

School Accountability Report Card Reported for School Year 2008-09 Published During 2009-10

The School Accountability Report Card (SARC), which is required by law to be published annually, contains information about the condition and performance of each California public school. More information about SARC requirements is available on the California Department of Education (CDE) SARC Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>. For additional information about the school, parents and community members should contact the school principal or the district office.

I. Data and Access

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. Academic Performance Index [API], Adequate Yearly Progress [AYP], test data, enrollment, 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 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.

II. About This School

Contact Information (School Year 2009-10)

This section provides the school's contact information.

School		District	
School Name	Paradise Elementary School	District Name	Paradise Unified School District
Street	588 Pearson Road	Phone Number	530.872.6400
City, State, Zip	Paradise, CA 95969	Web Site	www.pusdk12.org
Phone Number	530.872.6415	Superintendent	Roger Bylund
Principal	Michelle John	E-mail Address	cjohnson@pusdk12.org
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School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2008-09)

This section provides information about the school, its programs and its goals.

Our mission at Paradise Elementary School is to provide educational opportunities for all students, enabling them to reach their intellectual, social, physical and emotional potential in our ever-changing and challenging world. To reach this goal, we have established high standards for academic accomplishments and student behavior. In Spring 2006, Paradise Elementary School was selected as a California Distinguished School. In Spring 2007, our school was awarded a Title One Academic Achievement Award by the State Department of Education. In Spring 2008, our school was awarded the 2008 Governor's Challenge Competition for the North Coast Regional Schools. We have been successful in reaching our goals through outstanding instruction on a daily basis. We understand the significance of appropriate social/emotional development of each child and strive to teach all students respect, responsibility and safety along with a joy for learning.

Paradise Elementary School is a K-6 traditional schedule school located in a rural, foothill community. We have a student enrollment of approximately 650 students. Our K-3 classrooms have a 20:1 student to teacher ratio while our grade 4-6 classrooms average 32 students per class. Besides an excellent and experienced classroom teaching staff, we have a strong support staff dedicated to ensuring a successful school experience for all students.

We are very fortunate to have many parents participating in our classrooms, on our School Site Council and in our Parent Panther Organization. Many organizations in the community are supporters of our school and its programs. It is the ongoing efforts and commitment of all involved that make our school a special place for children.

Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2008-09)

This section provides information about opportunities for parents to become involved with school activities.

At Paradise Elementary School, our teachers and staff work in close partnership with parents to support the total development of our students. We encourage and welcome a strong, on-going connection between home and school. Parents have the opportunity to be involved in their child’s classroom on a weekly or even daily basis and also to participate with special classroom activities and field trips. Teachers identify a “Room Parent” who assists with organizing classroom activities and communicating with other parents in the class.

At the school site level, parents can be involved with School Site Council as a parent representative. This team meets on a regular basis throughout the year and makes school-wide decisions in reviewing the annual school plan and approving the school budget expenditures. The School Site Council is composed of an equal number of parents and school staff members.

Paradise Elementary also has a parent support organization, the Panther Club, which is open to all parents/guardians. The Panther Club sponsors family oriented events throughout the year and supports our school through fund raising activities. The Panther Club makes many wonderful contributions to our school, supports student activities and has established an extremely positive working relationship with all staff.

Please contact our school office for information on parent participation. The School Site Council President and the Panther Club President can provide additional information on parent participation opportunities.

Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2008-09)

This table displays the number of students enrolled in each grade level at the school.

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	110
Grade 1	98
Grade 2	101
Grade 3	100
Grade 4	96
Grade 5	96
Total Enrollment	601

Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2008-09)

This table displays the percent of students enrolled at the school who are identified as being in a particular group.

Group	Percent of Total Enrollment	Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
African American	0.33	White (not Hispanic)	78.87
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.33	Multiple or No Response	12.81
Asian	0.33	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	66.00
Filipino	0.33	English Learners	2.00
Hispanic or Latino	6.66	Students with Disabilities	6.00
Pacific Islander	0.33		

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)

This table displays, by grade level, the average class size and the number of classrooms that fall into each size category (a range of total students per classroom).

