

# Berkshire Elementary School

## 2024-2025 School Accountability Report Card

(Published During the 2025-2026 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.

## 2025-26 School Contact Information

<b>School Name</b>	Berkshire Elementary School
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<b>County-District-School (CDS) Code</b>	15633626119994

## 2025-26 District Contact Information

<b>District Name</b>	Panama-Buena Vista Union School District
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<b>District Website</b>	<a href="http://www.pbvUSD.k12.ca.us/">http://www.pbvUSD.k12.ca.us/</a>

## 2025-26 School Description and Mission Statement

Berkshire Elementary School is located on Berkshire Road between Wible Road and Akers Road, just west of the 99 Freeway. The school opened its doors in August of 2002 to 630 students. In 2006 and 2018, Berkshire Elementary School was recognized as a California Distinguished School by the State of California Department of Education.

Berkshire School receives Title I, Local Control Funds, and Title V funds from the federal government. Title I monies fund our reading intervention program, staff development, and resources. Local Control Funding is used to assist identified English Language Learners. Title V monies enhance the library/media program, and SBCP monies strengthen our instructional programs.

A standards-based curriculum and sound assessment strategies provide the foundation for continuous improvement of student performance and school programs. Students will leave Berkshire Elementary School with a positive attitude toward learning, a strong foundation in basic skills, and the ability to meet future academic challenges.

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Berkshire Elementary School strives to maintain the "Excellence in Education" concept defined by the Panama-Buena Vista Union School District. Our mission is to ensure that "Every member of our school community is treated with respect and dignity, shown grace, and is provided an equitable learning environment in which they can realize their full potential."

# About this School

## 2024-25 Student Enrollment by Grade Level

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	159
Grade 1	135
Grade 2	108
Grade 3	121
Grade 4	126
Grade 5	142
Grade 6	141
<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>932</b>

## 2024-25 Student Enrollment by Student Group

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Female	46
Male	54
Asian	13.9
Black or African American	7
Filipino	0.3
Hispanic or Latino	70.3
Two or More Races	1.1
White	5.5
English Learners	21.7
Foster Youth	0.6
Homeless	0.2
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	85.1
Students with Disabilities	16.1

### 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.

## 2021-22 Teacher Preparation and Placement

Authorization/Assignment	School Number	School Percent	District Number	District Percent	State Number	State Percent
<b>Fully (Preliminary or Clear) Credentialed for Subject and Student Placement (properly assigned)</b>	27.7	84.59	697.2	86.58	234405.2	84
<b>Intern Credential Holders Properly Assigned</b>	1	3.05	26.4	3.28	4853	1.74
<b>Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments (“ineffective” under ESSA)</b>	0	0	31.1	3.86	12001.5	4.3
<b>Credentialed Teachers Assigned Out-of-Field (“out-of-field” under ESSA)</b>	1	3.05	7.9	0.98	11953.1	4.28
<b>Unknown/Incomplete/NA</b>	3	9.31	42.6	5.29	15831.9	5.67
<b>Total Teaching Positions</b>	32.7	100	805.3	100	279044.8	100

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.

## 2022-23 Teacher Preparation and Placement

Authorization/Assignment	School Number	School Percent	District Number	District Percent	State Number	State Percent
<b>Fully (Preliminary or Clear) Credentialed for Subject and Student Placement (properly assigned)</b>	25.8	77.51	683.9	84.82	231142.4	83.24
<b>Intern Credential Holders Properly Assigned</b>	1	3	22.9	2.84	5566.4	2
<b>Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments (“ineffective” under ESSA)</b>	2	6	55.5	6.88	14938.3	5.38
<b>Credentialed Teachers Assigned Out-of-Field (“out-of-field” under ESSA)</b>	1	3	6	0.74	11746.9	4.23
<b>Unknown/Incomplete/NA</b>	3.5	10.49	38	4.71	14303.8	5.15
<b>Total Teaching Positions</b>	33.3	100	806.4	100	277698	100

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 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.

