

James R. Cowan Fundamental Elementary School

2022-2023 School Accountability Report Card (Published During the 2023-2024 School Year)



General Information about the School Accountability Report Card (SARC)

SARC Overview



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 and access to prior year reports, 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 the 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).

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.

Internet Access

Internet access is available at public libraries and other locations that are publicly accessible (e.g., the California State Library). Access to the Internet at libraries and public locations is generally provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Other use restrictions may include the hours of operation, the length of time that a workstation may be used (depending on availability), the types of software programs available on a workstation, and the ability to print documents.

2023-24 School Contact Information

School Name	James R. Cowan Fundamental Elementary School
Street	3350 Becerra Way
City, State, Zip	Sacramento CA, 95821
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Principal	Wendy Benson
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School Website	www.sanjuan.edu/cowan
County-District-School (CDS) Code	34-67447-6034458

2023-24 District Contact Information

District Name	San Juan Unified School District
Phone Number	(916) 971-7700
Superintendent	Melissa Bassanelli
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District Website	www.sanjuan.edu

2023-24 School Description and Mission Statement

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Cowan Fundamental School, where student learning is the priority. The partnership among staff, students, and parents and the dedication to academic excellence at Cowan are the keys to our success. The growth and development of the whole child is addressed through our social-emotional learning with Caring School's Community program. We offer a variety of clubs and activities, including chess club, choir, and K Kids - student leadership. Cowan is truly a community of learners, preparing for college and career readiness as well as success in our global society.

MISSION STATEMENT

Valuing academic excellence and our unique partnership between staff, students, and parents is a top priority of Cowan Fundamental School. Our mission is to educate and inspire all students to achieve their own personal excellence and become college and career ready. We will prepare students to be self-reliant, creative, productive citizens of a global society through a challenging, innovative curriculum, in cooperation with the community and parents, while developing the whole child in a safe, nurturing environment.

SCHOOL PROFILE

Cowan Fundamental School is one of 41 elementary/K-8 schools in the San Juan Unified School District.

The Cowan curriculum has been aligned with the California Content Standards and is in alignment with the Common Core State Standards. As a fundamental school, Cowan emphasizes a strong academic foundation in a structured environment, with a family focus and a twenty-first-century philosophy.

2023-24 School Description and Mission Statement

- Cowan is a two-time recipient of the California Distinguished School Award.
- Cowan has a very active Parent Teacher Club (PTC) that organizes many family events and raises funds for technology, school, and classroom needs.
- Cowan connects and communicates with families and community members through its school website, Facebook, Instagram, e-mail, and online newsletters.
- Cowan offers enrichment activities such as chess club, K Kids - student leadership, and choir.
- Cowan teachers plan exciting field trips that are aligned with the curriculum.
- Cowan has a highly-trained, dedicated staff committed to excellence in education.
- Cowan teachers integrate multimedia and technology throughout the curriculum.
- Cowan is implementing Zones of Regulation to foster social-emotional support and regulation.
- Cowan is in year two of Positive Behavior Intervention Systems (PBIS). Each month students who exemplify these traits are honored at Bobcat Pride Assemblies.
- Cowan believes in its three-way contract through which students, parents, and staff collaborate to achieve a school of excellence.
- Cowan implements a strong foundational skills approach to reading.

About this School

2022-23 Student Enrollment by Grade Level

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	53
Grade 1	52
Grade 2	53
Grade 3	53
Grade 4	75
Grade 5	54
Grade 6	47
Total Enrollment	387

2022-23 Student Enrollment by Student Group

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Female	48.8%
Male	51.2%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.5%
Asian	5.9%
Black or African American	9.6%
Filipino	0.8%
Hispanic or Latino	19.1%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	1%
Two or More Races	7.2%
White	55.8%
English Learners	10.9%
Homeless	2.1%
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	43.4%
Students with Disabilities	9%

