

Cambridge Heights Open Elementary School

School Accountability Report Card

Reported Using Data from the 2019-2020 School Year

Published During 2020-2021

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 webpage 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.

About This School

School Contact Information (School Year 2020-2021)

Entity	Contact Information
School Name	Cambridge Heights Open Elementary School
Street	5555 Fleetwood Dr.
City, State, Zip	Citrus Heights CA, 95621
Phone Number	(916) 867-2000
Principal	Vincent Arias
Email Address	vincent.arias@sanjuan.edu
Website	http://www.sanjuan.edu/cambridge
County-District-School (CDS) Code	34-67447-6068670

District Contact Information (School Year 2020-2021)

Entity	Contact Information
District Name	San Juan Unified School District
Phone Number	(916) 971-7700
Superintendent	Kent Kern
Email Address	info@sanjuan.edu
Website	www.sanjuan.edu

School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2020-2021)

Mission Statement for Cambridge Heights Open:

Valuing collaborative teaching and learning in our open design school, Cambridge Heights' mission is to educate and inspire the whole child to be a critical thinker and passionate life-long learner through high-quality instruction and opportunities to explore and discover individual interests in a nurturing community.

Objectives:

- All students will, through multiple measures, demonstrate twenty-first century skills, such as problem solving, critical and creative thinking, and collaboration.
- Annually, all students will demonstrate growth through multiple measures in Math and English Language Arts.
- All students will consistently demonstrate positive character traits and healthy choices which contribute to a nurturing environment.

School Profile

Cambridge Heights Elementary is one of 41 elementary schools in the San Juan Unified School District. The curriculum provided is aligned to the California Content Standards.

Cambridge Heights is an open enrollment, parent participation school. Our staff is committed to working with families for the common goal of educating all students at the highest level. We are dedicated to prepare each child to be a lifelong learner who is ready for the future. We begin by ensuring students have the skills they need to be successful beyond elementary school.

Cambridge Heights Open school programs include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Early/Late small group reading instruction
- Small group kindergarten half-day instruction
- Maker Space
- Physical Education
- Art
- Discovery Club
- Theater Arts/Drama
- Choir
- Chess Club
- Art Docents
- Art Club
- Author's Day
- Field trips at each grade level and/or guest speakers

Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2019-2020)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	53
Grade 1	53
Grade 2	53
Grade 3	75
Grade 4	70
Grade 5	73
Total Enrollment	377

Student Enrollment by Student Group (School Year 2019-2020)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	1.6
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.8
Asian	2.9
Filipino	0.5
Hispanic or Latino	21.5
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.3
White	65
Two or More Races	7.4
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	33.4
English Learners	6.9
Students with Disabilities	8.5
Homeless	1.6

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

Teacher Credentials

Teachers	School 2018-19	School 2019-20	School 2020-21	District 2020-21
With Full Credential	13	15	14	1943
Without Full Credential	1	0	0	38
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	0	0

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
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.

Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials (School Year 2020-2021)

Year and month in which data were collected: September, 2019

San Juan Unified held a public hearing on September 22, 2020 and determined that each school within the district had sufficient and good quality textbooks, instructional materials, or science lab equipment pursuant to the settlement of Williams vs. the State of California. All students, including English learners, are given their own individual standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials, or both, in core subjects for use in the classroom and to take home. Textbooks and supplementary materials are adopted according to a cycle developed by the California Department of Education, making the textbooks used in the school the most current available. Materials approved for use by the State are reviewed by all teachers and a recommendation is made to the School Board by a selection committee composed of teachers and administrators. All recommended materials are available for parent examination at the district office prior to adoption. The table displays information collected in September 2018 about the quality, currency, and availability of the standards-aligned textbooks and other instructional materials used at the school. If you would like more information on the textbooks and instructional materials please visit our website: <http://www.sanjuan.edu/Page/23485> In July 2009, EC Section 60200.7. The State Board of Education has adopted frameworks for ELA/ELD, Math, Science and Social Sciences, and has identified an approved list of instructional materials available for adoption. For more information regarding San Juan's textbook adoption schedule, please visit our website:

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

Subject	Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials/year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	2017 Benchmark-Advance	Yes	0.0
Mathematics	2015: Pearson - Envision Math	Yes	0.0
Science	2008: Delta Education - FOSS	Yes	0.0
History-Social Science	2019: Studies Weekly - California Studies Weekly	Yes	0.0
Science Laboratory Equipment (grades 9-12)			0.00%

