

# Birney Elementary

## School Accountability Report Card

### Reported Using Data from the 2018-19 School Year

#### Published During 2019-20

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 <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>.
- For more information about the LCFF or LCAP, see the CDE LCFF web page at <https://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 <https://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).

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## **About This School**

### **School Contact Information (School Year 2019-20)**

Entity	Contact Information
<b>School Name</b>	Birney Elementary
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<b>County-District-School (CDS) Code</b>	19753416022032

Entity	Contact Information
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### School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2019-20)

Birney Elementary School is one of the smallest elementary schools in Redondo Beach and home to a dedicated faculty, supportive parents and enthusiastic students. This year marks 60 years of educational excellence. Students receive a rigorous, standards-based education driven by individual need and high expectations for all. Teachers provide high-quality educational experiences for all students to help them reach their full potential.

Through our signature programs, Reader's and Writer's Workshop, instruction is differentiated, and individual student needs are addressed within the classroom. This approach to teaching ensures a balanced literacy program being provided that includes reading, writing, listening and speaking. Additionally, Cognitively Guided Instruction (CGI) is utilized as an inquiry-based approach in classrooms to promote and support students within their mathematical thinking and development along with our district adopted math curriculum.

Our one on one technology implementation has allowed us to develop students' critically thinking, 21st-century learners. All students receive instruction in the classrooms where they learn keyboarding skills, word processing, PowerPoint, and safe responsible Internet navigation. Our Learning Center provides additional support for students in the areas of reading, comprehension, writing, grammar, phonics instruction and mathematics. Additional programs Birney has to meet the special needs of students including GATE; the Student Success Team; English Language Learners support; Leveled Literacy Intervention; English Language Development Designated Instruction; Speech and Language support; and a school-based counseling program. At Birney Elementary School, we are dedicated to ensuring our students receive an exceptional educational experience, realize their potential and develop into caring, responsible citizens. Each student at Birney Elementary School will experience a diverse and challenging curriculum in a safe and supportive environment in preparation for life-long learning and success.

### Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2018-19)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	81
Grade 1	73
Grade 2	82
Grade 3	82
Grade 4	71
Grade 5	68
<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>457</b>

## Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2018-19)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	2.2
Asian	12
Filipino	0.7
Hispanic or Latino	24.1
White	42.9
Two or More Races	17.9
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	14
English Learners	4.4
Students with Disabilities	11.2
Homeless	

## A. Conditions of Learning

### State Priority: Basic

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Basic (Priority 1):

- Degree to which teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area and for the pupils they are teaching;
- Pupils have access to standards-aligned instructional materials; and
- School facilities are maintained in good repair

### Teacher Credentials

Teachers	School 2017-18	School 2018-19	School 2019-20	District 2019-20
With Full Credential	18	20	21	456
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	0	0

### Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
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.

## Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2019-20)

Year and month in which data were collected: October 2019

Subject	Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials/year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	K-5 Houghton Mifflin Reading	Yes	0
Mathematics	K-5 Great Minds Eureka Math	Yes	0
Science	K-5 Amplify Science	Yes	0
History-Social Science	K-5 Harcourt Social Studies	Yes	0

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

Install air conditioning in classrooms  
 6 new classroom building take place of 4 modular buildings.  
 Added shade structures to kindergarten playground.  
 Updated restrooms in kinder to current ADA requirements.  
 Synthetic Play-Field installed  
 Asphalt playground resurfaced.  
 HVAC controls upgrade

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

Using the **most recently collected** FIT data (or equivalent), provide the following:

- Determination of repair status for systems listed
- Description of any needed maintenance to ensure good repair
- The year and month in which the data were collected
- The overall rating

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: 2019 May

System Inspected	Rating	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
<b>Systems:</b> Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Good	
<b>Interior:</b> Interior Surfaces	Good	
<b>Cleanliness:</b> Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	Good	
<b>Electrical:</b> Electrical	Good	
<b>Restrooms/Fountains:</b> Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	Good	
<b>Safety:</b> Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Good	
<b>Structural:</b> Structural Damage, Roofs	Good	

System Inspected	Rating	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/Doors/Gates/Fences	Good	
<b>Overall Rating</b>	<b>Exemplary</b>	

## B. Pupil Outcomes

### State Priority: Pupil Achievement

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

- **Statewide assessments** (i.e., California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress [CAASPP] System, which includes the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments for students in the general education population and the California Alternate Assessments [CAAs] for English language arts/literacy [ELA] and mathematics given in grades three through eight and grade eleven. Only eligible students may participate in the administration of the CAAs. CAAs items are aligned with alternate achievement standards, which are linked with the Common Core State Standards [CCSS] for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities); and
- The percentage of students who have successfully completed courses that satisfy the requirements for entrance to the University of California and the California State University, or career technical education sequences or programs of study.

