

Fischer Middle School

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

Clyde L. Fischer Middle School is a school on the rise. We remain dedicated to our purpose of why we teach. Everything we do, we believe in preparing diverse leaders who are empowered to meet the challenges of an evolving society. Our success is due to a good home-school partnership, a dedicated staff, the integration of technology and most importantly, hardworking students dedicated to achieve.

Fischer Saints are resilient youngsters, empowered to succeed. We strongly believe that students learn best in a setting where they are well-known, where expectations are high, support is strong and where their voices are valued. We expect all of our students to become college graduates and return to our community to contribute to its wealth and growth. Our successful examples of community leadership coupled with our commitment to extend learning beyond the walls of the classroom setting have truly created an incomparable atmosphere. At Fischer, we dream, believe and achieve with great courage and integrity.

Fischer Middle School provides an academically challenging curriculum to support the development of student leaders and an atmosphere for students to mature socially and to develop into strong advocates for themselves and others.

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

Grade Level	Number of Students
Grade 6	85
Grade 7	121
Grade 8	83
Total Enrollment	289

Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2018-19)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	5.5
Asian	9
Filipino	0.3
Hispanic or Latino	81.7
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	2.8
White	0.7
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	93.4
English Learners	40.8
Students with Disabilities	15.9
Foster Youth	0.7
Homeless	0.7

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	20	16	13	433
Without Full Credential	3	1	2	40
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	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	2

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: August 2019

The following are the most recent adoptions for Alum Rock Union Elementary School District:

- Benchmark Advance/Adelante (ELA and ELD) 2016-Elementary/McGraw Hill: Study Sync 2017- Middle Schools
- Pearson enVision Mathematics 2015-Elementary / CPM 2015- Middle Schools

- Learning A-Z: Science A-Z Online 2019 -Elementary/Accelerate Learning:STEMscopes 2019-Middle Schools
- Benchmark 2019- Elementary /TCI Curriculum 2018- Middle School

Subject	Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials/year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	Benchmark Advance/Adelante (ELA and ELD) 2016-Elementary/McGraw Hill: Study Sync 2017- Middle Schools	Yes	0
Mathematics	Pearson: enVision Math 2015-Elementary / CPM 2015- Middle Schools	Yes	0
Science	Learning A-Z: Science A-Z online 2019- Elementary/Accelerate Learning:STEMscopes 2019-Middle School	Yes	0
History-Social Science	Benchmark 2019- Elementary /TCI Curriculum 2018- Middle School	Yes	0
Health	Family Life - Planned Parenthood	Yes	0

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

The district makes every effort to ensure all schools are clean, safe, and functional. To assist in this effort, the district uses a facility survey instrument developed by the State of California Office of Public School Construction. The results of this survey are available at the school office and at the district office.

Fischer Middle School was built in 1962. School facilities are being renovated according to the Field Act requirements of the State Building Code with a focus on earthquake safety. In the event that asbestos and lead containing building materials are found, they are removed according to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), State, and Local requirements. Deferred maintenance funds have been used to properly maintain and renovate district buildings. Needed repairs and maintenance projects are completed in a timely manner.

Whenever possible, school facilities are upgraded to support and maintain a safe, clean and secure campus. Sufficient classroom, office, library, playground, staff space, and restroom facilities are allocated to support stakeholders' needs and the instructional program. The Alum Rock School District maintenance staff, in conjunction with day and night custodians, ensure the school buildings and grounds are safe, clean, and in good repair. Rigorous daily custodial schedules ensure that classrooms, lavatories, serving kitchens, eating areas, offices, and playgrounds are clean for both student and staff use. Regular oversight by district maintenance crews ensures that grass and landscaped areas are well maintained, and that the school's buildings, grounds and play areas are safe for use.