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

2020-21 Teacher Preparation and Placement

Authorization/Assignment	School Number	School Percent	District Number	District Percent	State Number	State Percent
Fully (Preliminary or Clear) Credentialed for Subject and Student Placement (properly assigned)	18.30	94.82	1679.20	71.81	228366.10	83.12
Intern Credential Holders Properly Assigned	0.00	0.00	21.00	0.90	4205.90	1.53
Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments (“ineffective” under ESSA)	0.00	0.00	49.30	2.11	11216.70	4.08
Credentialed Teachers Assigned Out-of-Field (“out-of-field” under ESSA)	0.00	0.00	297.30	12.72	12115.80	4.41
Unknown	1.00	5.18	291.30	12.46	18854.30	6.86
Total Teaching Positions	19.30	100.00	2338.40	100.00	274759.10	100.00

Note: The data in this table is based on Full Time Equivalent (FTE) status. One FTE equals one staff member working full time; one FTE could also represent two staff members who each work 50 percent of full time. Additionally, an assignment is defined as a position that an educator is assigned based on setting, subject, and grade level. An authorization is defined as the services that an educator is authorized to provide to students.

2021-22 Teacher Preparation and Placement

Authorization/Assignment	School Number	School Percent	District Number	District Percent	State Number	State Percent
Fully (Preliminary or Clear) Credentialed for Subject and Student Placement (properly assigned)	18.00	90.00	1946.10	78.12	234405.20	84.00
Intern Credential Holders Properly Assigned	0.00	0.00	21.60	0.87	4853.00	1.74
Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments (“ineffective” under ESSA)	0.00	0.00	80.70	3.24	12001.50	4.30
Credentialed Teachers Assigned Out-of-Field (“out-of-field” under ESSA)	1.00	5.00	243.50	9.78	11953.10	4.28
Unknown	1.00	5.00	199.10	8.00	15831.90	5.67
Total Teaching Positions	20.00	100.00	2491.10	100.00	279044.80	100.00

The CDE published the first year of available teacher data for the 2020-21 SARC in June 2022, and the CDE published the second year of data for the 2021-22 SARC in June 2023. The EC Section 33126(b)(5) requires the most recent three years of teacher data to be requested in the SARC, as data is available. The teacher data for the 2022-23 SARC will not be available prior to February 1, 2024, and therefore is not included in the template.

Note: The data in this table is based on Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) status. One FTE equals one staff member working full time; one FTE could also represent two staff members who each work 50 percent of full time. Additionally, an assignment is defined as a position that an educator is assigned based on setting, subject, and grade level. An authorization is defined as the services that an educator is authorized to provide to students.

Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments (considered “ineffective” under ESSA)

Authorization/Assignment	2020-21	2021-22
Permits and Waivers	0.00	0.00
Misassignments	0.00	0.00
Vacant Positions	0.00	0.00
Total Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments	0.00	0.00

2022-23 data was not included as part of the initial release of data on 1/13/23. The CDE has indicated that the data will be available after the 2/1/23 SARC deadline. The data will be populated when it is published by the CDE.

Credentialed Teachers Assigned Out-of-Field (considered “out-of-field” under ESSA)

Indicator	2020-21	2021-22
Credentialed Teachers Authorized on a Permit or Waiver	0.00	1.00
Local Assignment Options	0.00	0.00
Total Out-of-Field Teachers	0.00	1.00

2022-23 data was not included as part of the initial release of data on 1/13/23. The CDE has indicated that the data will be available after the 2/1/23 SARC deadline. The data will be populated when it is published by the CDE.

Class Assignments

Indicator	2020-21	2021-22
Misassignments for English Learners (a percentage of all the classes with English learners taught by teachers that are misassigned)	0	0
No credential, permit or authorization to teach (a percentage of all the classes taught by teachers with no record of an authorization to teach)	0	0

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Note: For more information refer to the Updated Teacher Equity Definitions web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/pd/ee/teacherequitydefinitions.asp>.