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

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements

Extensive modernization of the main building occurred during the 2004/2005 school year. The scope includes, roof repair or replacement, interior and exterior painting, window system replacement, energy efficient heating and cooling system upgrade, new doors with handicapped accessible hardware, restroom restoration, electrical infrastructure upgrade to provide for internet, cable, telephone, new fire, intrusion and intercom system throughout the school. Summer 2008 the school received a new Parking Lot and an overlay on the existing parking lot & hard court through Measure J Bond. Currently there is sufficient space to house the student population. Discovery Club has a classroom. There is a site custodial staff that cleans the building, along with district support for major/minor repairs. The district provides gardening and landscape services on a regular schedule. Regular fire/emergency drills are held and badges are required for all visitors and personnel. Field repair, lack of adequate parking for staff and visitors continue to be of concern. Under the Measure J Bond the hard court was overlaid, seal coated and striped.

The Board of Education and the Superintendent's policy is to ensure that all students are provided with a safe and well-maintained learning environment. The board approved resolutions in 1998 and 2002 to adequately fund maintenance activities and preserve the repairs and improvements funded by two facility bond measures. The school buildings, classrooms and grounds are safe, clean and functional. An inspection of the facility was conducted in August 2020 and determined that there were no unsafe conditions that required emergency repairs. District maintenance staff ensures that the repairs necessary to keep the school in good repair and working order are completed in a timely manner. A computer automated work order process is used to ensure efficient service and that emergency repairs and health and safety repairs are given the highest priority. The Board of Education has adopted cleaning standards and custodial staffing requirements for all schools in the district. This school meets the Board's standards for custodial staffing and cleanliness. The school's custodians are trained in the proper use of cleaning chemicals and Integrated Pest Management techniques. They are managed day to day by the Principal with assistance from the district's maintenance department. The district participates in the State School Deferred Maintenance Program, with funding allocated for major repair or replacement of existing school building components. Typically, this includes roofing, plumbing, heating, air conditioning, electrical systems, interior or exterior painting, and floor systems. Annually the district budgets \$2 million dollars for deferred maintenance activities.

School Facility Good Repair Status

Using the **most recently collected** FIT data (or equivalent), provide the following:

- Determination of repair status for systems listed
- Description of any needed maintenance to ensure good repair
- The year and month in which the data were collected
- The rate for each system inspected
- The overall rating

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: 8/27/2020

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

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, 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 alternate achievement standards, which are linked with the Common Core State Standards [CCSS] for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities); and
- The percentage of students who have successfully completed courses that satisfy the requirements for entrance to the University of California and the California State University, or career technical education sequences or programs of study.

CAASPP Test Results in ELA and Mathematics for All Students

Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven

Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard

Subject	School 2018-19	School 2019-20	District 2018-19	District 2019-20	State 2018-19	State 2019-20
English Language Arts/Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11)	70	N/A	46	N/A	50	N/A
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	55	N/A	35	N/A	39	N/A

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

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

Note: Percentages are not calculated when the number of students tested is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

Note: ELA and mathematics test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The "Percent Met or Exceeded" is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3-Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

CAASPP Test Results in ELA by Student Group

Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2019-2020)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Female	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Black or African American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian or Alaska Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Filipino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic or Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
Two or More Races	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
English Learners	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students with Disabilities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Foster Youth	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Homeless	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

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CAASPP Test Results in Mathematics by Student Group Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2019-2020)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Female	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Black or African American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian or Alaska Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Filipino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic or Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Two or More Races	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
English Learners	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students with Disabilities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Foster Youth	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Homeless	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

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

**CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students
Grades Five, Eight, and High School
Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard**

Subject	School 2018-19	School 2019-20	District 2018-19	District 2019-20	State 2018-19	State 2019-20
Science (grades 5, 8 and high school)	43	N/A	29	N/A	30	N/A

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

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

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

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 areas of physical education.

California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2019-2020)

Grade Level	Percentage of Students Meeting Four of Six Fitness Standards	Percentage of Students Meeting Five of Six Fitness Standards	Percentage of Students Meeting Six of Six Fitness Standards
5	N/A	N/A	N/A
7	N/A	N/A	N/A
9	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

Note: The 2019–2020 data are not available. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order N-56-20 was issued which waived the requirement to administer the physical fitness performance test for the 2019–2020 school year.

