

**Sycamore Canyon Elementary**  
**School Accountability Report Card**  
**Reported Using Data from the 2014-15 School Year**  
**Published During 2015-16**

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 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, the county, and the state. 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).

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**About This School**

**Contact Information (Most Recent Year)**

<b>School Contact Information</b>	
<b>School Name</b>	Sycamore Canyon Elementary
<b>Street</b>	10201 Settle Rd.
<b>City, State, Zip</b>	Santee, CA 92071-1099
<b>Phone Number</b>	619-956-5400
<b>Principal</b>	Jeri Billick
<b>E-mail Address</b>	jeri.billick@santeesd.net
<b>Web Site</b>	www.santeesd.net
<b>Grades Served</b>	K-6
<b>CDS Code</b>	37-68361-6068159

<b>District Contact Information</b>	
<b>District Name</b>	Santee School District
<b>Phone Number</b>	(619) 258-2300
<b>Superintendent</b>	Dr. Cathy Pierce
<b>E-mail Address</b>	cathy.pierce@santeesd.net
<b>Web Site</b>	www.santeesd.net

## **School Description and Mission Statement (Most Recent Year)**

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### **About Our School**

“Where Young Minds Meet Open Doors”

SANTEE SCHOOL DISTRICT VISION, MISSION, BELIEF STATEMENTS, AND GOALS

Adopted May 1, 2012

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

Santee School District assures a quality education, empowering students to achieve academic excellence and to develop life skills needed for success in a diverse and changing society.

### **VISION STATEMENT**

Santee School District will be an innovative leader in education, inspiring students to realize their unique potential.

### **BELIEF STATEMENTS**

Children are our first priority. Therefore we believe....

All students can learn.

Student growth, academic performance, and positive personal development are the highest measures of student and district success.

Trust, integrity, respect, citizenship, honesty, responsibility, commitment, and pride are the foundations on which our district is built.

Students should understand and respect the origin of the nation, the law of the land, and the principles of our democracy.

Parent and community involvement in our schools is crucial to the academic success of our students.

Knowledgeable, motivated, and inspired employees assure the success of our students.

Everyone has the right to learn and work in a safe, healthy, orderly, and clean environment.

The district operates efficiently and effectively through focused leadership, fiscal responsibility, and open communication, with a strong academic program as the top priority.

### **BOARD GOALS**

**Educational Achievement**

Assure the highest level of educational achievement for all students.

**Learning Environment**

Provide a safe, engaging environment that promotes creativity, innovation, and personalized learning

**Fiscal Accountability**

Financially support the vision, mission, and goals of the District by maximizing resources, controlling expenses, and managing assets to ensure fiscal solvency and flexibility.

**Staff Development**

Implement a staff development plan as the cornerstone of employee performance and growth.

**Student Well-Being**

Provide social, emotional, and health service programs, integrated with community resources, to foster student character and personal well-being.

### Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2014-15)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	49
Grade 1	52
Grade 2	46
Grade 3	54
Grade 4	51
Grade 5	38
Grade 6	39
<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>329</b>

### Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2014-15)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	1.2
Asian	1.2
Filipino	0.3
Hispanic or Latino	23.1
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.3
White	66
Two or More Races	6.1
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	24
English Learners	4.9
Students with Disabilities	10.9
Foster Youth	0.9

## 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

Teachers	School			District
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2015-16
With Full Credential	22	20	19	311
Without Full Credential	0	0	1	2
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	1	2

### Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
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.