### CAASPP Test Results in ELA and Mathematics for All Students

#### Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven

#### Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard

Subject	School 2017-18	School 2018-19	District 2017-18	District 2018-19	State 2017-18	State 2018-19
English Language Arts/Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11)	76	81	74	78	50	50
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	76	82	69	72	38	39

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.

Note: ELA and 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.

### CAASPP Test Results in ELA by Student Group

#### Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2018-19)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	223	218	97.76	2.24	81.19
Male	111	107	96.40	3.60	74.77
Female	112	111	99.11	0.89	87.39
Black or African American	--	--	--	--	--
American Indian or Alaska Native					

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
Asian	29	27	93.10	6.90	85.19
Filipino	--	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	50	49	98.00	2.00	69.39
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander					
White	94	93	98.94	1.06	84.95
Two or More Races	39	38	97.44	2.56	86.84
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	46	45	97.83	2.17	68.89
English Learners	17	15	88.24	11.76	80.00
Students with Disabilities	33	31	93.94	6.06	61.29
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services					
Foster Youth					
Homeless					

Note: ELA test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The "Percent Met or Exceeded" is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3-Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

Note: Double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

Note: The number of students tested includes all students who participated in the test whether they received a score or not; however, the number of students tested is not the number that was used to calculate the achievement level percentages. The achievement level percentages are calculated using only students who received scores.

### CAASPP Test Results in Mathematics by Student Group Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2018-19)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	223	220	98.65	1.35	82.27
Male	111	109	98.20	1.80	77.06
Female	112	111	99.11	0.89	87.39
Black or African American	--	--	--	--	--
American Indian or Alaska Native					
Asian	29	29	100.00	0.00	82.76
Filipino	--	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	50	49	98.00	2.00	75.51
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander					
White	94	93	98.94	1.06	87.10

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
Two or More Races	39	38	97.44	2.56	84.21
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	46	45	97.83	2.17	73.33
English Learners	17	17	100.00	0.00	82.35
Students with Disabilities	33	31	93.94	6.06	67.74
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services					
Foster Youth					
Homeless					

Note: Mathematics test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The “Percent Met or Exceeded” is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3-Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

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### CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students Grades Five, Eight, and Ten Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard

Subject	School 2017-18	School 2018-19	District 2017-18	District 2018-19	State 2017-18	State 2018-19
Science (grades 5, 8 and high school)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

Note: This is a placeholder for the California Science Test (CAST) which was administered operationally during the 2018-19 school year. However, these data are not available for inclusion in the 2018-19 SARC posting due February 1, 2020. These data will be included in the 2019-20 SARC posting due February 1, 2021.

### State Priority: Other Pupil Outcomes

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

- Pupil outcomes in the subject areas of physical education.

### California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2018-19)

Grade Level	Percentage of Students Meeting Four of Six Fitness Standards	Percentage of Students Meeting Five of Six Fitness Standards	Percentage of Students Meeting Six of Six Fitness Standards
5	7.2	21.7	66.7

Note: Percentages are not calculated and double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students tested is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

## C. Engagement

### State Priority: Parental Involvement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Parental Involvement (Priority 3):

- Efforts the school district makes to seek parent input in making decisions for the school district and each school site.

### Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2019-20)

Birney has a supportive community, an active PTA and a School Site Council that works closely with faculty to provide a safe, supportive and welcoming environment for all students. Parent volunteers provide extensive support in classrooms and in the planning of special programs and events such as Hands-on-Art, the school's annual Career Day and family nights. They also support the school's participation in Live Well Kids, a childhood obesity prevention program sponsored by the Beach Cities Health District. Through this partnership, opportunities to act as garden or nutrition docents have provided parents the opportunity to be involved in their child's education and school. Additionally, fathers/male figures are encouraged to volunteer one school day each year to volunteer as a Watch DOGS (Dads of Great Students). Birney is fortunate to be well-supported by a school community that recognizes the benefits of school and home working in unison towards a shared goal of educating the whole child.

### State Priority: School Climate

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

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

### Suspensions and Expulsions

Rate	School 2016-17	School 2017-18	School 2018-19	District 2016-17	District 2017-18	District 2018-19	State 2016-17	State 2017-18	State 2018-19
<b>Suspensions</b>	1.1	0.7	0.2	1.8	1.8	2.7	3.6	3.5	3.5
<b>Expulsions</b>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1

### School Safety Plan (School Year 2019-20)

The Redondo Beach Unified School District has developed Comprehensive School Safety Plans and coordinated school crisis response procedures in partnership with law enforcement and emergency response organizations. The comprehensive School Safety Plans meet the requirements of the annual Safety Plan Process under California SB 187. As stated in SB187, school safety plans are updated annually with participation from staff and additional stakeholders in a School Site Council.