Grade Level	2006-07				2007-08				2008-09			
	Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms		
		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+
K	20.5	3	3		21.0		5		18.5	6		
1	20.8	1	4		22.2	2	4		19.4	5		
2	20.9	1	6		21.0		7		20.0	4	1	
3	20.7	2	4		20.6	2	3		20.0	4	1	
4	28.0	1	2		31.3		3		32.0		3	
5	32.0		4		32.0		2		32.0		3	
6					30.0		2					
K-3					21.0		2					
4-8	30.0		1		30.0		1					

III. School Climate

School Safety Plan (School Year 2008-09)

This section provides information about the school's comprehensive safety plan.

A well-developed school safety plan is in place and is updated and approved by the PUSD school board on an annual basis. This plan includes, but is not limited to, such items as school-wide discipline, safe ingress and egress, dangerous pupils procedures and disaster preparation practices and training (SIMS/NIMS) for all staff members. Safety drills are a regular part of the school plan. Teachers and students learn and practice safe responses to different drill situations so they will be well prepared in the event of a true emergency.

Suspensions and Expulsions

This table displays the rate of suspensions and expulsions (the total number of incidents divided by the total enrollment) at the school and district levels for the most recent three-year period.

Rate	School			District		
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Suspensions	4.0	5.7	3.8	16.5	16.3	23.3
Expulsions	0.1	0.0	0.0	1.1	1.0	0.9

IV. School Facilities

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (School Year 2009-10)

This section provides information about the condition of the school's grounds, buildings, and restrooms based on the most recent data available, and a description of any planned or recently completed facility improvements.

Paradise Elementary School was built in 1939, making it the oldest school in the Paradise Unified School District. Since that time it has been expanded with the addition of several wings and separate classrooms. Although our school is almost 70 years old, it has been exceptionally well maintained and is a very safe facility. A blend of the past, present and the future gives our school charm and purpose. The classrooms in our main building are all accessible by wide hallways, which provide areas for display of student work. Pride in our students' accomplishments is showcased and appreciated by everyone. The hallways channel the flow of students to allow for greetings and pleasantries between staff and students.

The grounds feature three separate play areas for kindergarten, primary students and upper grade students with developmentally appropriate playground equipment along with large grassy fields and blacktop areas. In 2007/2008 the student population of 650 was housed in 30 classrooms with an additional 3 classrooms devoted to student Learning Labs for Team Success and three classrooms allocated to the Boys & Girls Club for an after-school program.

Classrooms have air conditioning and have been modernized. The restrooms are conveniently located throughout the school and have been modernized as well. A music room is also available for upper grade student lessons along with both band and chorus. We have internet access in all wings of the school and it is accessed appropriately at each grade level. The school boasts a beautiful library facility and a separate computer lab that is available for full-class usage. Our cafeteria serves as a multi-purpose room complete with a charming stage for frequent student performances and award ceremonies. Students also have the opportunity to eat and socialize in a lovely outdoor courtyard.

School Facility Good Repair Status (School Year 2009-10)

This table displays the results of the most recently completed school site inspection to determine the school facility's good repair status.