## 2023-24 Teacher Preparation and Placement

Authorization/Assignment	School Number	School Percent	District Number	District Percent	State Number	State Percent
<b>Fully (Preliminary or Clear) Credentialed for Subject and Student Placement (properly assigned)</b>	28.5	82.61	696.9	83.84	230039.4	100
<b>Intern Credential Holders Properly Assigned</b>	1	2.9	23	2.77	6213.8	2.23
<b>Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments (“ineffective” under ESSA)</b>	3	8.7	49.9	6.01	16855	6.04
<b>Credentialed Teachers Assigned Out-of-Field (“out-of-field” under ESSA)</b>	0	0	18.6	2.25	12112.8	4.34
<b>Unknown/Incomplete/NA</b>	2	5.8	42.6	5.13	13705.8	4.91
<b>Total Teaching Positions</b>	34.5	100	831.3	100	278927.1	100

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 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	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
<b>Permits and Waivers</b>	0.00	2	1
<b>Misassignments</b>	0.00	0	2
<b>Vacant Positions</b>	0.00	0	0
<b>Total Teachers Without Credentials and Misassignments</b>	0.00	2	3

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

Indicator	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
<b>Credentialed Teachers Authorized on a Permit or Waiver</b>	1.00	1	0
<b>Local Assignment Options</b>	0.00	0	0
<b>Total Out-of-Field Teachers</b>	1.00	1	0

## Class Assignments

Indicator	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
<b>Misassignments for English Learners</b> (a percentage of all the classes with English learners taught by teachers that are misassigned)	0	0	8.5
<b>No credential, permit or authorization to teach</b> (a percentage of all the classes taught by teachers with no record of an authorization to teach)	0	0	2.7

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

## 2025-26 Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials

All grade levels have access to the district-adopted state-approved English Language Arts textbooks; Berkshire uses Benchmark Advance in grades TK-6; we also use leveled readers for small-group guided reading instruction and intervention. Kindergarten uses 95% phonemic awareness books to solidify instruction for letter sounds and blending. Grades TK-6 use additional resources to supplement their phonics curriculum- 95%. The 95% curriculum and materials are used during core instruction and intervention blocks to address the specific needs of students two or more years behind grade level. Write From the Beginning is our writing curriculum for K-6th grade. Students also use the computer programs Lexia and Reflex. Read Naturally is used to build comprehension and fluency skills. Our curriculum is designed to be adaptable, ensuring that all grade levels have access to the district-adopted, state-approved Go Math math textbooks for instruction. Students are also engaged using Next Gen Math, a computer program designed to differentiate instruction in math. This adaptability allows us to meet the diverse needs of our student body, ensuring that each student receives the support and instruction they need to succeed.

Year and month in which the data were collected

10/14/2025

Subject	List of Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials / Indicate if from Most Recent Adoption / Year of Adoption	Percent Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
<b>Reading/Language Arts</b>	Adopted 2017: Benchmark Education Company, "Benchmark Advance" (TK-6), 95% Materials for Tier 1, Tier 2, and Tier 3, and Write From the Beginning	0
<b>Mathematics</b>	Adopted 2014: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt "2015 California GO Math" K-8.	0
<b>Science</b>	Adopted: Amplify Education, Inc "Amplify Science" 2021 (K-3), 2020 (4-6)	0
<b>History-Social Science</b>	Adopted 2020: McGraw Hill Education, "Impact California" (K-6)	0
<b>Foreign Language</b>	N/A	0
<b>Health</b>	N/A	0
<b>Visual and Performing Arts</b>	N/A	0
<b>Science Laboratory Equipment (grades 9-12)</b>	N/A	

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

## School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements

Berkshire provides a safe and clean environment for learning. The District administers a maintenance program, ensuring that all classrooms and facilities are maintained to a degree of adequacy that provides for a good education. Our ongoing repairs and modifications to the physical plant not only meet but exceed California Building and Safety Codes. The District's Safety and Risk Management Coordinator verifies that OSHA requirements are met quarterly, ensuring the highest safety standards. The exterior grounds are well-lit, and the perimeter of the school facility is fenced for student protection and safety. A team of custodians ensures classrooms and campus grounds are kept clean and safe. The restrooms are cleaned, sanitized, and secured at the end of each school day, with 100% of the toilets in operating condition.

