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VISTA FUNDAMENTAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

A CALIFORNIA DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL
A 2016 CALIFORNIA GOLD RIBBON SCHOOL
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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Vista Fundamental School is one of two alternative "schools of choice" elementary schools in the Simi Valley Unified School District. The Vista "Eagles" have a proud tradition of excellence. Our school motto is "Together Everyone Achieves More." It is important to our staff that we work in partnership with parents and that each student's experience at Vista is rich and memorable. We encourage the parents of the Vista community to get to know other parents, communicate regularly with your child's teacher, join PTA, get involved as a volunteer in a classroom or on a committee, and embrace all that Vista has to offer you and your child. It is our goal that Vista students are well prepared when they are promoted to middle school. As a result, Vista students often become leaders in both academic and extracurricular areas during their secondary school experience. Vista's staff strives to prepare our students for educational experiences and careers of the 21st century through differentiated instruction support using research based techniques including technology. Our staff are GATE trained. Our focus remains on achievement of the California State Standards and continually enhancing our technology on campus. Vista is a STEM focus school, and students engage in weekly learning opportunities in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. In addition, students have the opportunity to participate in after school learning opportunities in the arts and STEM. Vista is an exceptional learning environment with long lasting traditions and exciting new possibilities to support our student population. As the principal, I am proud to be a Vista "Eagle" and feel privileged to serve the students, families, and staff of the Vista Fundamental School community.

DISTRICT & SCHOOL DESCRIPTION

SIMI VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Simi Valley Unified School District offices are located in the northwest region of the city of Simi Valley. During the 2024-25 school year, the district's eighteen elementary schools, three middle schools, three comprehensive high schools, one continuation school, and one alternative/independent study school served a total of 15,444 students in grades TK-12. The district's student population is comprised of 11.1% identified as English learners, 13.9% receiving special education services, 0.3% foster youth, 3.0% homeless youth, and 46.0% socioeconomically disadvantaged.

OUR PLEDGE

Their path.
Our pledge.
From here to anywhere.
More than a promise, it's a commitment.
To our town.
Our schools.
Our students.
Our community.
To empower ALL students to become the best potential versions of themselves.
Their path starts in Simi Valley Schools and our pledge starts now.



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VISTA FUNDAMENTAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

During the 2024-25 school year, Vista Fundamental Elementary School served 567 students in grades K-5. Student enrollment included 6.9% receiving special education services, 9.3% qualifying for English learner support, 0.4% foster youth, 0.9% homeless youth, and 33.3% socioeconomically disadvantaged.

Student Enrollment by Student Group 2024-25	
Student Group	% of Total Enrollment
Female	51.0%
Male	49.0%
Non-Binary	0%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.2%
Asian	24.7%
Black or African-American	0.7%
Filipino	2.5%
Hispanic or Latino	27.9%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.7%
Two or More Races	4.8%
White	38.6%
English Learners	9.3%
Foster Youth	0.4%
Homeless	0.9%
Migrant Services	0%
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	33.3%
Students with Disabilities	6.9%

Student Enrollment by Grade Level 2024-25	
Grade Level	# of Students
Kindergarten	93
Grade 1	95
Grade 2	95
Grade 3	93
Grade 4	95
Grade 5	96
Total Enrollment	567

SCHOOL VISION

Vista Fundamental School is dedicated to academic excellence within a structured learning environment that maintains a high level of commitment by students, parents and staff. This ongoing partnership between home and school is a critical attribute of the fundamental philosophy. A consistent educational program exists within a nurturing and challenging atmosphere. Emphasis is placed on the achievement of the California State Standards as well as the values of accountability, punctuality, diligence, personal responsibility, respect for authority, courtesy and teamwork.

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.