System Inspected	Repair Status				Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor	
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	[]	[X]	[]	[]	95% of all systems are on automated controls. Filters are changed regularly and maintenance is continuous. The site has two standard septic systems that are evaluated as required by the Town of Paradise.
Interior: Interior Surfaces	[]	[X]	[]	[]	Wall surfaces are painted and repairs made continuously.
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	[]	[]	[X]	[]	The site is in good repair and generally maintained in a clean condition. The site received a complaint regarding the cleanliness of classrooms, filed under the case of Williams, et al v. State of California, et al and implemented by the passage of SB 550 in 2004. The site has taken appropriate steps to insure that all classrooms are adequately cleaned.
Electrical: Electrical	[]	[X]	[]	[]	Exit and emergency lighting is checked regularly and noted monthly. The warranty on the retrofit is still in effect for one more year.
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	[]	[X]	[]	[]	Restrooms are in good order, well stocked and clean.
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	[]	[X]	[]	[]	Fire extinguishers are serviced annually and checked monthly. The new fire alarm system is in good working order. FLS (Fire Life Safety) strobe lighting in restrooms is checked regularly. Chemical cleaners are stored out of reach of children. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) are on site and updated regularly.
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	[]	[X]	[]	[]	There is no structural damage. The roofs are in good condition and maintenance is continuous.
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	[]	[X]	[]	[]	Grounds and equipment are checked and recorded monthly. Repairs are completed by site staff. Minor adjustments on all hardware is done by site staff.
Overall Rating	[]	[X]	[]	[]	Paradise Elementary School is one of the oldest schools in the district, yet it is maintained in good repair. Minor deficiencies are a result of minor wear and tear and are in the process of being addressed as required and as needed.

V. Teachers

Teacher Credentials

This table displays the number of teachers assigned to the school with a full credential, without a full credential, and those teaching outside of their subject area of competence. Detailed information about teacher qualifications can be found on the CDE DataQuest Web page at <http://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/>.

Teachers	School			District
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2008-09
With Full Credential	35	35	31	229
Without Full Credential	1	0	0	8
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	0	---

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

This table displays the number of teacher misassignments (teachers assigned without proper legal authorization) and the number of vacant teacher positions (not filled by a single designated teacher assigned to teach the entire course at the beginning of the school year or semester). *Note: Total Teacher Misassignments includes the number of Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners.*

Indicator	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0

Core Academic Classes Taught by No Child Left Behind Compliant Teachers (School Year 2008-09)

This table displays the percent of classes in core academic subjects taught by No Child Left Behind (NCLB) compliant and non-NCLB compliant teachers in the school, in all schools in the district, in high-poverty schools in the district, and in low-poverty schools in the district. High poverty schools are defined as those schools with student participation of approximately 75 percent or more in the free and reduced price meals program. Low poverty schools are those with student participation of approximately 25 percent or less in the free and reduced price meals program. More information on teacher qualifications required under NCLB can be found on the CDE Improving Teacher and Principal Quality Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/nclb/sr/tq/>.

Location of Classes	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects Taught by	
	NCLB Compliant Teachers	Non-NCLB Compliant Teachers
This School	100	0
All Schools in District	94.8	5.2
High-Poverty Schools in District	100	0
Low-Poverty Schools in District	100	0

VI. Support Staff

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2008-09)

This table displays, in units of full-time equivalents (FTE), the number of academic counselors and other support staff who are assigned to the school and the average number of students per academic counselor. 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.

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor		
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)		---
Library Media Services Staff (paraprofessional)		---
Psychologist		---
Social Worker		---
Nurse		---
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	1.0	---
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)		---
Other		---

VII. Curriculum and Instructional Materials

Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2009-10)

This table displays information about the quality, currency, and availability of the standards-aligned textbooks and other instructional materials used at the school, and information about the school's use of any supplemental curriculum or non-adopted textbooks or instructional materials.

The district sets a high priority on providing current and sufficient textbooks and instructional materials for students. In this regard, our primary goal is to provide instruction and materials that are aligned to the California Content Standards. The district textbook review and approval process considers instructional materials that have been approved by the State Board of Education (SBE) for textbook adoption. Students have access to a wide variety of instructional materials including texts, workbooks, math and science equipment, reference resources, library and audiovisual materials. The school library and other technology resources provide students and staff with additional tools for learning and accessing information.

Annually the district surveys availability and adequacy of textbooks and science laboratory materials. Sufficient standards-aligned core textbooks are provided for each student on a one-to-one basis. Adequate materials support English language learners. District-adopted materials are current and consistent with state adoption and curriculum framework cycles. In addition various supplemental programs are utilized in classrooms and a number of intervention programs are used for academic support for struggling learners.