As our Safe Schools Plan outlined, the safety committee has addressed concerns for our students' safe arrival and dismissal. Staff receives training in emergency protocol and CPR. Identifying tags are issued to volunteers and other visitors as they register in our office. The gates on the perimeter of the school playground are locked during school hours, and staff members are trained to activate lockdown procedures in an emergency. Our strong partnership with local law enforcement is evident in their quick response when concerns arise, providing an additional layer of safety. Designated staff members carefully supervise students on the playground and in the cafeteria. Grounds and playground equipment are inspected regularly for potential hazards. The District provides ongoing CPR/First Aid training as part of its staff development program. Fire and disaster drills occur quarterly, and a complete school site disaster plan has been prepared and is available for public review. Scheduled certificated supervision of students begins officially at 8:05 a.m. when the school opens, and supervision ends at 3:35 p.m.

Year and month of the most recent FIT report

4/15/2025

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

## Overall Facility 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.

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.

Subject	School 2023-24	School 2024-25	District 2023-24	District 2024-25	State 2023-24	State 2024-25
<b>English Language Arts/Literacy</b> (grades 3-8 and 11)	34	32	46	47	47	48
<b>Mathematics</b> (grades 3-8 and 11)	20	19	30	31	35	37

### 2024-25 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 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.

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

CAASPP Student Groups	CAASPP Total Enrollment	CAASPP Number Tested	CAASPP Percent Tested	CAASPP Percent Not Tested	CAASPP Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	533	525	98.50	1.50	32.19
Female	261	256	98.08	1.92	35.55
Male	272	269	98.90	1.10	29.00
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	0	0	0
Asian	65	61	93.85	6.15	52.46
Black or African American	43	42	97.67	2.33	21.43
Filipino	--	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	376	374	99.47	0.53	29.14
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0
Two or More Races	12	12	100.00	0.00	33.33
White	35	34	97.14	2.86	38.24
English Learners	85	81	95.29	4.71	7.41
Foster Youth	--	--	--	--	--
Homeless	--	--	--	--	--
Military	0	0	0	0	0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	469	463	98.72	1.28	30.02
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	0	0	0	0	0
Students with Disabilities	80	78	97.50	2.50	12.82

## 2024-25 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 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.

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

CAASPP Student Groups	CAASPP Total Enrollment	CAASPP Number Tested	CAASPP Percent Tested	CAASPP Percent Not Tested	CAASPP Percent Met or Exceeded
<b>All Students</b>	533	526	98.69	1.31	18.93
<b>Female</b>	261	257	98.47	1.53	16.86
<b>Male</b>	272	269	98.90	1.10	20.90
<b>American Indian or Alaska Native</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Asian</b>	65	64	98.46	1.54	34.38
<b>Black or African American</b>	43	41	95.35	4.65	14.63
<b>Filipino</b>	--	--	--	--	--
<b>Hispanic or Latino</b>	376	373	99.20	0.80	15.68
<b>Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Two or More Races</b>	12	12	100.00	0.00	33.33
<b>White</b>	35	34	97.14	2.86	23.53
<b>English Learners</b>	85	84	98.82	1.18	5.95
<b>Foster Youth</b>	--	--	--	--	--
<b>Homeless</b>	--	--	--	--	--
<b>Military</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Socioeconomically Disadvantaged</b>	469	464	98.93	1.07	17.79
<b>Students Receiving Migrant Education Services</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Students with Disabilities</b>	80	78	97.50	2.50	9.09

## 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 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.

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.