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

### Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers (School Year 2014-15)

Location of Classes	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects	
	Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
This School	100.0	0.0
All Schools in District	99.8	0.2
High-Poverty Schools in District	100.0	0.0
Low-Poverty Schools in District	99.7	0.3

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 2015-16)

Year and month in which data were collected:

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	Adopted 2003	No	0.0
Mathematics	Adopted 2015 (K-5) Adopted 2013 (6-8)	Yes	0.0
Science	Adopted 2008	Yes	0.0
History-Social Science	Adopted 2007	Yes	0.0

### School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

The district takes great efforts to ensure that all schools are clean, safe, and functional through proper facilities maintenance and campus supervision. Sycamore Canyon School's original facilities were built in 1961; ongoing maintenance and campus improvements ensure facilities remain up-to-date and provide adequate space for students and staff. District maintenance and site custodial staff ensure that the repairs necessary to keep the school in good condition are completed in a timely manner. A work order process is used by school and district staff to communicate non-routine maintenance requests. Emergency repairs are given the highest priority. Sycamore Canyon's campus was modernized in 2009.

**School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)**

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)				
Year and month in which data were collected: 06/26/2015				
System Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Good	Fair	Poor	
<b>Systems:</b> Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	X			
<b>Interior:</b> Interior Surfaces	X			
<b>Cleanliness:</b> Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	X			
<b>Electrical:</b> Electrical	X			
<b>Restrooms/Fountains:</b> Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	X			
<b>Safety:</b> Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	X			
<b>Structural:</b> Structural Damage, Roofs	X			
<b>External:</b> Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	X			

**Overall Facility Rating (Most Recent Year)**

Year and month in which data were collected: 06/26/2015				
Overall Rating	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor
			X	

**B. Pupil Outcomes**

**State Priority: Pupil Achievement**

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

- Statewide assessments (i.e., California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress [CAASPP], Science California Standards Tests); and
- The percentage of pupils 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

**California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress Results for All Students (School Year 2014-15)**

Subject	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards (grades 3-8 and 11)		
	School	District	State
<b>English Language Arts/Literacy</b>	45	53	44
<b>Mathematics</b>	36	43	33

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 Assessment Results - English Language Arts (ELA)

Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven (School Year 2014-15)

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students				
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Not Met	Standard Nearly Met	Standard Met	Standard Exceeded
All Students	3	55	54	98.2	28	22	17	31
	4	55	54	98.2	37	26	28	9
	5	37	37	100.0	14	24	46	16
	6	40	39	97.5	13	51	31	5
Male	3		26	47.3	38	27	8	27
	4		29	52.7	48	17	21	14
	5		24	64.9	17	29	42	13
	6		18	45.0	17	50	28	6
Female	3		28	50.9	18	18	25	36
	4		25	45.5	24	36	36	4
	5		13	35.1	8	15	54	23
	6		21	52.5	10	52	33	5
Black or African American	4		1	1.8	--	--	--	--
Asian	4		1	1.8	--	--	--	--
	5		1	2.7	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	3		12	21.8	42	25	8	25
	4		9	16.4	--	--	--	--
	5		6	16.2	--	--	--	--
	6		11	27.5	27	36	27	9
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	4		1	1.8	--	--	--	--
White	3		38	69.1	24	21	18	34
	4		35	63.6	37	26	29	9
	5		28	75.7	11	29	46	14
	6		26	65.0	8	54	35	4
Two or More Races	3		4	7.3	--	--	--	--
	4		4	7.3	--	--	--	--
	5		2	5.4	--	--	--	--
	6		2	5.0	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	3		10	18.2	--	--	--	--
	4		11	20.0	45	27	27	0
	5		11	29.7	18	18	36	27
	6		12	30.0	8	58	25	8
English Learners	3		2	3.6	--	--	--	--
	4		2	3.6	--	--	--	--
	5		1	2.7	--	--	--	--

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students				
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Not Met	Standard Nearly Met	Standard Met	Standard Exceeded
	6		1	2.5	--	--	--	--
Students with Disabilities	3		6	10.9	--	--	--	--
	4		5	9.1	--	--	--	--
	5		3	8.1	--	--	--	--
	6		4	10.0	--	--	--	--
Foster Youth	3		--	--	--	--	--	--
	4		--	--	--	--	--	--
	5		--	--	--	--	--	--
	6		--	--	--	--	--	--

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 students that did not receive a score; 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 students with scores.

