

West Putnam Elementary School

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School Description

Principal's Message

It is with great pleasure that we present our 2016-2017 School Accountability Report Card. West Putnam Elementary, home of the Eagles, is a campus where students, staff, and families work together to improve learning for all students.

West Putnam Elementary School is a place where children are at the heart of everything we do. Staff, students, and families are dedicated to providing quality work which is engaging, results in students learning meaningful content, and challenges every student to learn more. The staff focuses their energies on the school's vision and ensuring that our children develop the self-esteem and positive character needed to participate fully in our community of learners.

Our teachers and staff have tremendous passion for the students at West Putnam. That's evident based on the positive relationships that we have established with our community. Parents are our partners. We treasure all the ways families contribute to the success of our students: helping with homework, assisting teachers, working with the PTO and other school committees, communicating with their child's teacher, and sending their children to school prepared and excited to learn!

I am very pleased to serve students, families, and staff. I look forward to continued teamwork with the West Putnam learning community as we strive to increase learning and achievement for all.

School Vision Statement

We, at West Putnam, are committed to fostering a respect for educational achievement and social responsibility for all students. We are committed to providing an educational setting which offers a student centered academic program by collaborating with parents, school staff, students, and community members. We provide opportunities for the demonstration of academic and thinking skills, physical development, and social responsibilities for all students.

Community & School Profile

Porterville, lying along the foothills of the Sierras, is located on State Highway 65, 165 miles north of Los Angeles, and 171 miles east of the Pacific Coast. Centrally located to major markets, the city has strategic access to major transportation routes. Porterville Unified School District serves more than 13,000 students throughout the community, as well as the town of Strathmore. The district is comprised of ten elementary schools, three middle schools, four comprehensive high schools, one magnet academy, one continuation high school, and two alternative sites.

West Putnam School serves students in grades transition-kindergarten through six on a traditional calendar schedule. Curriculum is based on improving reading and language arts skills, with special emphasis placed on cultural awareness. Diverse literature selections, multicultural social studies curriculum, a Native American program, and various cultural celebrations promote a climate of tolerance and acceptance among students and faculty.

During the 2016-17 school year, 480 students were enrolled at the school. Student demographics are displayed in the chart.

The high quality of the educational programs at West Putnam School was recognized by the Western Association of Schools & Colleges through a six-year accreditation, ending in June 2013. West Putnam was the first elementary school in the state to be awarded this prestigious honor. West Putnam was accorded the distinguished TORCH achievement award from the Tulare Office of Education, for attaining academic growth through innovative programs and partnerships. In 2012, the school was received the Sustaining the Flame TORCH award for its ongoing academic growth achievement.

About the SARC

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.

2016-17 Student Enrollment by Grade Level					
Grade Level Number of Students					
Kindergarten	82				
Grade 1	61				
Grade 2	49				
Grade 3	75				
Grade 4	72				
Grade 5	67				
Grade 6	81				
Total Enrollment	487				

2016-17 Student Enrollment by Group				
Group	Percent of Total Enrollment			
Black or African American	0.2			
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.2			
Asian	1.6			
Filipino	0.8			
Hispanic or Latino	86.9			
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0			
White	7.4			
Two or More Races	2.5			
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	92.8			
English Learners	41.1			
Students with Disabilities	5.1			
Foster Youth	1.8			

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						
West Putnam Elementary School 15-16 16-17 1						
With Full Credential	25	23	23			
Without Full Credential	1	0	0			
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	0			
Porterville Unified School District	15-16	16-17	17-18			
With Full Credential	*	+	585			
Without Full Credential	•	+	59			
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	•	*	19			

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions at this School						
West Putnam Elementary School 15-16 16-17 17-18						
Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0			
Total Teacher Misassignments	0	0	0			
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0			

[&]quot;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.