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: November 2019

System Inspected	Rating	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Good	
Interior: Interior Surfaces	Good	Rm: Men's Restroom-Paint is Peeling on Ceiling. Rm: 14-Tear and Hole on Wall.
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	Good	Rm: Boiler room-Dirt and dust on floor.
Electrical: Electrical	Poor	Rm: G1-Exposed electrical wires on wall. Rm: 42-Missing Cover on Speaker Wall. Rm: 11-Missing cover on Speaker Wall.
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	Good	Rm: Cafeteria-Sink not working conditions. Rm: 64/Restroom-Paint is peeling on ceiling and wall. Rm: Men Restrooms-Paint peeling on ceiling. Rm: Staff Room-Water leak on Faucet. Rm: Copy Room-Water leak under the sink.
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Good	Rm: 65-No Fire Extinguisher. Rm: 41-No Fire Extinguisher. Rm: 11-No Fire Extinguisher.
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	Good	
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	Good	
Overall Rating	Fair	

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)	16	22	41	40	50	50
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	16	15	33	33	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	308	297	96.43	3.57	21.96
Male	160	155	96.88	3.12	17.42
Female	148	142	95.95	4.05	26.95
Black or African American	17	17	100.00	0.00	17.65
American Indian or Alaska Native					
Asian	27	24	88.89	11.11	33.33
Filipino	--	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	251	244	97.21	2.79	20.16
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	--	--	--	--	--
White	--	--	--	--	--

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
Two or More Races					
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	290	279	96.21	3.79	20.86
English Learners	195	186	95.38	4.62	11.89
Students with Disabilities	52	51	98.08	1.92	3.92
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	308	306	99.35	0.65	15.36
Male	160	159	99.38	0.62	13.21
Female	148	147	99.32	0.68	17.69
Black or African American	17	17	100.00	0.00	5.88
American Indian or Alaska Native					
Asian	27	27	100.00	0.00	40.74
Filipino	--	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	251	250	99.60	0.40	12.40
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	--	--	--	--	--
White	--	--	--	--	--
Two or More Races					
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	290	288	99.31	0.69	13.89
English Learners	195	194	99.49	0.51	10.31
Students with Disabilities	52	51	98.08	1.92	3.92
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	--	--	--	--	--

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
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
7	19.5	20.3	18.6

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)

Fischer values and includes all stakeholders in all facets of the educational process. To encourage parent participation, Fischer maintains a system of open two-way communication and employs a variety of ways to increase stakeholder communication.

Not only is the School Accountability Report Card available on the district’s website, but pertinent school information, including results of the school evaluation process, school data, and school programs are also available to parents in the weekly newsletter, which is written in Spanish and English. Because a home-school partnership is essential to student achievement, Fischer School provides a number of parent and community involvement opportunities. Parents are welcome and are encouraged to participate in our school. Parents may become members of decision-making and governing bodies such as the Superintendent’s Parent Advisory Resource Committee (SPARC), District English Language Advisory Committee, School Site Council (SSC), English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC), and PTA. SSC meetings are held once a month where parents are given information regarding school matters and issues. Parents can volunteer for our school dances, field trips, yard duty supervision and more. College awareness, parenting, prevention/intervention, and similar classes are also made available to and attended by parents in our school in cooperation with various agencies and organizations of the larger community.

Parents are invited to student led parent conferences to discuss student work throughout the school year. Furthermore, monthly parent cafés are held to keep Fischer parents updated and informed. Parents are encouraged to give input on a regular basis and as they so desire.

Parents interested in additional information should contact the Fischer Principal, Dr. George Kleidon at (408) 928-7506 or the Parent/Community Liaison, Monserrat Orozco, at (408) 928-7517.

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
Suspensions	7.0	15.6	5.2	2.8	3.8	2.2	3.6	3.5	3.5
Expulsions	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)

Fischer Middle School has a very detailed, comprehensive school safety plan that outlines protocols, systems, and procedures in the event of any emergency. The plan also contains the yearly safety goals as determined by the students, staff, and parents. The safety plan is developed by the Fischer Safety Committee before it is presented to the Alum Rock Union Elementary School District Board of Trustees for approval. The safety plan and drill procedures are reviewed during the year with all staff. Safety alerts are shared with all staff as needed throughout the school year. In addition, all required drills are calendared and completed, and the results are shared with the staff and a School Resource Officer is available for daily support. Furthermore, all school visitors check-in at the front office for permission to be on campus and wear visitor’s passes throughout their stay.

The Fischer Safety Plan has a comprehensive, enforceable, and continuous behavior policy, dress code policy, set of protocols for safety/emergency drills, tardy policy, attendance policy, progressive discipline policy, set of rules and regulations and nondiscriminatory policy on students’ rights and responsibilities. The safety plan is revised annually.