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 for the school district and each school site

Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2020-2021)

Parental involvement is an integral part of our program. This school-home partnership benefits everyone. Cambridge Heights asks all parents to get involved in helping to educate every student. Parents and grandparents volunteer in many ways. A few examples are: chaperoning field trips, tutoring in the classroom, serving on school-wide committees, beautifying our landscaping, preparing instructional materials, organizing special events, and serving as art docents. Our PFC (Parent Faculty Club) sponsored activities and fundraisers also request parent participation. We have an annual Fall Festival. A number of fundraisers occur throughout the school year and each summer we have a Cambridge Fireworks booth. Every fundraiser requires many parent hours. For all their efforts, our school has raised thousands of dollars providing many wonderful materials, opportunities and assemblies for our school.

Contact Information: Parents or community members who wish to participate in leadership teams, school committees, school activities, or become a volunteer please contact Cathy McDanniel or Laurie Miller at the school office 916-867-2000.

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

(data collected between July through June, each full school year respectively)

Rate	School 2017-18	School 2018-19	District 2017-18	District 2018-19	State 2017-18	State 2018-19
Suspensions	0.0	0.3	5.8	4.9	3.5	3.5
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

Suspensions and Expulsions for School Year 2019-2020 Only

(data collected between July through February, partial school year due to the COVID-19 pandemic)

Rate	School 2019-20	District 2019-20	State 2019-20
Suspensions	0.79%	3.58%	
Expulsions	0.00%	0.03%	

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

School Safety Plan (School Year 2020-2021)

San Juan Unified School District makes safety a top priority. In accordance with the California Education Code, each school site's comprehensive school safety plan is reviewed, edited as needed and approved by the school site safety team by March 1 of each year. The plan includes a review of safety data for the campus, incident response information in case of fire, earthquakes and other dangers, and details on safety policies. A copy of the plan is available for review in the school office.

Drills are held on a regular basis to include fire drills, earthquake drills and intruder drills.

Safety is a shared responsibility, and our school is supported by the district's Safe Schools program in coordination with the Sacramento Sheriff's Department and Citrus Heights Police Department. The Safe Schools program provides district employed safety specialists who provide safety advice, training and respond to critical incidents. Sworn law enforcement is called, when needed, to assist the safety specialists. In addition, San Juan Unified has the option of employing uniformed law enforcement officers when needed.

D. Other SARC Information

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

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)

Grade Level	2017-18	2017-18	2017-18	2017-18	2018-19	2018-19	2018-19	2018-19	2019-20	2019-20	2019-20	2019-20
	Average Class Size	# of Classes* Size 1-20	# of Classes* Size 21-32	# of Classes* Size 33+	Average Class Size	# of Classes* Size 1-20	# of Classes* Size 21-32	# of Classes* Size 33+	Average Class Size	# of Classes* Size 1-20	# of Classes* Size 21-32	# of Classes* Size 33+
K	53			1	52			2	27	1		
1	27		2		27		2		27		2	
2	26		3		27		2		27	2		
3	26		2		26		3		25		3	
4	30		1	2	27		2		23	1	2	
5	32		2		30	1	1	1	24	1	2	

*Number of classes indicates how many classes fall into each size category (a range of total students per class).

** "Other" category is for multi-grade level classes.

Ratio of Pupils to Academic Counselor (School Year 2019-2020)

Title	Ratio
Academic Counselors*	0

*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.

Student Support Services Staff (School Year 2019-2020)

Title	Number of FTE* Assigned to School
Counselor (Academic, Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	
Psychologist	
Social Worker	
Nurse	
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	0.7
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	
Other	

*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.

Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2018-2019)

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	7177	524	6653	80694
District	N/A	N/A	8324	\$78,090
Percent Difference - School Site and District	N/A	N/A	-22.3	3.3
State	N/A	N/A	\$7,750	\$83,052

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
Percent Difference - School Site and State	N/A	N/A	-15.2	-2.9

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

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2019-2020)

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

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2018-2019)

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$46,561	\$50,029
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$79,708	\$77,680
Highest Teacher Salary	\$94,014	\$102,143
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$117,459	\$128,526
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$126,710	\$133,574
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$142,797	\$147,006
Superintendent Salary	\$283,645	\$284,736
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	34.0	33.0
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	6.0	5.0

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

Professional Development (Most Recent Three Years)

Measure	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Number of school days dedicated to Staff Development and Continuous Improvement		9	9

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

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

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

Paraprofessionals are encouraged to participate in professional development at the district and site level. Specifically designed training is also offered to non-instructional support staff such as clerical and custodial staff that includes both operational and instructional topics.