

School Accountability Report Card

Reported Using Data from the 2010–11 School Year

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Every school in California is required by state law to publish a School Accountability Report Card (SARC), by February 1 of each year. The SARC contains information about the condition and performance of each California public school.

- For more information about SARC requirements, see the California Department of Education (CDE) SARC Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>.
- For additional information about the school, parents and community members should contact the school principal or the district office.

I. Data and Access

Ed-Data Partnership Web Site

Ed-Data is a partnership of the CDE, EdSource, and the Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team (FCMAT) that provides extensive financial, demographic, and performance information about California's public kindergarten through grade twelve school districts and schools.

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 this school and comparisons of the school to the district, the county, and the state. Specifically, DataQuest is a dynamic system that provides reports for accountability (e.g., state Academic Performance Index [API], federal Adequate Yearly Progress [AYP]), test data, enrollment, high school graduates, dropouts, course enrollments, staffing, and data regarding English learners.

Internet Access

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II. About This School

Contact Information (School Year 2011–12)

School		District	
School Name	Palermo	District Name	Palermo Union Elementary
Street	7350 Bulldog Way	Phone Number	(530) 533-4842
City, State, Zip	Palermo, CA, 95968-9700	Web Site	www.palermoschools.org
Phone Number	(530) 533-4708	Superintendent	Samuel Chimento
Principal	Kathleen Andoe, Principal	E-mail Address	schiment@palermoschools.org
E-mail Address	kandoe@palermoschools.org	CDS Code	04615236003297

School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2010–11)

The Palermo Union School District is located approximately six miles south of Oroville, the county seat of Butte County. The Palermo community is a rural, agricultural community encompassing an area of 75 square miles. The District consists of six schools: Helen Wilcox (K-3), Honcut (K-2), Golden Hills (4-5), Palermo (6-8), and two Community Day Schools, K-7 and 5-8. Palermo School is located in the center of the Palermo community and has an enrollment of approximately 432 students. The total district enrollment is approximately 1,479 students.

Palermo School provides a Title I school-wide program (SWP) in addition to Title VII Indian Education, English Learner, Reading Intervention, Special Education, GATE, and Music. Students have access to a computer lab and library. Palermo School is implementing a Professional Learning Community model. The teaching staff and administrators continue to develop and implement programs and strategies to assist students in achieving and/or exceeding grade level standards. Intervention strategies/opportunities are built into the school day for students who have not mastered grade level standards. Reading intervention programs include the use of Read 180 and Read Naturally. In addition, after school tutoring is provided at all grade levels.

School Goals: All students will reach high standards, at a minimum, attaining proficiency or advanced proficiency in reading and

mathematics by 2013-2014. Progress Indicators: STAR, AYP, and API are monitored annually. Local assessments, both formative and summative are monitored weekly, each trimester, and at the end of the school year. Our goal is to insure that all students have the support they need to master grade level standards.

Mission Statement: The Mission of Palermo School and the Palermo Union School District are to provide a variety of educational programs, in a safe and mutually respectful environment, that: are effective, accessible, and equitable; prepare students for leadership, employment, and citizenship; and promote students' intellectual, ethical, cultural, emotional, moral, social, and physical growth.

Palermo School and the Palermo Union School District, together with students, families, and community in a cooperative effort, will provide an excellent educational program to ensure that all students are successful life-long learners, in a safe, caring, moral, drug-free, and supportive environment, with the ultimate goal that they will become successful, productive, and responsible citizens.

Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2010–11)

Parents and guardians are given the opportunity to work in a mutually supportive and respectful partnership with the school to help their child succeed. Parents and guardians can support their child's learning environment by: monitoring school attendance and homework completion, participating in extracurricular activities, monitoring and regulating television viewing, volunteering at school, planning and participating in activities at home that are supportive of classroom activities, and participating in decision-making processes at the school such as School Site Council and the English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC).

Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2010–11)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Grade 6	131
Grade 7	131
Grade 8	148
Total Enrollment	410

Student Enrollment by Subgroup (School Year 2010–11)

Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	1.2%
American Indian or Alaska Native	8.3%
Asian	5.9%
Hispanic or Latino	32.7%
White	41.5%
Two or More Races	10.2%
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	80.7%
English Learners	16.6%
Students with Disabilities	9.5%

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Secondary)

Subject	Avg. Class Size	2008–09 Number of Classes*			Avg. Class Size	2009–10 Number of Classes*			Avg. Class Size	2010–11 Number of Classes*		
		1-22	23-32	33+		1-22	23-32	33+		1-22	23-32	33+
English	22.6	16	22	0	19.6	18	13	2	20.29	25	14	0
Mathematics	24.7	4	17	0	22.8	14	10	0	22.32	7	11	0
Science	26.2	1	9	0	27.6	2	8	0	20.06	3	7	0
Social Science	28.4	0	12	2	27.5	3	8	1	23.39	4	12	0

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

III. School Climate

School Safety Plan (School Year 2010–11)

In compliance with Ed Code 35329.6, the District Comprehensive Safety Plan/Emergency Management Plan is reviewed, updated, and approved by the Governing Board annually by March 1. Each school maintains a copy of the Safety Plan on site and a copy of the site Emergency Conditions portion of the plan in each classroom. Key elements of the Safety Plan include: a plan of action for maintaining a safe and orderly environment conducive to learning at the school (i.e.: assessment of school safety, identification of strategies and programs that will maintain school safety and campus security) and emergency management procedures consistent with the Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) and the National Incident Management System (NIMS) developed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

Key elements of the site Emergency Conditions include: a plan of action for a coordinated school wide response to emergencies (i.e. intruder on campus, fire, emergency lockdown, evacuation, etc). Safety drills are held on a regular basis. Fire drills are held monthly. Earthquake/disaster and intruder drills are held twice a year. Visitors to the campus are required to sign in at the school office and wear a visitor's pass at all times.

Suspensions and Expulsions

Rate*	School 2008–09	School 2009–10	School 2010–11	District 2008–09	District 2009–10	District 2010–11
Suspensions	33.56%	42.00%	24.39%	19.09%	23.20%	17.86%
Expulsions	1.85%	6.26%	4.88%	1.04%	2.21%	2.17%

* The rate of suspensions and expulsions is calculated by dividing the total number of incidents by the total enrollment.

IV. School Facilities

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (School Year 2011–12)

School Facilities: Condition of school facilities meets Education Code Sections: 17014 Necessary repairs, renewals and replacements; enforcement; plan preparation certification; 17032.5 Portable classrooms; leases, conditions; 17010.75(a) Maintenance of facilities; and 17089(b) Lease of portable classrooms; amount; maintenance; repairs; costs. Facilities are maintained in a manner to ensure that it is clean and safe and functional as determined by an evaluation instrument developed by the State of California Office of Public Construction.

Teaching and learning space: School facilities at Palermo include 19 classrooms built in 1951 and 9 portables ranging in age from 2 to 14 years. Rooms include 3 special day/resource classrooms, a teacher work room and lunch room, a PE/Weight room, computer lab and library media center, a multi purpose/lunch room, a Title VII Indian Education room, and AEP room. Staff and student bathrooms are adequate throughout the campus and are maintained in clean and working order. The Palermo School playground covers over two acres which includes grass playing fields and a large black topped area. Large trees provide ample shade. Play structures and concrete picnic tables and benches are maintained in safe and working order.

Maintenance and repair: District maintenance staffs ensure that any necessary repairs are completed in a timely manner. A work order process is used to provide efficient service and ensure that emergency repairs are given the highest priority.