2023-24 Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials

San Juan Unified held a public hearing on September 28, 2021 and determined that each school within the district had sufficient and good quality textbooks, instructional materials, or science lab equipment pursuant to the settlement of Williams vs. the State of California. All students, including English learners, are given their own individual standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials, or both, in core subjects for use in the classroom and to take home. Textbooks and supplementary materials are adopted according to a cycle developed by the California Department of Education, making the textbooks used in the school the most current available. Materials approved for use by the State are reviewed by all teachers and a recommendation is made to the School Board by a selection committee composed of teachers and administrators. All recommended materials are available for parent examination at the district office prior to adoption. The table displays information collected in September 2021 about the quality, currency, and availability of the standards-aligned textbooks and other instructional materials used at the school. If you would like more information on the textbooks and instructional materials please visit our website: <https://www.sanjuan.edu/Page/23518>. In July 2009, EC Section 60200.7. The State Board of Education has adopted frameworks for ELA/ELD, Math, Science and Social Sciences, and has identified an approved list of instructional materials available for adoption. For more information regarding San Juan’s textbook adoption schedule, please visit our website:

<http://www.sanjuan.edu/cms/lib8/CA01902727/Centricity/Domain/140/Textbook%20Piloting%20adoption%20Schedule.pdf>.

Year and month in which the data were collected September, 2022

Subject	Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials/year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption ?	Percent Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
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Reading/Language Arts	2017: Benchmark-Advance 2017: Amplify ELA/ELD Grade 6	Yes	0.0
Mathematics	2015: Pearson - Envision Math 2015: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, Go Math	Yes	0.0
Science	2020: Twig Science	Yes	0.0
History-Social Science	2019: Studies Weekly - California Studies Weekly 2019: McGraw-Hill - Impact California Social Studies-World History and Geography-Ancient Civilizations	Yes	0.0
Science Laboratory Equipment (grades 9-12)	N/A	N/A	0.00%

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements

General

The Board of Education and the Superintendent's policy is to ensure that all students are provided with a safe and well-maintained learning environment. The board approved resolutions in 1998 and 2002 to adequately fund maintenance activities and preserve the repairs and improvements funded by two facility bond measures. The school buildings, classrooms and grounds are safe, clean and functional. An inspection of the facility was conducted in October 2019 and determined that there were no unsafe conditions that required emergency repairs. District maintenance staff ensures that the repairs necessary to keep the school in good repair and working order are completed in a timely manner. A computer automated work order process is used to ensure efficient service and that emergency repairs and health and safety repairs are given the highest priority. The Board of Education has adopted cleaning standards and custodial staffing requirements for all schools in the district. This school meets the Board's standards for custodial staffing and cleanliness. The school's custodians are trained in the proper use of cleaning chemicals and Integrated Pest Management techniques. They are managed day to day by the Principal with assistance from the district's maintenance department. The district participates in the State School Deferred Maintenance Program, with funding allocated for major repair or replacement of existing school building components. Typically, this includes roofing, plumbing, heating, air conditioning, electrical systems, interior or exterior painting, and floor systems. Annually the district budgets \$2 million dollars for deferred maintenance activities.

Age of School Buildings

65 years but with modernizations and additions completed in subsequent years.

Maintenance and Repair

LEA maintenance staff ensures that the repairs necessary to keep the school in good repair and working order are completed in a timely manner. A work order process is used to ensure efficient services and that emergency repairs are given the highest priority. Emergency work orders are addressed in the first 24 hours. Routine work orders are addressed within 30 days.

Cleaning Process and Schedule

The LEA governing board has adopted cleaning standards for all schools in the LEA. Each site has a day and evening custodial crew. Each crew member has a run sheet with assigned responsibilities. A copy of these run sheets is available at the school office or can be obtained from Maintenance and Operations Custodial Services. Custodial Area Supervisors oversee the cleaning of all district sites to ensure cleaning standards are met daily providing a clean and safe site.

Deferred Maintenance Budget

The LEA participates in the State School Deferred LEA maintenance Program, which provides state matching funds on a dollar-for-dollar basis to assist LEAs with expenditures for major repair or replacement of existing school building components. Typically, this includes roofing, plumbing, heating, air conditioning, electrical systems, interior or exterior painting and floor systems. For the 2023-24 school year, the LEA has budgeted 2 million for the deferred maintenance program. This represents 3% of the LEA's general fund budget.