Opportunities to Volunteer

Art Docents
Chaperone Field Trips
Classroom Helpers
Library Helpers
Maker Space Lab

Committees

English Learner Advisory Council
District English Learner Advisory Council
Parent Teacher Association
School Safety Committee
School Site Council
STEM Committee

School Activities

Back to School Night
Family Nights
Open House
Parent Education Workshops
Science Fair
STEM Night
Student Performances
Student Recognition Assemblies

SCHOOL NEWS

Parents stay informed on upcoming events and school activities through email, flyers, the school marquee, S'more newsletter, Facebook, the school/teacher website, weekly teacher newsletters, weekly parent updates, Aeries Portal, and Blackboard Connect (automated telephone message delivery system). Contact the PTA President at (805) 520-6750 or email the principal at brandi.young@simivalleyusd.org for more information on how to become involved in your child's learning environment.

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 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/.

**CAASPP Test Results in ELA and Mathematics for All Students
2024-25**

	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding State Standards					
	School		District		State	
	23-24	24-25	23-24	24-25	23-24	24-25
English-Language Arts/Literacy (Grades 3-8 and 11)	73.0	76.0	48.0	50.0	47.0	48.0
Mathematics (Grades 3-8 and 11)	71.0	74.0	35.0	36.0	35.0	37.0

Note: To protect student privacy, double dashes (--) are used in the table when the cell size within a selected student population is ten or fewer.

ELA and mathematics test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments 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 CAA divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

**CAASPP Test Results in ELA by Student Group
2024-25**

Student Groups	Total Enrollment	# Tested	% Tested	% Not Tested	% Met or Exceeded
All Students	282	278	98.58	1.42	75.90
Female	137	133	97.08	2.92	75.94
Male	145	145	100	0	75.86
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	0	0	0
Asian	80	80	100	0	87.50
Black or African American	--	--	--	--	--
Filipino	11	11	100	0	72.73
Hispanic or Latino	77	76	98.70	1.30	71.05
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	--	--	--	--	--
Two or More Races	11	11	100	0	81.82
White	98	95	96.94	3.06	69.47
English Learners	16	16	100	0	37.50
Foster Youth	--	--	--	--	--
Homeless	--	--	--	--	--
Military	--	--	--	--	--
Migrant Services	0	0	0	0	0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	94	91	96.81	3.19	69.23
Students with Disabilities	20	20	100	0	35.00

**CAASPP Test Results in Mathematics by Student Group
2024-25**

Student Groups	Total Enrollment	# Tested	% Tested	% Not Tested	% Met or Exceeded
All Students	282	278	98.58	1.42	74.46
Female	137	133	97.08	2.92	72.93
Male	145	145	100	0	75.86
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	0	0	0
Asian	80	80	100	0	92.50
Black or African American	--	--	--	--	--
Filipino	11	11	100	0	90.91
Hispanic or Latino	77	76	98.70	1.30	57.89
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	--	--	--	--	--
Two or More Races	11	11	100	0	81.82
White	98	95	96.94	3.06	68.42
English Learners	16	16	100	0	37.50
Foster Youth	--	--	--	--	--
Homeless	--	--	--	--	--
Military	--	--	--	--	--
Migrant Services	0	0	0	0	0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	94	91	96.81	3.19	61.54
Students with Disabilities	20	20	100	0	45.00

Note: ELA & 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 CAA divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

To protect student privacy, double dashes (--) are used in the table when the cell size within a selected student population is ten or fewer.

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

**CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students
2024-25**

	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding State Standards					
	School		District		State	
	23-24	24-25	23-24	24-25	23-24	24-25
Science (Grades 5, 8 and 10)	65.43	51.04	31.54	35.83	30.73	32.33

Note: Science test results include the CAST and the CAA for Science. 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 CAA for Science divided by the total number of students who participated in a science assessment.