Cleaning process: The district governing board has adopted cleaning and safety standards for all schools in the district. A summary of these standards is available at the school office or the district office. The Maintenance & Operations Supervisor works with custodial staff to develop cleaning schedules to ensure a clean and safe school. A Safety & Cleaning checklist for is used during school breaks.

Deferred maintenance: The district participates in the State School Deferred Maintenance Program, which provides state matching funds on a dollar-for-dollar basis, to assist school districts with expenditures for major repair or replacement of existing school building components.

Maintenance projects for 2010-2011 included: Moved Pre-Schools to new buildings, built new restrooms in Pre-Schools, new walk ways at Pre-School, installed new fences at Pre-Schools. Built new office and storage room, remodeled old Pre-Schools for a Vice Principal and Speech office and AEP class. Re-Coated the roof on the library. Installed new lawns, tables, and trees.

School Facility Good Repair Status (School Year 2011–12) Inspection Date 8/9/11

System Inspected	Repair Status				Repair Needed or Action Taken or Planned
	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor	
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer		X			
Interior: Interior Surfaces			X		Repairs completed by 9/11/11
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation		X			
Electrical: 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 Rating			X		

V. Teachers

Teacher Credentials

Teachers	School 2008–09	School 2009–10	School 2010–11	District 2010–11
With Full Credential	23	24	21	72
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	0	0

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2009–10	2010–11	2011–12
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0

Total Teacher Misassignments*	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0

Note: "Misassignments" refers to the number of positions filled by teachers who lack legal authorization to teach that grade level, subject area, student group, etc.

* *Total Teacher Misassignments* includes the number of *Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners*.

Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers (School Year 2010–11)

The Federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), also known as No Child Left Behind (NCLB), requires that core academic subjects be taught by Highly Qualified Teachers, defined as having at least a bachelor's degree, an appropriate California teaching credential, and demonstrated core academic subject area competence. For more information, see the CDE *Improving Teacher and Principal Quality* Web page at: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/nclb/sr/tq/>

Location of Classes	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
This School	100%	0%
All Schools in District	100%	0%
High-Poverty Schools in District	100%	0%
Low-Poverty Schools in District	100%	0%

Note: High-poverty schools are defined as those schools with student eligibility of approximately 40 percent or more in the free and reduced price meals program. Low-poverty schools are those with student eligibility of approximately 25 percent or less in the free and reduced price meals program.

VI. Support Staff

Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2010–11)

Title	Number of FTE* Assigned to School
Counselor (Social/Behavioral)	0.4
Library Media Services Staff (paraprofessional)	1.0
Psychologist	0.4
Nurse	0.2
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	0.2

* 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.

VII. Curriculum and Instructional Materials

Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2011–12)

This section describes whether the textbooks and instructional materials used at the school are from the most recent adoption; whether there are sufficient

textbooks and instruction materials for each student; and information about the school's use of any supplemental curriculum or non-adopted textbooks or instructional materials.

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and instructional materials/year of adoption	From most recent adoption?	Percent students lacking own assigned copy
Reading/Language Arts	Prentice Hall: Timeless Voices, Timeless Themes 2002	N	0%
Mathematics	Holt: California Mathematics 2008 Holt: California Algebra Readiness 2008	Y	0%
Science	CPO Science: Focus on Earth, Life, and Physical Science 2006	Y	0%
History-Social Science	Teacher's Curriculum Institute History Alive 2005	Y	0%

VIII. School Finances

Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2009–10)

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	\$8374	\$61,065
District	\$8374	\$61,065
Percent Difference – School Site and District	0%	0%
State	\$8532	\$67,531
Percent Difference – School Site and State	2%	9%

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>.

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2010–11)

The following state and federal funds were allocated to this school through the Consolidated Application, Part II and other categorical grants for 2009-10.