Deferred Maintenance Projects (if applicable)

N/A

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements

Modernization Projects (if applicable)

N/A

New School Construction Projects (if applicable)

N/A

Year and month of the most recent FIT report

10/31/2023

System Inspected	Rate Good	Rate Fair	Rate Poor	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	X			
Interior: Interior Surfaces	X			
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/Vermin Infestation	X			
Electrical	X			
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	X			
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	X			
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	X			
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	X			

Overall Facility Rate

Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor
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 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).

The CAASPP System encompasses the following assessments and student participation requirements:

1. **Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments and CAAs for ELA** in grades three through eight and grade eleven.
2. **Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments and CAAs for mathematics** in grades three through eight and grade eleven.
3. **California Science Test (CAST) and CAAs for Science** in grades five, eight, and once in high school (i.e., grade ten, eleven, or twelve).

College and Career Ready

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.

Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard on CAASPP

This table displays CAASPP test results in ELA and mathematics for all students grades three through eight and grade eleven taking and completing a state-administered assessment.

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.

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.

Subject	School 2021-22	School 2022-23	District 2021-22	District 2022-23	State 2021-22	State 2022-23
English Language Arts/Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11)	52	50	43	42	47	46
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	46	42	29	29	33	34

2022-23 CAASPP Test Results in ELA by Student Group

This table displays CAASPP test results in ELA by student group for students grades three through eight and grade eleven taking and completing a state-administered assessment.

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.

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.

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 Student Groups	CAASPP Total Enrollment	CAASPP Number Tested	CAASPP Percent Tested	CAASPP Percent Not Tested	CAASPP Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	229	223	97.38	2.62	50.22
Female	106	101	95.28	4.72	56.44
Male	123	122	99.19	0.81	45.08
American Indian or Alaska Native	--	--	--	--	--
Asian	15	13	86.67	13.33	53.85
Black or African American	17	16	94.12	5.88	25.00
Filipino	--	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	48	47	97.92	2.08	42.55
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	--	--	--	--	--
Two or More Races	15	15	100.00	0.00	60.00
White	130	128	98.46	1.54	53.91
English Learners	19	14	73.68	26.32	14.29
Foster Youth	0	0	0	0	0
Homeless	--	--	--	--	--
Military	0	0	0	0	0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	111	107	96.40	3.60	39.25
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	0	0	0	0	0
Students with Disabilities	21	21	100.00	0.00	42.86

2022-23 CAASPP Test Results in Math by Student Group

This table displays CAASPP test results in Math by student group for students grades three through eight and grade eleven taking and completing a state-administered assessment.

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.

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.

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 Student Groups	CAASPP Total Enrollment	CAASPP Number Tested	CAASPP Percent Tested	CAASPP Percent Not Tested	CAASPP Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	229	228	99.56	0.44	41.67
Female	106	105	99.06	0.94	40.00
Male	123	123	100.00	0.00	43.09
American Indian or Alaska Native	--	--	--	--	--
Asian	15	15	100.00	0.00	53.33
Black or African American	17	16	94.12	5.88	12.50
Filipino	--	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	48	48	100.00	0.00	37.50
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	--	--	--	--	--
Two or More Races	15	15	100.00	0.00	40.00
White	130	130	100.00	0.00	45.38
English Learners	19	19	100.00	0.00	15.79
Foster Youth	0	0	0	0	0
Homeless	--	--	--	--	--
Military	0	0	0	0	0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	111	111	100.00	0.00	30.63
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	0	0	0	0	0
Students with Disabilities	21	21	100.00	0.00	38.10

CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students

This table displays the percentage of all students grades five, eight, and High School meeting or exceeding the State Standard.

Science test results include the CAST 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 CAST 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.

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.

Subject	School 2021-22	School 2022-23	District 2021-22	District 2022-23	State 2021-22	State 2022-23
Science (grades 5, 8 and high school)	48.57	51.85	30.55	30.86	29.47	30.29

2022-23 CAASPP Test Results in Science by Student Group

This table displays CAASPP test results in Science by student group for students grades five, eight, and High School. 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.

