

# 2019-20 School Accountability Report Card

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**E.P. FOSTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year. The purpose of this School Accountability Report Card is to provide parents with information about the school's instructional programs, academic achievement, materials, resources, facilities, and the staff of E.P. Foster Elementary School. Information about Ventura Unified School District is also provided.

Parents and community play a very important role in our school. Understanding our school's educational program, student achievement, and curriculum development can assist both school and community in ongoing program improvement.

At E.P. Foster we have made a commitment to provide all students with the highest quality instruction possible. We are dedicated to educating students in a safe, nurturing, and stimulating learning environment, where students have the opportunity to pursue their interests in STEM as a pathway to current and future success in school and in the real world. Through the collaborative efforts of the entire school community--E.P. Foster staff, students, parents, and our community partners--student achievement is maximized. We are recognized as a CA Gold Ribbon School, Title I Academic

Achievement Award School, VC STEM Golden Gear School, and have begun the journey towards a Lighthouse Certification as a Leader in Me school!

### District Vision Statement

In the Ventura Unified School District all students will receive an exemplary and balanced education fostering a lifelong passion for learning and engagement. We demand excellence of ourselves because our supportive community has entrusted us with their children.

### District Mission Statement

The Ventura Unified School District will educate all students in safe, healthy, and high performing schools. We will inspire all students to excel academically, honor the unique qualities and diverse backgrounds of all students, build supportive relationships, guide all students to reach their full potential, motivate all students to successfully pursue their chosen life path, and engage all students to become responsible and contributing members of society.

## DISTRICT & SCHOOL DESCRIPTION

### Ventura Unified School District

Ventura Unified School District is the third largest district in the county and located on the California coastline, 63 miles northwest of Los Angeles. More than 16,000 students in grades transitional kindergarten through twelve receive a rigorous, standards-based curriculum from

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*This report contains information that may or may not have occurred either in person or via online platform in the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years due to the closure of school sites for the COVID-19 pandemic. If you have any questions about any particular section of this document, please contact your school site administrator.*

## VENTURA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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dedicated and highly qualified professionals. The district is comprised of 17 elementary schools, 4 middle schools, and 5 high schools.

### E.P. Foster Elementary School

At the beginning of the 2019-20 school year, E.P. Foster Elementary School enrolled 404 students, including 10.4% in special education, 49.3% qualifying for English Language Learner support, 1.0% homeless, 0.7% foster youth, and 89.4% qualifying for free or reduced price lunch.

Student Enrollment by Student Group and Grade Level 2019-20			
Student Group	% of Total Enrollment	Grade Level	# of Students
Black or African American	1.5%	Kindergarten	60
American Indian or Alaskan Native	0.0%	Grade 1	67
Asian	0.0%	Grade 2	76
Filipino	0.0%	Grade 3	63
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	Grade 4	63
Hispanic or Latino	88.1%	Grade 5	75
White	7.9%	Grade 6	0
Two or More Races	2.5%	Grade 7	0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	89.4%	Grade 8	0
English Learners	49.3%		
Students with Disabilities	10.4%		
Homeless	1.0%		
Foster Youth	0.7%		
		Total Enrollment	404

The principal and teaching staff work together to meet the needs of every student and to provide a safe and supportive learning environment.

E.P. Foster Elementary hosts the county's Jumpstart Preschool program which provides literacy skills, mathematics, and school readiness curriculum in English and Spanish. Kindergarten teachers praise its success in promoting students who are better prepared for kindergarten.

### School Vision Statement

Our vision at E.P. Foster Elementary School STEM Academy is to provide students with a safe, nurturing learning environment and the opportunity to pursue their interests in science, technology, engineering, and math as they achieve grade level standards and as a pathway to their future careers.

### School Mission Statement

#### STAFF

Teach, model, and reinforce the language, life skills and promises of Lesson One that contribute to our positive school climate.

Communicate progress regularly with students and parents.

Offer continuous opportunities for students to interact and partner with institutions of higher education and STEM related community

partners, exposing them to real-world applications and experiences.

Work as collaborative teams consistently and effectively to maximize student achievement.

Participate in on-going professional development based on educational best practices and current research to meet the diverse needs of our students.