Subject	School 2023-24	School 2024-25	District 2023-24	District 2024-25	State 2023-24	State 2024-25
<b>Science</b> (grades 5, 8 and high school)	18.71	15.6	26.45	28.08	30.73	32.33

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

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

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	143	141	98.60	1.40	15.60
Female	69	68	98.55	1.45	19.12
Male	74	73	98.65	1.35	12.33
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	0	0	0
Asian	18	18	100.00	0.00	27.78
Black or African American	11	10	90.91	9.09	--
Filipino	0	0	0	0	0
Hispanic or Latino	98	98	100.00	0.00	14.29
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0
Two or More Races	--	--	--	--	--
White	13	12	92.31	7.69	8.33
English Learners	26	26	100.00	0.00	0.00
Foster Youth	--	--	--	--	--
Homeless	--	--	--	--	--
Military	0	0	0	0	0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	126	124	98.41	1.59	14.52
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	0	0	0	0	0
Students with Disabilities	22	21	95.45	4.55	0.00

### 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.

## 2024-25 California Physical Fitness Test Participation Rates

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 requires only participation results 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	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%

## 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.

#### 2025-26 Opportunities for Parental Involvement

The families of Berkshire Elementary students are offered a diverse range of opportunities to support their children, the school, and the community. From helping children at home with their school work to attending conferences, programs, and school-sponsored events, there's something for everyone. The numerous opportunities for Parental Involvement at Berkshire School, including the Berkshire Parent Club, School Site Council, English Language Learner Advisory Council, Parent Advisory Council, Monthly Chat A Lattes, Fall Festival, Family Math, STEM and Literacy nights, Family Movie Night, Family Dances, Family Picnic, and classroom volunteers, cater to a variety of interests and schedules. The Parent Club, in particular, provides funds and supports assemblies, field trips, school family days, and other extra benefits for the school and its students. Parents are encouraged to contact the school Principal, Amy Mensing, at 661-834-9472 to volunteer, participate in classrooms, or have questions regarding our planned Family Nights and Events.

## 2024-25 Chronic Absenteeism by Student Group

Student Group	Cumulative Enrollment	Chronic Absenteeism Eligible Enrollment	Chronic Absenteeism Count	Chronic Absenteeism Rate
All Students	1014	979	190	19.4
Female	472	454	84	18.5
Male	542	525	106	20.2
Non-Binary	--	--	--	--
American Indian or Alaska Native	--	--	--	--
Asian	145	142	20	14.1
Black or African American	72	69	14	20.3
Filipino	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	705	678	131	19.3
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	--	--	--	--
Two or More Races	13	13	7	53.8
White	58	56	15	26.8
English Learners	226	216	36	16.7
Foster Youth	--	--	--	--
Homeless	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	881	851	171	20.1
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	--	--	--	--
Students with Disabilities	176	171	38	22.2

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.

### 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 data.

Suspensions								
School 2022-23	School 2023-24	School 2024-25	District 2022-23	District 2023-24	District 2024-25	State 2022-23	State 2023-24	State 2024-25
2.91	2.38	1.08	2.75	2.15	1.78	3.6	3.28	2.94

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.

This table displays expulsions data.

Expulsions								
School 2022-23	School 2023-24	School 2024-25	District 2022-23	District 2023-24	District 2024-25	State 2022-23	State 2023-24	State 2024-25
0	0	0	0	0	0	0.08	0.07	0.06

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.

## 2024-25 Suspensions and Expulsions by Student Group

Student Group	Suspensions Rate	Expulsions Rate
All Students	1.08	0.00
Female	0.85	0.00
Male	1.29	0.00
Non-Binary	0.00	0.00
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.00	0.00
Asian	0.00	0.00
Black or African American	6.94	0.00
Filipino	0.00	0.00
Hispanic or Latino	0.71	0.00
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.00	0.00
Two or More Races	0.00	0.00
White	0.00	0.00
English Learners	0.44	0.00
Foster Youth	0.00	0.00
Homeless	0.00	0.00
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	0.79	0.00
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	0.00	0.00
Students with Disabilities	1.14	0.00

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.

