

Fort Sage Middle School

School Accountability Report Card

Reported Using Data from the 2015-16 School Year

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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, see the California Department of Education (CDE) SARC Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>.
- For more information about the LCFF or LCAP, see the CDE LCFF Web page at <http://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 <http://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).

Internet Access

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About This School

Contact Information (School Year 2016-17)

School Contact Information	
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District Contact Information	
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School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2016-17)

Fort Sage Middle School (FSMS) is a small, rural middle school in southern Lassen County primarily serving the communities of Doyle and Herlong. Average class size is under 20, and school-wide enrollment under 30. 7th grade 8th grade is incorporated into Herlong High School, giving students more opportunities for electives and math courses. Fort Sage Middle School is a school wide Title 1 school, offering educational assistance in many areas, with a focus on English/Language Arts and Math. Our District has a very effective RTI (Response to Intervention) process that focuses on meeting the needs of all students to support them in becoming successful students and citizens who are able to positively contribute to society. The school is transitioning to providing instruction aligned with the Common Core State Standards and developing a Standard-Based grading system. New curriculum and resources have been purchased and staff training is ongoing. Sierra Primary is also a PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) school meaning students are taught appropriate behavior and appropriate behavior is supported in all areas of the school.

Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2015-16)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Grade 7	9
Grade 8	13
Total Enrollment	22

Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2015-16)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	0
American Indian or Alaska Native	13.6
Asian	4.5
Filipino	0
Hispanic or Latino	22.7
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
White	59.1
Two or More Races	0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	77.3
English Learners	4.5
Students with Disabilities	22.7
Foster Youth	0

A. Conditions of Learning

State Priority: Basic

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the Basic State Priority (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			District
	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2016-17
With Full Credential	9	1	1	14
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	1	0	0	0

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0	1
Total Teacher Misassignments *	1	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 2015-16)

Location of Classes	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects	
	Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
This School	100.0	0.0
All Schools in District	55.4	44.6
High-Poverty Schools in District	55.4	44.6
Low-Poverty Schools in District	0.0	0.0

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 39 percent or less in the free and reduced price meals program.

Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2016-17)

Year and month in which data were collected: October 2014

Each pupil in the District must have access to sufficient textbooks and instructional materials in reading/language arts, mathematics, science, and history-social science. Textbooks are aligned to content standards and consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum framework adopted by the State Board of Education.

Subject	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	Houghton Mifflin/2016	Yes	0
Mathematics	McGraw Hill College Preparatory Math- Algebra and up	Yes	0

Subject	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Science	Holt Scotts Foresman	Yes	0
History-Social Science	TCI- History Alive	Yes	0

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

The FSMS is housed at the Herlong High School. With regular maintenance and deferred maintenance projects, the buildings remain in fair to good condition. The Herlong High consists of 8 regular ed classrooms, 1 special ed classroom, 1 computer lab, 1 home economics room, 2 wood/metal shops, 1 gym, and several sports fields.

Each classroom and office at Fort Sage Middle School has it's own telephone and internet access (wired and wireless). Several Smart Boards are available for use in the computer lab and classrooms, each classroom has a projector and document camera. There are also 2 mobile carts with tablets.

One full time Head of Maintenance and two part time custodians keep all sites in the District clean and in good working order and repair.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)

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Year and month of the most recent FIT report: 12/27/2017				
System Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Good	Fair	Poor	
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	X			
Interior: Interior Surfaces	X			
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	X			
Electrical: Electrical			X	Many lights need to be replaced. Waiting for contract work.
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	X			
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	X			
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	X			
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	X			

Overall Facility Rating (Most Recent Year)

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: 12/27/2017				
Overall Rating	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, 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. The CAAs have replaced the California Alternate Performance Assessment [CAPA] for ELA and mathematics, which were eliminated in 2015. Only eligible students may participate in the administration of the CAAs. CAA items are aligned with alternate achievement standards, which are linked with the Common Core State Standards [CCSS] for students with 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 English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) and Mathematics for All Students

Subject	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards (grades 3-8 and 11)					
	School		District		State	
	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16
English Language Arts/Literacy	7	30	27	29	44	48
Mathematics	8	13	12	14	34	36

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.