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

**CAASPP Test Results in Science by Student Group
2024-25**

Student Groups	Total Enrollment	# Tested	% Tested	% Not Tested	% Met or Exceeded
All Students	96	96	100	0	51.04
Female	44	44	100	0	54.55
Male	52	52	100	0	48.08
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	0	0	0
Asian	29	29	100	0	75.86
Black or African American	0	0	0	0	0
Filipino	--	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	26	26	100	0	38.46
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	--	--	--	--	--
Two or More Races	--	--	--	--	--
White	32	32	100	0	37.50
English Learners	--	--	--	--	--
Foster Youth	--	--	--	--	--
Homeless	--	--	--	--	--
Military	--	--	--	--	--
Migrant Services	0	0	0	0	0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	27	27	100	0	33.33
Students with Disabilities	--	--	--	--	--

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PHYSICAL FITNESS

In the spring of each year, Vista Fundamental Elementary School is required by the state to administer a physical fitness test to all students in grade five. The physical fitness test (PFT) for students in California school is the FITNESSGRAM®. The main goal of the test is to help students in starting life-long habits of regular physical activity.

The FITNESSGRAM® has six parts, though California currently requires five parts be completed annually, that show a level of fitness that offer a degree of defense against diseases that come from inactivity. The test results can be used by students, teachers, and parents. Comparative District and state results can be found at the CDE's web site www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/pf.

**Physical Fitness Test
% of Students Participating in each of the Five Fitness Components
2024-25**

Grade	Component 1: Aerobic Capacity	Component 2: Abdominal Strength & Endurance	Component 3: Trunk Extensor and Strength and Flexibility	Component 4: Upper Body Strength and Endurance	Component 5: Flexibility
5	97.9%	97.9%	97.9%	97.9%	97.9%

Note: The administration of the PFT requires only participation results for these five fitness areas.

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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 appropriately 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); 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

SCHOOL FACILITIES & SAFETY

FACILITIES PROFILE

The district takes great efforts to ensure that all schools are clean, safe, and functional through proper facilities maintenance and campus supervision. Vista Fundamental Elementary's original facilities were built in 1962; 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. The District Governing Board has adopted cleaning standards for all schools in the District. A summary of these standards is available at the school office, at the District Office, or on the Internet at www.simivalleyusd.org.

A work order process is used by school and district staff to communicate non-routine maintenance requests. Emergency repairs are given the highest priority.

The day custodian is responsible for:

- Classroom cleaning
- Cafeteria setup/cleanup
- General grounds maintenance
- Lunch area setup/cleanup
- Restroom cleaning

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

- Classroom cleaning
- Office area cleaning
- Restroom cleaning

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

Campus Description	
Year Built	1962
Acreage	-
Square Footage	-
	Quantity
Permanent Classrooms	16
Portable Classrooms	9
Restrooms (Sets)	3 sets
Multipurpose Room/Cafeteria	1
Computer Lab	1
Library	1
Reading Intervention Room	1
Outdoor Covered Patio	1
Staff Lounge/Teacher Workroom	1
Resource Room	1
Special Education Room	1
Indoor STEM Lab	1

SUPERVISION & SAFETY

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, campus supervisors are strategically assigned to designated entrance areas and the playground. During recess and lunch, campus supervisors monitor playground activity. At the end of the day when students are dismissed, campus supervisors monitor student behavior to ensure a safe and orderly departure.

Vista Fundamental Elementary School is a closed campus. During school hours, all visitors must sign in at the school's office with a valid state issued identification to be scanned through the visitor management system and wear an identification sticker while on school grounds. They must then check out at the school office upon exit from the school site.

SCHOOL SITE SAFETY PLAN

The Comprehensive School Site Safety Plan was developed for Vista Fundamental Elementary 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, and dress code policy. The school's school safety plan is reviewed, updated, and discussed with school staff each year by March 1st.

SCHOOL INSPECTIONS

On an annual basis, schools are required by the state to perform a comprehensive inspection and report those findings to the school community. The most recent inspection for Vista Fundamental Elementary School took place on September 26, 2025. The School Facility Good Repair Status table illustrated in this report identifies the state-required inspection areas and discloses the operational status in each of those areas. During fiscal year 2025-26, all restrooms were fully functional and available for student use at the time of the inspection.

