

# Birney Elementary

## School Accountability Report Card

### Reported Using Data from the 2016-17 School Year

### Published During 2017-18

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.

#### **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).

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## **About This School**

#### **Contact Information (School Year 2017-18)**

<b>School Contact Information</b>	
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### School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2017-18)

Birney Elementary School is the smallest elementary school in Redondo Beach and home to a dedicated faculty, supportive parents and enthusiastic students. This year marks 58 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.

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; 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 2016-17)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	81
Grade 1	82
Grade 2	75
Grade 3	61
Grade 4	71
Grade 5	93
<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>463</b>

#### Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2016-17)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	2.4
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.2
Asian	9.1
Filipino	1.5
Hispanic or Latino	21.4
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.2
White	48.2
Two or More Races	17.1
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	16.6
English Learners	4.8
Students with Disabilities	12.1
Foster Youth	0.2

## 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			District
	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2017-18
With Full Credential	23	21	18	444
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	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
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 2017-18)

Year and month in which data were collected: October 2017

Subject	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	K-5 Houghton Mifflin Reading	Yes	0
Mathematics	K-5 Houghton Mifflin Go Math!	Yes	0
Science	K-5 Houghton Mifflin Science	Yes	0
History-Social Science	K-5 Harcourt Social Studies	Yes	0

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

6 new classroom building take place of 4 modular buildings.  
 Added shade structures to kindergarten playground.  
 Updated restrooms in kinder to current ADA requirements.  
 Upgrade Bogan PA (2015)  
 New fire alarm system (2015)

**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

<b>School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)</b>				
<b>Year and month of the most recent FIT report: November 2016</b>				
<b>System Inspected</b>	<b>Repair Status</b>			<b>Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned</b>
	<b>Good</b>	<b>Fair</b>	<b>Poor</b>	
<b>Systems:</b> Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	X			
<b>Interior:</b> Interior Surfaces	X			
<b>Cleanliness:</b> Overall Cleanliness, Pest/Vermin Infestation	X			
<b>Electrical:</b> Electrical	X			
<b>Restrooms/Fountains:</b> Restrooms, Sinks/Fountains	X			
<b>Safety:</b> Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	X			
<b>Structural:</b> Structural Damage, Roofs	X			
<b>External:</b> Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	X			

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

<b>Year and month of the most recent FIT report: November 2016</b>				
<b>Overall Rating</b>	<b>Exemplary</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Fair</b>	<b>Poor</b>
		X		

## B. Pupil Outcomes

### State Priority: Pupil Achievement

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

- **Statewide assessments** (i.e., California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress [CAASPP] 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 English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) and Mathematics for All Students Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven

Subject	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards (grades 3-8 and 11)					
	School		District		State	
	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17
English Language Arts/Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11)	73	77	73	73	48	48
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	69	72	61	65	36	37

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

### CAASPP Test Results in ELA by Student Group Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2016-17)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	221	218	98.64	77.06
Male	115	114	99.13	78.95
Female	106	104	98.11	75
Black or African American	--	--	--	--
American Indian or Alaska Native	--	--	--	--
Asian	19	19	100	73.68
Filipino	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	46	46	100	69.57
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	--	--	--	--
White	100	98	98	83.67
Two or More Races	39	38	97.44	78.95
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	42	41	97.62	65.85
English Learners	28	28	100	71.43
Students with Disabilities	37	35	94.59	54.29

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 2016-17)**

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	221	218	98.64	71.56
Male	115	114	99.13	77.19
Female	106	104	98.11	65.38
Black or African American	--	--	--	--
American Indian or Alaska Native	--	--	--	--
Asian	19	19	100	89.47
Filipino	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	46	46	100	56.52
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	--	--	--	--
White	100	98	98	77.55
Two or More Races	39	38	97.44	71.05
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	42	41	97.62	53.66
English Learners	28	28	100	78.57
Students with Disabilities	37	35	94.59	48.57

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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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 Science for All Students  
Grades Five, Eight, and Ten**

Subject	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced					
	School		District		State	
	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16
Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)	80	77	79	81	56	54

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.

