5	11

^{*} 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.

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Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2016-17)

Title	Number of FTE* Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor	2.0	265.0
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	0.0	N/A
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	1.0	N/A
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	0.0	N/A
Psychologist	0.3	N/A
Social Worker	0.0	N/A
Nurse	0.0	N/A
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	0.4	N/A
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	2.0	N/A
Other	0.0	N/A

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

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Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2015-16)

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	\$18050.4	\$5891.5	\$12158.9	\$65018.7
District	N/A	N/A	\$10107.3	\$61169.5
Percent Difference – School Site and District	N/A	N/A	18.4%	6.1%
State	N/A	N/A	\$6574.0	\$79228.0
Percent Difference – School Site and State	N/A	N/A	59.6%	-19.7%

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

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^{*}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.

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2016-17)

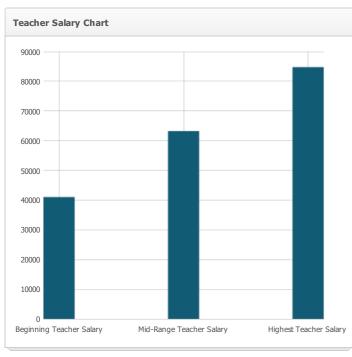
- EXTRA CURRICULAR SITE ALLOCATION
- PARENT ENGAGEMENT
- VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS WHOLE CHILD

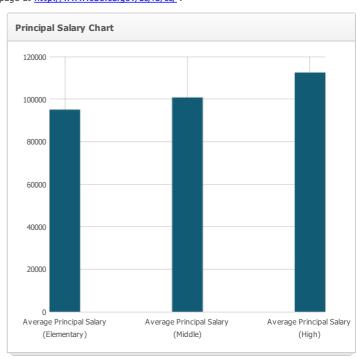
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Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2015-16)

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$41,021	\$47,808
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$63,219	\$73,555
Highest Teacher Salary	\$84,748	\$95,850
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$95,040	\$120,448
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$100,743	\$125,592
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$112,510	\$138,175
Superintendent Salary	\$231,795	\$264,457
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	30.0%	35.0%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	5.0%	5.0%

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





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Professional Development

Quality instruction and instructional leadership are at the heart of the district's achievement efforts. To ensure this, the Educational Services department engages teachers, administrators and other personnel in ongoing professional development focused on improving teaching and learning. Training is provided to principals and other administrators to improve their ability to provide strong instructional leadership and guide teaching and learning at school sites. The principals, in turn, provide support to teachers through staff conferences, opportunities for collaborative study and planning, and individual coaching based on ongoing

classroom observations. Teachers and other staff are provided with both on and off-site professional development in all standards based curriculum content areas. Beyond the content areas, professional development is provided in English Language Development, differentiated instruction and educational technology. In addition, training is made available in classroom management and the effective use of assessment data and teacher data teams in meeting the needs of all students. 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. The Crespi ILT has taken on Claim and Evidence as an academic focus for the 2017-2018 school year. The ILT also has developed Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) at Crespi. These are groups of teachers who work together throughout the year toward a common instructional goal. The four PLCs are geared toward Classroom Management, Technology Integration, Strategies for Teaching English Language Learners, and Project-Based Learning respectively.