

2023 - 2024 School Accountability Report Card - Executive Summary



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Hours of Operation

Our office is open from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Parents are always welcome to visit the office to address any questions or concerns they may have about the school or their children. The office staff can assist parents with registering and enrolling their children and can give information about programs at the school.

School Highlights and Awards

Similar Schools Rank, 8
GATE Accelerated Program
Watch D.O.G.S Program
Bronze Level USDA Healthier US School
Outstanding Membership Award PTA
Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS) School-Gold Award (2022-2023), Silver Award (2017-2021), Bronze Award (2015-2016)

Student Demographics

Demographic	School	District
Enrollment	355	62,061
English Learners	43	10,342
Languages Spoken	14	118
Students of Poverty	107	27,591
GATE	14	5,391

SOURCE: 2022 - 2023, California Dept. of Education

Population by Ethnicity

Ethnicity	Percentage
African American	1.7%
American Indian	%
Asian	20%
Filipino	1.1%
Hispanic	25.6%
Pacific Islander	1.1%
Two or More Races	12.7%
White	37.7%

SOURCE: 2022 - 2023, California Dept. of Education

Introduction from the Board

Thank you for your interest and commitment to your child's education, and your continuing partnership in teaching and learning. In order to best serve our community, we have created this condensed version of the full School Accountability Report Card (SARC) with the mission of presenting information about each of our schools in a clear, parent friendly format. If you are interested in viewing the full SARC report for your child's school, you will find it at the district website: <http://www.egusd.net/academics/assessments/school-accountability-report-cards/>

A Message From the Principal

Pleasant Grove Elementary
A Community of Lifelong Learners!

Dear Families,

Pleasant Grove Elementary truly provides a unique and wonderful educational experience for children, from the safety of the campus, to the warmth of the learning environment, to the rigor of the instructional programs. All aspects of the school contribute to providing students with the skills they need to be successful learners.

Our district's mission is to provide a learning community that challenges ALL students to realize their greatest potential.

Our mission at Pleasant Grove Elementary is to provide a nurturing environment of academic excellence where all students value service to others, are critical thinkers, and are strong advocates for their own learning.

Family support and involvement are important to the continued success at Pleasant Grove Elementary. This support is given, recognized, and appreciated in many different ways. Some families help plan the programs and policies, while others serve as classroom and library volunteers, plan family activities, or work as art docents. Families also support student success by providing space, time, and encouragement for daily homework, and by sending a clear message that education and regular school attendance are important.

The safety of our students is the school's first priority and the discipline policy is strictly enforced. We emphasize cooperation and responsible, respectful behavior. We have a locked campus and all adults visiting campus are required to check in through the school office. The atmosphere of the school makes our students feel comfortable and safe.

Deidra Wood, Principal
Pleasant Grove Elementary

Parental Involvement

There are a number of ways to become involved with your child's education. Our school has an active and generous PTA. We have Back to School Night in the fall, Open House in the spring, and parent conferences twice during the year. Parents may also become involved by participating in school functions, volunteering in your child's classroom, and by joining the PTA or School Site Council. For more information on parent involvement opportunities, you may contact your child's classroom teacher or our principal, Mrs. Wood, at 685-9630.

Teacher Credentials and Misassignments

In the 2022-2023 school year, over 99 percent of the district's teachers held full teaching credentials. In addition to being fully credentialed, if a class is 20 percent or more English Learners (EL), the teacher should hold a supplementary authorization to instruct students in learning English or they are considered misassigned.

In subjects with a shortage, a fully credentialed teacher is sometimes asked to teach outside of their subject matter competency area until an appropriately credentialed teacher can be hired. In these cases, teachers are counted as misassigned.

Vacancies are defined as a position to which a permanent teacher has not been assigned by the beginning of the course. Most vacancies in our district are in subject areas where qualified teachers are in shortage.