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	54	54	100.00	0.00	51.85
Female	25	25	100.00	0.00	60.00
Male	29	29	100.00	0.00	44.83
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	0	0	0
Asian	--	--	--	--	--
Black or African American	--	--	--	--	--
Filipino	0	0	0	0	0
Hispanic or Latino	13	13	100.00	0.00	38.46
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0
Two or More Races	--	--	--	--	--
White	31	31	100.00	0.00	54.84
English Learners	--	--	--	--	--
Foster Youth	0	0	0	0	0
Homeless	--	--	--	--	--
Military	0	0	0	0	0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	27	27	100.00	0.00	51.85
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	0	0	0	0	0
Students with Disabilities	--	--	--	--	--

B. Pupil Outcomes

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 area of physical education.

2022-23 California Physical Fitness Test Results

This table displays the percentage of students participating in each of the five fitness components of the California Physical Fitness Test Results. The administration of the PFT during 2021-22 and 2022-23 school years, only participation results are required for these five fitness areas. 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.

Grade Level	Component 1: Aerobic Capacity	Component 2: Abdominal Strength and Endurance	Component 3: Trunk Extensor and Strength and Flexibility	Component 4: Upper Body Strength and Endurance	Component 5: Flexibility
Grade 5	94.50%	96.40%	96.40%	96.40%	96.40%

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 regarding the school district and at each school site.

2023-24 Opportunities for Parental Involvement

Cowan Fundamental Elementary School is an open-enrollment school with an emphasis on parent participation. Caregivers are strongly encouraged to volunteer two hours per month and are actively involved in all phases of their child's education. Caregivers and community members contribute volunteer hours in the classroom, library, at school events, on field trips, and in the office yearly. Caregivers are kept abreast of school activities with which they can help through the school website, weekly/monthly newsletters and flyers, Blackboard messages, the Cowan Facebook page, Instagram, and regular communication from the teachers and principal.

Caregivers have a myriad of opportunities to contribute volunteer hours at Cowan Fundamental. There are various committees in place that are led by caregivers. Caregivers can volunteer to lead or help with any of these committees or assist at special events. A few of the committees include the School Site Council, English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC), Parent Teacher Club (PTC), Book Fair, School Musical, Teacher Appreciation Week, Fall Family Festival, Author Day, Spring Auction, or Yearbook. Caregivers are also required to attend Back-to-School Night, Open House, and report card conferences.

The School Site Council meets monthly to discuss, plan, and assess our Site Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA), determine the site budget, and set spending priorities. It is comprised of five elected caregivers and five elected staff members with an open invitation to all caregivers and staff to attend and participate.

The Parent Teacher Club (PTC) works diligently to raise funds and provide volunteer time to enhance the learning environment for all students. The PTC meets monthly and supports the school program in a variety of ways including support for technology development and implementation. Such support provides students with opportunities for multimedia presentations and research in their growth toward technological literacy while preparing them for the twenty-first century. Our caregivers leading involvement at our school can be contacted at cowanptc@gmail.com.

Cowan Fundamental School values caregivers and their role in their child's academic success!

Caregivers or community members who wish to participate in leadership teams, school committees, school activities, or become a volunteer may contact the Principal, Wendy Benson or the Secretary, Elisa Robles at (916) 979-8240.

2022-23 Chronic Absenteeism by Student Group

Student Group	Cumulative Enrollment	Chronic Absenteeism Eligible Enrollment	Chronic Absenteeism Count	Chronic Absenteeism Rate
All Students	408	397	71	17.9
Female	201	196	33	16.8
Male	207	201	38	18.9
American Indian or Alaska Native	2	2	0	0.0
Asian	28	24	2	8.3
Black or African American	39	37	10	27.0
Filipino	3	3	1	33.3
Hispanic or Latino	80	78	12	15.4
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	4	4	2	50.0
Two or More Races	29	28	5	17.9
White	223	221	39	17.6
English Learners	56	50	10	20.0
Foster Youth	0	0	0	0.0
Homeless	10	10	4	40.0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	194	190	48	25.3
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	0	0	0	0.0
Students with Disabilities	42	42	7	16.7

C. Engagement

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

This table displays suspensions and expulsions data.