School Facility Good Repair Status				
Item Inspected	Repair Status			
Inspection Date: September 26, 2025	Good	Fair	Poor	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
Systems	X			
Interior Surfaces	X			
Cleanliness	X			
Electrical	X			
Restrooms/Fountains	X			
Safety	X			
Structural	X			
External	X			

Overall Summary of School Facility Good Repair Status				
	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor
Overall Summary	X			
<i>Exemplary: The school meets most or all standards of good repair. Deficiencies noted, if any, are not significant and/or impact a very small area of the school.</i>				

CLASSROOM ENVIRONMENT

DISCIPLINE & CLIMATE FOR LEARNING

Vista Fundamental Elementary School's discipline practices and behavior management strategies comply with approved board policies and are designed to create effective learning environments and minimize classroom disruptions. Proactive instruction is provided through monthly character traits, Growth Mindset lessons, and digital citizenship curriculum. Progressive discipline and proactive measures are employed in the classroom for those students experiencing difficulty following school rules and demonstrating positive behavior. Disciplinary intervention is managed by school administrators in a fair, firm, and consistent manner based upon the nature of each situation. Vista Fundamental Elementary School's conduct policies are based upon Positive Behavioral Supports and Interventions (PBIS) schoolwide behavior expectations and our Eagles SOAR:

Safety First
Outstanding Citizen
Accepts Responsibility
Respect for All

The Simi Valley Unified School District maintains a firm policy prohibiting all forms of bullying. Everyone is to be treated with respect and dignity. Bullying by anyone, including students, teachers, administrators, or other adults will not be tolerated by any circumstances. Administrators will respond to all reports of alleged bullying in a timely manner.

Suspensions & Expulsions			
	22-23	23-24	24-25
	School		
% Students Suspended	0.16	0.49	0.70
% Students Expelled	0.00	0.00	0.00
	District		
% Students Suspended	3.65	3.63	3.25
% Students Expelled	0.11	0.80	0.11
	State		
% Students Suspended	3.60	3.28	3.28
% Students Expelled	0.08	0.07	0.06

Suspensions and Expulsions by Student Group 2024-25		
Student Groups	Suspensions Rate	Expulsion Rate
All Students	0.70	0.0
Female	0.0	0.0
Male	1.44	0.0
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0	0.0
Asian	0.0	0.0
Black or African American	0.0	0.0
Filipino	0.0	0.0
Hispanic or Latino	1.27	0.0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0	0.0
Two or More Races	0.0	0.0
White	0.91	0.0
English Learners	0.0	0.0
Foster Youth	0.0	0.0
Homeless	0.0	0.0
Migrant Services	0.0	0.0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	0.52	0.0
Students with Disabilities	2.0	0.0
<i>Note: To protect student privacy, double dashes (--) are used in the table when the cell size within a selected student population is ten or fewer.</i>		

CLASS SIZE DISTRIBUTION

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. Calculations exclude classrooms of 50 or more students.

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution				
Grade	2022-23			
	Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes		
		1-20	21-32	33+
K	24		4	
1	24		4	
2	24		4	
3	24		4	
4	32		3	
5	30		3	
	2023-24			
	Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes		
		1-20	21-32	33+
K	24		4	
1	24		4	
2	24		4	
3	24		4	
4	32		3	
5	32		3	
	2024-25			
	Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes		
		1-20	21-32	33+
K	23		2	
1	24		4	
2	24		4	
3	23		4	
4	32		3	
5	32		2	
<i>*Number of classes indicates how many classes fall into each size category (a range of total students per class).</i>				
<i>***"Other" category, if applicable, is for multi-grade level classes.</i>				

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

The chart in this report identifies the chronic absenteeism rates by student group for Vista Fundamental Elementary School for the 2024-25 school year. A "chronic absentee" has been defined in EC Section 60901(c)(1) as "a pupil who is absent on 10 percent or more of the school days in the school year when the total number of days a pupil is absent is divided by the total number of days the pupil is enrolled and school was actually taught in the regular day schools of the district, exclusive of Saturdays and Sundays."