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

Porterville Unified School District held a Public Hearing on August 24, 2017 and determined that each school has sufficient and good quality textbooks, instructional materials, or science lab equipment pursuant to the settlement of Williams vs. the State of California. All students, including English Learners, are given their own individual standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials, or both, in core subjects for use in the classroom and to take home. The chart below displays data collected in August 2016, regarding textbooks in use during the 2016-17 school year.

Textbooks and Instructional Materials Year and month in which data were collected: August 2017					
Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/Year of Adoption				
Reading/Language Arts	Houghton Mifflin Adopted 2003				
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:	Yes			
	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0.0%			
Mathematics	McGraw Hill Adopted 2015				
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:	Yes			
	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0.0%			
Science	Glencoe Adopted 2006				
	Harcourt Adopted 2001				
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:	Yes			
	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0.0%			
History-Social Science	Houghton Mifflin Adopted 2007				
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:	Yes			
	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0.0%			
Foreign Language	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0.0%			
Health	Harcourt Adopted 2006				
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:	Yes			
	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0.0%			
Visual and Performing Arts	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0.0%			

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

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

West Putnam School was originally constructed in 1947 and has since undergone complete modernization. Landscaping and extensive renovations to six classrooms, the library, the main office, and the multi-purpose were completed in summer 2006. New playground equipment was also installed in 2007. As of 2013, the school has installed ceiling-mounted LED projectors and wall-mounted interactive whiteboards in each classroom, the computer lab, and in the cafeteria.

The campus is currently comprised of 24 classrooms (including portables), one Reading Room, one Resource classroom, a library, one computer lab, one staff room, a supply room, a multi-purpose room (cafeteria), one upper-grade playground, two Kindergarten playgrounds, and the main office. The chart displays the results of the most recent school facilities inspection, provided by the district in July 2016.

Cleaning Process

The school provides a safe and clean environment for students, staff, and volunteers. The district governing board has adopted cleaning standards for all schools in the district. Basic cleaning operations are performed on a daily basis throughout the school year with emphasis on classrooms and restrooms. A joint effort between students and staff helps keep the campus clean and litter-free. The principal works daily with the custodial staff to develop sanitation schedules that ensure a clean, safe, and functional learning environment.

Maintenance & Repair

A scheduled maintenance program is administered by the school's custodial staff on a regular basis, with heavy maintenance functions occurring during vacation periods. Additionally, a scheduled maintenance program is administered by the district to ensure that school grounds and facilities remain in excellent repair. A work order process is used when issues arise that require immediate attention. Emergency repairs are given the highest priority; repair requests are completed efficiently and in the order in which they are received. At the time of publication, 100% of the school's restrooms were in working order.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year) Year and month in which data were collected: 07/15/2017						
System Inspected	Repair Status				Repair Needed and	
System hispected	Good	Good Fair Poor		Poor	Action Taken or Planned	
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Х					
Interior: Interior Surfaces			(Library, R2, R3 Chipped paint by doors, R2, R3, R21, Cafeteria,Stained Tiles, Rms 15-20 Boys and girls restrooms Broken ceramic tiles, R25, R26, R27 torn carpet	
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	Х					
Electrical: Electrical	Х					
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	Х					
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Х					
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	Х					
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	Х					
Overall Rating	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor		
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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

2016-17 CAASPP Results for All Students							
	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards (grades 3-8 and 11)						
Subject	Sch	ool	Dist	rict	State		
	15-16	16-17	15-16	16-17	15-16	16-17	
ELA	26	26	37	39	48	48	
Math	25	21	21	23	36	37	

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 Science for All Students						
Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)						
Subject	Sch	ool	Dist	rict	Sta	ate
	14-15	15-16	14-15 15-16		14-15	15-16
Science	30	34	37	40	60	56

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.

Grade	2016-17 Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards						
Level	4 of 6 5 of 6 6 of 6						
5	12.1	19.7	24.2				

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2015-16 CAASPP Results by Student Group Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)							
Number of Students Percent of Students							
Group	Enrolled	with Valid Scores	w/ Valid Scores	Proficient or Advanced			
All Students	80	80	100.0	33.8			
Male	45	45	100.0	42.2			
Female	35	35	100.0	22.9			
Hispanic or Latino	68	68	100.0	33.8			
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	71	71	100.0	33.8			
English Learners	27	27	100.0	11.1			

^{*} 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. 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.