Rate	School 2020-21	School 2021-22	School 2022-23	District 2020-21	District 2021-22	District 2022-23	State 2020-21	State 2021-22	State 2022-23
Suspensions	0.00	0.72	1.96	0.10	4.48	4.53	0.20	3.17	3.60
Expulsions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.07	0.08

2022-23 Suspensions and Expulsions by Student Group

Student Group	Suspensions Rate	Expulsions Rate
All Students	1.96	0
Female	1	0
Male	2.9	0
Non-Binary		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0
Asian	0	0
Black or African American	5.13	0
Filipino	0	0
Hispanic or Latino	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0	0
Two or More Races	0	0
White	2.69	0
English Learners	0	0
Foster Youth	0	0
Homeless	0	0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	3.09	0
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	0	0
Students with Disabilities	9.52	0

2023-24 School Safety Plan

School Safety Plan

San Juan Unified School District emphasizes school safety and understands its importance in helping to achieve the academic success of its students. In accordance with the California Education Code, each school site must complete and maintain a Comprehensive School Safety Plan, to be reviewed and updated annually. The plan includes a review of safety data for the campus, safety policies, critical incident response & management information as well as emergency procedure information including those pertaining to incidents involving fire, earthquakes, intruders and other dangers. The review and update of the plan is a collaborative process involving representatives from site administration, instructional staff, custodial & classified staff, safety personnel and parent representative who together comprise a site safety team. Finalized plans are posted to site webpages for public access and presented to staff during training and development days no later than March 1 of each year. A copy of the plan is available for review in each school site office.

Safety drills are held on a regular basis and in compliance with the California Education Code to include fire drills, earthquake drills and intruder drills. Drills are coordinated and monitored with the assistance of the trained district safety personnel.

Safety is a shared responsibility. Each school site is supported by the district's Safe Schools Team. The Safe Schools Team is comprised of personnel specifically trained to support and promote school safety, provide advice to matters involving student welfare, assist in the coordination of drills and provide safety training to students and staff. Safe Schools Team members, known as Community Safety Specialists work collaboratively with site administrators and safety committee members to build and strengthen a culture of safety as well as address specific incident needs. The Safe Schools Team members are further supported through developed relationships with local law enforcement offices including the Sacramento County Sheriffs Department & Citrus Heights Police Department. San Juan Unified maintains contracts with local law enforcement for the purpose of employing uniformed law enforcement officers to further enhance school site security for special events as well as in response to critical incidents and threats.

D. Other SARC Information Information Required in the SARC

The information in this section is required to be in the SARC but is not included in the state priorities for LCFF.

2020-21 Elementary Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution

This table displays the 2020-21 average class size and class size distribution. The columns titled “Number of Classes” indicates how many classes fall into each size category (a range of total students per class). The “Other” category is for multi-grade level classes.

Grade Level	Average Class Size	Number of Classes with 1-20 Students	Number of Classes with 21-32 Students	Number of Classes with 33+ Students
K	24		2	
1	38		1	1
2	22		3	
3	19	3		
4	25		3	
5	28		2	
6	17	2		

2021-22 Elementary Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution

This table displays the 2021-22 average class size and class size distribution. The columns titled “Number of Classes” indicates how many classes fall into each size category (a range of total students per class). The “Other” category is for multi-grade level classes.

Grade Level	Average Class Size	Number of Classes with 1-20 Students	Number of Classes with 21-32 Students	Number of Classes with 33+ Students
K	24		2	
1	36		1	1
2	25		2	
3	25		3	
4	28		2	
5	23		3	
6	17	2		

2022-23 Elementary Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution

This table displays the 2022-23 average class size and class size distribution. The columns titled “Number of Classes” indicates how many classes fall into each size category (a range of total students per class). The “Other” category is for multi-grade level classes.

Grade Level	Average Class Size	Number of Classes with 1-20 Students	Number of Classes with 21-32 Students	Number of Classes with 33+ Students
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2022-23 Ratio of Pupils to Academic Counselor

This table displays the ratio of pupils to Academic Counselor. 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.