State Programs

Program/Initiative	Amount
Economic Impact Aid/State Compensatory Education (SCE)	\$41,237
Economic Impact Aid/ English Learner (EL)	\$26,058

Federal Programs

Program/Initiative	Amount
Title I, Part A: Disadvantaged	\$110,868

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2009–10)

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$40,866	\$41,183
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$56,794	\$63,647
Highest Teacher Salary	\$78,473	\$80,955
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$83,149	\$102,400
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$94,833	\$106,158
Superintendent Salary	\$133,682	\$151,742

Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	40.00%	41.00%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	9.00%	6.00%

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

IX. Student Performance

Standardized Testing and Reporting Program

The Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program consists of several key components, including:

- **California Standards Tests (CSTs)**, which include English-language arts (ELA) and mathematics in grades two through eleven; science in grades five, eight, and nine through eleven; and history-social science in grades eight, and nine through eleven.
- **California Modified Assessment (CMA)**, an alternate assessment that is based on modified achievement standards in ELA for grades three through eleven; mathematics for grades three through seven, Algebra I, and Geometry; and science in grades five and eight, and Life Science in grade ten. The CMA is designed to assess those students whose disabilities preclude them from achieving grade-level proficiency on an assessment of the California content standards with or without accommodations.
- **California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA)** includes ELA and mathematics in grades two through eleven, and science for grades five, eight, and ten. The CAPA is given to those students with significant cognitive disabilities whose disabilities prevent them from taking either the CSTs with accommodations or modifications or the CMA with accommodations.

The assessments under the STAR Program show how well students are doing in relation to the state content standards. On each of these assessments, student scores are reported as performance levels.

For detailed information regarding the STAR Program results for each grade and performance level, including the percent of students not tested, see the CDE STAR Results Web site at <http://star.cde.ca.gov>.

Standardized Testing and Reporting Results for All Students – Three-Year Comparison

Subject	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)								
	School			District			State		
	2008–09	2009–10	2010–11	2008–09	2009–10	2010–11	2008–09	2009–10	2010–11
English-Language Arts	46%	47%	44%	43%	43%	43%	50%	52%	54%
Mathematics	38%	44%	41%	46%	48%	49%	46%	48%	50%
Science	35%	48%	43%	34%	48%	42%	50%	53%	56%
History-Social Science	34%	43%	45%	32%	41%	43%	41%	44%	48%

Note: Scores are not shown 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.

Standardized Testing and Reporting Results by Student Group – Most Recent Year

Group	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced			
	English- Language Arts	Mathematics	Science	History- Social Science
All Students in the LEA	43%	49%	42%	43%
All Students at the School	44%	41%	43%	45%
Male	40%	44%	46%	54%

Female	48%	38%	40%	38%
Black or African American	0%	0%	0%	0%
American Indian or Alaska Native	44%	35%	33%	41%
Asian	35%	50%	0%	0%
Hispanic or Latino	39%	41%	44%	44%
White	49%	43%	47%	50%
Two or More Races	0%	0%	0%	0%
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	40%	35%	37%	42%
English Learners	8%	18%	7%	7%
Students with Disabilities	51%	31%	0%	23%

Note: Scores are not shown 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.

California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2010–11)

The California Physical Fitness Test (PFT) is administered to students in grades five, seven, and nine only. This table displays by grade level the percent of students meeting the fitness standards for the most recent testing period. For detailed information regarding this test, and comparisons of a school's test results to the district and state, see the CDE *PFT* Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/pf/>.

Grade Level	Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	Four of Six Standards	Five of Six Standards	Six of Six Standards
7	26.50%	25.10%	10.80%

Note: Scores are not shown 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.

X. Accountability

Academic Performance Index

The Academic Performance Index (API) is an annual measure of state academic performance and progress of schools in California. API scores range from 200 to 1,000, with a statewide target of 800. For detailed information about the API, see the CDE *API* Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ap/>.

Academic Performance Index Ranks – Three-Year Comparison

This table displays the school's statewide and similar schools' API ranks. The **statewide API rank** ranges from 1 to 10. A statewide rank of 1 means that the school has an API score in the lowest ten percent of all schools in the state, while a statewide rank of 10 means that the school has an API score in the highest ten percent of all schools in the state.