School Year 2016-17 CAASPP Assessment Results - English Language Arts (ELA) Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven **Total** Number Percent Percent **Student Group Enrollment** Tested Tested Met or Exceeded 296 All Students 302 98.01 26.01 Male 158 155 98.1 25.81 **Female** 144 141 97.92 26.24 American Indian or Alaska Native ----Asian **Filipino Hispanic or Latino** 263 258 98.1 24.81 White 19 95 20 47.37 Two or More Races __ __ __ --285 279 97.89 Socioeconomically Disadvantaged 25.45 **English Learners** 171 169 98.83 22.49 Students with Disabilities 26 25 96.15 4 **Students Receiving Migrant Education Services** 29 30 96.67 34.48

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.

School Year 2016-17 CAASPP Assessment Results - Mathematics Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven					
Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded	
All Students	302	298	98.68	20.81	
Male	158	155	98.1	20.65	
Female	144	143	99.31	20.98	
American Indian or Alaska Native	-	-	-		
Asian	-	-	-		
Filipino	1	1	1	-	
Hispanic or Latino	263	260	98.86	20.38	
White	20	19	95	31.58	
Two or More Races	1	1	1		
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	285	281	98.6	20.64	
English Learners	171	170	99.42	22.94	
Students with Disabilities	26	25	96.15	0	
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	30	30	100	30	
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.

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.

Foster Youth

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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)

Parents and the community are very supportive of the educational programs at West Putnam School. The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) plays an active role in the community and at each school site through fundraising and special activities. Fundraisers have included Halloween Fall Festival, Great American Saver cards, Great American Cookie Dough Sales and Catalog Gift Sales.

Parents are also encouraged to participate on various school and district teams to ensure programs are consistent in meeting students' needs. Opportunities for involvement include:

- School Site Council (SSC)
- Student Study Teams (SST)
- Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
- English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC)
- District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC)

Contributions by the following partners add to the programs available at West Putnam School:

- Optimist Service Clubs
- Target
- Rotary Service Clubs
- Town 'n' Country Market
- Porterville Police Department
- Wal-Mart & Wal-Mart Distribution Center
- Tulare County Office of Education Excellence in Education Awards
- Bank of the Sierra Employees

Contact Information

Parents who wish to participate in the school's leadership teams, school committees, school activities, or become a volunteer may contact the main office at (559) 782-7280. The district's website (www.portervilleschools.org) also provides a variety of helpful resources and information for parents, students, staff, and community members.

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.

School Safety Plan

The safety of students and staff is a primary concern of West Putnam Elementary School. Teachers and other staff supervise students on campus before and after school and during recess, while staff supervisors monitor students during the lunch break. All visitors must sign in at the principal's office and receive proper authorization to be on campus. Visitors are asked by the staff to display their pass at all times while visiting the campus. For the safety of our students, all volunteers are fingerprinted and cleared through the Department of Justice. Appointments are made with the school secretary.

The School Site Safety Plan was most recently revised in spring 2017 by the Safety Committee, and reviewed annually. Key elements of the plan focus on emergency preparedness. The school is in compliance with the laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to hazardous materials and state earthquake standards. Emergency drills are held on a regular basis; fire drills are held once a month, earthquake and lockdown drills are held once each semester.

Suspensions and Expulsions									
School	2014-15	2014-15 2015-16 2016-17							
Suspensions Rate	2.19	0.98	2.54						
Expulsions Rate	0	0	0						
District	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17						
Suspensions Rate	5.91	5.62	5.42						
Expulsions Rate	0.34	0.3	0.31						
State	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17						
Suspensions Rate	3.79	3.65	3.65						
Expulsions Rate	0.09	0.09	0.09						

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.