## 2025-26 School Safety Plan

Berkshire Elementary has a positive learning environment. It believes that students who develop a sense of personal responsibility will mature academically and emotionally. Berkshire's PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) aims to provide students with opportunities to learn self-discipline through consistent expectations and re-teaching opportunities for their behavior. Parents and students are informed of school-wide expectations at the beginning of each school year through classroom orientation, individual parent-student handbooks, and weekly updates on ParentSquare.

At Berkshire, we believe that a student's success is a collaborative effort. Students with excessive tardies, truancies, or unexcused absences are subject to disciplinary action, including mandatory parent conferences. This approach ensures that parents are actively involved in their child's education and well-being. As we often say, 'missing school is missing out.' The District has also established an Independent Study Program for students who must be absent from school for an extended period due to illness.

At Berkshire, we are committed to fostering a diverse and inclusive learning environment. Our guidelines are designed to provide students with a meaningful, productive, and enjoyable school experience. As a PBIS school, we encourage appropriate behavior through praise and motivational incentives. We also employ restorative discipline and conflict resolution tools to foster personal growth and responsibility. Our school psychologist, social worker, and two behavior intervention assistants are here to support students and families struggling emotionally, behaviorally, and socially. The Berkshire Student Study Team works with teachers, families, and other staff to support students struggling academically, socially, or behaviorally. Expulsions occur only when required by law or when all other alternatives are exhausted. This plan, which includes respecting the diversity of our population, is designed to maintain a physical environment and safety practices conducive to a learning environment for our staff and students. Our school's Comprehensive School Safety Plan is reviewed and updated annually following a review by the School Site Council, comprised of a minimum of the school principal (or designee), certificated staff, classified staff, and a parent of a current student. It is annually reviewed and approved by the District's Board of Trustees.

## 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.

## 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
K	29	2	3	1
1	28	0	4	0
2	28	0	4	0
3	29	0	4	0
4	30	0	4	0
5	31	0	4	0
6	30	0	4	0
Other	17	4	1	0

## 2023-24 Elementary Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution

This table displays the 2023-24 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	20	1	4	0
1	27	0	4	0
2	29	0	4	0
3	30	0	4	0
4	30	0	4	0
5	30	0	4	0
6	28	0	4	0
Other	19	3	1	0

## 2024-25 Elementary Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution

This table displays the 2024-25 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	22	1	4	
1	25		5	
2	26		4	
3	28		4	
4	30		4	
5	30		4	
6	30		4	
Other	19	3	1	

## 2024-25 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

## 2024-25 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. The “Other” category is for all other student support services staff positions not listed.

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School
<b>Counselor (Academic, Social/Behavioral or Career Development)</b>	
<b>Library Media Teacher (Librarian)</b>	
<b>Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)</b>	
<b>Psychologist</b>	1
<b>Social Worker</b>	
<b>Nurse</b>	
<b>Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist</b>	1
<b>Resource Specialist (non-teaching)</b>	
<b>Other</b>	4.5

## Fiscal Year 2023-24 Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries

This table displays the 2023-24 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
<b>School Site</b>	10,344.00	3,505.00	6,839.00	74,314.00
<b>District</b>	N/A	N/A	11,502.00	\$91,220
<b>Percent Difference - School Site and District</b>	N/A	N/A	-50.8	-13.8
<b>State</b>	N/A	N/A	\$11,146	\$101,700
<b>Percent Difference - School Site and State</b>	N/A	N/A	-44.7	-25.8

## Fiscal Year 2024-25 Types of Services Funded

The District’s general fund includes monies for:

- General operations—salaries, benefits, services, materials, and support to the general education
- Special Education—programs offering appropriate, individualized instruction to students with special needs
- Coordinating Federal Funds for strategies to meet the goals of the SPSA.
- Coordinating State and Local funds for strategies to meet the goals of the SPSA.
- Gifted and Talented Education Program—specialized learning assistance for identified students of high ability, achievement, or potential
- Special projects—monies from agencies (federal or state) earmarked for specific programs/projects or services
- Transportation
- Maintenance and operations
- District administration

Each school in the District receives an instructional budget based on enrollment, programs, and formulas set by Board of Education policy, state law, agreements with employee bargaining units, and guidelines of outside funding sources.