#### STUDENTS

Internalize the language, life skills, and promises of Lesson One that contribute to our positive school climate.

Receive recognition for their efforts and achievement in multiple venues.

Engage in a variety of academic learning experiences that incorporate STEM and contribute to their readiness for participation in a global community.

Participate, reflect, and identify areas of progress and challenge through a variety of assessments.

Have opportunities for multiple types of intervention and acceleration when additional support needs are identified and make the most of every opportunity.

Demonstrate proficiency to successfully enter, participate, and complete secondary and higher education STEM pathways.

#### PARENTS

Support their children in multiple ways including asset building, regular school attendance, and advocacy of school programs to ensure their children succeed.

Participate in decision-making as members of parent-school organizations or committees and provide input/feedback in an on-going manner.

Increase their knowledge of student expectations and teaching strategies through school newsletters, special school events, and regular communication with staff.

## LOCAL CONTROL ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN (LCAP)

As part of the Local Control Funding Formula, school districts are required to develop, adopt, and annually update a three-year Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP).

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

- Degree to which teachers are appropriated assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area and for the pupils they are teaching;
- School facilities are maintained in good repair

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 alternative 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 sequences or programs of student.

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

- Pupil outcomes in the subject area of physical education

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

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Pupil Engagement (Priority 5)

- High school dropout rates; and
- High school graduation rates

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

## PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Parents are encouraged to get involved in their child's learning environment either by volunteering in the classroom, participating in a decision-making group, or simply attending school events. Parents stay informed on upcoming events and school activities through ParentSquare, the school website, flyers, monthly newsletters (Bear Essentials), personal notes, classroom letters, phone calls, and emails. Contact the principal, classroom teacher, or office staff at

(805) 641-5420 for more information on how to become involved in your child's learning environment.

**Opportunities to Volunteer**

- Classroom Helper
- At-Home Teacher Prep Projects
- Bonus Bear Days
- Field Trips
- School Fundraisers
- Family School Events

**Committees**

- School Site Council
- English Learner Advisory Council
- Parent Teacher Association

**School Activities/Events**

- Authors and Art Faire
- Back to School Night
- Family Picnics
- Family Reading Night
- Family STEM Night
- Field Trips
- Family School Events
- Parent Conferences
- Title I Parent Meeting
- Trimester Award Assemblies
- Student Success Team Meetings
- Science Expo/Fair

Standards (CCSS). CAASPP results are a measure of how well students are mastering California's standards in English language arts/literacy (ELA) and mathematics, and are given to grades three through eight and grade eleven. SBAC tests assess student performance in ELA/Literacy and mathematics utilizing computer-adaptive tests and performance tasks, and CAAs test items are aligned with alternative achievement standards which are linked with the Common Core State Standards (CCSS).

The CAASPP results shown in this report include overall results comparing the school, district and state scores as well as the school's overall score in each applicable subgroup. Results are shown only for subgroups with ten students or more taking the exam. For those categories that are blank in the tables, no students met subgroup criteria. More information on CAASPP can be found on the California Department of Education's website [www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/](http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/).

California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress Test Results in Science						
All Students						
Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards						
	E. P. Foster		VUSD		CA	
	18-19	19-20	18-19	19-20	18-19	19-20
Science (Grades 5, 8, & 10)	29	N/A	39	N/A	30	N/A

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

Note: The 2019-2020 data are not available. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order N-30-20 was issued which waived the requirement for statewide testing for the 2019-2020 school year.

Note: The new California Science Test (CAST) was first administered operationally in the 2018-2019 school year.

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

### California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP)

The California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) System includes the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments (SBAC) for students in the general education population, and the California Alternate Assessments (CAAs) for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. Only eligible students may participate in the administration of the CAAs. CAAs items are aligned with alternative achievement standards, which are linked with the Common Core State

California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress Test Results in English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) and Mathematics for All Students in Grades Three Through Eight						
Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards						
	E. P. Foster		VUSD		CA	
	18-19	19-20	18-19	19-20	18-19	19-20
English-Language Arts/Literacy	40	N/A	55	N/A	48	N/A
Mathematics	32	N/A	44	N/A	37	N/A