2017-18 Federal Intervention Program					
Indicator	School	District			
Program Improvement Status	In PI				
First Year of Program Improvement	2006-2007				
Year in Program Improvement	Year 3				
Number of Schools Currently in Program Impr	16				
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Impro	80				

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff at this School					
Number of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)					
Academic Counselor					
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)					
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)					
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	1				
Psychologist	1				
Social Worker					
Nurse	1				
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	1				
Resource Specialist	1				
Other					
Average Number of Students per Staff Member					
Academic Counselor					

^{*} 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.

	Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)											
	a a			Number of Classrooms*								
Grade	Average Class Size		1-20		21-32			33+				
	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
К	22	22	23	1	1	1	2	2	3			
1	24	24	21			1	3	3	1			
2	26	26	23				3	3	3			
3	26	26	19			1	3	3	3			
4	26	26	31				3	3	3			
5	30	30	28				3	3	3			
6	26	26	30				3	3	3			

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

Professional Development provided for Teachers

A constructive evaluation process promotes quality instruction and is a fundamental element in a sound educational program. Evaluations and formal observations are designed to encourage common goals and to comply with the state's evaluation criteria and district policies. Temporary and probationary teachers are evaluated annually and tenured teachers are evaluated every other year.

Evaluations are conducted by site administrators, who have been trained and certified for competency to perform teacher evaluations. Evaluation criteria includes the following:

- Engaging and Supporting all Students in Learning
- Understanding and Organizing Subject Matter for Student Learning
- **Assessing Student Learning**
- Creating and Maintaining Effective Environments for Student Learning
- Planning Instruction and Designing Learning Experiences for all Students
- Developing as a Professional Educator

Staff members build teaching skills and concepts through participation in conferences and workshops throughout the year. For the past three years, the district has offered seven minimum days to be used as staff development days, as well as ongoing training on how to effectively implement the new California standards and shifts in instructional strategies.

During this time, teachers are offered a broad-based variety of professional growth opportunities in curriculum, teaching strategies, and methodologies. The school uses the Best Practices teaching strategies and teachers are trained in the techniques each year.

For additional support in their profession, teachers may enlist the services of the district's Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment (BTSA) facilitator and/or the Peer Assistance and Review (PAR) program.

FY 2015-16 Teacher and Administrative Salaries						
Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category				
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$49,392	\$48,522				
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$74,604	\$75,065				
Highest Teacher Salary	\$90,811	\$94,688				
Average Principal Salary (ES)	\$151,564	\$119,876				
Average Principal Salary (MS)	\$153,951	\$126,749				
Average Principal Salary (HS)	\$164,505	\$135,830				
Superintendent Salary	\$226,527	\$232,390				
Percent of District Budget						
Teacher Salaries	32%	37%				
Administrative Salaries	4%	5%				

Average Principal Salary (MS)	\$153,951	\$126,749					
Average Principal Salary (HS)	\$164,505	\$135,830					
Superintendent Salary	\$226,527	\$232,390					
Percent of District Budget							
Teacher Salaries 32% 37%							
Administrative Salaries 4% 5%							
For detailed information on salaries, see the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits webpage at www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/ .							

FY 2015-16 Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries						
11	Exp	Average				
Level	Total	Restricted	Unrestricted	Teacher Salary		
School Site	\$5,758	\$1,266	\$4,492	\$66,605		
District	*	*	\$6,336	\$76,860		
State	* *		\$6,574	\$77,824		
Percent Diffe	erence: School	-29.1	-3.8			
Percent Diffe	erence: School	-18.9	-3.2			

Cells with ♦ do not require data.

Types of Services Funded

In addition to general state funding, Porterville Unified School District received state and federal categorical funding for the following support programs:

- Title I, Basic Grant
- Title II, Teacher Quality & Technology
- Title III, Limited English Proficiency
- Title VI, Indian, Native Hawaiian, and Alaska Native Education

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

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.