

School Fact Sheet, 2007–2008

LAWDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Environmental Charter High School

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PRINCIPAL: Alison Diaz **GRADE RANGE:** 9-12 **SCHEDULE:** Traditional

TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Teachers

| KEY FACTOR | OUR SCHOOL | COUNTY AVG | STATE AVG |
|--|------------|------------|-----------|
| Number of teachers (FTE) | 28 | 72 | 54 |
| Students per teacher | 17 | 24 | 23 |
| Average years of teaching experience | 5 | 12 | 12 |
| Teachers with one or two years of teaching experience | 34% | 16% | 14% |
| Full credential holders | 52% | 88% | 93% |
| Trainee credential holders | 34% | 8% | 5% |
| Emergency permit holders | 14% | 9% | 5% |

SOURCE: 2007 CBEDS data, California Dept. of Education. County and state averages represent high schools only. Because teachers can hold more than one type of credential, percentages rarely add up to 100 percent.

Our teachers bring an average of five years of teaching experience to their classes. About 52 percent have a full credential. Statewide about 93 percent of high school teachers hold this credential.

Average Class Sizes

| CORE COURSE | OUR SCHOOL | COUNTY AVG | STATE AVG |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| English | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| History/social science | 26 | 30 | 30 |
| Math | 24 | 28 | 27 |
| Science | 26 | 30 | 29 |

SOURCE: 2007 CBEDS data, California Dept. of Education. County and state averages represent high schools only.

The average class size of core courses varies at our school from a low of 24 students to a high of 26 students. Our average class size for all classes schoolwide is 25 students. The average class size schoolwide for other high schools in the state is 28 students.

Students

| KEY FACTOR | OUR SCHOOL | COUNTY AVG | STATE AVG |
|--|------------|------------|-----------|
| Number of students | 459 | 1,696 | 1,247 |
| English learners | 14% | 18% | 15% |
| Low-income students | 71% | 52% | 42% |
| Students whose parents attended/graduated college | 47% | 48% | 56% |

SOURCE: 2007 CBEDS data, California Dept. of Education. County and state averages represent high schools only.

The factors above may affect students' performance in school. Most of the 63 students at our school designated as English learners speak Spanish at home.

COLLEGE PREPARATION

Three factors indicate how effectively we prepare students for college: whether students are taking the courses required for college admission, whether the school offers Advanced Placement (AP) courses, and where students ultimately enroll in the state's public college system.

| KEY FACTOR | OUR SCHOOL | COUNTY AVG | STATE AVG |
|---|------------|------------|-----------|
| 2007 graduates meeting UC or CSU course requirements | 53% | 41% | 37% |
| AP exams passed per 100 juniors and seniors (2007) | 5 | 27 | 26 |
| 2006 graduates attending UC | 13% | 9% | 8% |
| 2006 graduates attending CSU | 35% | 13% | 13% |
| 2006 graduates attending community colleges | 35% | 36% | 31% |

SOURCE: 2007 CBEDS data, California Dept. of Education. California Postsecondary Education Commission. County and state averages represent high schools only.

Information in this report changes throughout the year. A complete annual accountability report is available from our school or district office, and on our district Web site:

<http://www.lawndale.k12.ca.us>

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

California Standards Tests

This series of tests is based on what California students are expected to know and learn at each grade level.

Student Proficiency

BAR GRAPHS SHOW THESE PROFICIENCY GROUPS FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

FAR BELOW BASIC **BELOW BASIC** **BASIC** **PROFICIENT** **ADVANCED**

| SUBJECT | PERCENT PROFICIENT OR HIGHER | LOW SCORES | HIGH SCORES |
|---------|------------------------------|------------|-------------|
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English/Language Arts (Reading and Writing)

| | | |
|---------------------|-----|--|
| Our school | 46% | |
| Calif. high schools | 44% | |

Algebra

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|---------------------|-----|--|
| Our school | 13% | |
| Calif. high schools | 15% | |

US History

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| Our school | 38% | |
| Calif. high schools | 40% | |

Biology

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|---------------------|-----|--|
| Our school | 47% | |
| Calif. high schools | 43% | |

Science

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|---------------------|-----|--|
| Our school | 46% | |
| Calif. high schools | 41% | |

SOURCE: The scores for the California Standards Tests are from the spring 2008 test cycle. State averages represent high schools only.

MEASURES OF ACADEMIC PROGRESS

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE INDEX (API): This is California's way of rating schools. Using student test scores, the API places schools on a scale from 200 to 1000. Our school's API was 713, compared with 710 for the average high school. The state expects schools to attain an API of 800 eventually.

ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS (AYP): This is a federal measure that requires schools to meet test score goals schoolwide and for all subgroups* of students. We met all 14 criteria for yearly progress. As a result, we succeeded at making AYP. Note that the number of criteria may vary from school to school.

| CALIFORNIA API ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE INDEX | | FEDERAL AYP ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS | |
|--|------------|---|------------|
| Met schoolwide growth target | Yes | Met AYP | Yes |
| Met growth target for prior school year | Yes | Met schoolwide test participation rate | Yes |
| API score | 713 | Met schoolwide test score goals | Yes |
| Growth attained from prior year | +37 | Met subgroup* test participation rate | Yes |
| Met subgroup* growth targets | Yes | Met subgroup* test score goals | Yes |
| | | Met API for AYP | Yes |
| | | Met graduation rate | Yes |
| | | Program Improvement school | No |

SOURCE: API growth score, 2008 test cycle. API and AYP current as of September 2008.
 *—Numerically significant groups, such as English learners and ethnic groups, with separate API and AYP goals.
 N/A—Data unavailable or unreported; statistically insignificant number of valid test scores; testing data under review; or school uses alternative accountability measures.