The **similar schools API rank** reflects how a school compares to 100 statistically matched "similar schools." A similar schools rank of 1 means that the school's academic performance is comparable to the lowest performing ten schools of the 100 similar schools, while a similar schools rank of 10 means that the school's academic performance is better than at least 90 of the 100 similar schools.

API Rank	2008	2009	2010
Statewide	4	5	5
Similar Schools	6	7	9

Academic Performance Index Growth by Student Group – Three-Year Comparison

Group	Actual API Change 2008–09	Actual API Change 2009–10	Actual API Change 2010–11
All Students at the School	35	17	-11
Black or African American	N/D	N/D	N/D
American Indian or Alaska Native	N/D	N/D	N/D
Asian	N/D	N/D	N/D

Hispanic or Latino	21	7	3
White	53	19	-23
Two or More Races	N/D	N/D	N/D
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	31	19	-16
English Learners	51	-1	-78
Students with Disabilities	N/D	N/D	N/D

Note: "N/D" means that no data were available to the CDE or LEA to report. "B" means the school did not have a valid API Base and there is no Growth or target information. "C" means the school had significant demographic changes and there is no Growth or target information.

Academic Performance Index Growth by Student Group – 2011 Growth API Comparison

This table displays, by student group, the number of students included in the API and the 2011 Growth API at the school, LEA, and state level.

Group	2011 Growth API					
	Number of Students	School	Number of Students	LEA	Number of Students	State
All Students at the School	372	758	962	759	4,683,676	778
Black or African American	9		25	762	317,856	696
American Indian or Alaska Native	42	741	120	736	33,774	733
Asian	19	754	47	729	398,869	898
Filipino	2	0	3	0	123,245	859
Hispanic or Latino	122	751	303	756	2,406,749	729
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	1	0	7	0	26,953	764
White	177	773	457	772	1,258,831	845
Two or More Races	0	0	0	0	76,766	836
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	301	738	792	741	2,731,843	726
English Learners	62	659	175	695	1,521,844	707
Students with Disabilities	35	658	100	654	521,815	595

Adequate Yearly Progress

The federal ESEA requires that all schools and districts meet the following Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) criteria:

- Participation rate on the state's standards-based assessments in ELA and mathematics
- Percent proficient on the state's standards-based assessments in ELA and mathematics
- API as an additional indicator
- Graduation rate (for secondary schools)

For detailed information about AYP, including participation rates and percent proficient results by student group, see the CDE *AYP Web page* at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/>.

Adequate Yearly Progress Overall and by Criteria (School Year 2010–11)

AYP Criteria	School	District
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Made AYP Overall	No	No
Met Participation Rate - English-Language Arts	Yes	Yes
Met Participation Rate - Mathematics	Yes	Yes
Met Percent Proficient - English-Language Arts	No	No
Met Percent Proficient - Mathematics	No	No
Met API Criteria	Yes	Yes
Met Graduation Rate	N/A	N/A

Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2011–12)

Schools and districts receiving federal Title I funding enter Program Improvement (PI) if they do not make AYP for two consecutive years in the same content area (ELA or mathematics) or on the same indicator (API or graduation rate). After entering PI, schools and districts advance to the next level of intervention with each additional year that they do not make AYP. For detailed information about PI identification, see the CDE *PI Status Determinations Web* page:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/tidetermine.asp>.

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status	In PI	In PI
First Year of Program Improvement	2011-2012	2008-2009
Year in Program Improvement	Year 1	Year 3
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement		3
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement		50.0%

Note: Cells shaded in black do not require data.

XII. Instructional Planning and Scheduling

Professional Development

This section provides information on the annual number of school days dedicated to staff development for the most recent three-year period.

The district schedules staff development on non-contract days (no students) or after school hours.

Palermo

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