Teacher Credentials (School Year 2022 - 2023)

Total Number of Teachers	16.60
Total Full Credentials	16.60

SOURCE: 2022 - 2023, California Dept. of Education

Note: The data in this table is based on Full Time Equivalent (FTE) status. One FTE equals one staff member working full time; one FTE could also represent two staff members who each work 50 percent of full time. Additionally, an assignment is defined as a position that an educator is assigned based on setting, subject, and grade level. An authorization is defined as the services that an educator is authorized to provide to students.

Class Assignments (School Year 2022 - 2023)

Indicator	Percent
Misassignments for English Learners (a percentage of all the classes with English learners taught by teachers that are misassigned)	0.00%
No credential, permit or authorization to teach (a percentage of all the classes taught by teachers with no record of an authorization to teach)	0.00%

SOURCE: 2022 - 2023, California Dept. of Education

Note: For more information refer to the Updated Teacher Equity Definitions web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/pd/ee/teacherequitydefinitions.asp>.

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvement

Pleasant Grove Elementary School has 20 classrooms, a multipurpose room, a library, and an administration building. The original main campus at this site was originally built in 1951 and retrofitted in 1993. However, the campus went through modernization July 2020-January 2023, during which many buildings were torn down and new buildings were completed in their place. There is a large playground and field area with a track that affords students ample space for recesses and PE activities. There is wireless technology in place so that the teachers and students have full access to technology. There are Interactive Boards in every classroom.

The district's maintenance and grounds departments work with the site custodial team to ensure school buildings, classrooms, and grounds are maintained at exceptional levels to provide a safe functional environment for all students. The district's electronic work order system enables sites to communicate maintenance needs. Emergency repair needs are immediately resolved by the school custodian or district maintenance. The custodians work as a team to develop a daily cleaning process and schedule. Each morning the custodian inspects the school prior to students and staff entering school grounds. Restrooms are inspected throughout the day to ensure that they are adequately stocked, safe, and sanitary. The Board of Education has adopted cleaning standards for all schools in the district.

Pleasant Grove Elementary went through modernization July 2020-January 2023. The multi-purpose room will be modernized in the near future.

Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments (considered "ineffective" under ESSA) (School Year 2022 - 2023)

Authorization/Assignment	Number
Permits and Waivers	0.00
Misassignments	0.00
Vacant Positions	0.00
Total Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments	0.00

SOURCE: 2022 - 2023, California Dept. of Education

Credentialed Teachers Assigned Out-of-Field (considered "out-of-field" under ESSA) (School Year 2022 - 2023)

Indicator	Number
Credentialed Teachers Authorized on a Permit or Waiver	0.00
Local Assignment Options	0.00
Total Out-of-Field Teachers	0.00

SOURCE: 2022 - 2023, California Dept. of Education

School Facility Good Repair Status

Date of facilities inspection : 3/7/2023

Items Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed
	Good	Fair	Poor	
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	X			No
Interior: Interior Surfaces	X			No
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	X			No
Electrical: Electrical	X			No
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	X			No
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	X			No
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	X			No
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	X			No
Overall Summary	Exemplary	Good	Fair	
	X			

SOURCE: 2023 - 2024, EGUSD

Class Size

In Elk Grove schools, our research shows that small class sizes lead to higher student engagement and academic achievement. It has been a top priority in our district to reduce class sizes. For the 2023 - 2024 school year, class sizes are 24 to 1 in Transitional Kindergarten through 3rd grade, and 28 to 1 in 4th through 6th grades.

Grade Level	School Average
Kindergarten	21
Grade 1	19
Grade 2	27
Grade 3	23
Grade 4	24
Grade 5	27
Grade 6	29

SOURCE: 2022 - 2023, California Dept. of Education

California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress Results for All Students (School Year 2022 - 2023)

Subject	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards					
	School		District		State	
	2021 - 2022	2022 - 2023	2021 - 2022	2022 - 2023	2021 - 2022	2022 - 2023
English Language Arts/Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11)	64%	61%	52%	51%	47%	46%
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	62%	58%	40%	40%	33%	34%

Note: Where it was the most viable option, in 2020-21, LEAs were required to administer the statewide summative assessment in ELA and mathematics and where a statewide summative assessment was not the most viable option for the LEA, LEAs were permitted to report results from a different assessment that meets the criteria established by the California State Board of Education on March 16, 2021. The 2020-21 data cells for the school, district, state have N/A values because these data are not comparable to 2021-22 data.