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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 & Mathematics by Student Group (Grades 3-8) 2019-20										
	English Language Arts/Literacy					Mathematics				
	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students Tested	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Female	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Black or African American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic or Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Two or More Races	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
English Learners	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students with Disabilities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students Receiving Migrant Services	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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## Physical Fitness

In the spring of each year, E.P. Foster Elementary School is required by the state to administer a physical fitness test to all students in fifth grade. The physical fitness test measures each student's ability to complete six fitness tasks in six major areas. Students that either meet or exceed the standards in all six fitness areas are considered to be physically fit or in the "healthy fitness zone." Comparative district and state results can be found at the CDE's website [www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/pfl/](http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/pfl/).

California Physical Fitness Test Results 2019-20			
Grade Level	% of Standards Met:		
	4 of 6	5 of 6	6 of 6
Fifth	N/A	N/A	N/A

Note: Cells with N/A values do not require data as the 2019-2020 data are not available.

Note: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order N-56-20 was issued which waived the requirement to administer the physical fitness performance test for the 2019-2020 school year.

## SCHOOL FACILITIES & MAINTENANCE

The district takes great efforts to ensure that all schools are clean, safe, and functional through proper facilities maintenance and campus supervision. E.P. Foster Elementary School's original facilities were built in 1929; ongoing maintenance and campus improvements ensure facilities remain up to date and provide adequate space for students and staff.

District maintenance and site custodial staff ensure that the repairs necessary to keep the school in good condition are completed in a timely manner. A work order process is used by school and district staff to communicate non-routine maintenance requests. Emergency repairs are given the highest priority.

Every morning before school begins, the day custodian inspects facilities for safety hazards or other conditions that need attention prior to students and staff entering school grounds. One day custodian and two evening custodians (one full-time and one part-time) are assigned to E.P. Foster Elementary School. The day custodian is responsible for:

- General Cleaning
- Cafeteria Setup/Cleanup
- Restrooms

Restrooms are checked throughout the day for cleanliness and subsequently cleaned as needed. The evening custodians are responsible for:

- Classrooms
- Office Areas
- Restrooms
- Routine Maintenance

The principal communicates with custodial staff daily concerning maintenance and school safety issues.

Campus Description	
Year Built	1929
Acreage	8.5
Bldg. Square Footage	42220
	Quantity
# of Permanent Classrooms	9
# of Portable Classrooms	13
# of Restrooms (student use)	4 sets
Cafeteria/Multipurpose Room	1
Computer Lab	1
Library	1
Staff Lounge	1
Teacher Work Room	1
Science Labs	2
Maker Lab	1

## Campus Supervision

School administration and teaching staff place a high priority on providing adequate adult supervision on campus before, during, and after school. As students arrive on campus each morning, classified staff and the principal are strategically assigned to designated entrance areas, the breakfast area and playground. During recess, certificated staff, classified staff, the principal and the counselor supervise playground activity. The principal, counselor, and classified staff monitor lunch time activity in the cafeteria and on the playground. At the end of the day when students are dismissed, the principal, a teacher, and classified staff monitor student behavior to ensure a safe and orderly departure.

E. P. Foster Elementary School is a closed campus. During school hours, all visitors must sign in at the school's office and wear identification badges while on school grounds.

## School Site Safety Plan

The Comprehensive School Site Safety Plan was developed for E.P. Foster Elementary School in collaboration with local agencies and the district office to fulfill Senate Bill 187 requirements. Components of this plan include child abuse reporting procedures, teacher notification of dangerous pupil procedures, disaster response procedures, procedures for safe arrival and departure from school, sexual harassment policy, dress code policy, and bully prevention policy. The school's most recent school safety plan was reviewed, updated and shared with school staff in November 2020.

Campus culture promotes a secure learning environment. All persons are to be treated with dignity and respect. The district, schools, students, parents/guardians and community have an obligation to promote mutual respect and safe, harmonious relations that support dignity and equality. Bullying and harassment are not tolerated. The school district has in place policies, procedures, and practices that are designed to reduce and eliminate bullying and harassment as well as processes and procedures to address incidents of bullying and harassment when they occur. Students and their parents receive information annually regarding district policies concerning anti-bullying and harassment.