Chronic Absenteeism by Student Group 2024-25

Student Groups	Cumulative Enrollment	Chronic Absenteeism Eligible Enrollment	Chronic Absenteeism Count	Chronic Absenteeism Rate
All Students	568	567	34	6.0
Female	290	290	15	5.2
Male	278	277	19	6.9
American Indian or Alaska Native	--	--	--	--
Asian	141	140	10	7.1
Black or African American	--	--	--	--
Filipino	14	14	0	0.0
Hispanic or Latino	158	158	15	9.5
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	--	--	--	--
Two or More Races	27	27	2	7.4
White	219	219	7	3.2
English Learners	52	52	5	9.6
Foster Youth	--	--	--	--
Homeless	--	--	--	--
Migrant Services	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	192	192	14	7.3
Students with Disabilities	50	50	3	6.0

Note: To protect student privacy, double dashes (--) are used in the table when the cell size within a selected student population is ten or fewer.

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

All training and curriculum development activities at Vista Fundamental Elementary revolve around the California State Standards. During the 2024-25 school year, Vista Fundamental Elementary held site-based staff development devoted to:

- California State Standards
- CAASPP Training
- Differentiation
- Digital Citizenship
- Focus on Grit & Mindset
- i-Ready Training
- Mandated Reporter Training
- Nearpod Training
- Panorama Education
- Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)
- Response to Interview (Rtl)
- SPSA Training
- STAR / Early Literacy Assessment Training
- STEM Training
- Technology Training
- Universal Access Differentiation

During the 2023-24, 2024-25, and 2025-26 school years, Vista Fundamental Elementary School's teachers attended the following events hosted by the Simi Valley Unified School District:

Number of School Days Dedicated to Staff Development and Continuous Improvement

2023-24	3 days
Professional Learning Communities	
Response to Intervention	
Science of Reading	
Math Instruction	
Multi-Tiered Systems of Support	
2024-25	3 days
Positive Behavior Support	
Instructional Practices	
Professional Learning Community	
2025-26	5 days
Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)	
Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS)	
Inclusive and Culturally Responsive Instructional Practices	
Data Analysis	

Decisions concerning selection of staff development activities are performed by all staff using tools such as teacher input, state assessment results, and data analysis to determine the areas in which additional teacher training may enhance classroom instruction and increase student achievement levels. Vista Fundamental Elementary supports ongoing professional growth throughout the year during Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) times. Teachers meet in grade level teams to conduct data analysis to identify areas of need. Teaching staff are provided the opportunity to participate in district-sponsored staff development workshops or training sessions such as 1) a supplement to site-based staff development, 2) for reinforcement of or follow-up on previous training, or 3) follow-up training for newly implemented programs/curricula.

Simi Valley Unified School District offers supplemental training and support for new and ongoing program implementation. Training activities take place throughout the school year and generally focus on curriculum, teaching strategies and methodologies. During the 2025-26 school year supplemental training topics focus on the following:

- Universal Design for Learning (UDL)
- Differentiated Instruction
- English Learner Supports
- Equity-Focused Practices to Support all Learners

Vista Fundamental Elementary offers support to new and veteran teachers through peer coaching and mentoring. Instructional aides are provided targeted training focused on teaching strategies and curriculum content. All staff are encouraged to attend professional workshops and conferences. Classified support staff receive job-related training from department supervisors and district representatives.

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

All textbooks used in the core curriculum throughout Simi Valley Unified School District are being aligned to the California State Standards. Instructional materials for core content areas are approved by the district's Board of Education. The district follows the State Board of Education's adoption cycle for core content materials and for textbook adoptions in foreign language, visual and performing arts, and health.