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Secondary)

Subject	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 1-22	# of Classes* Size 23-32	# of Classes* Size 33+	Average Class Size	# of Classes* Size 1-22	# of Classes* Size 23-32	# of Classes* Size 33+	Average Class Size	# of Classes* Size 1-22	# of Classes* Size 23-32	# of Classes* Size 33+
English	19	8	10		19	9	6		20	9	6	
Mathematics	21	5	10		19	5	8		21	4	7	
Science	22	4	8		26	1	6	1	26	2	6	
Social Science	22	3	9		26	1	6	1	23	3	6	

*Number of classes indicates how many classrooms fall into each size category (a range of total students per classroom). At the secondary school level, this information is reported by subject area rather than grade level.

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

Title	Ratio
Academic Counselors*	289.0

*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)	1.0
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	
Psychologist	
Social Worker	
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	

*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	15,075.58	3,721.76	11,353.82	85,535.83
District	N/A	N/A	\$1,148.34	\$87,160.00
Percent Difference - School Site and District	N/A	N/A	163.3	-1.9
State	N/A	N/A	\$7,506.64	\$82,663.00
Percent Difference - School Site and State	N/A	N/A	40.8	3.4

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)

Services provided by the regular program to ensure that underperforming students meet standards:

Each teacher identifies students by the results of pertinent assessments and instruction is delivered and monitored according to specific student needs.

The school's English Language Development (ELD) program consists of three ELD levels to meet the linguistic needs of English Learners:

- ELD I- Newcomers for recent arrivals and students who remain in need of intense support. Students are immersed in an accelerated English instructional program with a focus on acquiring language both through ELD instruction and in the core content areas with the integration of the California ELD and Reading Language Arts (RLA) content standards. Depending on their English acquisition rate, students may transition to mainstream classes.
- ELD II- This strand serves the Beginning-Early Intermediate language acquisition levels. Students are immersed in an accelerated English instructional program with a focus on acquiring academic English both through ELD instruction and in the core content areas with the integration of the California ELD/RLA content standards.
- ELD III- Students at this level have some academic English but need further ELD instruction.
- ELD and fully credentialed teachers at Fischer Middle School are qualified to teach and support English Learners in their acquisition of the English language and their overall grasp of content level standards. In addition, both the homeroom teacher and the academic counselor monitor these students' progress. The afterschool program coordinator also works closely with ELD students to support their academic progress.
- The school's Special Education Program consists of a Resource Specialist Program (RSP) which has been restructured and a Special Day Class (SDC) Program. The RSP program exposes the majority of students with special learning needs to the mainstream environment at the appropriate grade level. Students' case manager monitors the progress of the students closely and collaborates frequently with the general education teacher. The Special Day Class program provides an inclusive setting for students to receive intensive support and to mainstream into general education classes as appropriate.
- The Fischer Middle School Counseling Department works with every grade level to provide academic counseling support, motivating students to achieve higher standards. Students are aware of the amount of credits and the Grade Point Average needed to achieve the next grade level.

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2017-18)

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$57,473	\$45,741
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$89,476	\$81,840
Highest Teacher Salary	\$106,470	\$102,065
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$119,374	\$129,221
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$131,610	\$132,874
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$0	\$128,660
Superintendent Salary	\$212,178	\$224,581
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	37%	36%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	6%	5%

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			

The staff development is done on two levels, district and school site. Professional development days are given to new and returning teachers on the approved district curriculum. New teachers in education are supported within the New Teacher Program. The school provides professional development through input of teachers within their respective departments. Staff development was conducted during Tuesday staff meetings and voluntary Thursday afternoon meetings. Attendance in conferences are done as a department whenever feasible. Additionally, professional development through the New Tech Network (NTN) and Verizon Innovative Learning Schools (VILS) are offered to the teaching staff throughout the year in the area of technology integration. There are two part-time instructional coaches on site to support teachers in NTN and VILS implementation as well as offering ongoing professional development to staff in the areas of (but not limited to) Study Sync implementation, ELD, lesson planning, instructional strategies, and classroom management.