Core Curriculum Area	Quality, Currency, and Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials	Percent of Pupils Who Lack Their Own Assigned Textbooks and Instructional Materials
Reading/Language Arts	Legacy of Literacy, Houghton Mifflin, ©2003 Write Source Series, Great Source, ©2000 Reading and Language Arts Program, McDougal-Littell, ©2002	0%
Mathematics	Harcourt Mathematics, Harcourt, ©2009	0%
Science	Harcourt Science Program, Harcourt, ©2000	0%
History-Social Science	HM Social Studies, Houghton Mifflin, ©2006	0%
Foreign Language		
Health		
Visual and Performing Arts	Teacher-selected instructional materials that are aligned with State standards	0%

VIII. School Finances

Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2007-08)

This table displays a comparison of the school's per pupil expenditures from unrestricted (basic) sources with other schools in the district and throughout the state, and a comparison of the average teacher salary at the school site with average teacher salaries at the district and state levels. Detailed information regarding school expenditures can be found on the CDE Current Expense of Education & Per-pupil Spending Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/ec/> and teacher salaries can be found on the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/>.

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Supplemental)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Basic)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	\$8,539	\$3,351	\$5,189	\$66,566
District	---	---	\$5,071	\$56,260
Percent Difference: School Site and District	---	---	2%	18%
State	---	---	\$4,943	\$63,640
Percent Difference: School Site and State	---	---	5%	5%

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2008-09)

This section provides information about the programs and supplemental services that are provided at the school through either categorical funds or other sources.

The school provides curriculum-based instruction in all core subjects. It also offers special education services. Additional support is provided for English language learners and for those students struggling with core subjects. Categorical funding supports additional aide time in the classroom and supports educational technology.

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2007-08)

This table displays district salaries for teachers, principals, and superintendents, and compares these figures to the state averages for districts of the same type and size. The table also displays teacher and administrative salaries as a percent of a district's budget, and compares these figures to the state averages for districts of the same type and size based on the salary schedule. Detailed information regarding salaries may be found on the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/>.

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$34,340	\$38,941
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$50,504	\$59,686
Highest Teacher Salary	\$75,335	\$77,828
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$75,603	\$94,258
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$76,118	\$98,271
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$78,435	\$104,869
Superintendent Salary	\$110,499	\$142,247
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	37.9	38.2
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	4.5	5.9

IX. Student Performance

Standardized Testing and Reporting Program

The Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program consists of several key components, including the California Standards Tests (CSTs); the California Modified Assessment (CMA), and the California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA). The CSTs show how well students are doing in relation to the state content standards. The CSTs include English-language arts (ELA) and mathematics in grades two through eleven; science in grades five, eight, and nine through eleven; and history-social science in grades eight, and ten through eleven. The CAPA includes ELA, mathematics in grades two through eleven, and science for grades five, eight, and ten. The CAPA is given to those students with significant cognitive disabilities whose disabilities prevent them from taking either the CSTs with accommodations or modifications or the CMA with accommodations. The CMA includes ELA for grades three through eight and science in grades five and eight and is an alternate assessment that is based on modified achievement standards. The CMA is designed to assess those students whose disabilities preclude them from achieving grade-level proficiency on an assessment of the California content standards with or without accommodations. Student scores are reported as performance levels. Detailed information regarding the STAR Program results for each grade and performance level, including the percent of students not tested, can be found on the CDE Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Results Web site at <http://star.cde.ca.gov>. Program information regarding the STAR Program can be found in the Explaining 2008 STAR Program Summary Results to the Public guide at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/sr/documents/starpkt5intrpts.pdf>. *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. In no case shall any group score be reported that would deliberately or inadvertently make public the score or performance of any individual student.*

Standardized Testing and Reporting Results for All Students – Three-Year Comparison

This table displays the percent of students achieving at the Proficient or Advanced level (meeting or exceeding the state standards).