Professional Development

Our school and district offer a variety of professional learning opportunities for teachers, instructional aides, and support staff. As a site, we are currently focusing on development of Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) with a focus on Common Core State Standards in ELA and Math. Our focus is on Engagement Strategies, Collaborative Conversations, and using technology to support ELA and Math standards. In addition, we provide opportunities for our students to familiarize themselves with taking assessments via the computer since this is how they will be assessed on State Assessments again this year. During on-going grade level meetings and Early-Out Thursdays, teachers meet and review student work, make determinations about students' strengths and weaknesses, and plan subsequent instruction to meet students' needs. The on-going collaboration between teachers and grade levels has been a strength for our site and academic program.

School Safety Plan

Your child's safety is important to us at Pleasant Grove Elementary. Our staff reviewed and updated our School Safety Plan in October 2023. An Emergency Handbook, outlining a plan of action for emergencies such as earthquakes, fires, floods, and chemical spills, is kept in every classroom, office, and our main school office. Random, periodic school safety inspections are conducted by the County of Sacramento. The district's Safety & Security Department works closely with our school site to provide a safe, secure environment for all students. We are a locked campus and visitors sign in and out through the main office. Students have supervision before school beginning at 7:50 for those who eat breakfast at school and at 8:05 for those dropped off when the gate opens. Students are supervised after school at dismissal until they are picked up by a parent or guardian.

Specialized Programs

At our school we have highly qualified staff to assist students with special learning needs. Our Learning Center services special education students who need additional support to meet the standards. English Language Development instruction through our ELA curriculum program and academic tutors help our English Learners access the core curriculum. Gifted and Talented students are exposed to a high interest, after school class with hands on activities. Students who need extra tutoring or homework help can participate in a before or after school tutoring program with our teaching staff.

Average Salaries

Data reported are the district's average salaries for teachers, principals, and superintendents, compared to the state average salaries for districts of the same type and size, as defined by Education Code Section 41409.

Teachers	EGUSD 50,000+ ADA	State Average 20,000+ ADA
Beginning	\$49,100	\$55,550
Midrange	\$70,352	\$80,703
Highest	\$102,103	\$109,418
Principals		
Elementary	\$129,846	\$137,703
Middle	\$129,165	\$143,760
High	\$141,477	\$159,021
District Superintendent		
	\$370,598	\$319,443
Share of budget used for:		
Teachers' Salaries	34.3%	30.4%
Administrative Salaries	3.7%	4.9%

SOURCE: 2021 - 2022, California Dept. of Education

District Administration

- Christopher R. Hoffman
Superintendent
- Jenifer Avey
Executive Director
of School Support
- Mark Cerutti
Deputy Superintendent,
Education Services and Schools
- Kristen Coates, Ed. D.
Deputy Superintendent,
Business Services and Facilities
Administration
- Bindy Grewal
Assistant Superintendent,
Elementary Education
- Amari Watkins
Chief Financial Officer
- Lisa Levasseur
Executive Director
of School Support
- Steve Mate
Chief Technology Officer
- David E. Reilly
Associate Superintendent
- Amreek Singh
Chief Human Resources Officer
- Chad Sweitzer
Assistant Superintendent,
Secondary Education

Discipline

	School	District
Suspensions	0.8%	3.8%
Expulsions	0.0%	0.0%

SOURCE: 2022 - 2023, California Dept. of Education

Elk Grove Unified School District

This school is administered by the Elk Grove Unified School District, which covers over 320 square miles in southern Sacramento County.

Total Students (Oct 2022)	62,061
Elementary Schools	43
Middle Schools	9
High Schools	9
Alternative Schools	4
Charter Schools	1
Adult Education Schools	1
Special Education Schools	1