## Fiscal Year 2024-25 Types of Services Funded

The District's categorical fund includes monies for:

### Title I:

Title I, Part A is a federal program to ensure that schools with high percentages of children from low-income families have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and reach proficiency on State academic achievement standards and assessments. Funds support effective, evidence-based educational strategies that close the achievement gap and enable students to meet challenging academic standards. All expenditures must be supplemental to the basic core program and written into the School Plan for Student Achievement based on a comprehensive needs assessment. Input on budget and expenditures is gathered and shared with the staff, School Site Councils, the school's English Learner Advisory Committee, and District Advisory Committees. Use of funds may include any of the following: hiring supplemental staff, professional development, supplemental instructional materials, technology, library materials, after-school academic support, parental engagement activities, consultants, and assistance for homeless children and youth.

### Title II:

Title II provides supplemental activities that strengthen the quality and effectiveness of teachers, principals, and other school leaders which include:

- Provide low-income and minority students greater access to effective teachers, principals, and other school leaders;
- Increase the number of teachers, principals, and other school leaders who are effective in improving student academic achievement in schools.
- Increase student achievement consistent with the challenging state academic standards; and
- Improve the quality and effectiveness of teachers, principals, and other school leaders.

### Title III

The district uses Title III funds to help ensure that children who are limited English proficient, including immigrant children and youth, attain English proficiency, develop high levels of academic attainment in English, and meet the same challenging State academic content and student academic achievement standards as all children are expected to meet. The funds are used to provide resources and training that will: 1). Improve the instruction and assessment of ELs; 2). Enhance the ability of teachers to implement curriculum, and improve their instructional strategies for ELs; and 3). Effectively Increase students' English language proficiency.

### Title IV:

The District uses Title IV funds to improve students' academic achievement by providing all students with access to a balanced academic program including a wide range of support including physical health/wellness, social-emotional, positive behavior, and mental health to improve conditions for student learning. Use of funds may include any of the following: hiring specialized support personnel, professional learning, supplemental instructional materials, technology, consultants, etc.

## Fiscal Year 2023-24 Teacher and Administrative Salaries

This table displays the 2023-24 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
<b>Beginning Teacher Salary</b>	\$58,223	\$61,597
<b>Mid-Range Teacher Salary</b>	\$88,860	\$98,902
<b>Highest Teacher Salary</b>	\$117,885	\$126,340
<b>Average Principal Salary (Elementary)</b>	\$159,028	\$158,383
<b>Average Principal Salary (Middle)</b>	\$161,141	\$165,207
<b>Average Principal Salary (High)</b>		\$162,237
<b>Superintendent Salary</b>	\$290,490	\$288,332
<b>Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries</b>	29.97%	31.29%
<b>Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries</b>	4.33%	5.38%

## Professional Development

Professional Development Focus areas include English Language Development, district-adopted curriculum, educational technology strategies, district-adopted intervention strategies for MTSS, Direct Interactive Instruction, Science of Reading, Write From the Beginning, Thinking Maps, Classroom Management, Common Core Standards Implementation, Grade Level Focus Groups, as well as PBIS and Kagan Collaborative Structures. Areas were selected based on a district-wide survey reflecting on student achievement and areas of additional need from the teacher's point of view. Professional development is delivered through the district-wide Educator Learning Summit, pbvUniversity, administrative leadership training, site-specific professional learning, conference attendance, Kern County Superintendent of Schools, and university partnerships. Each site participates in a weekly early release day to focus on Professional Learning Communities, which include ninety minutes of release time for teachers to receive school site professional learning and develop Common Core standards-aligned lessons with their collaborative teams. Through administrative professional learning opportunities, follow-up coaching is provided to support district-driven instructional priorities to support the implementation of teacher professional learning. Teachers are also supported by site administration, academic coaches, New Teacher Support, instructional coordinators, and specialists.

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

Subject	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
<b>Number of school days dedicated to Staff Development and Continuous Improvement</b>	50	40	45