District schools have also developed a "Grab and Go" guide to supplement the Comprehensive School Safety Plans. The Grab and Go guide details teacher and staff procedures in an actual emergency, in addition to site emergency response teams.



## 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.

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

Grade Level	2016-17	2016-17	2016-17	2016-17	2017-18	2017-18	2017-18	2017-18	2018-19	2018-19	2018-19	2018-19
	Average Class Size	# of Classes* Size 1-20	# of Classes* Size 21-32	# of Classes* Size 33+	Average Class Size	# of Classes* Size 1-20	# of Classes* Size 21-32	# of Classes* Size 33+	Average Class Size	# of Classes* Size 1-20	# of Classes* Size 21-32	# of Classes* Size 33+
K	23		4		22		3		27		6	
1	23		3		25		3		24		6	
2	25		3		28		3		23		6	
3	25		2		25		3		24		8	
4	28		3		30		2		24		6	
5	31		3		36			2	34			4
Other**												

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

\*\* "Other" category is for multi-grade level classes.

### Ratio of Academic Counselors to Pupils (School Year 2018-19)

Title	Ratio
Academic Counselors*	914.0

\*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.

### Student Support Services Staff (School Year 2018-19)

Title	Number of FTE* Assigned to School
Counselor (Academic, Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	.5
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	
Psychologist	
Social Worker	
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	.7
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	1.5

\*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 2017-18)

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	9912.01	3800.84	6111.17	76953.37
District	N/A	N/A	10647.85	\$84,193.00
Percent Difference - School Site and District	N/A	N/A	-54.1	-9.0
State	N/A	N/A	\$7,506.64	\$78,059.00
Percent Difference - School Site and State	N/A	N/A	-20.5	-1.4

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

The California Department of Education issued guidance to LEAs on August 1, 2018, regarding how to calculate school-level per-pupil expenditures that will be reported on 2018-19 report cards.

### Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2018-19)

Birney utilizes the Base Funding to support students in a number of ways including: in and out of school professional development opportunities for teachers, various instructional materials, student study team opportunities, educator conference attendance, student incentives for achievement, field trips, resources for classroom and school libraries, math and ELA family nights, after school intervention programs, Leveled Literacy Intervention, parents and staff workshops, Fountas and Pinnell phonics and word study curriculum, and physical education equipment. Birney utilizes its LCFF Supplemental Funding to support students in a number of ways including: ongoing staff professional development through a consulting group, instructional aide for intervention support using the Leveled Literacy Intervention program, and instructional materials to support ELA and mathematics instruction.

### Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2017-18)

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$55,786	\$49,084
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$83,269	\$76,091
Highest Teacher Salary	\$100,168	\$95,728
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$126,678	\$118,990
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$133,334	\$125,674
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$141,116	\$137,589
Superintendent Salary	\$316,398	\$230,096
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	41%	35%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	5%	6%

For detailed information on salaries, see the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/>.

## Professional Development (Most Recent Three Years)

Measure	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Number of school days dedicated to Staff Development and Continuous Improvement	2	2	2

The Redondo Beach Unified School District is focusing staff professional development (PD) in three main areas: effective instructional strategies aligned to California State Standards at schools sites; use of technology in instruction; and the supporting of the social, emotional, and behavioral needs of all students, particularly through the implementation of Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) in all schools. While the current PD does focus on instructional and curriculum in mathematics, English, and science, the RBUUSD is also developing PD for History Social Science standards.

The RBUUSD is engaged in a multi-layered approach to delivering PD. The District provides PD through: teacher release time; conference attendance; one-day workshops; mentoring; book studies; and after-school, “early out” days. The elementary schools utilize weekly collaborative planning time through the implementation of a School Instructional Leadership Team and grade level leads.

Targeted teacher development activities are essential for increasing the quality of education to students. The below topics are a few of the professional development areas for this school year:

- Reading strategies and understanding text complexity
- MTSS and Tier 2 Intervention Strategies
- Supporting students with disabilities through inclusive practices and co-teaching
- Grade level articulation
- Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)
- Student mental health
- Suicide prevention
- Mastery Learning
- Examination of student assessment results

The use of student data is critical to better assess and support individual student development. The District provides training on our student data management, Performance Matters, to analyze individual and aggregate student progress. Elementary teachers and secondary math teachers receive ongoing training and support on diagnosing students learning targets and adjusting instruction to increase number sense.

Internal PD offerings are supplemented by partnering with external professional development organizations, including universities such as LMU and UCLA. Our partners advise on the District’s program development and provide PD for teachers and administration on instructional programs for all students.

Our new teachers are supported at school sites and at the District level through the Beginning Teacher Support and Assessments (BTSA) Program where each new teacher is mentored by a BTSA support provider. By working with BTSA, a new teacher receives support and resources to improve their teaching pedagogy.

Through the collective bargaining process, additional paid professional development days are included in the teacher work calendar.