On September 9, 2025, the Simi Valley Unified School District's 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 No. 18-25/26 which certifies as required by Education Code §60119 that (1) sufficient textbooks and instructional materials have been provided to each student, including English learners, that are aligned to the academic content standards and consistent with the cycles and context of the curriculum frameworks in the following subjects: history/social science, mathematics, reading/language arts, and science, (2) sufficient textbooks or instructional materials were provided to each pupil enrolled in foreign language or health classes, (3) laboratory equipment was available for science laboratory classes offered in grades 9-12, inclusive. In addition, each student enrolled in a performing arts class was provided sufficient textbooks or instructional materials to use in class or to take home.

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

TEACHER PREPARATION AND CREDENTIALS

The charts in this report identify the number of teachers at Vista Fundamental Elementary School, Simi Valley Unified School District and the State who are 1) fully credentialed; 2) intern credential holders who are properly assigned; 3) teachers without credentials and misassignments; and 4) credentialed teachers who are assigned out-of-field under ESSA.

The charts also report Vista Fundamental Elementary School information related to 1) the number of teachers on permits and waivers; 2) the number misassigned; 3) the number of vacant positions; 4) the number of credentialed teachers authorized on a permit or waiver; 5) the number of local assignment options; 6) the percent of misassignments for English Learners; and 7) the percent with no credential, permit or authorization to teach.

Textbooks			
Adoption Year	Publisher & Series	From Most Recent State Adoption (Y/N)	Pupils Lacking Textbooks
English Language Arts			
2017	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt: <i>Journeys</i>	Yes	0%
2017	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt: <i>Collections</i>	Yes	0%
2008	Santillana: <i>Santillana Intensive English</i>	Yes	0%
History-Social Science			
	<i>California Studies Weekly</i>	Yes	0%
Mathematics			
2015	McGraw-Hill: <i>My Math</i>	Yes	0%
Science			
2022	Twig Education: <i>Twig Science</i>	Yes	0%

Teacher Preparation and Placement Authorization						
	Fully (Preliminary or Clear) Credentialled for Subject and Student Placement (properly assigned)	Intern Credential Holders Properly Assigned	Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments ("ineffective" under ESSA)	Credentialed Teachers Assigned Out-of-Field ("out-of- field" under ESSA)	Unknown	Total Teaching Positions
2023-24						
School #	26.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	26.8
School %	100	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100
District #	641.9	0.0	13.5	44.2	49.3	749.1
District %	85.7	0.0	1.8	5.9	6.59	100
State #	230039.4	6213.8	16855.0	12112.8	13705.8	278927.1
State %	100	2.23	6.04	4.34	4.91	100
2022-23						
School #	26.1	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	26.6
School %	98.12	0.0	1.88	0.0	0.0	100
District #	645.6	1.2	39.5	48.4	16.9	751.8
District %	85.87	0.17	5.26	6.44	2.25	100
State #	234405.2	4853.0	12001.5	11953.1	15831.9	279044.8
State %	84.0	1.7	4.3	4.3	5.7	100
2021-22						
School #	25.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	25.2
School %	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100
District #	602.4	1.4	22.7	49.8	31.2	707.7
District %	85.13	0.2	3.21	7.04	4.42	100
State #	234405.2	4853.0	12001.5	11953.1	15831.9	279044.8
State %	84.0	1.7	4.3	4.3	5.7	100
<i>Note: The data in this table is based on FTE status. One FTE equals one staff member working full-time; one FTE could also represent two staff members who each work 50% 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.</i>						

Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments (Considered "Ineffective" under ESSA) Authorization / Assignment			
	School Number		
	21-22	22-23	23-24
Permits and Waivers	0.0	0.5	0.0
Misassignments	0.0	0.0	0.0
Vacant Positions	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments	0.0	0.5	0.0