## 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 2016-17)

Grade Level	Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	Four of Six Standards	Five of Six Standards	Six of Six Standards
5	10.9	21.7	58.7

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

## C. Engagement

### State Priority: Parental Involvement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the 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)

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, Hand-on-Science, 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. 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			District			State		
	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Suspensions	0.9	0.0	1.1	1.8	1.8	1.8	3.8	3.7	3.6
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1

### School Safety Plan (School Year 2017-18)

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.

### Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2017-18)

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status		In PI
First Year of Program Improvement		2013-2014
Year in Program Improvement*		Year 1
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	2
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	66.7

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

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

Grade Level	2014-15				2015-16				2016-17			
	Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes		
		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+
K	24		3		26		3		23		4	
1	21	1	2		26		3		23		3	
2	25		3		20	3			25		3	
3	24		4		23		3		25		2	
4	27		3		33		1	1	28		3	
5	31		2		32		3	1	31		3	

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

### Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2016-17)

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor	.45	
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	0	N/A
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	0	N/A
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	0	N/A
Psychologist	.5	N/A
Social Worker	0	N/A
Nurse	.15	N/A
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	.9	N/A
Resource Specialist	0	N/A
Other	0	N/A

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

\*One Full Time Equivalent (FTE) equals one staff member working full time; one FTE could also represent two staff members who each work 50 percent of full time.



**Expenditures per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2015-16)**

Level	Expenditures Per Pupil			Average Teacher Salary
	Total	Supplemental/ Restricted	Basic/ Unrestricted	
School Site	9057.37	3076.46	5980.91	68447.89
District	N/A	N/A	6879.79	\$80,788
Percent Difference: School Site and District	N/A	N/A	-13.1	-15.3
State	N/A	N/A	\$6,574	\$74,476
Percent Difference: School Site and State	N/A	N/A	-9.0	-8.1

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

**Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2016-17)**

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 , weekly student study team opportunities, educator conference attendance, student incentives for achievement, field trips, resources for classroom and school libraries, math and ELA family nights, parents and staff workshops, and physical education equipment. Birney utilizes its LCFE Supplemental Funding to support students in a number of ways including: ongoing staff professional development through a consulting group, instructional aide for intervention support, and instructional materials to support ELA and mathematics instruction.

**Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2015-16)**

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$53,595	\$46,511
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$79,999	\$73,293
Highest Teacher Salary	\$96,233	\$92,082
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$118,804	\$113,263
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$128,132	\$120,172
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$134,930	\$131,203
Superintendent Salary	\$295,290	\$213,732
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	42%	36%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	5%	5%

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

## Professional Development (Most Recent Three Years)

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The Redondo Beach Unified School District is focusing staff professional development (PD) in three main areas: effective instructional strategies aligned to Common Core State Standards (CCSS) at school sites; use of technology in instruction; and the implementation of Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) in all schools. While the current PD does focus on instruction and curriculum in mathematics and English Language Arts (ELA), the RBUSD is also developing PD for the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) and social science standards.

The RBUSD is engaged in a multi-layered approach to delivering PD. The District provides PD through: teacher release time; conference attendance; one-day workshops; mentoring; 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.

The use of student data is critical to better assess and support individual student development. The District provides training on our student data management, Illuminate Education, to analyze individual and aggregate student progress. Elementary teachers and secondary math teachers utilize the Tenmarks math program both to assign and assess student performance. All of the above teachers have had PD training on the Tenmarks program.

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.

The District is designing a teacher coaching model in concert with the Redondo Beach Teachers Association to mentor teacher development in: differentiating instruction; developing CCSS aligned lesson plans; as well as English Language Development aligned instruction strategies to better support our English Learner student population.

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 BT SA support provider. By working within BTSA, a new teacher receives support and resources to improve their teaching pedagogy.

Through the collective bargaining process, additional paid professional development days have been added to the teacher work calendar (1 additional day in 2015-2016, 2 additional days in 2016-2017 and 2017-2018).