## Facilities Inspections

The district's maintenance department inspects E.P. Foster Elementary School on an annual basis in accordance with Education Code §17592.72(c)(1). E.P. Foster Elementary School uses a school site inspection survey to identify unsafe or hazardous conditions and facility improvement needs. The most recent school inspection took place on July 13, 2020. During fiscal year 2019-20, all restrooms were fully functional and available for student use at the time of the inspection.

	Suspensions and Expulsions								
	E. P. Foster			VUSD			CA		
	17-18	18-19	19-20	17-18	18-19	19-20	17-18	18-19	19-20
Suspensions (%)	0.20%	0.90%	2.48%	3.00%	2.70%	2.53%	3.50%	3.60%	
Expulsions (%)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.15%	0.05%	0.10%	0.08%	0.09%	

Note: The 2019-2020 suspensions and expulsions rate data are not comparable to prior year data because the 2019-2020 school year is a partial school year due to the COVID-19 crisis. As such, it would be inappropriate to make any comparisons in rates of suspensions and expulsions in the 2019-2020 school year compared to prior years.



School Facility Good Repair Status				
Item Inspected	Repair Status			
Inspection Date: July 13, 2020	Good	Fair	Poor	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
Systems	✓			
Interior Surfaces	✓			Computer Lab - Ceiling stain in the hallway outside of the room, missing ceiling tiles; Girls Primary Grade RR - Peeling paint; Classroom 9 - Paint on interior rear wall and exterior front wall is peeling, interior ceiling stains; Classroom 27 - Ceiling stains; Classroom 20 - Damaged ceiling tiles; Classroom 16 - Carpet seam damaged; Exterior Portable RR - Dry rot in several places to panel and skirting
Cleanliness	✓			K-1 & K-2 - Exterior hallway door needs painting; Library - Paint on exterior rear wall and ceiling of front exterior hallway is peeling; Classroom 8 - Paint on exterior rear wall is peeling; Classroom 10 & 11 - Paint on exterior window frames is damaged and peeling; Classroom 12 - Damaged stucco and peeling paint from window frames, exterior rear wall; Classroom 26 - Gutter rusted through, holes in ramp; Classroom 17, 18, 19 - Ramp needs skirting; Classroom 20 - Deficiency noted
Electrical	✓			
Restrooms/Fountains	✓			K-1 & K-2 - Crack in bathroom tile floor; Rooms A, B & C - Crack in bathroom tile floor in room C
Safety	✓			
Structural	✓			Classroom 22 - Front gutter needs cleaning; Classroom 21 - Rear gutter needs cleaning; Classroom 14, 16 - Rear gutter rusted through; Classroom 15 - Gutter needs cleaning
External		✓		Cafeteria/Kitchen - Trees on the north side need trimming; Classroom 24, 23, 20 - Trees need trimming; Classroom 22 - Tree behind room 22 needs trimming; Exterior Portable RR - Over hang trees need trimming; Chin Up Bar Area - Weeds in grass fall protection; Upper Grade Playground - Weeds in wood chip fall protection, more wood chips needed; K Playground - Weeds in the sand and wood chips, more wood chips needed, pine needles near garden need to be removed, garden need weeding
Overall Summary of School Facility Good Repair Status				
Overall Summary	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor
Overall Summary			✓	

**Percentage Description Rating:**

*Fair: The school is not in good repair. Some deficiencies noted are critical and/or widespread. Repairs and/or additional maintenance are necessary in several areas of the school site.*

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution				
2017-18				
Grade Level	Average Class Size	Number of Classes*		
		1-20	21-32	33+
K	26.0		3	
1	20.0	2	1	
2	23.0		3	
3	23.0		3	
4	30.0		2	
5	25.0		3	
2018-19				
K	23.0		3	
1	25.0		3	
2	21.0	1	2	
3	22.0		3	
4	32.0		2	
5	31.0		3	1
2019-20				
K	25.0		2	
1	27.0		2	
2	25.0		3	
3	21.0	1	2	
4	27.0		2	
5	30.0		2	

\*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.

## CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

### Staff Development

All professional development activities at Ventura Unified School District are aligned to the California State Standards. Staff development concentrations are selected and identified based on State Standards implementation, the new science standards, teacher surveys, and district initiatives. Findings from formative assessment results indicate that reading, writing, and mathematics are the primary focus areas.