### CAASPP Assessment Results - Mathematics

#### Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven (School Year 2014-15)

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students				
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Not Met	Standard Nearly Met	Standard Met	Standard Exceeded
All Students	3	55	54	98.2	22	28	33	15
	4	55	54	98.2	30	37	28	6
	5	37	37	100.0	22	38	24	16
	6	40	39	97.5	26	54	10	10
Male	3		26	47.3	35	23	31	12
	4		29	52.7	28	31	31	10
	5		24	64.9	17	38	33	13
	6		18	45.0	28	50	11	11
Female	3		28	50.9	11	32	36	18
	4		25	45.5	32	44	24	0
	5		13	35.1	31	38	8	23
	6		21	52.5	24	57	10	10
Black or African American	4		1	1.8	--	--	--	--
Asian	4		1	1.8	--	--	--	--
	5		1	2.7	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	3		12	21.8	42	8	50	0
	4		9	16.4	--	--	--	--
	5		6	16.2	--	--	--	--
	6		11	27.5	27	55	0	18
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	4		1	1.8	--	--	--	--

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students				
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Not Met	Standard Nearly Met	Standard Met	Standard Exceeded
White	3		38	69.1	16	34	26	21
	4		35	63.6	23	40	29	9
	5		28	75.7	18	43	25	14
	6		26	65.0	27	50	15	8
Two or More Races	3		4	7.3	--	--	--	--
	4		4	7.3	--	--	--	--
	5		2	5.4	--	--	--	--
	6		2	5.0	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	3		10	18.2	--	--	--	--
	4		11	20.0	36	27	36	0
	5		11	29.7	36	27	18	18
	6		12	30.0	33	58	0	8
English Learners	3		2	3.6	--	--	--	--
	4		2	3.6	--	--	--	--
	5		1	2.7	--	--	--	--
	6		1	2.5	--	--	--	--
Students with Disabilities	3		6	10.9	--	--	--	--
	4		5	9.1	--	--	--	--
	5		3	8.1	--	--	--	--
	6		4	10.0	--	--	--	--
Foster Youth	3		--	--	--	--	--	--
	4		--	--	--	--	--	--
	5		--	--	--	--	--	--
	6		--	--	--	--	--	--

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#### California Standards Tests for All Students in Science (Three-Year Comparison)

Subject	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)								
	School			District			State		
	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)	75	52	58	69	66	63	59	60	56

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 Standards Tests Results by Student Group in Science (School Year 2014-15)**

Student Group	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced
All Students in the LEA	63
All Students at the School	58
Male	50
Female	75
Asian	--
Hispanic or Latino	--
White	48
Two or More Races	--
Students with Disabilities	--
Foster Youth	--

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 2014-15)**

Grade Level	Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	Four of Six Standards	Five of Six Standards	Six of Six Standards
5	16.20	27.00	29.70

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 (Most Recent Year)**

Parents are encouraged to get involved in their child’s learning environment either by volunteering in the classroom, participating in a decision making group, or simply attending school events. Parents stay informed on upcoming events and school activities through flyers, the school website, the school marquee, e-mails, Facebook, PTA Cougar Chat newsletters, and school messenger. Contact the main office for more information on how to become involved in your child’s learning environment.

Opportunities to volunteer: Classroom helper, Library assistant, chaperone, Arts Attack docent Committees: School Site Council, Parent-Teacher Association, District English Learner Committee, District Strategic Planning Committees.

## 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

Rate	School			District			State		
	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
<b>Suspensions</b>	1.99	5.26	2.88	6.15	6.50	5.34	5.07	4.36	3.80
<b>Expulsions</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.13	0.10	0.09

### School Safety Plan (Most Recent Year)

The Comprehensive School Site Safety Plan was developed for Sycamore Canyon School in collaboration with local agencies and the district office to fulfill Senate Bill 187 requirements. Components of this plan include child abuse reporting procedures, teacher notification of dangerous pupil procedures, disaster response procedures, procedures for safe arrival and departure from school, sexual harassment policy, and dress code policy. The school's most recent school safety plan was reviewed and updated by school staff in October 2015. Staff responsibilities and safety plan updates were discussed with staff in October 2015.