Subject	School			District			State		
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
English-Language Arts	45	48	54	47	47	51	43	46	50
Mathematics	48	52	58	36	39	42	40	43	46
Science	36	55	48	46	51	53	38	46	50
History-Social Science				34	35	38	33	36	41

Standardized Testing and Reporting Results by Student Group – Most Recent Year

This table displays the percent of students, by group, achieving at the Proficient or Advanced level (meeting or exceeding the state standards) for the most recent testing period.

Group	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced			
	English- Language Arts	Mathematics	Science	History-Social Science
African American	*	*	*	
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*	
Asian	*	*		
Filipino	*	*		
Hispanic or Latino	38	56		
Pacific Islander	*	*		
White (not Hispanic)	56	58	51	
Male	54	63	61	
Female	54	53	37	
Economically Disadvantaged	46	53	44	
English Learners	*	*	*	
Students with Disabilities	29	10	*	
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services				

X. Accountability

Academic Performance Index

The Academic Performance Index (API) is an annual measure of the academic performance and progress of schools in California. API scores range from 200 to 1,000, with a statewide target of 800. Detailed information about the API can be found at the CDE Academic Performance Index (API) Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ap/>.

Academic Performance Index Ranks – Three-Year Comparison

This table displays the school's statewide and similar schools API ranks. The statewide API rank ranges from 1 to 10. A statewide rank of 1 means that the school has an API score in the lowest ten percent of all schools in the state, while a statewide rank of 10 means that the school has an API score in the highest ten percent of all schools in the state. The similar schools API rank reflects how a school compares to 100 statistically matched "similar schools." A similar schools rank of 1 means that the school's academic performance is comparable to the lowest performing ten schools of the 100 similar schools, while a similar schools rank of 10 means that the school's academic performance is better than at least 90 of the 100 similar schools.

API Rank	2006	2007	2008
Statewide	7	5	5
Similar Schools	4	1	2

Academic Performance Index Growth by Student Group – Three-Year Comparison

This table displays, by student group, the actual API changes in points added or lost for the past three years, and the most recent API score. *Note: "N/A" means that the student group is not numerically significant.*

Group	Actual API Change			Growth API Score
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009
All Students at the School	-31	25	35	808
African American				
American Indian or Alaska Native				
Asian				
Filipino				
Hispanic or Latino				
Pacific Islander				
White (not Hispanic)	-32	29	30	811
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	-32	38	37	776
English Learners				
Students with Disabilities				

Adequate Yearly Progress

The federal NCLB Act requires that all schools and districts meet the following Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) criteria:

- Participation rate on the state's standards-based assessments in ELA and mathematics
- Percent proficient on the state's standards-based assessments in ELA and mathematics
- API as an additional indicator
- Graduation rate (for secondary schools)

Detailed information about AYP, including participation rates and percent proficient results by student group, can be found at the CDE Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/>.

Adequate Yearly Progress Overall and by Criteria (School Year 2008-09)

This table displays an indication of whether the school and the district made AYP overall and whether the school and the district met each of the AYP criteria.

AYP Criteria	School	District
Overall	Yes	No
Participation Rate: English-Language Arts	Yes	Yes
Participation Rate: Mathematics	Yes	Yes
Percent Proficient: English-Language Arts	Yes	No
Percent Proficient: Mathematics	Yes	No
API	Yes	Yes
Graduation Rate	N/A	Yes

Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2009-10)

Schools and districts receiving federal Title I funding enter Program Improvement (PI) if they do not make AYP for two consecutive years in the same content area (ELA or mathematics) or on the same indicator (API or graduation rate). After entering PI, schools and districts advance to the next level of intervention with each additional year that they do not make AYP. Detailed information about PI identification can be found at the CDE Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/>.