During the 2018-19, 2019-20, and 2020-21 school years, the teachers at E.P. Foster Elementary School had the opportunity to participate in districtwide staff development training focused on:

2018-19 and 2019-20 Trainings:

- History-Social Science
- Next Generation Science Standards
- School Safety
- Special Education
- Strategies for Formative Assessments
- Technology Training
- Universal Design for Learning

## CLASSROOM ENVIRONMENT

### Discipline & Climate for Learning

E.P. Foster STEM Academy proudly uses Lesson One: ABC's for Life as a schoolwide, comprehensive life skills program that leads to our positive school culture and climate. Lesson One language, The Lesson One Pledge for Success and Lesson One related routines are used throughout the school day and are incorporated into the various academic subjects and school activities and events. In addition, E.P. Foster STEM Academy is implementing the Leader in Me program which is focused on the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People. These lessons and habits are designed to not only teach habits and principles to students in order to achieve better individual results, but also to foster leadership skills in every individual.

A schoolwide Safety Assembly at the beginning of the school year reinforces rules, expectations and responsibilities that students must follow to ensure a safe campus. Positive Behavior Support Plans are developed for students in need of individualized behavioral supports. Furthermore, school staff work to use Lesson One, Leader in Me, and Restorative Justice (RJ) language and practices in order to create a safe and positive school environment.

### Class Size

The Class Size Distribution table in this report illustrates the distribution of class sizes by grade level, the average class size, and the number of classes that contain 1-20 students, 21-32 students, and 33 or more students.

2020-21 Trainings:

- Behavior Team’s Role during Distance Learning (Special Education)
- Canvas Basics & Gradebook
- Distance Learning Plans
- Elementary Resource
- English Learner Support and Review and ELPAC
- Facilitated Canvas Course Customization Support (Special Education)
- GATE Icons
- Google Basics
- Grade Level Meetings with District Lesson Builders
- Paraeducator Role during Distance Learning
- Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports
- Screen Casting with Screencastify
- Sunday Reading
- Video Conferencing
- Utilizing Behavioral Strategies from the Family Guide to Distance Learning
- Zoom and Google Meet Videoconferencing

Supplemental site-based training takes place during faculty, grade level, and department meetings. The principal identifies teacher training needs based upon parent survey results, teacher input, teacher evaluations, and the Healthy Kids Survey. During the 2019-20 school year, E.P. Foster Elementary School’s staff development activities concentrated on:

- Canvas
- Collaborative Problem Solving
- Cultural Responsiveness
- Curriculum Calibration
- English Language Arts & Math Curriculum Implementation
- Google Apps for Education
- Lesson One
- Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS)
- Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)
- Online Learning Platform
- Professional Learning Communities
- Restorative Justice
- Social Emotional Learning (SEL)
- Universal Design for Learning (UDL)

The district also offers supplemental professional development to follow up and support year-round and ongoing programs centered around reading, writing, and math and tied to either specific strategies to improve student learning or district-adopted curriculum materials. Supplemental professional development is offered throughout the school year on early student release days, after school, on designated staff development days, and during substitute release time. Teacher Content Specialist Teams work with school

Professional Development Days Three-Year Trend		
2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
2	2	2

Textbooks			
Year Adopted	From Most Recent State Adoption?	Publisher and Series	Percent of Pupils Who Lack Their Own Assigned Textbooks and/or Instructional Materials
Reading/Language Arts			
2016	Yes	Benchmark Education Company: <i>Benchmark Advanced</i>	0%
2018	Yes	My Big Day	0%
Math			
2017	Yes	Houghton Mifflin: <i>Math Expressions</i>	0%
2018	Yes	My Big Day	0%
Science			
2008	Yes	Pearson-Scott Foresman: <i>California Science</i>	0%
Social Science			
2007	Yes	Pearson-Scott Foresman: <i>Our Communities</i>	0%

site administrators and teaching staff to provide support and training to ensure the successful implementation of the Common Core Standards.