CAASPP Test Results in ELA by Student Group Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2015-16)

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students	
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Met or Exceeded
All Students	7	11	10	90.9	50.0
	8	15	13	86.7	15.4
Male	7	--	--	--	--
	8	--	--	--	--
Female	7	--	--	--	--
	8	--	--	--	--
Black or African American	8	--	--	--	--
American Indian or Alaska Native	7	--	--	--	--
	8	--	--	--	--
Asian	8	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	7	--	--	--	--
	8	--	--	--	--
White	7	--	--	--	--
	8	--	--	--	--
Two or More Races	7	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	7	--	--	--	--
	8	11	10	90.9	20.0

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students	
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Met or Exceeded
English Learners	8	--	--	--	--
Students with Disabilities	7	--	--	--	--
	8	--	--	--	--
Foster Youth	7	--	--	--	--
	8	--	--	--	--

Note: 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 on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

Double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

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 Test Results in Mathematics by Student Group Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2015-16)

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students	
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Met or Exceeded
All Students	7	11	10	90.9	30.0
	8	15	13	86.7	
Male	7	--	--	--	--
	8	--	--	--	--
Female	7	--	--	--	--
	8	--	--	--	--
Black or African American	8	--	--	--	--
American Indian or Alaska Native	7	--	--	--	--
	8	--	--	--	--
Asian	8	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	7	--	--	--	--
	8	--	--	--	--
White	7	--	--	--	--
	8	--	--	--	--
Two or More Races	7	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	7	--	--	--	--
	8	11	10	90.9	
English Learners	8	--	--	--	--
Students with Disabilities	7	--	--	--	--
	8	--	--	--	--

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students	
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Met or Exceeded
Foster Youth	7	--	--	--	--
	8	--	--	--	--

Note: 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 on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

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CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students

Subject	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)								
	School			District			State		
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)	--	--	40	48	48	45	60	56	54

Note: Science test results include California Standards Tests (CSTs), California Modified Assessment (CMA), and California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA) in grades five, eight, and ten.

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.

CAASPP Test Results in Science by Student Group Grades Five, Eight, and Ten (School Year 2015-16)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	# of Students with Valid Scores	% of Students with Valid Scores	% of Students Proficient or Advanced
All Students	17	15	88.2	40.0
White	12	10	83.3	40.0
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	12	11	91.7	45.5

Note: Science test results include CSTs, CMA, and CAPA in grades five, eight, and ten. The "Proficient or Advanced" is calculated by taking the total number of students who scored at Proficient or Advanced on the science assessment divided by the total number of students with valid scores.

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.

State Priority: Other Pupil Outcomes

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the Other Pupil Outcomes State Priority (Priority 8):

- Pupil outcomes in the subject areas of physical education.

California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2015-16)

Grade Level	Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	Four of Six Standards	Five of Six Standards	Six of Six Standards

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.

C. Engagement

State Priority: Parental Involvement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the Parental Involvement State Priority (Priority 3):

- Efforts the school district makes to seek parent input in making decisions for the school district and each schoolsite.

Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2016-17)

Parent involvement is always welcomed and encouraged. Parents are welcome in classrooms with prior arrangements to assist as well as on field trips and other class activities. Parent/ Teacher conferences are held at the end of the 1st trimester and scheduled on an on-going as needed. Fort Sage Middle School has an active Site Council/Parent Advisory Group which meets monthly through which parents are asked to contribute ideas and/or concerns. There are additional opportunities for parent volunteers at school sports events, fund raisers, and Booster's clubs.

State Priority: School Climate

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the School Climate State Priority (Priority 6):

- Pupil suspension rates;
- Pupil expulsion rates; and
- Other local measures on the sense of safety.

Suspensions and Expulsions

Rate	School			District			State		
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Suspensions	21.2	6.7	32.3	9.4	2.3	8.9	4.4	3.8	3.7
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1

School Safety Plan (School Year 2016-17)

All children, teachers, and administrators have the right to feel safe in their classrooms and school. The purpose of school is for children to learn—a task that can become difficult when students or faculty fear for their own safety or experience disruption in the classroom setting. Teachers are responsible to help their students learn and grow, but they also must handle classroom disruptions and ensure safety for all if an incident does occur. Every school in the Fort Sage Unified School District takes necessary precautions to ensure the safety of students, staff, and visitors. Staff and Administration are present at all breaks, lunch time, and extra-curricular activities to prevent safety problems from starting and to handle any issues that may occur. Security cameras have been installed in each of the hallways at various locations to help with safety and security issues.

Long before students even set foot on campus work begins on planing for a healthy, safe, and supportive learning environment. The School Safety Plan is reviewed and staff is involved with the annual updates. All staff members are trained during in-service days in how to implement the School Safety Plan. Additionally, the district maintains a contract with Keenan and Associates to provide to staff updated, mandatory online training on various aspects of a safe school. All teaching and office staff are certified in CPR and First Aid. Copies of crisis and emergency procedures are kept in each classroom.

The student handbook is sent home the first day of school. The handbook includes behavior expectations and rules of conduct as well as the consequences for breaking said rules. The "Time to Teach" program procedures are used in each classroom and throughout the school district to support the PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Support) system. As part of the program, "Re-focus" and self discipline are used to encourage appropriate behavior from students in order to create a school climate conducive to learning.