Credentialed Teachers Assigned Out-of-Field (Considered "out-of-field" under ESSA) / Indicator			
	School Number		
	21-22	22-23	23-24
Credentialed Teachers Authorized on a Permit or Waiver	0.0	0.0	0.0
Local Assignment Options	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Out-of-Field Teachers	0.0	0.0	0.0

Class Assignments / Indicator

	School Number		
	21-22	22-23	23-24
Misassignments for English Learners (a percentage of all the classes with English Learners taught by teachers that are misassigned)	0.0	0.0	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	0.0	0.0
<i>Note: For more information refer to the Updated Teacher Equity Definitions web page at https://www.cde.ca.gov/pd/ee/teacherequitydefinitions.asp.</i>			

COUNSELORS & SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Vista Fundamental Elementary 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 Vista Fundamental Elementary'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 & Other Support Staff (Nonteaching Professional Staff) 2024-25

	No. of Staff	FTE
Academic Counselor	0	0.0
Library Clerk	1	0.5
Nurse	1	As Needed
Speech Therapist	1	0.2
Resource Officer	1	As Needed
Reading Intervention Specialist	1	0.4
Health Clerk	1	0.5
Occupational Therapist	1	As Needed
Psychologist	1	0.2
School Counselor	1	0.4

Note: 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.

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.

Teacher and Administrative Salaries 2023-24

	District	State Average of Districts in Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$54,699	\$62,783
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$86,102	\$97,783
Highest Teacher Salary	\$111,254	\$128,020
Superintendent Salary	\$275,050	\$313,465

Average Principal Salaries:

Elementary School	\$143,197	\$160,224
Middle School	\$150,885	\$166,991
High School	\$160,811	\$180,970

Percentage of Budget:

Teacher Salaries	28.8%	30.1%
Administrative Salaries	4.2%	5.0%

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

Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries 2023-24

	Dollars Spent per Student				
	School	District	% Diff. School & Dist.	State	% Diff. School & State
Total**	\$13,998	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Restricted	\$4,612	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Unrestricted	\$9,386	\$10,734	87.4%	\$11,146	84.2%
Avg Teacher Salary	\$98,886	\$91,855	107.7%	\$103,743	95.3%

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

EXPENDITURES PER STUDENT

For the 2023-24 school year, Simi Valley Unified School District spent an average of \$17,225 to educate each student (Current Expense of Education per ADA, based on 2023-24 audited financial statements and calculated in accordance with Ed Code 41372). The table below 1) compares the school's per pupil expenditures from unrestricted (basic) 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 website at www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/ec/ and www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/. (The figures shown in the table below reflect the direct cost of educational services, per ADA, excluding food services, facilities acquisition and construction, and certain other expenditures.)

In addition to general fund state funding, Simi Valley Unified School District receives state and federal categorical funding for special programs. For the 2023-24 school year, the District received federal, state, and local aid for the following categorical, special education, and support programs:

- After School Education & Safety (ASES)
- Arts, Music, and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant
- Arts and Music in Schools (Prop 28)
- Career Technical Education Incentive Grant Program
- Child Nutrition
- Classified School Employee Summer Assistance Program
- COVID Relief Funding
- Early Education
- Education Effectiveness
- Education Protection Account
- Expanded Learning Opportunities Program
- Governor's CTE Initiative: California Partnership Academies
- LCFF Equity Multiplier
- Learning Recovery Emergency Block Grant
- Lottery: Instructional Materials
- Mental Health-Related Services
- On-Behalf Pension Contributions
- Other Local: Locally Defined
- Special Education
- Special Education Early Intervention Preschool Grant
- State COVID Relief Funding
- State Lottery
- Strong Workforce Program
- Title I, II, III, IV
- Tobacco-Use Prevention Education

SARC DATA

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 Vista Fundamental 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) 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

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.

DISCLOSURE

The statistical information disclosed in this report is obtained from the California Department of Education and the Simi Valley 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 and the school facilities sections were acquired in October 2025.



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