The Ventura County Teacher Induction Consortium is a two-year, individualized, job-embedded system of mentoring, support and professional learning that begins in the teacher’s first year of teaching for newly credentialed teachers in California. The program is accredited by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) and is administered by the Ventura County Office of Education (VCOE), Educator Support and Effectiveness (ESE) department, in coordination with a consortium of 18 school districts, local charter schools, private schools, and 5 university partners.

Staff members are encouraged to attend professional workshops and conferences. New teachers, experienced teachers, mentor/teacher leaders, administrators, and support staff are encouraged to participate in workshops sponsored by the Ventura County Superintendent of Schools as well as the Ventura Unified School District. Profession and subject specific offerings are consistent with the California Content Standards. Classified support staff may receive job-related training from district representatives; training activities and workshops are designed to enhance and extend job performance.

### Instructional Materials

All textbooks used in the core curriculum are aligned to the California State Standards. Instructional materials for K-8 are selected from the state’s most recent list of standards-based materials and adopted by the State Board of Education, and instructional materials for 9-12 are aligned to state standards and approved by the district’s board of education.

Ventura Unified School District is currently piloting new Science textbooks and anticipates adopting new curriculum by the 2021-22 school year. In order to meet State requirements, the current textbooks are being supplemented with NGSS-aligned bridge supplemental materials. History-Social Science curriculum is scheduled to be piloted in the 2020-2021 year with adoption and implementation for the 2021-2022 school year. Currently, supplemental bridge materials are being used to support the implementation of the new History-Social Science state framework.

On September 22, 2020, the Ventura Unified School District Board of Education held a public hearing to certify the extent to which textbooks and instructional materials have been provided to students. The Board of Education adopted Resolution #20-24 which certifies as required by Education Code §60119 (1) that textbooks and instructional materials were provided to all students, including English Learners, in the district to the extent that each pupil, including English Learners, has a standards-aligned textbook and/or instructional materials to use in class and to take home, which may include materials in a digital format but shall not include photocopied sheets from only a portion of a textbook or instructional materials copied to address a shortage, (2) that all students who are enrolled in the same course within the district have standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials from the same adoption cycle, (3) sufficient textbooks and instructional materials were provided to each student, including English Learners, that are aligned to the academic content standards and consistent with the cycles and content of the curriculum frameworks in math, science, history-social science, and English/Language Arts, including the English Language Development component of an adopted program, 4) sufficient textbooks or instructional materials were provided to each pupil

enrolled in foreign language or health classes, and 5) sufficient laboratory science equipment was available for science laboratory classes offered in grades 9-12, inclusive.

In addition to core subject areas, districts are required to disclose in their SARC the sufficiency of instructional materials used for their visual/performing arts curricula. During the 2020-21 school year, Ventura Unified School District provided each student, including English Learners, enrolled in a visual/performing arts class with a textbook or instructional materials to use in class and to take home. These materials complied with the state's content standards and curriculum frameworks.

## PROFESSIONAL STAFF

### Teacher Assignment

During the 2019-20 school year, E.P. Foster Elementary School had 17 teachers who met all credential requirements in accordance with state guidelines. The chart below identifies the number of teachers at both the school and district who are 1) fully credentialed; 2) without full credentials; 3) teaching outside subject area of competence; 4) misassignments for English learners; 5) total teacher misassignments; and 6) vacant teacher positions. The term "misassignments" refers to the number of positions filled by teachers who lack legal authorization to teach that grade level, subject area, student group, etc.

	Teacher Credentials and Assignments					
	E. P. Foster			VUSD		
	18-19	19-20	20-21	18-19	19-20	20-21
Total Teachers	18	18	16	721	715	694
Teachers with Full Credential	18	17	16	690	678	664
Teachers without Full Credential	0	1	0	31	37	30
Teaching Outside Subject Area (with full credential)	0	0	0	105	89	89
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0	0	1	0
Total Teacher Misassignments*	0	0	0	1	2	0
Teacher Vacancies	0	0	0	3	4	3

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.

### Counseling & Support Staff

E.P. Foster Elementary School provides professional, highly qualified staff that provide additional services and support centered on the whole student academically, physically, and mentally. The Counseling and Support Services table in this report illustrates the availability of non-instructional support staff to E.P. Foster Elementary School's students.