Title	Ratio
Pupils to Academic Counselor	0

2022-23 Student Support Services Staff

This table displays the number of FTE support staff assigned to this school. 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.

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

Fiscal Year 2021-22 Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries

This table displays the 2021-22 expenditures per pupil and average teacher salary for this school. Cells with N/A values do not require data.

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	\$13,935	\$5,931	\$8,005	\$84,224.00
District	N/A	N/A	\$7,441	\$80,362
Percent Difference - School Site and District	N/A	N/A	7.3	7.4
State	N/A	N/A	\$7,607	\$87,885
Percent Difference - School Site and State	N/A	N/A	11.9	-1.3

Fiscal Year 2022-23 Types of Services Funded

The table provides a comparison of a school's per pupil funding from unrestricted sources with other schools in the district and throughout the state. Supplemental/Restricted expenditures come from money whose use is controlled by law or donor. Money designated for specific purposes by the district or governing board is not considered restricted. Base/unrestricted expenditures, except for general guidelines, are not controlled by law or donor. For detailed information on school expenditures for all districts in California, see the CDE Current Expense of Education & Per-pupil Spending Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/ec/>. For information on teacher salaries for all districts in California, see the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/>. To look up expenditures and salaries for a specific school district, see the Ed-Data Web site at: <http://www.ed-data.org>.

Fiscal Year 2021-22 Teacher and Administrative Salaries

This table displays the 2021-22 Teacher and Administrative salaries. For detailed information on salaries, see the CDE Certification Salaries & Benefits web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/>.

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts in Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$47,500	\$55,550
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$70,000	\$80,703
Highest Teacher Salary	\$100,000	\$109,418
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$122,250	\$137,703
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$130,430	\$143,760
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$141,779	\$159,021
Superintendent Salary	\$324,066	\$319,443
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	33.42%	30.35%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	5.41%	4.87%

Professional Development

Professional development is a key part of the continuous improvement process for educators. The goal of our quality professional development is to support the learning of teachers and paraprofessionals to positively impact student achievement. Annually, teachers and site administrators participate in professional development in a variety of opportunities. Seventy-five minutes per week are dedicated to staff collaboration and training planned by site leadership teams. The District also provides a cycle of continuous professional development for Administrators through Principal Networks as well as Leadership Academies.

The District provides professional development opportunities for teachers and administrators that support the Implementation of Common Core State Standards in English language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, and the ELA/ELD Framework. Specific professional development initiatives include Culturally Responsive Practices, Critical Literacy, TK-2 Reading, Supporting Independence and Engagement through Reading and Writing, Math to the Core, Expository Reading and Writing Course, and ELD Foundations. District departments, the Center for Teacher Support, grant-funded projects, and the San Juan Teacher's Association sponsor additional training opportunities. Professional development opportunities are voluntary for teachers and are provided throughout the year in a variety of formats: during the school day, after school, on Saturdays, and during summer and vacation breaks. Many teachers and administrators also take advantage of opportunities with the Sacramento County Office of Education, the California Department of Education, the college/university programs, state/national education organizations, and private educational institutes.

What grounds the professional development in the district is the District Strategic Plan and the Local Control Accountability Plan. Professional Development is further determined using one or more of the following: (a) student achievement data, (b) staff survey data, and (c) district-identified goals. Professional development addresses the Common Core State Standards, teaching strategies, curriculum, assessment, technology, classroom management, safety, and leadership. Administrator training accompanies professional development in district focus areas, providing implementation support for teachers on site. Content-area coaches are available at some schools. Additional classroom support is provided to new and struggling teachers by consulting teachers from the Center for Teacher Support.

Paraprofessionals are encouraged to participate in professional development at the district and site level, and there are specific opportunities designed for our paraprofessionals to attend and be compensated. Specifically designed training is also offered to non-instructional support staff such as clerical and custodial staff that includes both operational and instructional topics.

This table displays the number of school days dedicated to staff development and continuous improvement.

Subject	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Number of school days dedicated to Staff Development and Continuous Improvement	9	16	2