## 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.

### Adequate Yearly Progress Overall and by Criteria (School Year 2014-15)

AYP Criteria	School	District	State
<b>Made AYP Overall</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Met Participation Rate: English-Language Arts</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Met Participation Rate: Mathematics</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Met Percent Proficient: English-Language Arts</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Met Percent Proficient: Mathematics</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Met Attendance Rate</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Met Graduation Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	Yes

### Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2015-16)

Indicator	School	District
<b>Program Improvement Status</b>		In PI
<b>First Year of Program Improvement</b>		2013-2014
<b>Year in Program Improvement*</b>		Year 1
<b>Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement</b>	N/A	3
<b>Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement</b>	N/A	75.0

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

**Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)**

Grade Level	2012-13				2013-14				2014-15			
	Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes		
		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+
K	24		2		22		2		21	1	2	
1	22	1	1		23		2		24		1	
2	23	1	2		23		2		22	1	1	
3	22		2		22		3		23		3	
4	30		1		33			1	31		1	
5	30		2		29		1		30		1	
6	29		1		32		1	1	34			2

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

**Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2014-15)**

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor	0.0	0.0
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	0.0	N/A
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	0.0	N/A
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	0.25	N/A
Psychologist	0.8	N/A
Social Worker	0.1	N/A
Nurse	0.0	N/A
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	1.0	N/A
Resource Specialist	0.0	N/A
Other	2.0	N/A

Note: Cells with N/A values 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.

**Expenditures per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2013-14)**

Level	Expenditures Per Pupil			Average Teacher Salary
	Total	Supplemental/Restricted	Basic/Unrestricted	
School Site	\$8,587	\$2,514	\$6,073	\$76,453
District	N/A	N/A	\$5,677	\$72,734
Percent Difference: School Site and District	N/A	N/A	7.0	5.1
State	N/A	N/A	\$5,348	\$72,993
Percent Difference: School Site and State	N/A	N/A	13.6	4.7

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

**Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2014-15)**

Santee School District receives LCFF state and federal categorical funding. The district received funding for the following programs:

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|---------------------------------------|---|
| Teacher Training & Student Assistance | Staff Development                         |
| Instructional Materials               | Title I                                   |
| Peer Assistance & Review              | Title II                                  |
| School Safety                         | Title III – Limited English Proficient    |
| Special Education                     | Title IV                                  |
| Special Education Transportation      | Title V – Innovative Education Strategies |

**Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2013-14)**

<b>Category</b>	<b>District Amount</b>	<b>State Average for Districts In Same Category</b>
<b>Beginning Teacher Salary</b>	\$41,465	\$43,091
<b>Mid-Range Teacher Salary</b>	\$65,560	\$70,247
<b>Highest Teacher Salary</b>	\$91,150	\$89,152
<b>Average Principal Salary (Elementary)</b>	\$115,552	\$112,492
<b>Average Principal Salary (Middle)</b>		\$116,021
<b>Average Principal Salary (High)</b>		\$117,511
<b>Superintendent Salary</b>	\$185,000	\$192,072
<b>Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries</b>	46%	41%
<b>Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries</b>	7%	6%

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)**

All training and curriculum development activities at Sycamore Canyon School revolve around the Common Core State Standards. Professional development activities support core content areas: language arts, math, history/social science, science, and technology. Decisions concerning selection of staff development activities are performed by the principal, district administrators, and grade level representatives using tools such as teacher input, district benchmark results, data analysis, and focus groups to determine the areas in which additional teacher training may enhance classroom instruction and increase student achievement levels. Sycamore Canyon School offers support to new and veteran teachers through peer coaching and mentoring. All staff are encouraged to attend professional workshops and conferences. Classified support staff receive job related training from department supervisors and district representatives.