Full-time equivalent (FTE) is a standard measurement used to identify an employee's regular work load on a weekly basis. For example, an FTE of 1.0 designates a full-time position and the employee is on campus and available all day every day of the week; an FTE of 0.5 indicates that the staff member is available and on campus a portion (50%) of the week.

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff		
2019-20		
	No. of Staff	FTE*
Academic Counselor	1	1.0
Health Technician	1	0.8
Psychologist	1	0.3
School Nurse	1	0.2
Library Technician	1	0.4
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	1	0.4
Home Liaison	1	0.6
Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor		404

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

## SARC DATA & INTERNET 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 E.P. Foster Elementary School and comparisons of the school to the district and the county. DataQuest is a dynamic system that provides reports for school accountability (e.g., test data, enrollment, high school graduates, dropouts, course enrollments, staffing and data regarding English learners).

### California School Dashboard

The California School Dashboard (Dashboard) <https://www.caschooldashboard.org/> reflects California's new accountability and continuous improvement system and provides information about how LEAs and schools are meeting the needs of California's diverse student population. The Dashboard contains reports that display the performance of LEAs, schools, and student groups on a set of state and local measures to assist in identifying strengths, challenges, and areas in need of improvement.

### Disclosure

The statistical information disclosed in this report is obtained from the California Department of Education and the Ventura Unified School District. At the time of publication, this report met all SARC-related state and federal requirements, using the most current data available. Data to prepare the instructional materials sections was acquired in November 2020 and the school facilities section was acquired in December 2020.

# DISTRICT EXPENDITURES

## Salary & Budget Comparison

State law requires comparative salary and budget information to be reported to the general public. For comparison purposes, the State Department of Education has provided average salary data from school districts having similar average daily attendance throughout the state. (Note: 2018-19 salary comparison data was the most recent data available at the time this report was published.)

## Expenditures Per Student

For the 2018-19 school year, Ventura Unified School District spent an average of \$11,502 of total general funds to educate each student (based on 2018-19 audited financial statements and in accordance with calculations defined in Education Code §41372). The table in this report 1) compares the school's per pupil expenditures from unrestricted (basic) and restricted (supplemental) sources with other schools in the district and throughout the state, and 2) compares the average teacher salary at the school site with average teacher salaries at the district and state levels. Detailed information regarding expenditures and salaries can be found at the CDE web site at [www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/ec/](http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/ec/) and [www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/](http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/). (The figures shown in the following table reflect the direct cost of educational services, per ADA, excluding food services, facilities acquisition and construction, and certain other expenditures.)

Teacher and Administrative Salaries 2018-19		
	VUSD	State Average of Districts in Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	47,778	52,484
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	68,801	81,939
Highest Teacher Salary	95,296	102,383
Average Principal Salaries:		
Elementary School	117,542	129,392
Middle School	120,713	136,831
High School	135,503	147,493
Superintendent Salary	227,500	254,706
Percentage of Budget For:		
Teacher Salaries	32	34
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/>.

Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teachers Salaries 2018-19					
Expenditures Per Pupil	Dollars Spent Per Student				
	E. P. Foster	VUSD	% Difference - School and District	State Average for Districts of Same Size and Type	% Difference - School and State
Total Restricted and Unrestricted	7,333	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Restricted (Supplemental)	671	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Unrestricted (Basic)	6,662	6,501	102.5%	13,080	50.9%
Average Teacher Salary	73,011	77,464	94.3%	81,939	89.1%

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

In addition to general fund state funding, Ventura Unified School District receives state and federal categorical funding for special programs. For the 2018-19 school year, the district received categorical, special education, and support programs funds for:

- After School Education and Safety (ASES)
- California Career Pathways Trust
- Classified School Employee Professional Development Block Grant
- Career and Technical Education Programs
- Career Technical Education Incentive Grant Program
- Department of Rehabilitation
- Education Protection Account
- Immediate Aid to Restart School Operations
- Indian Education
- Lottery: Instructional Materials
- Low-Performing Students Block Grant
- Medi-Cal Billing Option
- On-Behalf Pension Contributions
- Other Local: Locally Defined
- Other State: Locally Defined
- Special Education
- State Lottery
- Title I, II, III, IV
- Tobacco-Use Prevention Education