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status	Not in PI	Not In PI
First Year of Program Improvement		
Year in Program Improvement		
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	---	1
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	---	7.7

XI. Instructional Planning and Scheduling

Professional Development

This section provides information on the annual number of school days dedicated to staff development for the most recent three-year period.

The annual number of teacher contract days devoted to professional development during each of the last three years was three (3) days or the equivalent of 21 hours. Professional development was offered before the beginning of each school year and numerous after-school and weekend workshops were available during the school year. The workshops offered included sessions presented by Paradise Unified School District, Butte County Office of Education and other providers. Content consisted of a variety of subject matter including English Language Arts, Math, Science, Visual and Performing Arts, Physical Education, Social Science, effective teaching strategies, addressing the needs of students with special needs, increasing student achievement, enriching the school environment and character education. Most teachers exceeded the twenty-one hour requirement for professional development.

XII. National Assessment of Educational Progress

National Assessment of Educational Progress

The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) is a nationally representative assessment of what America's students know and can do in various subject areas. Assessments are conducted periodically in mathematics, reading, science, writing, the arts, civics, economics, geography, and U.S. history. Student scores for reading and mathematics are reported as performance levels (i.e., basic, proficient, and advanced) and the participation of students with disabilities and English language learners is reported based on three levels (identified, excluded, and assessed). Detailed information regarding the NAEP results for each grade, performance level, and participation rate can be found on the [National Assessment of Educational Progress](#) Web page (Outside Source).

Note: Only a sample group of California's schools and districts participate in the NAEP testing cycle. Therefore, students in any particular school or district may not be included in these results. The NAEP reflects state test results and is not reflective of either the LEA or the individual school. Comparisons of student performance on the NAEP and student performance on the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program assessments cannot be made without an understanding of the key differences between the two assessment programs. For example, the NAEP only assesses grades four, eight and twelve and for long-term trends assesses grades nine, thirteen, and seventeen. Additionally, the NAEP only provides state test results for grades four and eight. The California Standards Tests (CSTs) are based on a different set of standards than the NAEP assessments. For example, the NAEP is not aligned with California academic content and achievement standards and, therefore, does not necessarily reflect the curriculum and instruction to which students are exposed in the classroom. The NAEP assesses reading and writing separately, while the CSTs assess English-language arts (ELA), encompassing reading as well as writing conventions, spelling, and grammar. Scores on the CSTs and other assessments are not directly comparable to those on NAEP. The averages and percentages presented are estimates based on samples of students rather than on entire populations. Finally, the questions students respond to are only a sample of the knowledge and skills covered by the NAEP frameworks. Information on the differences between NAEP and CST can be found on the CDE [National Assessment of Educational Progress \(NAEP\)](#) Web page.

National Assessment of Educational Progress Reading and Mathematics Results by Grade Level – All Students

This table displays the scale scores and achievement levels on the National Assessment of Educational Progress Results for reading (2007) and mathematics (2009) for grades four and eight.

Subject and Grade Level	Average Scale Score		State Percent at Achievement Level		
	State	National	Basic	Proficient	Advanced
Reading 2007, Grade 4	209	220	30	18	5
Reading 2007, Grade 8	251	261	41	20	2
Mathematics 2009, Grade 4	232	239	41	25	5
Mathematics 2009, Grade 8	270	282	36	18	5

National Assessment of Educational Progress Reading and Mathematics Results for Students with Disabilities and/or English Language Learners by Grade Level – All Students

This table displays the state and national participation rates on the National Assessment of Educational Progress for reading (2007) and mathematics (2009) for students with disabilities and/or English language learners for grades four and eight.

Subject and Grade Level	State Participation Rate		National Participation Rate	
	Students With Disabilities	English Language Learners	Students With Disabilities	English Language Learners
Reading 2007, Grade 4	74	93	65	80
Reading 2007, Grade 8	78	92	66	77
Mathematics 2009, Grade 4	79	96	84	94
Mathematics 2009, Grade 8	85	96	78	92