Drills to prepare for emergencies which may include evacuation of the facility, fire, intruder, safety lock-down, and earthquake, are conducted monthly at each site. Staff and student responses and effectiveness of the drills are then reviewed. Updates are then made to the Safety Plan as needed.

The Head of Maintenance is responsible for on-going safety inspections and monitoring of facility systems. The Northern California Schools Insurance Group conducts an inspection every other year of all buildings and sites in the district. Fire extinguishers, fire suppression systems, and burglary alarms system are serviced at least once a year by certified technicians. Additionally, the district contracts with a licensed pest control company to keep the facility free of insects and rodents.

Every school employee at Fort Sage Middle School is trained and prepared to take necessary precautions to ensure the safety of students, staff, and visitors. Students are supervised at all times to provide for student safety. All classrooms are equipped with phones. All visitors are required to check in at the office and a record is kept of any person who visits the campus.

The District contracts with Lassen County Probation Department for attendance monitoring as well as behavioral/law counseling. The District has close relationships with Lassen County Sheriff's Department and Child Protective Services.

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.

Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2016-17)

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status	Not in PI	In PI
First Year of Program Improvement		2012-2013
Year in Program Improvement*		Year 3
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	1
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	50.0

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

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Secondary)

Subject	2013-14			2014-15			2015-16					
	Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms		
		1-22	23-32	33+		1-22	23-32	33+		1-22	23-32	33+
English	11	5			5	3			5	3		
Mathematics	9	6			4	4			4	4		
Science	14	1	1		8	2			8	2		
Social Science	28		1		8	2			8	2		

Note: 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.

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2015-16)

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor	0	0
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	0.1	N/A
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	0	N/A
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	0	N/A
Psychologist	0.5	N/A
Social Worker	0	N/A
Nurse	0.2	N/A
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	.5	N/A
Resource Specialist	0	N/A
Other	0	N/A

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

*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 2014-15)

Level	Expenditures Per Pupil			Average Teacher Salary
	Total	Supplemental/ Restricted	Basic/ Unrestricted	
School Site	\$9,942	\$374	\$9568	\$65178
District	N/A	N/A	\$8,905	\$47,051
Percent Difference: School Site and District	N/A	N/A	7.4	38.5
State	N/A	N/A	\$5,677	\$60,705
Percent Difference: School Site and State	N/A	N/A	68.5	7.4

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

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2015-16)

Fort Sage Unified School District uses LCFF dollars for the day to day operations of the district and each site. This includes teacher, administrative, and support staff salaries and benefits. The district also uses LCFF dollars to help support additional, optional, and special programs including athletics, extra-curricular events, special education, remedial programs, transportation, cafeteria programs.

Fort Sage Middle School ia a school wide Title 1 program.

Fort Sage Middle School and Fort Sage Unified School District are members of the Lassen SELPA. The RSP and special education programs are run by Lassen County Office of Education and are available at each site in the District.

The school and district receives restricted funds for the following purposes. LCFF money is also used to support each of these programs.

- Ag Incentive (High School only)
- Lottery (restricted and unrestricted)
- REAP
- ROP (High School only, will discontinue 2015)
- Special Education
- Supplemental and Concentration LCFF
- Funds are used for the following activities and services
- Parental Involvement Activities
- Staff training, conferences, and professional development
- Assemblies
- Instructional Aides and Library Services
- Kidscape and other educational activities
- Assessments- MAP, STAR, AR, ESIG
- Title 1 Part A
- Funds are used for the following support services
- Instructional Aide
- Intervention Teacher
- Professional Development
- Homeless Services and Activities
- Parental Involvement
- Transportation

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2014-15)

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$29,640	\$40,430
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$49,156	\$58,909
Highest Teacher Salary	\$64,215	\$77,358
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)		\$94,634
Average Principal Salary (Middle)		\$97,839
Average Principal Salary (High)		\$100,453
Superintendent Salary	\$109,094	\$123,728
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	31%	32%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	9%	6%

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

Professional Development (Most Recent Three Years)

Fort Sage Middle School teachers actively participate in Professional Development. The staff participates in Professional Learning Communities two times per month on scheduled early release days. The the focus is on increasing student achievement. Staff frequently visit other schools and attend conferences to stay up-to-date on current instructional practices. Staff other training opportunities and workshops as available. Trainers and speakers are brought in to present strategies on topics such as Common Core, current curriculum updates, assessments, and interpreting data.

In 2013/14 Fort Sage Unified School District began with the MAP assessment program. This program assesses each student's progress 3 times annually. The information can be used to guide instruction by identifying efficiency, strengths, and weaknesses.

The Superintendent/Principal performs on-going classroom observations. Also, an annual formal observation followed by a meeting in which written documentation is provided for each teacher by the Superintendent/Principal.